

Cranberry Cove Ferry to dock at Beal's Lobster Pier starting May 27th

Southwest Harbor, Maine (Date) – Beal's Lobster Pier today announced that the Cranberry Cove Ferry, operated by Downeast Windjammer Cruise Lines, will begin using its dock for passengers and tourists who travel to the outer islands starting Friday, May 27th

The ferry service, the only way to travel between Southwest Harbor and the Cranberry Islands, will run four round trips daily May 27th – June 30th & September – October 1st, and five round trips daily in July & August. In the past, the ferry service used the Upper Town dock in Southwest Harbor.

“Beal's is excited about our new partnership with Downeast Windjammer,” said Justin Snyder, Dock Manager of Beal's Lobster Pier. “The Cranberry Ferry is a critical part of daily life for year rounders on the outer islands and beloved by island visitors. This partnership continues the Ferry's long tradition and provides our guests another amazing Maine experience and the opportunity to make lifelong memories.”

“We would like to thank the iconic Beals for allowing ferry service from Southwest Harbor to the Cranberry Isles to continue operating from Clark Point Road where there has been ferry service to the Islands for over 75 years,” said Steve Pagels, owner of Downeast Windjammer Cruise Lines. This will help the residents and businesses on the Cranberry Isles, as well as the residents and businesses from Southwest Harbor and Mount Desert Island, along with those who visit the area.”

The number of year round offshore Island communities on the coast of Maine has dwindled from over 300 + in the mid-19th century to only 14 today, according to Pagels, who added Beal's and Cranberry Cove Ferry are helping to keep this vital transportation link alive in the 21st century.

The new ferry service coincides with the 90th anniversary of Beal's Lobster Pier. What Harvard Beal founded in 1932 as a wholesale fish market, today has become a Maine landmark and a go-to dining destination and experience for people all over the country and world.

About Beal's Lobster Pier:

Since its first year of operation in 1932, Beal's Lobster Pier has maintained operation as a year-round, working fish and lobster pier. After years of success as a wholesale operation, the Beal family opened the restaurant at Beal's Lobster Pier in 1969 and the restaurant's vision remains the same today as it was then – serve up the freshest seafood and give our guests the most authentic Maine experience at the doorstep of the waterfront that makes it all possible. Five decades later, Beal's continues to dish out the finest seafood and fresh eats that have come to personify summer for so many in Southwest Harbor. For more information visit:

<https://www.bealslobster.com/>

About Downeast Windjammer Cruise Lines

Downeast Windjammer Cruise Lines operates Historic sailing vessels from Bar Harbor, along with four different passenger ferry services from Bar Harbor , Southwest Harbor, & Eastport , including a Winter commuter ferry service to the Cranberry Isles. For more information visit

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