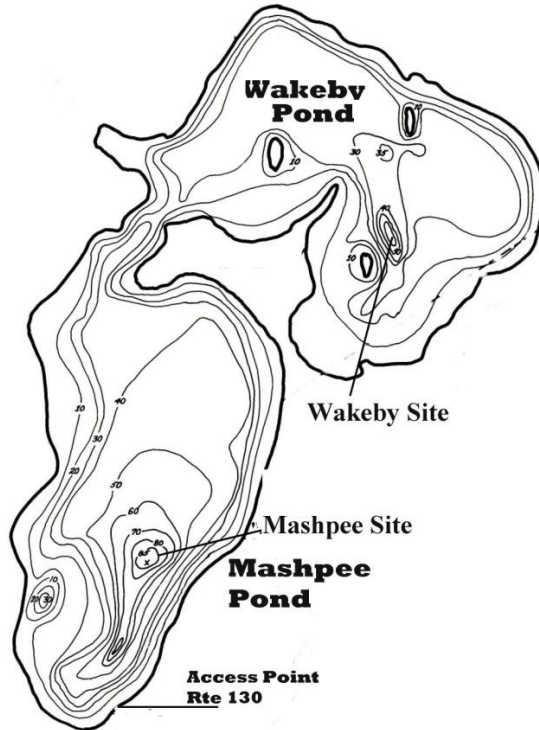


MASHPEE & WAKEBY LAKES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER



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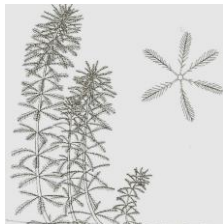
Will Durant

Septic System Failure Clues (George G. Bingham III)

The symptoms listed below could be a sign of a failed septic system. A failed system should receive immediate attention.

1. Lush or improved appearance of grass, when compared to other yard grasses, over the absorption area. This can be an indication of liquid from the system moving up through the soil instead of downward.
2. A buildup of alga or aquatic weeds adjacent to your shorefront property. This may indicate nutrient rich leaching into the surface water body.
3. Sewage backup in your drains or toilet may be more than a blocked pipe.
4. Unpleasant odors around your house may signal a system in trouble producing a buildup of disagreeable odors.
5. Slowed flushing of your toilet or slower drain emptying despite the use of drain cleaners or plungers can be an early clue of potential future severe problems.
6. If you see liquid seeping along the ground surface in or adjacent to the leaching area it portends a problem even when no odor is detected.

We should all use care in what we dispose of through a septic system. Paints and yard sprays are examples of non-household items that don't belong in a system while household cooking oils and greases can interfere with proper operation and should be disposed of, mostly in the trash. Proper maintenance includes periodic pumping.



Parrot Feather (Invasive)

Myriophyllum aquaticum



Parrot Feather is common in the aquarium/water garden trade and can tolerate the harsh conditions of New England's winters. Once established, *M. aquaticum* can form dense mats on the water's surface that may restrict light to the complete exclusion of other plants, hampering recreational activities.

Key Identifying Features Emergent leaves are bright blue green, 1-2" long, rigid, deeply serrated and profuse. Leaves are in whorls of 4-6 around the stem and each leaf has 10-18 leaflets. Emergent leaves may protrude a foot above the surface, looking like miniature fir trees. Submerged leaves are reddish, and may be confused with Eurasian Milfoil leaves. Emergent woody stems can grow over 5', extending onto the shore. In the spring, pink/white flowers may develop.

Be Health Wise



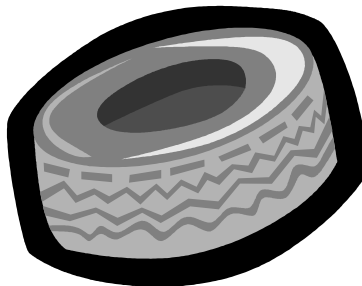
Mosquitos, at times, can be more than a nuisance. In rare instances, they transmit viruses that can be deadly to humans.

Eastern Equine Encephalitis and West Nile are two examples of the more serious impacts that mosquitoes can produce.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends:

- Avoid, where practical, outdoor dusk to dawn activity when they are most active.
- Use Mosquito Repellant.
- Eliminate standing water where mosquitoes can lay eggs
- Install or Repair Window and Door Screens
- Support Community-Based Mosquito Control Programs

Typical breeding places where there is standing water capable of becoming a mosquito nursery are often overlooked exist in most yards.



Survey your yard for potential breeding sites and eliminate them. Bird baths should be emptied and refilled every 2 to 3 days.

When you are exposed to mosquito potential mosquito activity, wear long sleeves and pants.

