



# Middletown Coastal Access Alliance

## SPRING MEETING



# Middletown Coastal Access Alliance (MCAA)

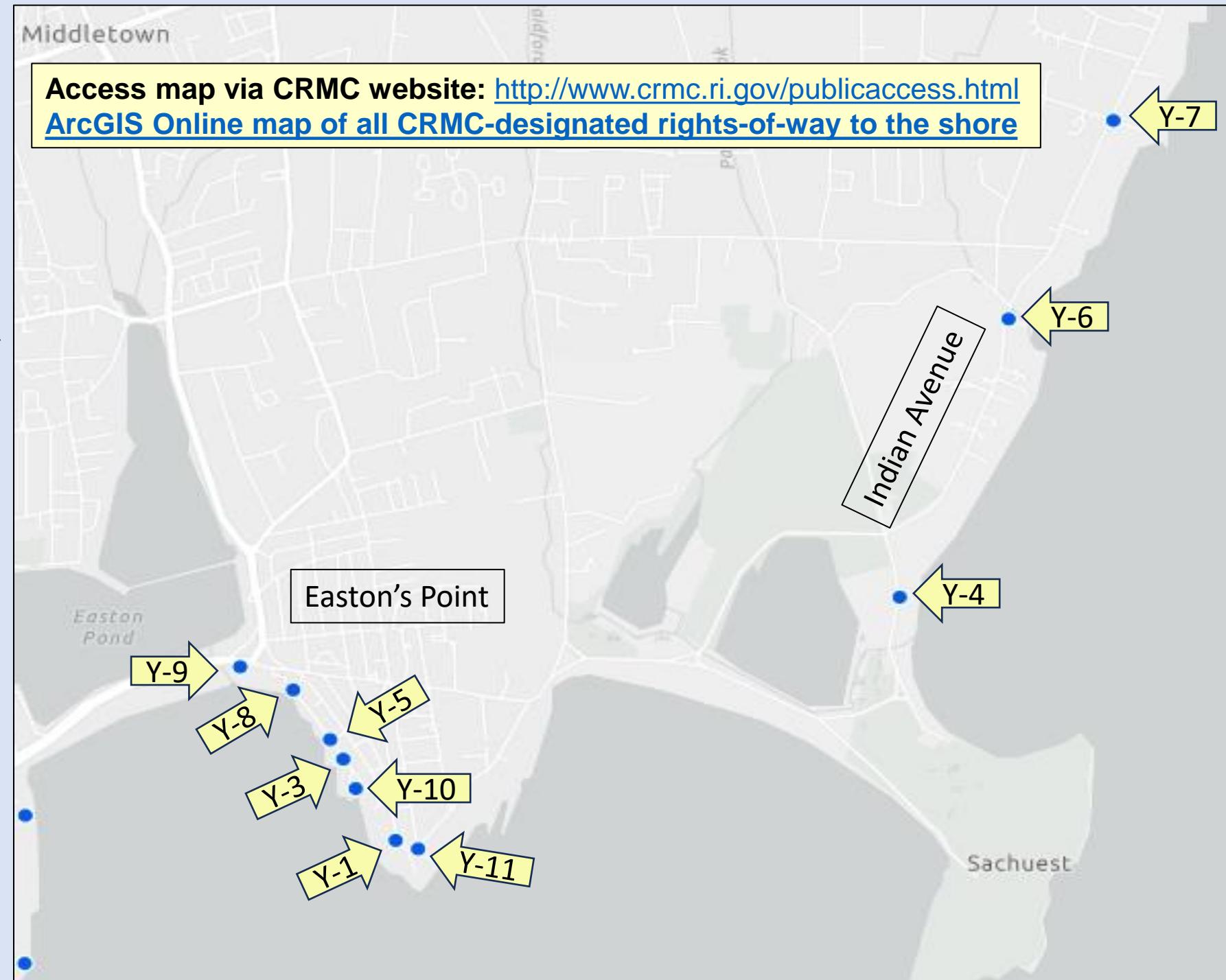
## What is the MCAA?

