

# Tideland Topics

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## Summer residential rates

May 1 marks the seasonal rate change for residential members. All residential bills rendered between May 1 and October 31 will be billed at the published rate of 12.48¢ per kilowatt hour (kWh). As with all rates year-round, billing calculations are also subject to wholesale power cost adjustments (WPCA) which may be a charge or credit. For April 2024, the WPCA was a charge of 1.074¢ per kWh.

Don't forget to sign up for a high energy use alert to prevent high bills due to household equipment malfunctions.

## Rights-of-way maintenance schedule

Tideland has engaged Gunnison Tree Services to cut and trim vegetation in our rights-of-way. During May, Gunnison crews will be trimming on the Bay Bay and Rose Acre circuits out of the Ponzer substation.

Our contract construction crews with Lee Electrical will be working on pole replacements throughout our Grantsboro district.

We appreciate your support of this important work as we head into hurricane season next month.

## National Bear Fest

Save the date for the 11th annual National Black Bear Fest in Plymouth: June 6 – 7.

New to the lineup this year is the action-packed Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Show. Axe-throwing, wood chopping, log rolling and amazing chainsaw skills that will thrill young and old alike.

Multiple water activities are on tap for this year's event, including lazy river tubing, kayaking, free pontoon boat rides on the Roanoke River, Harbor Towns jet boat rides and paddle wheel cruises. There will be a Native American Pow Wow, lots of vendors, wild bear tours and a children's bear train in the Kid's Zone play area. Want to take to the skies? Hot air balloon rides and helicopter rides will be available. If you prefer to stay a little more grounded and just look to the skies, you won't want to miss the Reflections on the Roanoke Fireworks Show.

For more information, visit [nationalbearfest.com](http://nationalbearfest.com).







Harbour Pointe Golf Club at Fairfield Harbour

## Journey of Hope Golf Tournament

Harbour Pointe Golf Club is one of three New Bern courses hosting tournaments on June 21 to raise funds for the Journey of Hope (JOH) Cancer Support Center. JOH works under the umbrella of the CarolinaEast Foundation.

### Harbour Pointe Details:

**Saturday, June 21, 2025**

**8 am: Check-in**

**9 am: Shotgun start**

**1:30 pm: Luncheon & program**

### Men & Women Four Person Super Ball Format

**\$70 for club members**

**\$90 for non-members**

*includes green fees, cart, buffet lunch and contest prizes*

**50/50, raffle prizes, mulligans/tee buster**

Registration and payment due by Saturday, June 14, 2025.

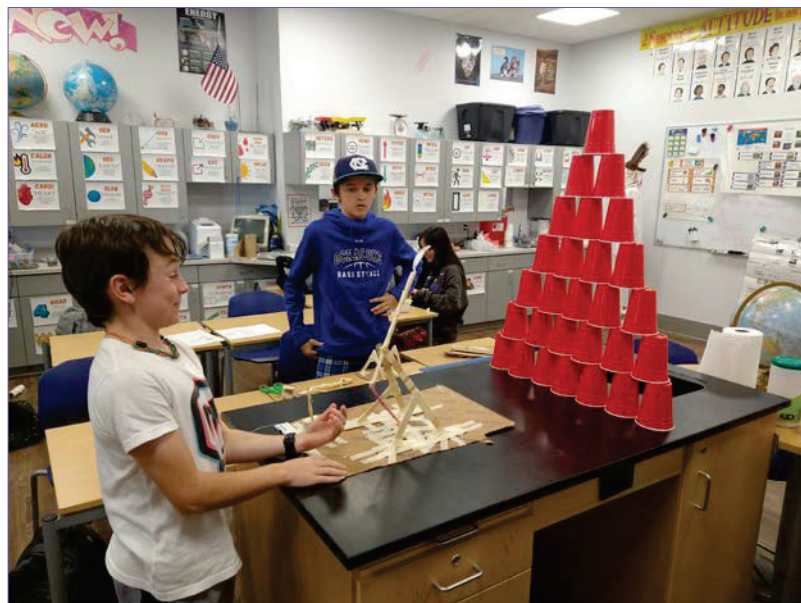
The other two same-day tournaments will be at River Bend Golf and Country Club and the Emerald Golf Club.

