



The Town of Narragansett invites you to

# “Gansett Days” & Endless Summer Festival

A celebration of Narragansett

*September 16, 17, & 18, 2022*

**Main Exhibit Tent: Gazebo Park:** 10:30am to 4:00pm Saturday, 10:30am to 4:00pm Sunday

- Information about the weekend, kiosks, all venues and participants

**Thanks to our sponsors, partners and collaborators:**

- Narragansett Parks and Recreation Department, Narragansett Lions Club, Narragansett Chamber of Commerce, Narrow River Preservation Association, Narragansett Historical Society, Your Narragansett Neighbors & Friends, South County Museum, Narrow River Kayaks, Narrow River Land Trust, Friends of Canonchet Farm, Narragansett Public Works Department, Maury Loontjens Memorial Library, Narragansett Planning Department, Narragansett Water Division/Engineering Department, Warm Winds Ltd., Narragansett Surf and Skate, RI Department of Environmental Management, Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation, Natural Fitness, Boy Scout Troop 1 Narragansett, Boy Scout Troop 2 Narragansett, Cub Scout Pack 29 Narragansett, Narragansett Girl Scouts, The Historic Towers, Narragansett Water/Wastewater Division, Narragansett Beer, Whalers Brewing Company, South County Dermatology, Brownstone Wealth Management, Pelly’s Place, Sweeney Real Estate & Appraisal, Scott Volkswagen, and Chase Bank.

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## Friday, September 16, 2022

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- 4:00pm-5:00pm **Maury Loontjens Memorial Library, 35 Kingstown Rd:** Come join in the fun with Family Yoga with Sarah (recommended for ages 5-11). Bring a towel and wear comfortable clothing. Outdoors, weather permitting. Registration required at [www.narlib.org](http://www.narlib.org) or call #401-789-9507.
- 6:00pm-7:30pm **Steve Smith & The Naked's at the Cabana Horseshoe.** A ten-piece Rhythm and Blues Band. The Band consists of Steve Smith on vocals, a four-piece Rhythm Section, a five-piece Horn Section. Winner of Two Motif Magazine Awards; Most Favorite R & B Act and Most Favorite Live Act! One of the northeast's premier Rhythm and Blues Bands. Natives of the Providence, RI area, the band has traveled the U. S. and Canada and is celebrating its 50th year of performing. Their credits include performing on their own, traveling as the backing band for Clarence Clemons, playing back up to such performers as Gary U.S. Bonds, Nils Lofgren, The Temptations and John Cafferty and the Beaver Brown Band.
- 5:00pm-8:00pm **Food Trucks and a Beer Garden**, sponsored by the Narragansett Lions Club, will be available in the area of the North Beach Club House and cabana parking lot.

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## Saturday, September 17, 2022

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- 9:00am-12:00pm **Recycling Collection Event:** Location at the North Lot of the Town Beach. Bring paper for shredding (3 box limit but, no businesses), electronic waste (computers, monitors, TV's, laptops, almost anything with a plug; DISPOSAL FEE of \$10/each for Freon appliances; see <https://indiecycle.blogspot.com/p/what-we-take.html> for more details. Big Brother Big Sister (clothing & textiles only). Exeter Scrap metal – see Narragansett Recycling website for extensive list. **No household hazardous waste will be accepted.** Sponsored by the Narragansett Public Works Department. For more information: Narragansett Recycling Coordinator #401-782-0635.
- 8:15am-9:15am **Free Yoga Workshop led by Gina Raheb, owner of Natural Fitness:** Beach Yoga, Saturday, September 17, 2022, 8:15am at Narragansett Town Beach, between the North & South Pavilions. Sponsored by Natural Fitness Yoga & Fitness. This free class will be led by Gina Raheb, owner of Natural Fitness for 20 years. She has 30 years of experience in Yoga & Pilates, 35-years of experience in Free weights, Running and Cycling, 20 years' experience in Surfing and Stand Up Paddling. Come try this Yoga class; no experience necessary, all ages and all levels welcome. Gina would like to share this free class with you and let you discover all the many health, and fitness benefits of Yoga 🧘🏻‍♀️
- 9:00am-12:00pm **What Lives in the River?** at North Side of Middlebridge @ 95 Middlebridge Road, from 9:00am to 11:00am. Led by the Narrow River Preservation Association and Narrow River Land Trust. All ages, children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. This is an all-ages introduction to common fish, shellfish, crabs and other inhabitants in the river. This year's program features: ♦ Hands-on seining with experts to catch river creatures ♦ Guided walks along the intertidal zone and salt marsh to observe the inhabitants ♦ Access and exploration of the living shoreline from a kayak (optional, limited space available) ♦ River-water tanks and microscopes to examine river creatures, and guidebooks to help identify them ♦ Posting of a running tally of the creatures identified ♦ Experts to discuss the importance of estuaries as nurseries for fish & shellfish, the fascinating migration of river herring, and the role of river plants in the food web. Please wear footwear that can get wet. This event is designed for families with elementary or middle school children and is free and open to the public. Advance registration highly recommended. Sponsored by the Narrow River Preservation Association and Narrow River Land Trust.

