

SWIM Adopt a Beach Reports: June and July 2015

Bass Point:

No report

Bathing Beach: behind Marine Science Center

June 22: Deb Vanderslice. Report did not come to me.

Canoe Beach:

July 12: Sue Jolian (**welcome aboard Sue!**)

3 paper bags, 7 caps, 1 utensil, 1 pull tab, 1 straw, 1 small plastic figure/toy, 3 lobster trap parts, 4 filament fishing line, 20 pieces rope, 1 cigarette, 1 dead bird (unknown species), 1 holiday wreath, 1 plastic keychain fob, 30 small plastic pieces.

Crystal Beach (at Marjoram Park): no report.

Near Dory Club/Wharf:

July 27: Mark Patek found a large green bottle with a message inside!! It had been cast into the water at George's Island on July 22nd and the note gave a name and address to send the note back with basic information. Maybe we should release used plastic water bottles all along the mainland shore with messages inside as an experiment to see where they end up on Nahant. An interesting experiment? What do you think?

Forty Steps:

July 12: John Benson, Kristy Lee

3 plastic bags, 12 plastic bottles, 2 glass bottles, 12 cans, 14 caps, 9 clothing, 4 utensils, 28 wrappers, 1 shotgun shell, 4 straws, 18 lobster trap pieces, 1 detergent bottle, 4 filament fishing line, 77 pieces rope, 11 plastic pieces, 1 plastic packaging, 3 paper, 8 pieces Styrofoam, 1 metal foil, 1 pen, 4 metal pieces, 7 little green mats, 1 window shade fragment, 2 pieces canvas, 1 big plastic lid, 16 cigarettes, 1 lighter, 6 fireworks items, 1 condom, 1 tampon applicator. "Green algae dotting rocks at low tide mark at both extreme ends of beach. Trash receptacle full to the brim. Staghorn sumac (native) showing very strong presence on hillside center. The wide strip at top of hill next to sidewalk which had been cut/weed-whacked earlier is now covered with Mugwort and Lamb's Quarters. This condition is very similar to Short Beach where these two species have taken over places that had been stripped of vegetation. Very small stand of Purple Loosestrife (invasive) has now appeared at foot of "mini-wetland" at bottom of intersection of Nahant Road and Cliff Street. More people are using the one trash receptacle but this one is not enough. **In peak season we could use an additional receptacle.** Kristy parked her car on road right next to deck and was ticketed. She had put a small handwritten note on her windshield." (**Kristy, get a Nahant sticker – just \$5. – a lot cheaper than a ticket!**)

Johnson Beach (at end of Wendell Rd) No report.

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Pond Beach: behind Oceanview building

June 13: ML Cort, Alex Lehner, Liza Lehner, May Cort.

7 plastic bags, 21 plastic bottles, 2 glass bottles, 19 cans, 22 caps, 2 clothes, 11 utensils, 41 wrappers, 1 shotgun shell, 11 straws, 10 toys (mostly golf balls), 1 lobster trap, 16 trap pieces, 7 bait bags, 1 bleach bottle, 21 strapping bands, 1 net, 65 pieces rope, 2 lighters, 1 cigar, 3 cigarette wrappers, 3 building materials, many small pieces plastic, 1 camping fuel container.

July 11: ML Cort, Alex Lehner, Eliza Lehner.

2 plastic bags, 3 balloons, 20 plastic bottles, 11 cans, 22 caps, 1 garment, 18 utensils, 292 food wrappers/containers, 1 shotgun shell, 34 straws, 6 toys, 1 lobster trap, 5 trap pieces, 3 bait bags, 16 strapping bands, 19 pieces rope, 2 lighters, 2 cigars, 2 cigar wrappers, 1 dental floss holder, 2 pieces wood, 2 aerosol cans, 1 chewing tobacco container. Most of debris found at the tide line.

Bravo to ML and her family team! What a lot of trash on such a small beach!

Short Beach:

June 10: Bill Ludke.

1 paper bag, 7 plastic bags, 11 balloons, 6 plastic bottles, 3 glass bottles, 19 cans, 27 caps, 13 utensils, 6 wrappers, 2 shotgun shells, 10 straws, 3 toys, 4 bait bags, 6 strapping bands, 32 pieces rope, 1 cigarette, 1 lighter, 7 pieces wood, 1 tampon applicator.

July 10: Bill Ludke

1 plastic bag, 26 plastic bottles, 2 glass bottles, 7 cans, 47 lids, 2 clothing, 12 utensils, 5 wrappers, 5 shotgun shells, 9 straws, 4 toys, 2 bait bags, 1 bleach bottle, 1 strapping band, 1 fishing lure, 1 filament fishing line, 82 pieces rope, 1 cigarette, 4 lighters, 1 cigar, 2 NH sewer disks, 3 wood, 1 condom, 3 tampon applicators, many colorful pieces of plastic.

Tudor Beach:

June 12: Nancy Cantelmo with Brayden McCarthy

4 plastic bags of trash +7 pieces of wood deposited in trash barrels at various stairs

-most common item was pieces of styrofoam white bubbles or yellow compact found on rack esp near wall on Baileys Hill end abt 50 pieces

-next was assorted broken plastic pieces, incl tampon applicator abt 30

-rope, lobster claw bands, bottle caps, cans, bottles, 5-10 of each

-3" plastic humpback whale hanging from waxed cord decorated with glitter and rhinestones

-snuff tin

-tube of glue broken with white glue adherent

-6x3" piece of tar

-3x1" piece of tire tread

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