

The Port Norris Historical Society is dedicated to preserving the history of our unique village, located in Commercial Township in Cumberland County, NJ.

Current Happenings: Next meeting: May 12, 2015 • 7 pm @ 1723 Main Street, Port Norris

Moment in History: 1946 Oyster League

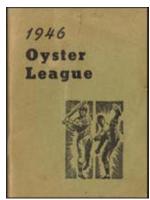
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The 1946 Campaign

Oyster League fans saw the strong Maurice River Township team lead the loop in both halves and will agree that they played well and deserved to win. There was really no consistently good opposition although the Port Norris aggregation which finished in second place twice, did manage to beat the leaders three times in their scheduled six games. ...

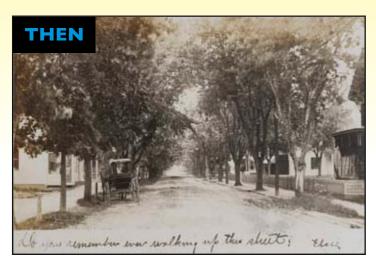
Good Preview – Good Start

In a non-league baseball game played on the Port Norris diamond Memorial Day, the Maurice River Township Hawks gave fans a preview of what to expect from the boys across the river when they handed Port Norris a 10 to 1 setback before a large holiday attendance Mike Tomlin pitched that one, limiting Port Norris batters to but six safeties. The records show that Mike was plenty effective even before the season got under way because in the aforementioned game the Port Norris team left eight men stranded on the bases. At the end of the first week of play the Hawks led the pack with two victories, Port Norris and South



Port Norris were tie for second place with one win apiece, and Cedarville and Newport trailed with two defeats each.

If you have read this booklet in full before, it such a good read you will enjoy it again. The full book typos and all are on the website. Scan of the original booklet are also available. http://www.historicportnorris.org/baseball-1.htm



Wish I Had Known

Wish I had known the town of Port Norris in it's salt hay days. To have been a photographer then, with the schooners coming and going, what a sight that would have been. The small town hustle and bustle with horses then trolley cars bringing folks into town. I can only imagine those scenes from the photos of the days gone by. Wish I had known it then...



Now What I Know

... Now I see a town with such a strong heart and folks working together to help Port Norris, find it's new self. A small town with a new hustle and bustle and the mashes renewed, a photographers dream. A view of the A.J. Meerwald when it is docked and some business as usual with the watermen doing what they have known. I am enjoying getting to know Port Norris now. – *Rachel Cobb*

April 2015

A Port Norris Baseball Hero

Larry Milbourne Lawrence William "Larry" Milbourne (born February 14, 1951 in Port Norris, New Jersey) is a retired professional baseball player whose career spanned 15 seasons, 11 of which were spent in Major League Baseball (MLB) with the Houston Astros (1974–76), the Seattle Mariners (1977–1980, 1984), the New York Yankees (1981–82, 1983), the Minnesota Twins (1982), the Cleveland Indians (1982), and the Philadelphia Phillies (1983). Over his major league career, Milbourne primarily played second base, but on occasion played shortstop, third base, and left field. Milbourne compiled a career MLB batting average of .254 with 71 doubles, 24 triples, 11 home runs, and 184 runs batted in (RBIs) in 989 games played. During his playing career, Milbourne's height was listed at 6 feet (180 cm) and his weight was listed at 161 pounds (73 kg). He was a switch hitter who threw right-handed.



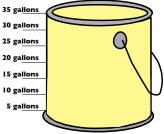
Pickings of the Month July 2, 1888 The Port Norris Baseball club on Saturday afternoon played the Dividing Creek nine at the latter place. The game resulted in a victory for the Port Norris club by a score of 17 to 5. Some excellent playing was done on both sides, but the best was done by the Port Norris club, notably the three baggers by Robbins, McConnell and Turner and the battery of the Port Norris club, Baily and McConnell, is one of the finest, that has ever been seen in this place, with the other players equally good in their respective positions, the nine would be almost invincible.

July 10, 1889 The Port Norris and Picked nines played their second game of ball yesterday. The score was 14 to 3 in favor of the Picked nine. We think it would be better for the Port Norris club to send the Picked nine to Cedarville on Thursday.

July 26, 1890 A game of base ball was played in the presence of a large crowd on Thursday between the Port Norris and Philadelphia teams, resulting in a victory for the Port Norris boys. See More Pickings at http://www.historicportnorris.org/pickings.htm

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Does any one know how Brown Street got it's name? Let us know and we will share here. norris@historicportnorris.org



NORRIS ASKS What was salt hay used for? See answer below

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