9:00am – 1:00pm **Mini Surf Camp: Warm Winds'** Surf Camp is an in-depth educational program that teaches sun and water safety, surf etiquette, ocean awareness, and environmental impact. Warm Winds introduces the lifestyle and sport of surfing through progressive, technical, and knowledge-based phases. Learn to surf and more in this "Mini Surf Camp" led by the team of surf camp counselors at Warm Winds. We welcome people of all ages to come and join us in celebrating Narragansett through the eyes of a surf camper!

Description: Gansett Days Mini Surf Camp hosted by Warm Winds. Check-in is at 9:00 am at the Surf Truck located in the South Parking Lot of Narragansett Town Beach. This takedown of our popular Youth Surf Camp is a free event. All equipment, surfboards and wetsuits will be provided. All minors must be accompanied by an adult to participate. Adults are not required to surf with children but are totally encouraged to do so! Space is very limited, so preregistration is recommended. Visit [www.warmwinds.com/gansett](http://www.warmwinds.com/gansett) for details.

10:00am **Narrow River Kayak, 94 Middlebridge Rd.:** Enjoy 25% off kayak, canoe and stand-up paddle board rentals Saturday, September 17 and Sunday, September 18 when you book online. Explore the Narrow River Watershed at your own pace with friends and family. We will provide you with all the equipment including paddle, pfd (personal flotation device), and the vessel of your choice. Our staff will provide basic paddle and safety instruction prior to your launch. Paddle maps available at the waterfront. Visit <https://www.narrowriverkayaks.com/daily-kayak-rentals> beginning Monday, September 12 to reserve your spot and use the code GANSETTDAYS at checkout.

SUP Class; Saturday, September 17, 2022: – Intro to Stand-Up Paddle Boarding (SUP) at 10:00am-11:30am Discover the fun of Stand-Up Paddling, one of the world's fastest growing water sport and the closest thing to walking on water! It's fun and easy to learn, and Narrow River's calm waters offer the perfect spot for beginners. We'll provide you with a stand-up paddle board (SUP), paddle, personal flotation device (pfd), and a qualified instructor to lead the way. As you glide through Narrow River's waters, you'll have gorgeous views of the John H. Chafee National Wildlife Refuge. We'll teach you all the basic skills you need to know so you can paddle with confidence the next time. Incomplete level 1 instruction may be continued with additional classes. Space limited to 15 PARTICIPANTS, maximum of 3 participants per reservation. COST: \$15 per person. To reserve a spot for this class, call 401-789-0334 or email us at [info@narrowriverkayaks.com](mailto:info@narrowriverkayaks.com). PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED IN ORDER TO SECURE YOUR SPOT.

10:00am-1:00pm **Friends of Canonchet Farm:** Meet at Anne Hoxsie lane across the street from the South Pavilion. FOCF will display and discuss the invasive plants the organization has been battling in the area of the pond and trail. Provide walking tours of trail (1<sup>st</sup> tour at 10:30am and 2<sup>nd</sup> tour at 12:00pm) and illustrate the issues with invasive plants. Also, have a child-oriented wildflower ID scavenger hunt.

10:00am-2:00pm **Narragansett Waste Water Treatment Facility:** 990 Ocean Road. "The Scarborough Secret." Come see what really happens at the Waste Water Treatment Facility and learn about what the facility does and the quality of water produced.

10:00am- 2:00pm **Boy Scout Troop 1 Narragansett, Pack 29 Narragansett, and Narragansett Girl Scouts.** Will be on hand to display scouting information and scouting history at Gazebo Park. All units will be next to the "Touch a Truck" event at Veterans Park. Troop 1 is celebrating over 106 years of active scouting in Narragansett. All the scouting programs will have games and fun for boys and girls of all ages (grades 1 thru 12) as well as food and treats. Troop 1 will have a working air archery range there for the day. Come be part of the worldwide scouting family and enjoy some skills and games.

10:00am-2:00pm **Touch A Truck:** Veterans Park, 10 Memorial Park, Ocean Road: Family fun to view your favorite large trucks and equipment. Children will be allowed to touch, climb, and ask questions about their favorite vehicles and equipment. Accompanying personnel will teach the children and adults about the equipment displayed and how these machines help us and our community. Bring a non-perishable food item to be collected and donated to the local food pantry. Sponsored by the Narragansett Department of Public Works.