- A non-profit group that aims to **monitor, maintain, and preserve** the rights-of-way (ROWs) that provide public access to the coastal waters of Middletown, RI.
- **Organize volunteer efforts** to help ensure that our ROWs are available for the public to use as intended, while respecting the rights of adjacent private property owners.
- **Coordinate** with the Town of Middletown, the Coastal Resource Management Council (CRMC), and other groups that share and support our goals.

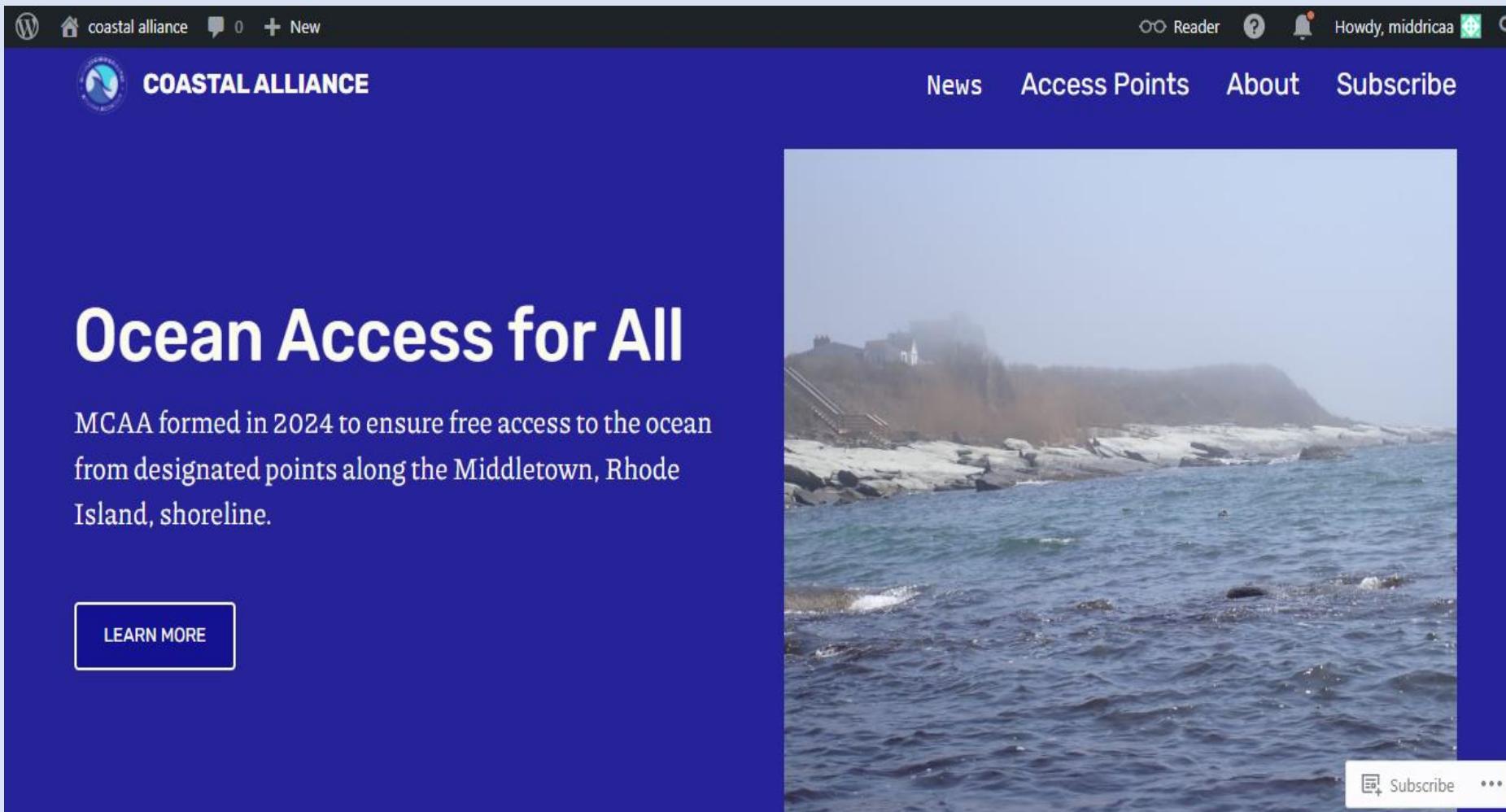
# Getting to know Middletown ROWS

## ROW   Common Name

Y-1	Spiratos/Sea View Villa
Y-2	N/A - not in use
Y-3	Shore Drive - west
Y-4	Peabody/Third Beach
Y-5	Esplanade/Shore Drive
Y-6	Taggart's Ferry
Y-7	Pebble Beach
Y-8	Esplanade Steps
Y-9	Dunlap-Wheeler Park
Y-10	Shore Drive - south
Y-11	Clambake Club



Visit our website at <https://coastal-alliance.org/>



The screenshot shows the homepage of the MCAA website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for a user profile, a house (home), and a search bar. The main title 