



## Chebeague Transportation Company

# NEW TRIP ADDED TO CTC FERRY SCHEDULE!

At their January 20th meeting, the CTC Board of Directors voted to add a 8PM ferry from Chebeague (8:15 PM from Cousins) Monday through Thursday effective 1/31/2011. The bus will not be available for this trip. Route One parkers returning on this boat should park on Cousins Island and return their car to Route One as soon as possible.

The schedule change was adopted because of the comments we received on our customer survey and from residents over the last few months. The need comes primarily from our school children who need (or desire) to attend school activities in the evenings. Parents told us that having children wait until a nine or ten o'clock boat significantly impacted their homework and rest time during the week.

Commuters also told us that the new trip would give them more flexibility in work schedules.

We looked at the additional costs of adding mid-evening trips to our schedule. Since the trips would fall within existing work schedules for our boat crew, impact would be in the cost of running the boat (fuel, maintenance, etc). The Board of Directors felt that benefit to our community justified the additional cost. Furthermore, since school activities occur on all school nights, the Board felt that the trip should be added each night Monday through Thursday.

The full boat schedule will be evaluated over the next few months and the community will be given ample opportunity for input into schedule changes. The value of continuing the 8PM boat beyond the current school year will be assessed at that time.

Thank you!

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