

SWIM Adopt a Beach Reports January and March 2015

Obviously, there were no reports in February since it was virtually impossible to get onto the beaches due to huge snowbanks.

However, these hardy souls did go out in January and March.

Short Beach: January 10 (Linda Landry and Nancy Cantelmo)

7 bags of trash collected between the Life Saving Station and Little Nahant. Mostly rope and boat related stuff. Variety of beverage containers, cups, ribbon, balloons, tampon applicators, bait bags and lots of bits of plastic. Also, head of a plastic duck decoy, 2 duck decoys, a rubber ducky, 1 tennis ball, 2 shot gun shells. Large portion of a dock including connecting hardware. 1 dead gull. Several full doggie bags were dumped where trash receptacles are normally placed. (Come on dog walkers, you can carry it back to your car!). These two intrepid beachkeepers hauled the bags of trash to the dumpster outside the fire station.

Short Beach: January 18 for 1 hour (Bill Ludke)

4 plastic bags, 2 balloons, 11 bottles, 4 cans, 91 caps/lids, 1 garment, 13 food related wrappings, 3 shotgun shells, 16 straws, 3 toys, 3 bait bags, 1 bleach bottle, 8 strapping bands, 1 fishing lure, 42 pieces rope, 2 lighters, 3 NH sewer disks, 6 pieces wood, 93 pieces of color plastic.

Short Beach: March 11 for 45 minutes (Bill Ludke)

4 bags, 11 beverage containers, 37 caps/lids, 3 garmens, 9 food related wrappings, 20 straws, 5 toys, 1 lobster trap, 13 bait bags, 1 antifreeze bottle, 1 fish net, 60 pieces rope, 5 lighters, 1 cigar, 3 wood pieces, 3 tampon applicators. As usual, many pieces of plastic. Access to beach was only by walking through snow banks.