'COASTAL ALLIANCE' is displayed with a circular logo to its left. Below the title, there are menu links for 'News', 'Access Points', 'About', and 'Subscribe'. The main content area features a large image of a rocky coastline. To the left of the image, the text 'Ocean Access for All' is displayed in large white letters. Below this, a paragraph explains that MCAA formed in 2024 to ensure free access to the ocean from designated points along the Middletown, Rhode Island, shoreline. A 'LEARN MORE' button is located in the bottom left corner of the main content area. In the bottom right corner of the image, there is a 'Subscribe' button with a bell icon and a '...' button.

Email MCAA at [middricaac@gmail.com](mailto:middricaac@gmail.com)



# Adopt-an-Access MoU Signed!

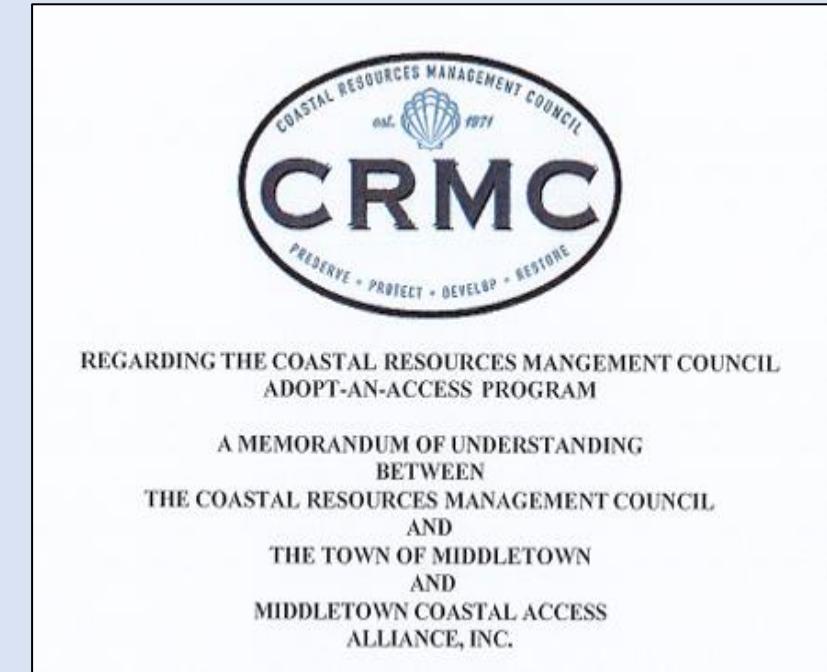
Town of Middletown – CRMC - MCAA

- **CRMC:**

- Serve as **Program Administrator**, primary responsibility for the implementation and operation of the Program
- **Prosecute violations** related to blocking or posting at CRMC designated rights-of-way.