2010 Tournament Schedule (3/8/10)

2010 Bass Tournaments as listed on the Official Website of the Mass. Dept. of Fish and Game, Office of Fishing and Boating Access, Jack Sheppard, Director, on March 8, 2010.

The web page address for tournament listings is available on line at:

http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/pab/pab_schedevents.htm#m
(Data matches Web Site, July 17, 2:00 A.M. probably a typo)

Date	# Boats	Arrive	Start	End	Club
Friday, April 09	24	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Friendly Friday Trail
Saturday, April 10,	25	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Freedom Bass A-Trail
Saturday, April 17,	15	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Chelmsford Bass Tacklers
Saturday, April 24	15	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Wildside Bass Club
Sunday, April 25	17	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	East Bay Bassmasters
Saturday, May 01	13	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Bare Hill Anglers
Sunday, May 02	21	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	1:00 PM	Baystate Rodbenders
Saturday, May 08	15	5:00 AM	7:00 AM	2:00 PM	Central Mass Smallmouth
Sunday, May 30	10	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	American Bass Anglers Division 5
Saturday, June 05	17	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Buba

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Sunday, June 06	24	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	USA Bassin
Saturday, June 12	23	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	11:00 PM	East Side Sport Fishing Club
Sunday, June 13	15	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Last Cast Anglers
Saturday, July 10	24	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Freedom Bass
Saturday, July 17	17	5:00 AM	7:00 AM	2:00 AM	Rod Jockeys
Thursday, July 22	18	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	4:00 PM	South Middlesex Bass Anglers
Wednesday, August 04	24	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Take-A-Break Tournament Trail
Saturday, August 14	24	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	1:00 PM	Mass Bass Youth
Sunday, Sept. 12	15	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	12:00 PM	Rayn-Water Bass Club
Saturday, September 18	9	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Charles River Bass
Sunday, September 26	23	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	1:00 PM	East Side Sport Fishing Club
Saturday, October 02	20	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Cast-A-Way Bass Anglers
Sunday, October 03	15	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	South Shore Bassmasters
Sunday, October 17	60	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	American Bass Anglers Division 5



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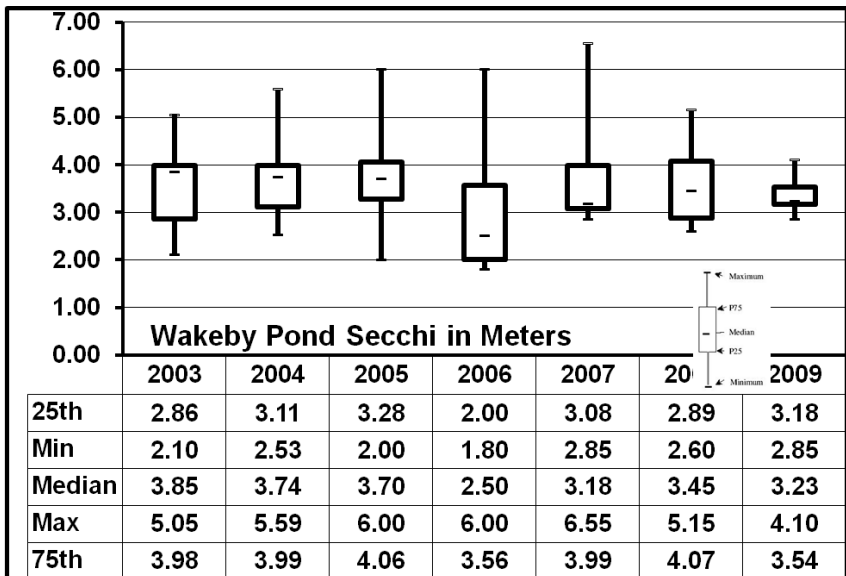
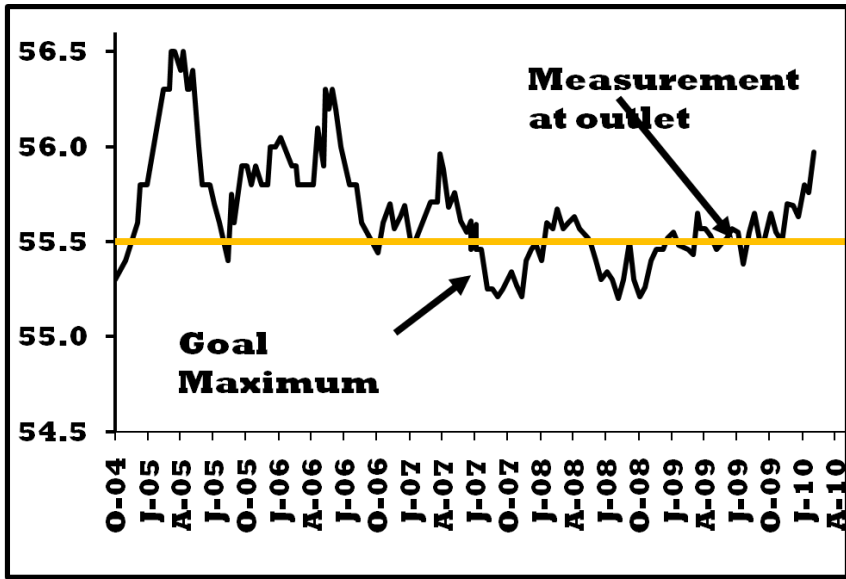
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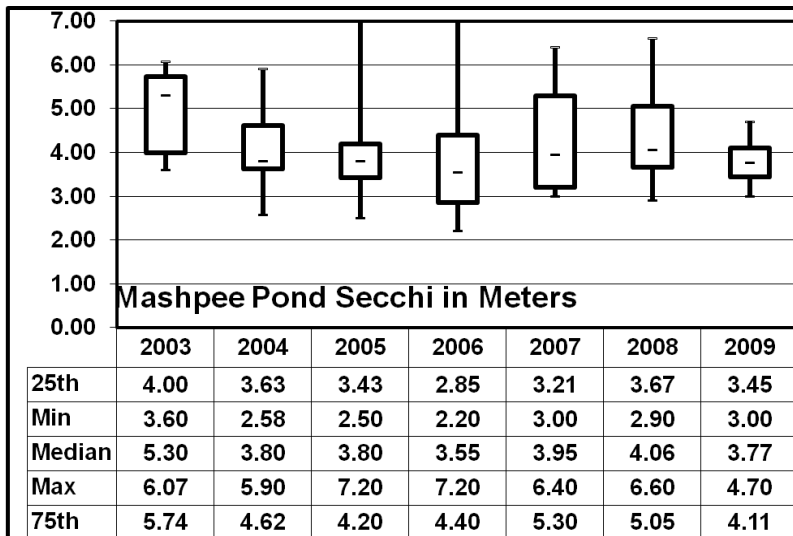
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We have been putting out a spring and fall newsletter, usually in May and September. So, look for the newsletter on www.mashpee.ma.us. We can send out a reminder to those of you who have sent your email address to mashpeewakeby@comcast.net

