

# Island Ad-Vantages

## THE VIEW FROM ATLANTIC AVENUE

**March 19, 2020** – Over the past few weeks, the COVID-19 virus has raised quite the ruckus around the world and now here in the United States, impacting lives and businesses even here on Deer Isle. It's hard to imagine that something so small can have such broad and enormous impacts, from Wall Street to Atlantic Avenue here in Stonington, Maine. This new Coronavirus is only about 120 nm in diameter. That's one billionth of a meter! A human hair is about 100,000 nm thick, so these virus particles are tiny and not even visible with the best light microscope. For those who remember your high school biology, this thing doesn't even have DNA, it uses only a small piece of RNA, but it's resilient and it's difficult to limit the spread. Although we're keeping the MCCF office open, we are implementing some safeguards around the office and taking the precautions that we're all being advised of be the health care professionals. We will keep regular business hours, Monday-Friday from 8am-4pm. When you visit we will offer hand sanitizer and you can trust that our facility is clean and as safe as we are able to make it. Some staff will work remotely and program team members are readily available by cell phone. A list of numbers is available at the office on Atlantic Avenue, or you can call the office at 207-367-2708. I am always happy to talk to you about MCCF's work, so you can call my cell phone at 207-949-4156 anytime. We wish you well and urge you to be cautious in the coming weeks so that we can all return to normal as soon as this passes.

If you are interested in learning more about these programs, give us a call.

Do you have a question about our fisheries? Send it to [info@coastalfisheries.org](mailto:info@coastalfisheries.org) or call 367-2708. Learn more about MCCF by visiting us online at [www.coastalfisheries.org](http://www.coastalfisheries.org).

### FISHERIES LOG

#### Prices to Harvesters in Stonington

Lobsters (select): N/A

Scallops: N/A

Bait (frozen Pogies): \$28/box

Fuel (diesel): \$2.75/gal.

#### Oceanographic Buoy I-01\*

Surface Water Temperature: 40°F