- **Town of Middletown:**

- Primary responsibility for **site maintenance**
- Primary responsibility for **installing signage**
- Covered by the **limited liability** protections of RIGL Chapter 32-6-5(b) regarding public use of private lands.

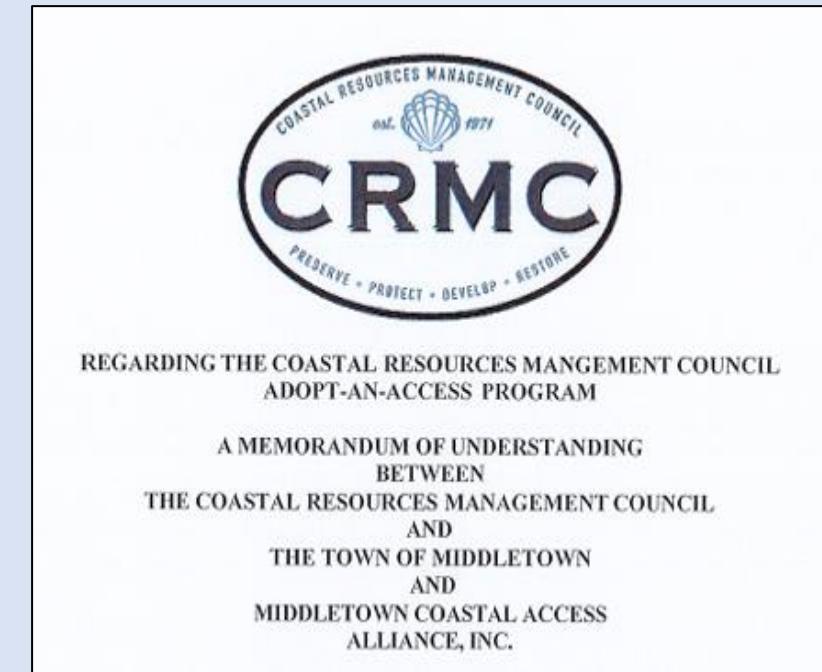


Adopted by  
Middletown Town Council  
April 7, 2025

# Adopt-an-Access MoU

## MCAA Responsibilities:

- **Monitor** each site at least once a month
- Maintain a **written record** of conditions, problems, and activities
- Conduct minimum of two annual **clean-ups**
- Coordinate with the Town of Middletown on trash removal, site maintenance, improvements, and reporting potential or actual problems.
- Compile biannual reviews and provide to the Middletown Town Council and CRMC



# ROW Monitoring

- Choose your favorite ROW
- Visit at least once per month
- Complete on-line form each time
- Help conduct 2+ clean-ups a year



Middletown Coastal Access Monitoring  
Form

**SUBMIT**



# Monitoring Form

Choose

Y-1 Spiratos/Sea View Villa

Y-3 Shore Drive - west

Y-4 Peabody/Third Beach

Y-5 Esplanade/Shore Drive

Y-6 Taggart's Ferry

Y-7 Pebble Beach

Y-8 Esplanade Steps

Y-9 Dunlap-Wheeler Park

Y-10 Shore Drive - south

Y-11 Clambake Club

## Click to respond:

- CRMC sign visible?
- Able to access shore?
- Any obstructions? Yes > Photo?
- Storm damage? Yes > Photo?
- Litter? Select types.
- Graffiti/Vandalism? Yes> Photo
- Other info?
- Other photos?

