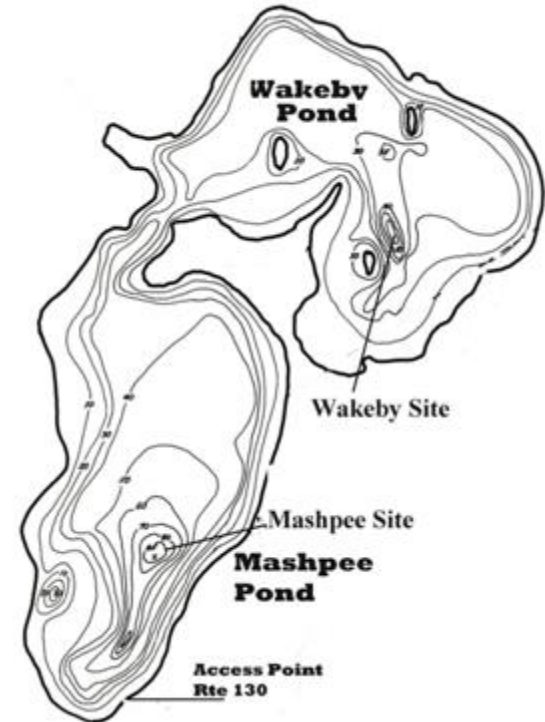


**Mashpee Wakeby Lakes
Management Committee
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**MASHPEE & WAKEBY LAKES
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
NEWSLETTER**



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"Our planet's alarm is going off and it is time to wake up and take action! Leonard DiCaprio

Islands Closed to Motorized Boats

The Native Land Conservancy, sole owner of all three islands (Keith, Cleveland and Jefferson), in Mashpee Wakeby Lake will be sectioning off 150 feet encompassing each island as a "Designated Swim Area". This will prevent motorized boats from entering and anchoring within the swim area. All vessels that do not adhere to the designated swim area and enter with, or make wake within the swim area will be cited by the Mashpee Harbormaster. Non motorized vessels such as kayaks and canoes can still access the islands to recreate and enjoy the natural preserved land. That being said, no camping, fires, cooking devices or alcohol are permitted on the islands at any time.

No Wake Zones

Remember that the narrow area between the Mashpee and Wakeby sides of Mashpee Wakeby Lake is a "NO Wake Zone". The Harbormaster will be taking this very serious this year and all violators will be cited. Wakes affect our shoreline: they can erode our shoreline and cause damage to both vital habitat and shorefront property.

MASHPEE & WAKEBY LAKES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mashpee & Wakeby Lake Management Committee is comprised of five members from the Mashpee community. They are representative of groups within the Town of Mashpee who have a vested interest in maintaining the beauty, safety and health of the Lake for the residents' use and enjoyment. The Committee acts as a conduit for the public's interests and concerns about the Lake. It serves as liaison to the Town's governing agencies, recommending necessary actions to be taken. The Committee meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 PM at Mashpee Town Hall. The presence of Mashpee residents at these meetings is encouraged. We urge your participation in the activities of this Committee, to assist in our ongoing efforts to preserve the beauty and safety of the Lake. For more information, contact any of the Committee members listed below.

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Harbormaster Change

Jeffrey Smith resigned his position as of March 31st. Several qualified individuals have applied. In the meantime, Rick and John Santangelo will serve as acting harbormasters. The Harbormaster serves under the Department of Natural Resources and has an office in the Town Hall.

Diagnostic Study of Mashpee Wakeby Lake

At the October Town meeting, members voted to fund a 2-3 year study of Mashpee Wakeby Lake: including ground water, invasive species, and grant funding. A consultant has been hired and it is hoped to begin data collection work this spring./summer.

Volunteers will be needed this year to take additional samples for the department of Natural Resources. Please contact Ashley Fisher at afisher@mashpeema.gov for more information.

Water Quality Report

Testing in September 2020 showed cyanobacteria in Wakeby Lake. In June 2021, cyanobacteria was again found in both lakes. They were posted against pets and swimming for two weeks when levels dropped enough to make it safe to use the lake. The Town Manager sent out a letter asking that there be no fertilizer use by property owners around the lake. Be sure your septic systems are in top form, and keep buffer systems between rain run-off and the lake. Be vigilant to protect the lake or we will be unable to use it!

Lowell Holly Reservation

Winslow Dresser, Stewardship Manager

The plans for Lowell Holly's season remain similar to past years. The swim areas will remain in place and we hope to continue encouraging respectful non-motorized recreation on the property. The area is open year round sunrise to sunset, from the parking lot off South Sandwich Road. The seasonal access road will be open 9 AM 5 PM Wednesday to Sunday from Memorial Day to Labor Day, if staffing needs can be met. Applicants are still being sought. Seasonal Ranger & Garden Position

Clean up of winter storm damage on the trails will continue. Any inquiries may be directed to wdresser@thetrustees.org 508-636-4693x5011

Lowell Holly is a 135 acre reservation named for its donor, Abbott Lawrence Lowell, a former Harvard University President. Along with its 250 native holly trees, Lowell added rosebay and rhododendrons to the grounds. The reservation is on the peninsular between Mashpee and Wakeby lakes.



2022 Bass Tournaments

Date	Group	# Boats	Arrival Time	End Time
4/2/2022	Blackstone Valley Bass Anglers	15	6:30	3:00
4/10/2022	Tri County Bassmasters	25	6:00	4:00
4/24/2022	Baystate Rodbenders	22	6:00	1:00
4/30/2022	Silver City Lunkers	20	6:00	2:00
5/1/2022	Mass Bass Nation	20	5:30	4:00
5/7/2022	South Middlesex Bass Anglers	17	7:00	4:00
5/8/2022	Urban Bass Fishing League	20	6:00	4:00
5/11/2022	Take A Break	23	6:30	3:00
5/28/2022	Fall River Bass Anglers	19	6:00	3:00
6/4/2022	Nh Mystic Valley Bass Anglers	17	5:30	3:30
6/10/2022	South Shore Bassmasters	19	6:00	3:00
6/12/2022	American Bass Anglers	17	6:00	3:00
6/17/2022	South Shore Bassmasters	17	6:00	3:00
6/18/2022	Captain Bub's Bass Trail	24	6:00	3:00
6/26/2022	Baystate Rodbenders	22	6:00	1:00
7/9/2022	Ne Bassin Cape Cod	23	5:00	3:00
7/24/2022	Happy Hookers Milford MA	19	6:00	3:00
8/14/2022	Silver City Bass	17	6:00	2:00
8/28/2022	Eastside Sportfishing Club	19	5:00	11:00
9/10/2022	Massbassnation	24	7:00	3:00
9/17/2022	Team RI Bassmasters	13	6:00	3:00
9/24/2022	Assebetvallebassmasters	13	6:20	3:00
9/25/2022	Bubbagump Fishing Club	22	6:00	3:00
10/1/2022	Worcester Bassmasters	23	6:00	3:00
10/8/2022	NeBassin Eastern Ma	24	5:30	3:00
10/15/2022	Barnicle/Medeiros Memorial Tournament	20	6:00	3:00
10/23/2022	Tri County Bassmasters	25	6:00	4:00
11/5/2022	American Eagle Bass Anglers	24	6:00	3:00
11/20/2022	Down To Fish Fc	24	5:30	3:00
11/26/2022	Bass Boys of Fall	25	6:00	3:00