

Wickford Harbor Launch Adventures Summer Youth Programs



Exciting, Adventurous, Educational, Affordable



Brandaris Maritime
38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, RI 02852
Tel. 401-294-0021 Cell 401-294-1481
doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com

Wickford Harbor Launch Adventures

Connecting Kids to their Ocean State

The Wickford Harbor Launch, *General*, provides a fabulous adventure for young people during the summer. Wickford Harbor Launch rides consist of a variety of themed cruises, which can be expanded to include a selection of related shore side activities to enhance your Wickford adventure. Our most popular themes are:

Aboard the *General*

- Waterfront Safety
- Working Waterfront
- Creatures of the Harbor
- Harbor History
- Where Water Meets the Shore
- Lighthouses

Expanded Shore Side Programs

- Model boat building
- Island “Castaway” Survival Skills
- Beachcombing and Seining
- Walk through Historic Wickford
- Meet the Working Waterfront
- Marine Medley (model boats, optional)

Boat Rides Aboard the *General* — Boat ride adventures are \$5 per person, minimum 10 campers, approximately 30 minutes.

Expanded Wickford Shore Side program: \$10 per camper per hour, with a 2 hour minimum that includes a boat ride. Ask us about how we can meet your schedule and budget needs through programs that involve your staff.

Brandaris Maritime
38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, RI 02852
Tel. 401-294-0021 Cell 401-294-1481
doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com



38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, R.I. 02852
401-294-0021 or 401-294-1481 doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com

Description of Our Programs



Aboard the Wickford Harbor Launch “General”

WATERFRONT SAFETY

The General is a US Coast Guard certified and inspected harbor Launch. She is operated by a US Coast Guard Licensed captain. Safety is our primary concern. Lessons about safety aboard our boat, as well as a wide range of safety issues important for young people, as they explore the waterfront will be explained in detail during this cruise.

WORKING WATERFRONT

During this cruise of Wickford Harbor, students learn about the rich diversity of daily work in the harbor.



Fisherman, boatyard workers, sailors and seaman – we will see them, talk to them as we sail the waterfront ourselves.



CREATURES OF THE HARBOR

Explore the birds, fish, and other animals that live in and around Wickford's Harbor during this cruise. Seagulls, cormorants, Herons, even an Osprey are among the creatures we often see. Our harbor cruise may even discover some surprises. A great way for students to learn about the harbor ecosystem.

HARBOR HISTORY

Wickford Harbor has a rich diverse history, with sights and structures dating back to the revolutionary war: Smith Castle, the Hussey Bridge, the historic homes and famous boatyards, all visible in RI's 3rd most significant commercial harbor, in its day.

WHERE WATER MEETS THE SHORE

Wickford Harbor, part of the greater Narragansett Bay estuary system, has an interesting collection of shore-side ecosystems: a sandy beach, a salt marsh, rocky shore and 3 undeveloped and untouched islands – all within the harbor. All this available for us to learn from and explore.



LIGHTHOUSES

One of the most significant structures, for any mariner, along the shore is a lighthouse. Wickford has been blessed with three. We will see them, learn about them and hear the interesting stories about the brave souls who manned them. Few harbors have a richer lighthouse history.



Photo credit: 2004 by
R. Homes



38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, R.I. 02852
401-294-0021 or 401-294-1481 doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com

Description of Expanded Shore Side Program

MODEL BOATS

This is a fun, interactive program can be conducted at outdoor



playgrounds or indoors.

It promotes manual

dexterity and skill as well

as the joy of completing a build-project. The boat models

capture the interest of young people and introduce them

to the values of planning, finishing, and enjoying things that

they make with their own two hands. A reverence for

tools, attention to safety, a connection to the trades and

the personal interactions that promote them are additional

values of this program. (This program includes a \$5 material fee per student.)



ISLAND “CASTAWAY” SURVIVAL SKILLS - SCAVENGER HUNT

Have you ever read or seen *Robinson Caruso*? Ever wondered how you would survive if you were marooned like him? Join us to explore the skills of wilderness survival. We will build confidence and self-reliance through the study of island survival techniques like scavenging for food, designing shelters, creating tools from raw materials and more.

BEACH COMBING & SEINING



This program introduces children to the amazing creatures of Narragansett Bay and its importance as an estuary. There will be lots of fun hands-on activities, like a scavenger hunt, seining for sea life, and exploring various marine habitats.

WALK THROUGH HISTORIC WICKFORD

Most Rhode Islanders know about the historic significance of this quaint village. Let us show you how accessible history can be for young people through a walking tour of historic Wickford village, with its secret pathways, quiet lanes and our trail that follows history.



Note: Please advise your day campers to bring a bag lunch, bottled water, hat, towel, and plenty of sunscreen! We also suggest that campers bring water shoes, wear a swimsuit under their clothing and have tick repellent handy if exploring natural habitats. Advance registration is required!

Brandaris Maritime
38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, RI 02852
Tel. 401-294-0021 Cell 401-294-1481
doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com



38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, R.I. 02852
401-294-0021 or 401-294-1481 doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com

About Brandaris Maritime

Brandaris Maritime has operated a fleet of boats in Wickford Harbor for over 20 years.



We are best known for our flagship Brandaris, a 63' historic Dutch yacht. Our professional crew is U.S. Coast Guard certified and our teaching staff makes outings an unparalleled educational experience.

