



Summer classes at Seacoast Kayak

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SEABROOK | Whether one is new to the sport of kayaking, or simply needs to brush up on their technique, Seacoast Kayak in Seabrook has something for everyone this summer.

For those who have never paddled or are very new to the sport, the two-hour "Introduction to Recreational Kayaking" class provides the basics of kayak safety and paddling

techniques for calm, protected water. There are no "wet exits" in this class.

Plan on paddling in protected water? Then the "Introduction to Sea Kayaking" class is the class for those who own kayaks with two bulkheads or want to learn more than just the basics. A variety of paddling strokes will be covered as well as wet exits and re-entry techniques. Course requirements include PFD,

bilge pump, paddle float, and sprayskirt.

Those who have the basics covered and wish to learn techniques that will enhance their time on the water may want to look into "Advanced Paddling Techniques." In this two-hour class, participants will cover draw and sweep strokes, ruddering, bracing, edging and sculling techniques. An intro to kayaking class is a pre-requisite or

equivalent experience.

Reserve a spot now for an informative 2.5 hour "Eco-Tour" of the Seabrook/ Hampton Harbor. The tour begins by covering basic safety and paddling instruction, before going on to tour the estuaries of the harbor. Participants will enjoy learning about the ecology of the birds, animals and plant life that live there. Prior kayaking experience is required for this program; tours run with 4-8 people. Wear shoes that can get wet.

Seacoast Kayak is located on Ocean Blvd (Route 1A), in Seabrook. For more information on dates and pricing, call (603) 474-1025 or visit www.seacoastkayak.com.



The Casino Ballroom at Hampton Beach will host 30 Seconds to Mars (pictured) on Thursday, July 21 beginning at 8 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.). Opening for the band Chevelle, 30 Seconds to Mars features the talents of (from left) Shannon Leto, Matt Wachter, Tomo Milicevic and actor Jared Leto, who was featured in the films "Panic Room," "Fight Club," and "American Psycho," as well as the television series "My So-Called Life." General admission tickets are \$19 in advance at \$21 at the door. For more information, call the Casino Ballroom at (603) 929-4100.

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Race day is fun day in Greenland

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GREENLAND | Registration forms are currently available for the annual Jason Hussey Memorial Race, taking place on Saturday, July 16.

The race steps off at 6 p.m. from Greenland Central School, located on Post Road (Route 151) in Greenland. Registrations will be accepted from 4:30-5:30 p.m. the day of the race. A Children's Fun Run will begin at 5 p.m., followed by the non-competitive, untimed Luther's Walk at 5:30 p.m.

An awards ceremony will take place after the race.

The pre-entry fee is \$10, or \$12 the day of the race. Proceeds from the race will be used for community enrichment programs and charitable gifts.

Other race day events will include a continental breakfast at 7:30 a.m., hosted by the Greenland Community Church; a town-wide yard sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; K-9 Search and Rescue Demo at 3 p.m.; a BBQ fundraiser for Environmental School (chicken for \$7,

hamburgers and hotdogs for \$5); music; fun activities (including a chess competition); and raffles.

For more information, call (603) 431-7111.

Cook up a weekend vacation with Chez Boucher

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GREENLAND | Looking for a weekend getaway? What better way to sample New England than to enjoy a Culinary Adventure Getaway through Chez Boucher Cooking School in Greenland.

Participants will enjoy hands-on cooking instruction, gourmet dining, taking a stroll on the beach at sunset, antique shopping and relaxing in a beautiful 19th century architecture style Seacoast area inn.

This is an all-inclusive weekend in which participants will learn how to prepare several dishes, from hors d'oeuvres to desserts. A champagne reception, five-course dinner party, and an amazing farewell brunch are just a sampling

of the meals to enjoy while on this Culinary Adventure.

The vacation includes two nights accommodations and transportation to and from the cooking school. Weekend availabilities are July 15-16, August 5-6 and

19-20; and September 2-3. Rates are \$495 per person based on double occupancy, or \$595 for single occupancy. Learn more by visiting www.chezboucher.com, or call (603) 964-9909 to make reservations today.

Music Hall evening celebrates latest in Harry Potter series

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PORTSMOUTH | Step inside the Music Hall in Portsmouth on Friday, July

15 for a night of Hogwarts-style magic, conjuring, games and a dramatic staged reading, all designed to celebrate the launch of J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince."

Local artists, actors, theater technicians and dramatists are helping to set the stage, the halls, and lobby for a memorable and dramatic night marking the book's worldwide release.

The fun begins at 10:30 p.m., and participants will leave after midnight with a copy of this long-awaited book.

Tickets are now on sale at \$6 for members and \$7.50 for non-members. Participants must purchase one book with each order up to four tickets, which are on sale at River Run Bookstore and the Music Hall box office, located on Chestnut Street. For more information, call the Music Hall at (603) 436-2400.

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