[Mashpee Boating Rules on Town web site](http://www.ci.mashpee.ma.us/Pages/MashpeeMA_BComm/waterways05.pdf)

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Dock info (Conservation, A.McManus)

- State licensed docks with no local permit: Ch. 91 state licensed docks must have the license number displayed on the dock so that it is visible from the water. There are no standards for size/color of the lettering, so long as it is visible in a reasonable manner. The license number is in the paperwork of your Ch. 91 permit...usually on the first page. No permitting with the Town unless changes are proposed. Any substantial changes proposed to existing state licensed docks or unlicensed docks must have Conservation Commission approval. These changes include widening, lengthening, adding additions, adding or changing supports (piles, etc), change of location or complete replacement of existing structure.
- Grandfathered docks with no state permit: If a dock is shown to be grandfathered- pre-dates 1984 (old photos, dated plans, neighbor testimony, etc) then it is recommended that the homeowner acquire a Chapter 91 permit for their dock. If the homeowner testifies that

recent changes had taken place to the dock after 1984, then they can file for an RDA permit with the town to cover those changes so we have a plan of existing footprint on file.

- Small scale changes: Small scale changes such as plank and railing replacement are allowable without a permit...anything proposed beyond this scope the homeowner must contact Mashpee Conservation for permitting.
- New docks or substantial changes to existing docks: Any new dock or proposed partial/complete replacement and/or additions to an old dock will require permitting through the State and Town of Mashpee. The type of permit depends on the work proposed.
- 10-A Floats: If a homeowner has a 10-A float (single bottom anchored seasonal float permitted by the Harbormaster), then the license # for that float should be displayed on said float so that it is visible from the water. 10-A floats are exempt from Conservation review unless it is discovered that they have been modified into docks (i.e. permanent pile supported or connected to land via ramp with footings underwater) or they are stored illegally off season (see storage requirements below):
- Off season storage: At no time shall any portion of a dock, float or any boats, kayaks, canoes, etc be stored on any naturally vegetated area within Mashpee Conservation's jurisdiction (inland bank, vegetated pond front). Storage of said items on sandy beach areas or areas devoid of vegetation is fine. Tying off of dock sections, floats, boats, kayaks, canoes, etc to existing trees with rope is prohibited.

MASHPEE & WAKEBY LAKE 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 and safety 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 7:30 PM at the 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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