The crew at Brandaris Maritime has a respected history of providing first class educational adventure programming for schools throughout

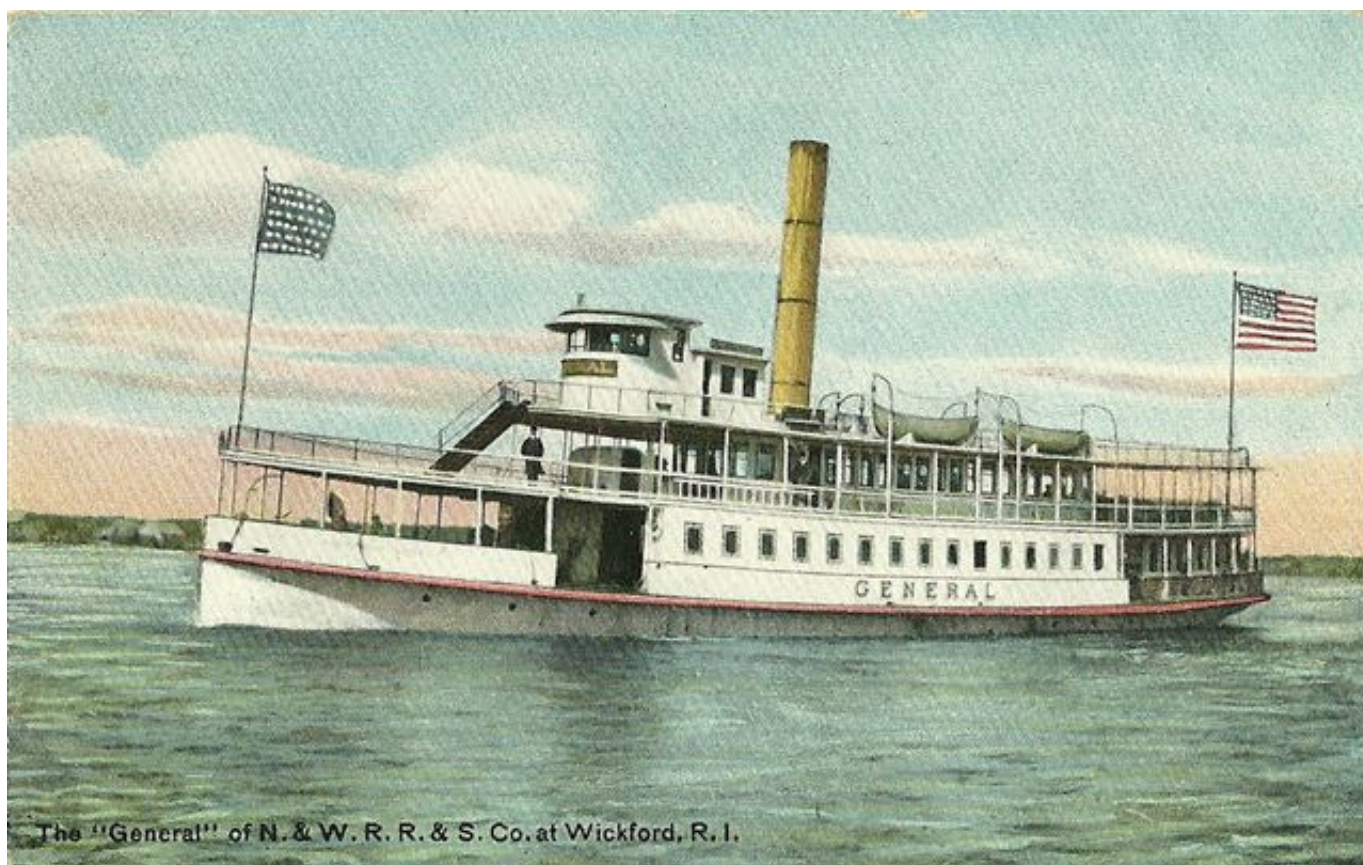
New England. We are known for a high caliber of private and corporate sailing charters. Brandaris Maritime programs include: nationally certified training program for the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets; credential programs for Boy Scouts of America providing merit badge certification; and team work and self-esteem building programs for colleges and universities, including URI, CCRI, Brown University and Roger Williams University.



We also provide a wide range of programs for adults and seniors. Our Wickford Harbor



Adventures program is a reflection of our dedication to providing meaningful, exciting and educational programs that are accessible and affordable for young people.



Steamboat *General* **The Historic Namesake** of our **Wickford Harbor Launch**

The Wickford Railroad and Steamboat Company began carrying passengers from Wickford to Newport in and back in May of 1870. The steamboat *General* was in operation on that route from 1893 to 1925. Passengers could board a train from New York and then connect with the Wickford Railroad and Steamboat Company's spur at Wickford Junction. This branch of railroad was 3.5 miles in length with stops at LaFayette, Belleville, Wickford and Wickford Landing. After arriving at Wickford Landing, the passengers would board the steamboat *General* for the 75 minute trip to Newport RI. The vessel, the spur and the railroad connection were owned by Cornelius Vanderbilt. This was the main connection which brought our country's wealthiest people to the famous Newport mansions.

Brandaris Maritime
38 Spring Road, North Kingstown, RI 02852
Tel. 401-294-0021 Cell 401-294-1481
doug@brandarismaritime.com
www.brandarismaritime.com