



Neptunes Sounding Newsletter

It's Summertime!

And with summertime comes all the activities that we love about summer.

First stop on our agenda is the Great American fish count spearheaded by REEF which Mike Vaughan has coordinated. We will be counting the fish at Lanes Cove on Saturday, July 18 and it will be happening both in the morning and in the afternoon. Mike is going to be training Ken and Jeannine on exactly what they're looking for. Not only are they looking for fish to be counted but also invertebrates. Those invertebrates might be what you put in your bug bag and it might be what's too short to put in your bug bag. After the dive, we will gather at Stage Fort Park in Gloucester for raffle prizes and BBQ. In order to be eligible for the raffle prizes, you must register through the New England Aquarium dive site.

Next on our summertime agenda is our annual outing at Duxbury Beach which is happening on Sunday, August 2 with a rain date of August 9. The price is still only \$15 for adults children under five are free. There will be plenty of food and festivities. So mark your calendars and get your bathing suit ready and bring your appetite. Remember that the outing is open to not only Neptunes numbers but also their guests so invite, invite, invite. And then let us know how many of you will be in attendance. See you at the beach!

Who's Been Diving?

Through Boston Scuba charters, six divers went to 3 1/2 Fathoms and Northeast Graves. Good conditions. Mike, Peter, Al, Chuck, Todd, Doug. Lots of lobsters. 44 degrees, 20 feet of visibility. Peter saw no fish on his first dive when he had his gun. He saw a huge tautog on his second dive when he DIDN'T have his gun!

Upcoming Events

7/18 Great American Fish Count

7/19 8am Club Dive

7/26 8am Club Dive

7/29 BSC Meeting 7:30

8/3 General Membership mtg

8/11 Board Meeting

8/18 General Membership meeting

8/25 Movie Night Out

Ken Hayes as President

Mike Vaughan as VP

Teri Hayes as Secretary

Theresa Czerepica as Treasurer.

Board: Doug Eaton, John Blackadar, Jeannine, Jay Theriault, Rich Bowers, Deb Osborn, Carl Yngve, Joe McAndrew, Tom Guild

Alternates: Tommy Lo, Rob Vice.

There are three different ways that sharks carry their young. There's ovoparity where the eggs are protected by an egg case and the shark deposits the egg case in a rock crevice where her duty as mother is done. Then there's viviparity where the mother carries the embryo and gives birth to live shark pups. Lastly there is ovoviviparous sharks which combines the first two methods. They produce eggs and the eggs are carried within the female. When the egg hatches, the shark pup continues developing. In this method the first pup will eat all the other eggs and embryos.

<http://animals.howstuffworks.com/fish/sharks/shark-pup1.htm>

Future dates

7/26 club dive

8/2 Duxbury Beach outing

8/16 club dive

8/30 club dive

9/20 BSC Treasure Hunt

9/26 Fish Rescue, RI

10/7 Flea Market

John Dimasi did a Long Point dive where he shot some video and saw lots of seals. No sharks. Lost his knife on the first day. Went back on the second day to look for knife and got a nice size big lobster. No, John didn't find his knife....

Peter went to Peggotty on July 6. Small lobsters, one legal, one was v notched. He talked to the people and found out that even with only 4 visitor spots, there's never an issue with parking without a resident sticker. 64 degrees, 5 foot visibility.

Froggies lost a dive member: Frederick M. Mozdziej, 58, died unexpectedly Saturday morning June 27, 2015 in the Addison Gilbert Hospital in Gloucester after a diving accident.

The famous Bobby Boyle passed away after a long illness.

John B gave a report on the Aquarium Ocean Day on June 7. He said there was thousands of people going through. Mostly families. Not much interest in the dive club or any diving. They talked about the subject of the restrictive parking and public's access to the beaches.

The Adler hard hat was a huge hit. There was a line all day for kids to get their photo taken.

Thank you to Theresa, Teri, Erica, Angelo & Karen, Tommy and his girls.

Blackie updated us on the Minot Light plaque. The Granite slab has been picked out. The Chain of command is working on the exact details of mounting the plaque to the granite.

July 29 is the next Bay State Council Meeting.

John heard that they closed/restricted a section of Southie (parking / beaches). He's getting more details.

Lane Lambert of the Patriot Ledger wrote an article on July 10 about Rexhame Beach in Marshfield dealing with restricted access that was once open to the public. I have posted a copy of Lane's article on the last page of this newsletter.

Manomet Point now has signs that limit parking to 15 minutes.

George Finn (life member) mentioned that if we wanted more visibility at events then we should think about having a backpack with a 10 mm corrugated sign that you can mount on this pack (with 2 fiberglass poles). It's lightweight. This brings people to you and then you can hand out your literature/hand outs.

UNDERWATER RUGBY

Underwater rugby is sending both a men and women's team to Cali, Colombia to compete in the World Cup July 25-August 1. There is a GoFundMe site for those that wish to help them. Also, underwater rugby has moved to their summer schedule playing in Dorchester Monday's and Weds at 7:30pm.

Additionally a website up for the team has been set up at <http://www.womensteamusaunderwaterrugby.com/>

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MARSHFIELD – On a sunny day earlier this week, Joseph McDonald stopped along Circuit Avenue in the Rexhame Terrace neighborhood, where an unmarked, unpaved, one-lane track led through the trees.

“This is how you get there,” he said, pointing east toward Rexhame Beach. The lane is officially the Winslow Avenue Extension. Barely wide enough for a car, it ends at a parking spot near two shingled houses.

From there, beach goers must walk along the edge of a high hedge, between a sundial and bird bath, and down a winding, pebbled path to the dunes and sand.

It's easy to drive past the Circuit Avenue turnoff without noticing the Winslow extension – but now the obscure little road has become the latest focal point of a 16-year legal battle over access through the Rexhame Terrace streets to the beach.

McDonald asked to speak on the issue. He said two dozen or more concerned residents may attend.

He also wants to discuss a fence and locked gate that a Kent Avenue resident put up to block a beach path there. The gate isn't on town land.

“No one knows about it,” McDonald said of the Winslow path. “So people are going to walk down Kent and find out they can't get to the beach.”

He said “hundreds” of beach goers used the Kent Avenue path on the Independence Day weekend.

The long-running dispute appeared to have been settled on New Year's Eve 2014, when a state Land Court judge ruled that the Winslow extension and beach are town-owned, public property. But plaintiffs filed an appeal.

Four other adjacent streets between Circuit Avenue and the beach were ruled private – including Waterman Avenue, McDonald's street, as well as Kent Avenue and two others.