**SUBMIT**

## Middletown Coastal Access Monitoring Form

[middricaa@gmail.com](mailto:middricaa@gmail.com) [Switch account](#)



The name, email, and photo associated with your Google account will be recorded when you upload files and submit this form

\* Indicates required question

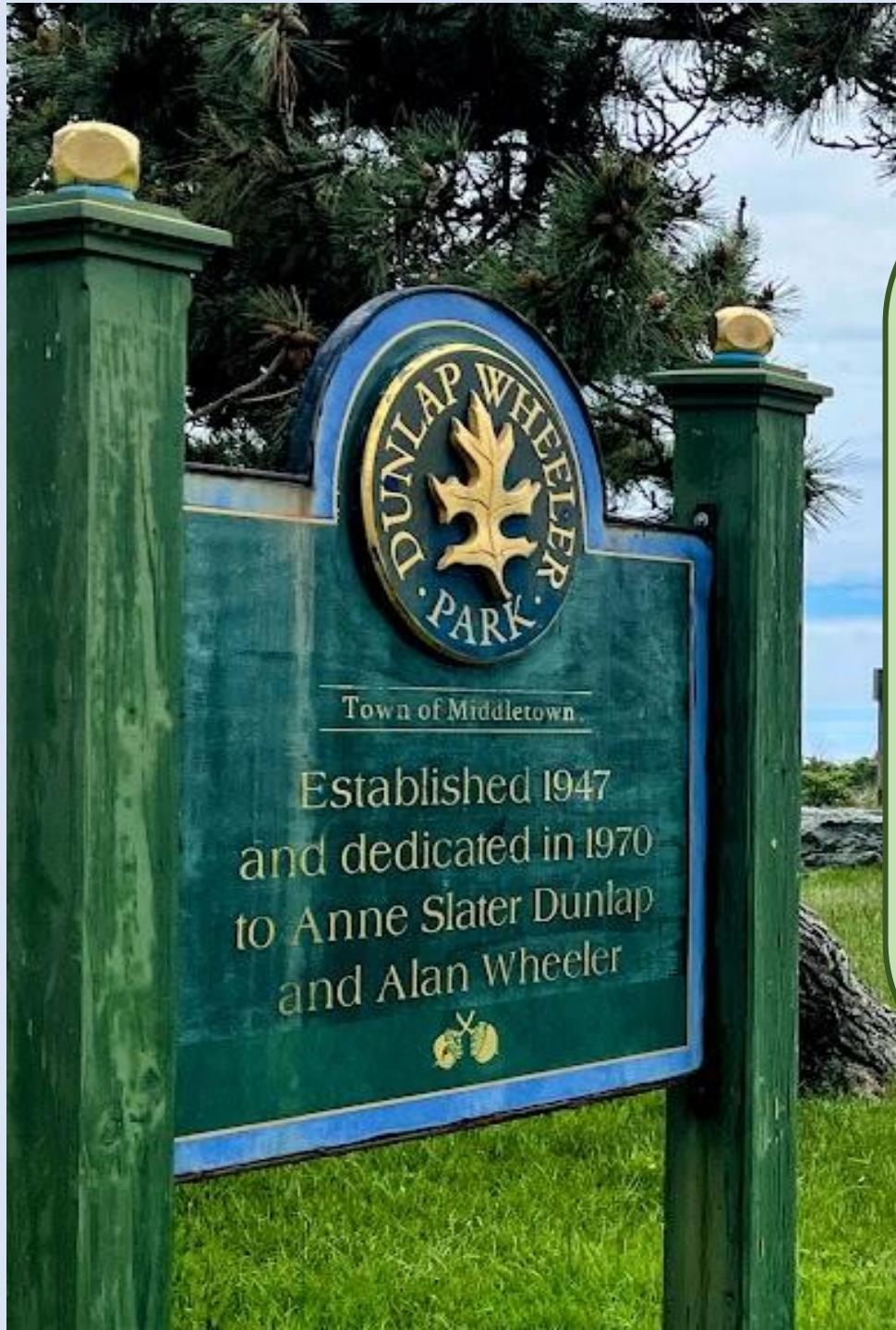
Was there any marine debris and/or litter visible at this location? If yes, select all that apply:

- None
- Food packaging
- Beverage containers
- Fishing debris (fishing line, buoys, traps, etc.)
- Dog waste (bagged or not)
- Smoking materials (cigarette butts, vape pens, lighters, cigarette packaging, etc.)
- Other:

