

## **SWIM Adopt a Beach Reports: October through December 2015**

### **Lewis Cove at Bailey's Hill and Trimountain Road:**

No report during this time period, but I do have a report from January 3 from Karen Falat which I will detail during my next reports. **The important thing is that she needs help removing 6 lobster traps stuck in the shrubs at the NE corner of the rocks. Shall we assemble a team? Would the DPW do the job?**

**Bathing Beach:** behind Marine Science Center  
No reports, although it has been cleaned twice.

### **Canoe Beach:**

**October 18:** Sue Jolian

1 plastic bag, 1 balloon, 10 beverage bottles, 5 cans, 40 caps/lids, 20 various food containers, 2 6 pack holders, 2 shotgun shells, 100 straws/stirrers, 2 toys, 2 bait bags, 2 strapping bands, 10 pieces rope, 1 cigarette, 1 lighter, 1 tampon applicator.

**November 14:** Vi and Mark Patek.

4 plastic bags, 6 balloons, 50 whole and partial plastic bottles, 3 glass bottles, 9 cans plus 100 pieces, 200 caps/lids, 8 clothing/shoes, 56 food related containers, 12 shotgun shells, 175 straws/stirrers, 4 toys, 3 lobster traps, 85 lobster trap pieces, 10 bait bags, 5 strapping bands, 3 fishing lures, lots of wood pieces, 1 crab/fish trap, 35 filament fishing line, 250+ pieces rope, 30 cigarettes, 5 lighters, 5 wrappers, 4 NH sewer disks, 1 condom, **2 syringes**, 7 tampon applicators, 1 dental floss holder, 12 golf balls, 100's pieces of plastic. **General autumn report:** erosion of Marine Science Center edge of lawn continues to eat out under the edge. Marine Science center does not seem to encourage the hundreds of school children nor their academics to pick up trash. It would be good if the Marine Science Center would take the initiative to raise awareness of this problem on the shore which is so important to their work. This is also true of Bathing Beach behind their glass greenhouse.

Also, an employee of Northeastern was photographed spreading an insecticide laden fertilizer all over the **Marine Science Center lawn**. Vi notified the MSC but received no reply. **The product is Dylox 6.2 granular insecticide.** I assume this is standard University policy but would like to think that the MSC would request a cessation of its application so near their laboratory, greenhouse and two beaches where they study the ocean world.

### **Crystal Beach** (at Marjoram Park)

**October 12:** Nancy Wilson and Susan Snow

3 plastic bags, 3 lobster trap parts, 3 strapping bands, 8 pieces rope, 1 big block wood and 1 long piece. Less rope than usual, several pieces fiberglass.

**October 20:** Nancy Wilson and Susan Snow

1 plastic bag, 2 plastic bottles, 3 food wrappers, 1 lobster trap part, 1 bleach bottle, 4 strapping bands, lots of pieces rope, 1 large heavy piece wood, 1 bag wrapped around stair rail.

**End of season survey:** water is clean, lots of seaweed, clam and lobster shells, eel grass beds, "1 gull called "Peg" in her usual spot", seawall along Marjoram Park needs repairs, invasive Asian Shore Crabs. Our little beach is quite clean.

### **Forty Steps:**

**November 15:** John Benson and Kristy Lee

26 pieces plastic bottles, 2 glass bottles, 28 cans, 8 caps/lids, 30 food related containers, 1 shotgun shell, 24 lobster trap parts, 8 bait bags, 6 golf balls, 2 tennis balls, 1 bone, 2 pieces metal wire, 2 fishing

lures, 1 piece neoprene, 1 crate, 7 filament fishing line, 62 pieces rope, 300+ pieces of green matting plus one large sheet, 8 pieces Styrofoam, 1 cig wrapper. Total of one full 30 gal trash bag. Identification of the **mysterious green matting** has finally been done thanks to Carole McCauley. It is called Aquamesh Progressive Filter Pad and can be purchased at [www.bulkreefsupply.com](http://www.bulkreefsupply.com). It is used for pre-filtration in sumps. General report: raft of about 36 Common Eider swimming and 2-3 dozen Canada Geese flying over. Old erosion on hillside is being stabilized by new plant growth. Note: the **mystery skeleton** found in October was identified by scientists as being that of a baby seal. It is now part of the Marine Science Center's collection.

### **Pond Beach: behind Oceanview building**

**December 12:** ML Cort, Eliza Lehner

1 paper bag, 3 plastic bags, 1 balloon, 10 plastic bottles, 7 cans, 11 caps/lids, 1 clothing, 11 food related containers, 3 straws, 2 toys, 5 lobster trap parts, 1 detergent bottle, 5 strapping bands, 1 fishing lure, 10 filament fishing line, 19 pieces rope, 1 cigar, 1 piece wood, 1 medicine container, 15 plastic pieces, 1 wire, 5 pieces Styrofoam, 1 piece camera equipment. Note: it would be nice if **Oceanview** took responsibility for patrolling the beach after their parties and picked up trash.

### **Short Beach:**

**November 4 and 16:** Bill and Mary Jo Ludke.

15 plastic bags, 7 balloons, 72 plastic bottles, 2 glass bottles, 15 cans, 305 caps/lids, 6 clothing, 74 various food related items, 10 shotgun shells, 47 straws/stirrers, 9 toys, 3 lobster traps, 12 lobster trap parts, 13 bait bags, 2 bleach bottles, 1 oil/lube bottles, 19 strapping bands, 4 fishing lures, 1 crab/fish trap, 2 filament fishing line, 73 pieces rope, 3 cigarettes, 7 lighters, 5 cigars, 2 NH sewer disks, 9 pieces wood, **1 syringe**, 8 tampon applicators, 2 dental floss holders.

**December 7:** Bill Ludke.

6 plastic bags, 3 balloons, 24 plastic bottles, 1 glass bottle, 5 cans, 127 caps/lids, 14 food related containers, 2 shotgun shells, 6 straws, 7 toys, 2 lobster trap parts, 6 bait bags, 4 strapping bands, 1 fishing lure, 53 pieces rope, 2 cigarettes, 2 lighters, 1 cigar, 1 piece wood, **1 syringe**, 2 tampon applicators, 5 dental floss holders.

### **Tudor Beach:**

**December 10:** Nancy Cantelmo and Brayden McCarthy

3' x 1' wooden lattice, one semi buried lobster trap – we need to get a team out there to dig it up. Can you help? 14 wooden pieces, 30 pieces rope most entwined in rocks, 50 chunks Styrofoam, 2 Dunkin Donuts holiday cups, 10 plastic bottle caps, 5 lobster claw bands, 8 soda cans.

Note: on **January 5<sup>th</sup>** Vi Patek hauled up a dry Christmas tree which somebody had tossed over the wall and also a very large lobster trap with a curved top. She placed them next to the trash barrel. Also, it looks like householders are dumping trash in the can at the southern end of the beach as it has been full to overflowing this week.

**Johnson Beach** ( at end of Wendell Rd) No reports.