

Please note:

- There are NO lifesaving services on the beaches. Swim only at your own risk. Take special care with children at all times. Do not swim alone.
- Paths are rough and not suitable for jogging. Watch your footing.
- Check for ticks in season. They carry the risk of lyme and other diseases. Ticks live in the vegetation, waiting to latch onto passersby that brush the grass and branches.
- Be aware of stands of poison ivy.
- There are no public facilities (toilets, phones, etc.) at Quissett Harbor.
- Stay on established trails. Make no new paths and please keep off banks and vegetation.
- NO overnight camping or fires.
- NO motorcycles or bicycles.
- NO alcohol or glass containers.
- Do not disturb rock armor or throw stones.
- Dogs are welcome on leash but only if you clean up after them. Do not let them dig in the banks.
- Enjoy when open, 8:00 am to sunset. NO entry when closed.



Lovely Herreshoff 12 1/2-footers swing gracefully on their moorings just off the Land Trust dock.

A Gift and a Responsibility:

The Knob was a gift of Cornelia Carey for conservation. Before making this gift, Miss Carey added to the large boulders that protect the thin neck of the Knob from the waves.

It is now our responsibility to protect this beautiful piece of land for the enjoyment of all. Please stay on the main trails and stand well back from the rocks on the Knob's lookout point. Please don't throw rock and stones from armored areas. The vegetation of the woods and on the beach is what keeps the soil and sand from getting blown and washed away.



What starts as a small trail can cause major erosion. Please respect trail closures.

Quissett Harbor:

Quissett Harbor is one of the best protected and most scenic harbors on Cape Cod. The Knob shelters the harbor entrance from fierce winter storms.

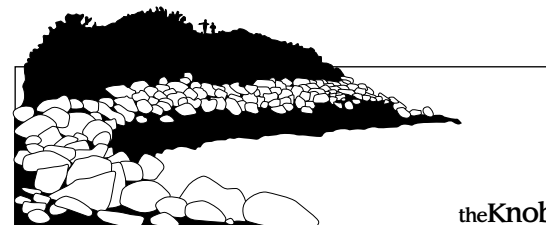
What You Can Do to Help Preserve The Knob:

- Stay on the main trails and off the vegetation.
- Do not throw stones or move rocks that have been placed for protection.
- Pick up litter and trash—yours and what others may have left behind.



The outer portion of the Knob is owned by Salt Pond Areas Bird Sanctuaries, Inc., a non-profit privately administered conservation organization. Access to The Knob is on property of the Quissett Harbor House Land Trust, Inc. Donations for maintenance of The Knob may be made on a tax deductible basis under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code by designating the contribution to:

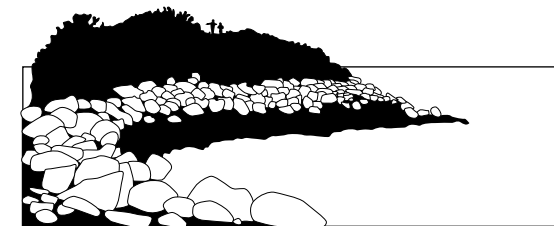
The Knob Fund, c/o Salt Pond Areas Bird Sanctuaries, Inc., 881 Palmer Ave., Falmouth, MA 02540, 508-548-8484, or The Knob Fund of the Quissett Harbor Preservation Trust, Inc., P.O. Box 197, Falmouth, MA 02541.



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Please consider it a privilege to walk to the Knob and swim at its beaches. You are a guest on private property and we hope you will share in its stewardship.

Help preserve and protect this very special place!

OPEN 8:00 am to sunset.



THE KNOB LOOKOUT. On a clear day you see New Bedford in the west, the canal entrance to the north, and the Elizabeth Islands to the south. Stand back from the edge to protect the top rim of boulders, or take a rest on the granite bench commemorating Cornelia Carey, who preserved this beautiful spot. Let's take good care of it!

BEACH GRASS anchors the sand with its root network and protects the beach and banks from washing away. Please don't lie or walk on beach grass—it is very fragile!

QUISSET HARBOR HOUSE, once a summer hotel, is now owned by the Quisset Harbor House Land Trust. The buildings on this property are private residences. Please respect their privacy by using only the designated paths.

CRESCENT BEACH is on the BUZZARD'S BAY side. Please use only the official trail with the stairs to get to and from the beach.

BOULDERS protect the Knob from erosion. For your safety and the preservation of the Knob, please keep off the boulders! Thank you for not moving any rocks.



Enter & Exit here, behind the large boulder

Stairs to the Beach

Main Trail

Harbor Cliff Trail

PRIVATE AREA

PUBLIC PARKING

FISHERMEN'S BEACH is covered with oysters at low tide. Looking up, you can see how foot traffic has eroded the banks and exposed the roots of the trees. Use the Harbor Cliff Trail to leave the beach and do not climb the banks. There is no trail along the beach beyond this point.

LITTLE SANDY is the first beach along the INNER HARBOR—an ideal spot for small children to play in the shallow water and look for shells, hermit crabs, horseshoe crabs, and periwinkles. Watch out for the red jellyfish which deliver mild stings; the clear jellyfish are harmless. Supervise children closely, because the water gets deep suddenly.

INNER HARBOR OVERLOOK is the first lookout on the Harbor Cliff Trail. Hawks often perch in the trees here.

