

Clam worm
Nereis spp.

Common Periwinkle
Littorina littorea

Purple Sea Urchin
Arbacia punctulata

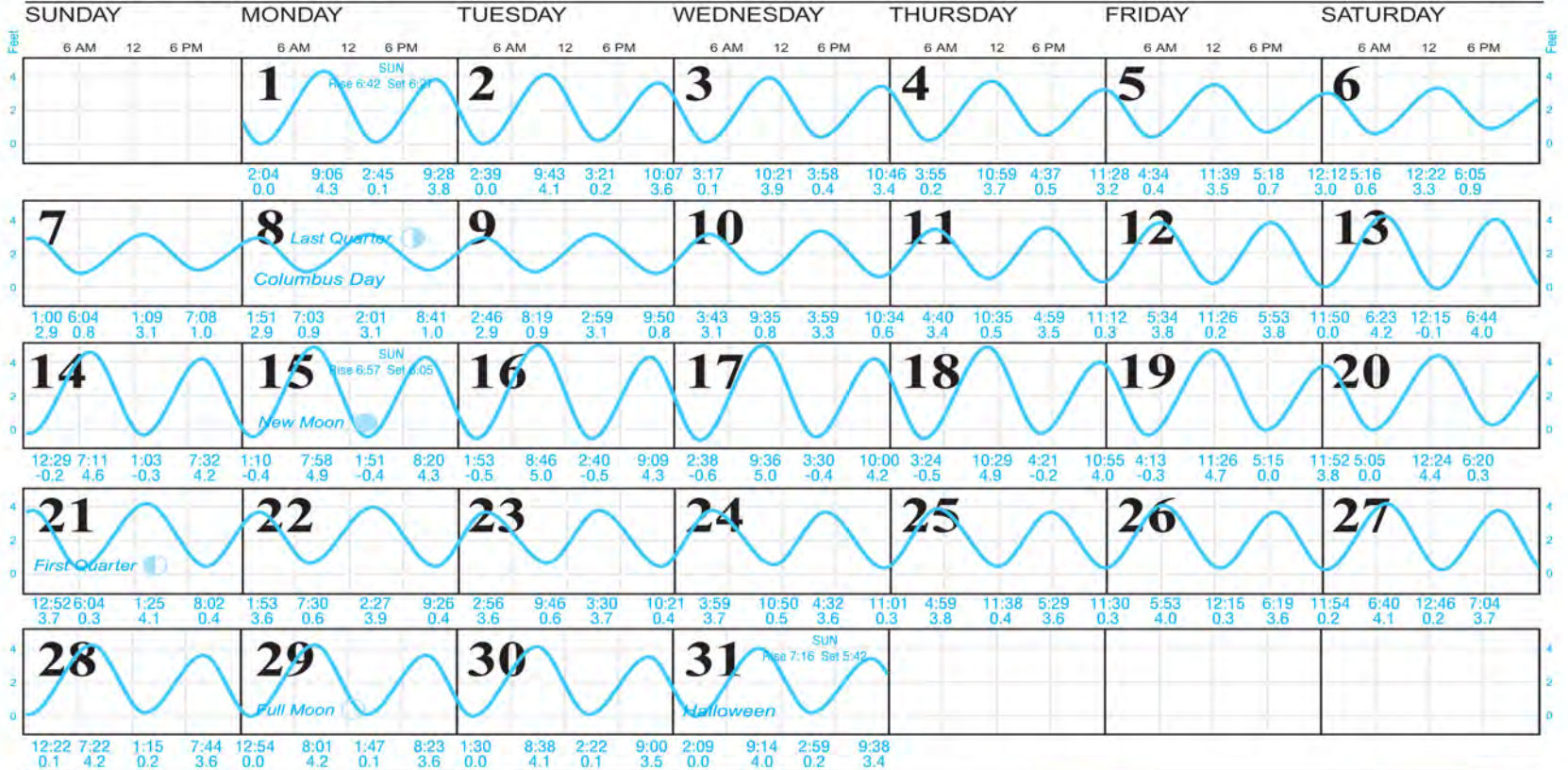
Long-finned Squid
Loligo pealei

The vast majority of species found living in the Bay fall under the category of invertebrates, meaning they lack a backbone, and include animals such as crabs, oysters, snails, sea stars, jellyfish and worms. They make up an integral part of the Bay's food web as well as providing both commercial and recreational fisheries for humans. Increasing water temperatures in the Bay may have a negative impact on the health of some fisheries, making current scientific research even more critical.

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