- 1:00pm-2:00pm **Maury Loontjens Memorial Library, 35 Kingstown Rd:** Celebrate Harry Potter. Trivia, giveaways for all, an hour of show and tell with fun games plus an ending of delicious Butterbeer! Always something with Corinne Adams's original props. So get ready for lots of surprises! Recommended for children age 13 and up. Registration required at [22 narlib.org](http://22narlib.org) or call #401-789-9507. Space limited.
- 3:00pm-6:00pm **Vintage Police Cars at Gazebo Park, 25 Ocean Rd. at Exchange Place, Narragansett, RI.** Come and view 25-30 Vintage Police Cars on display at Gazebo Park. All of the police cars are restored and privately owned by active and retired members of Law Enforcement.
- 10:00am-3:00pm **Blacksmithing Demonstrations Blacksmith Shop, South County Museum, 115 Strathmore Street**  
Led by: SCM Blacksmiths  
Approximate Length of Tour – As long as individuals choose to observe  
Description – Blacksmiths will be demonstrating traditional techniques at the coal-fired forge. No special clothing or requirements. Sponsored by – South County Museum/no admission fee.
- 2:30pm-4:30pm **AirPlay Band at the Cabana Horseshoe:** AirPlay is a 7-piece live performance band that Rocks the House! What you hear is what they play. Top 40, R & B, Rock, Oldies, Jazz, Funk, Country Rock.
- 6:00pm-7:30pm **Roomful of Blues at the Cabana Horseshoe:** New England's Roomful of Blues has been around for over 50 years, even longer than Alligator Records. For all that time, they've celebrated the jump blues, R&B and early rock 'n' roll music of the horn-powered golden era of the late 1940s and early 1950s. Roomful doesn't simply recreate the famous and obscure 78s and 45s of those years. Inspired by the spirit of the groundbreaking bands of the post-World War II decade, they've breathed new life into vintage songs, infusing them with boundless energy and fiery, swinging solos and vocals. For the last two decades, Roomful has been led by Chris Vachon, one of the most underrated guitarists in the blues. For 40 years, their hard-charging horn section has been sparked by Rich Lataille on tenor and alto sax. Energizing the band on Hook, Line & Sinker is their terrific vocalist, Phil Pemberton. Phil's performances showcase his flamboyant, multi-octave voice, fun-loving attitude and his deep understanding of the era when jumping blues bands were fronted by huge-voiced singers like Roy Brown, Wynonie Harris and Big Joe Excellent, marvelous wall-to-wall grooves...between the wicked guitar work and the brassy horn section, things never stop swinging.

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## Sunday, September 18, 2022

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- 9:00am-11:00am **Brighter Skies Balloon Company at Parks and Recreation, 170 Clarke Rd.:** For the past 30 years Bruce Byberg has operated and piloted hot air balloons, including the Fanta balloon (in Norway and Sweden), United Van Lines, Anheuser Busch, and Wrehburg theatre popcorn bag-shaped balloon. He has accumulated almost 4,000 hours of flight time over the last 25 years operating the Re/Max balloon. Brighter Skies will provide 2 hot air balloons to be tethered and will continue to tether until they run out of fuel or until weather no longer permits. WEATHER PERMITTING.
- 10:00am-3:00pm **Helicopter Rides at Veterans Park:** Heliblock Helicopter Adventures will provide three to five-minute helicopter rides from Veteran's Park from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Rides will be first come first served.
- 12:00pm-3:00pm **"Learn to Surf" at Narragansett Town Beach sponsored by Gansett Skate and Surf Shop.** Location: Sea Wall area in south end of the south lot at Narragansett Town Beach (lot closest to the Coast Guard House). Get a free lesson from staff. Surf boards and wet suits provided. Pre-registration recommended. Call Gansett Skate and Surf for details #401-789-7890.
- 1:00pm-2:15pm **Port of Galilee Walking Tour:** Port of Galilee, parking area in front of the dock (first dock adjacent to the Great Island Bridge. Take right at end of Escape Rd. and park in parking lot on right). Led by: Daniel Costa, DEM Port Manager. Approximate length of tour: 1 hour 15 min. A guided tour describing the port of Galilee, its daily activities, Rhode Island Fisheries, Economic Importance of the Port as a part of the Narragansett Community. Special clothing or requirements: None. Sponsored by: RIDEM **Daniel Costa. (There will be no discussion regarding the Lighthouse Inn).**
- 1:00pm-2:00pm **Maury Loontjens Memorial Library, 35 Kingstown Rd:** Adult coloring for relaxation and stress reduction. Bring a friend and enjoy time to focus on your creative self. A variety of coloring supplies, cookie and lemonade provided. No registration required.
- 3:00pm-4:15pm **Port of Galilee Walking Tour:** Port of Galilee, parking area in front of dock (first dock adjacent to the Great Island Bridge. Take right at end of Escape Rd. and park in parking lot on light). Led by: Daniel Costa, DEM Port Manager. Approximate length of tour: 1 hour 15 min. A guided tour describing the port of Galilee, its daily activities, Rhode Island Fisheries, Economic Importance of the Port as a part of the Narragansett Community. Special clothing or requirements: None. Sponsored by: RIDEM **Daniel Costa. (There will be no discussion regarding the Lighthouse Inn).**