

# **Harker's Island bridge around Brown's Island**

## **Saturday, August 28, 2010**

**When and Where:** Meet at the fishing dock parking lot on the left just before crossing the Harker's Island Bridge. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. to depart at 10:00 a.m. No shuttle is needed.

**Trip Description:** We will depart from the beach by the fishing dock on the causeway which crosses The Straits. This section can get choppy if windy but is usually calm. We will paddle around Brown's Island and have lunch on the beach at the far end of the island. This trip is about 10 miles and skirts the island once we cross the Straights. The trip usually takes about 4 hours w/ a leisurely lunch break. Some paddlers may wish to extend the trip through the bridge and around Harker's Island (optional).

**Difficulty:** Moderate due to distance as long as the wind is light. Be prepared w/ plenty of water and lunch. Heat may be up so dress for it. Paddle skirts are recommended if windy.

**Directions:** From New Bern take Highway 70 to Havelock and turn left onto Highway 101. After going over the Core Creek Bridge (high rise) go approximately 3 miles and turn left after Parker's Boat Company on Laurel Road. Go to the end of Laurel Rd. (approx. 3 miles) & turn right on Merrimon Road. Go approximately 4 miles and turn left at North River Corner or Highway 70 (first tee intersection w/ service station on left) toward Otway. After Otway and approximately 5 miles turn right at Harker's Island Road and go approximately 5 miles to the Harker's Island Bridge. The fishing dock and parking will be on your left and in the middle of the causeway before completing the crossing to Harker's Island.

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(note - actual email address connects rich and enough as one word)

*Note for non-members: While club membership is not required to participate in this trip, non-members may be asked to complete a trip registration. Also, for safety, there may be a limit to the number of outside participants. Please, contact the trip coordinator/leader ahead of time, if you plan to join us on this paddle.*