Call 252-638-5338 for details.



# 30 Bright Ideas

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## Cindy's Famous Cinnamon Rolls

Thank you to Cindy Hubers' family for sharing with us her cinnamon roll recipe in response to a condolence letter we received from a co-op member.

### Ingredients

- 2 cups milk
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 packages of yeast
- 1/2 cup lukewarm water
- 2 beaten eggs
- 7 cups of flour
- 1 tablespoon salt

First scald milk, add butter and sugar. Cool. Then dissolve yeast in water. Add both mixtures together with the 2 beaten eggs. Add flour and salt and mix well. Turn out onto a floured board and let rest for 10 minutes. Knead in enough additional flour so as not to be sticky.



Place dough in a greased bowl and let rise 1 hour. Roll the dough into a rectangle. Cover with softened butter or margarine. Sprinkle generously with brown sugar and cinnamon. Roll up jelly roll fashion and cut into 1 inch slices. Place in pans and let rise for 1/2-1 hour. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes, until brown.

**Icing:** 1 cup of sifted powdered sugar, 1-1/2 tablespoons milk, 1/4 teaspoon pure vanilla.



# Bright Ideas shine like a beacon at Ocracoke School

Bright Ideas grant recipient Karen Teklinsky took her classroom environment to new heights this year with the formation of a Science Club. Students were able to build helicopters, towers, wind turbines and a car-launch device called a scrambler. They were introduced to decoding, entomology, fossils and anatomy. They solved mysteries using forensic science, created potions and identified poisons. They used microscopes to look at blood samples, finger prints, hair samples and splatter marks.

That led to the formation of Ocracoke School's first Science Olympiad team, with students competing in regionals held at East Carolina University. They placed third in Meteorology and first in the Scrambler competition. The first place team was heading to the state competition at NC State University at press time.

Mrs. Teklinsky proves that small dollars, small schools and even small islands can do big things when bright ideas shine.



## Traveling Abroad?

While traveling outside of the continental United States, you will not be able to access Tideland's member portal due to firewall security protocols we have put in place.

To prevent late fees and possible interruption of electric service we recommend you do one of the following:

- Put a credit card or bank account on file with the cooperative and contact Tideland whenever you want to authorize a payment. You can email us from outside the country or make an international phone call to our 24-hour call center to initiate the one-time payment.
- Enroll in bank or credit card draft so Tideland can automatically initiate the payment year-round regardless of where you are at any given time.
- Use Tideland's member portal payment scheduling service to authorize a transaction before you leave the country.
- Use your own financial institution's payment scheduling features to initiate a payment.
- Make a prepayment on your electric account before you travel. One of our service representatives will be glad to advise you on what a reasonable prepayment may be based on your past billing history.



# LOVE THE OUTDOORS?

## BE **SAFE** OUT THERE



**2/3**

of lightning fatalities are associated with outdoor **recreational activities**.



Pay attention to weather forecasts **before you go canoeing or boating**. Get off the open water as soon as you **hear thunder**.



**Look up** for power lines while fishing or sailing.

**FACT: Fishing is the most common outdoor activity associated with lightning-related deaths.**



### Going for a hike?

If you hear thunder or see lightning, **do not seek shelter under a tree**.



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**Tent camping?** Plan ahead, seek shelter in a hard-top vehicle or four-sided building during a storm or at the first sight of lightning.



## Tidelanders,

## Be on the lookout for Lineman Larry!

### Arriving in mailboxes soon

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## Holiday *Closing*

Our offices will be closed  
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Day. Our 24-hour call center  
will remain open and crews  
are on standby to respond to  
outages as needed.