# Clean-ups

- Do a little each visit
- Help needed? Let us know!
- MCAA will organize clean-ups as needed





# **CLEAN-UP**

at

## **DUNLAP-WHEELER PARK**

and

## **COASTAL ACCESS POINT**

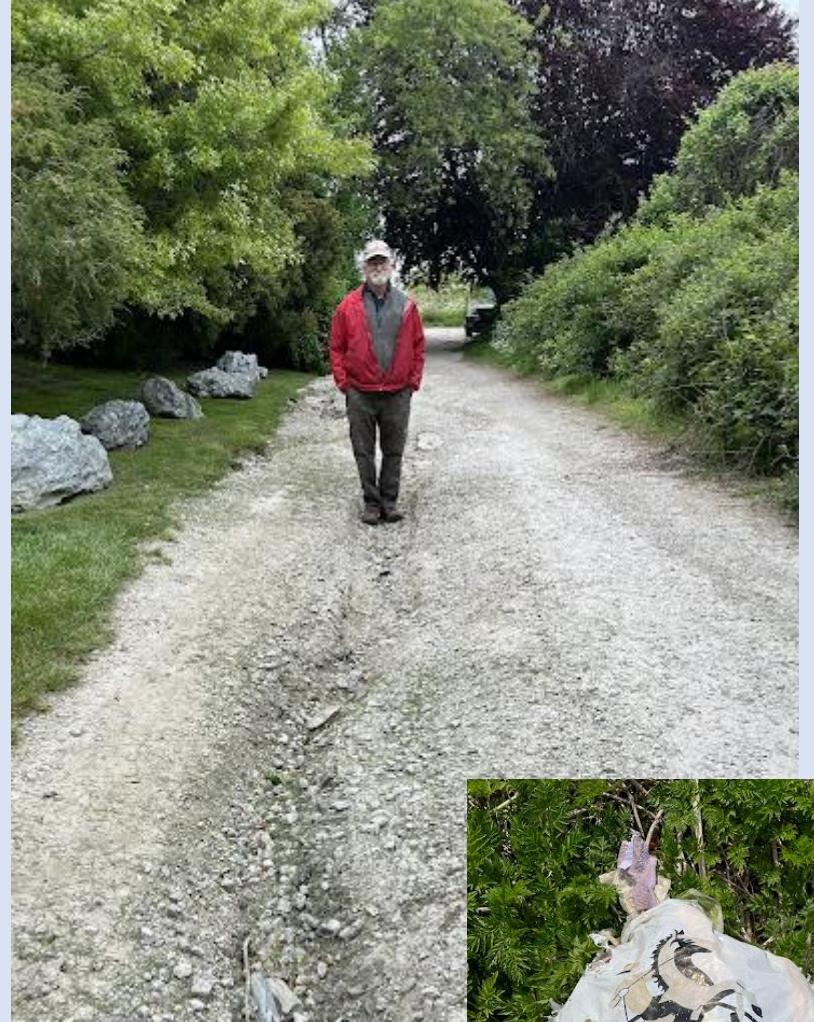
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**WHEN:** Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

**TIME:** 10:00am-Noon

**Sponsored by:**

- **Easton's Point Association**
- **Middletown Coastal Access Alliance**



**Y-7**  
**Pebble Beach**  
**Kingfisher Avenue**



# Share ROW News



**Y-1 Before**  
December 2024

**Y-1 After >>>**



**Y-11 Before**  
May 2025

**Y-11 After >>>**



# Next Steps?

- Sign up to be a Monitor
- Join a clean-up
- Keep in touch
- Spread the word



A wide-angle photograph of a sunset over a body of water. The sun is a bright yellow orb in the upper center, casting a warm glow. The sky is a gradient from deep blue at the top to orange and yellow near the horizon. The water is a dark blue-grey, with small white-capped waves breaking on a dark, rocky shoreline in the foreground. The horizon line is roughly in the middle of the frame, with a distant, dark silhouette of land or trees on the far shore.

Questions?

*Thank you!*