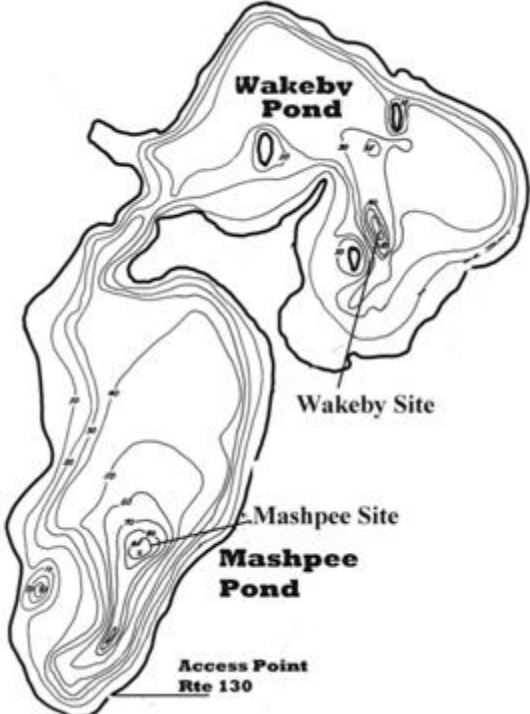


**MASHPEE & WAKEBY LAKES
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
NEWSLETTER**



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“When Mother Nature turns on us, I hope she doesn’t show the same compassion that we, humans, show to the environment and all the other life here on Earth”.

~ Anthony T. Hincks

**Mashpee - Wakeby Lakes
Management Committee
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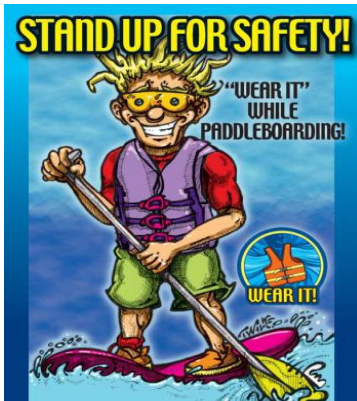
MASHPEE & WAKEBY
LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MISSION STATEMENT

Stand-up Paddleboards

In October of 2008, the US Coast Guard made the determination that stand up paddleboards (SUP) are considered vessels and thereby subject to certain boating and safety rules. Thus, when using an SUP beyond the limits of swimming, bathing or surfing areas, users are required to be prepared just as if they were operating a vessel.

All SUP users on coastal waters, inland lakes or rivers are required by law to have a Type 1, 11 or 111 personal flotation device aboard. SUP users may wear a Type V inflatable device but it must be worn on the person in accordance with legal requirements. For more information,, please contact Massachusetts Environmental Police, Boat and Recreational Vehicle Safety Bureau Buzzards Ba, MA 508 -564-4961 or visit www.mass



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 Thursday of each month, at 7:30 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's Report

Alex Turner, Mashpee Harbormaster, filed the following report for our March meeting:

"I don't have any incidents to report at this point in time. Everything has been quiet; however, the trout are going to be stocked by the state, so I would expect fisherman out soon after this occurs. Tournaments are already under way."

Mr. Turner discussed the hole which has been created by the prop wash at the boat ramp with the State Engineer responsible for maintaining the facility. Mr. Turner stressed this need for this to be fixed as soon as possible and before the boating season. He added that, due to the amount of tournaments approved and held there, this is something which the state should make a priority.

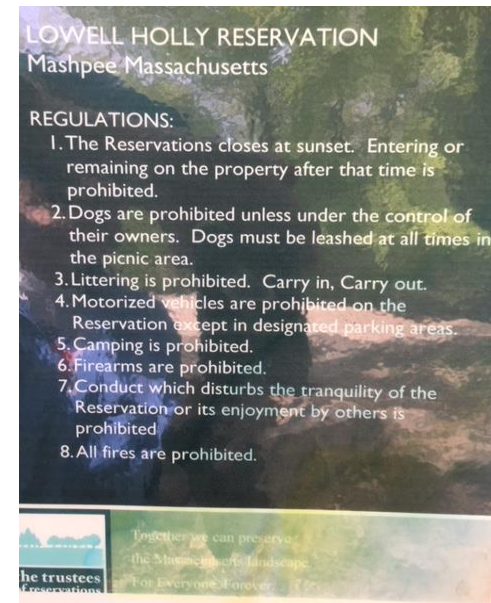
Regarding power loading, the fine is \$100, and citations were issued last year. When asked about monitoring the ramp more closely for power loading, Mr. Turner replied, *"We do try to spend as much time monitoring the ramp as possible and, if we see a violation, the law is enforced."* However, the Harbormaster's Department is far too busy throughout the summer to focus on one area of the Lake. The State used to have Environmental Police Officers work the tournaments on detail pay. This may be a way keep everyone more honest, and make sure there is an Officer assigned to watch the launches and haul outs.

New Stewardship Manager at Lowell Holly

Diane Lang, who has been managing Lowell Holly for several years, has moved to a new job in Nantucket, where she is now managing Coskata Coastue Wildlife Refuge.

Winslow Dresser has been hired to manage all properties in the Buzzards Bay Cape Cod South Coast Management Unit for the trustees. He can be reached by email at wdresser@thetrustees.org or in the office at 508-636-4693 x5011. We wish Mr. Dresser well as he starts his new position.

Lowell Holly took a big hit with the March northeasters, and the parking lot required a bit of work to be ready for Memorial Day. May large trees were damaged. It is still planned to have the swim area marked and prohibited to motorized boats in 2018.



2018 Bass Tournaments

Event Date	Group Name	Max Boats	Start Time	End Time
3/31/2018	Blackstone Valley Bass Anglers	12	7 AM	3 PM
4/14/2018	Massbass Nation	24	7 AM	3 PM
4/22/2018	Baystate Rodbenders	22	7 AM	1 PM
4/28/2018	TriCounty Bassmasters	20	7 AM	3 PM
4/29/2018	Coventry Bass Anglers	20	7 AM	3 PM
5/05/2018	Blackstone Valley Bassmasters	15	7 AM	3 PM
5/06/2018	American Bass Anglers	24	7 AM	3 PM
5/12/2018	Fall River Bass Anglers	23	7 AM	3 PM
5/20/2018	Greater Lowell Bass Fishers	11	7 AM	2 PM
6/02/2018	Wachusets Bassmasters	24	7 AM	3:30 PM
6/16//2018	Eastside Sportfishing Club	23	5 PM	11 PM
6/22/2018	South Shore Bassmasters	17	7 AM	3 PM
6/23/2018	American Bass Anglers	24	7 AM	3 PM
7/21/2018	Mass BassBusters	13	3 PM	11 PM
7/28/2018	Plymouth Rock Bassmaster	20	5 PM	1 AM
8/05/2018	Rayn-water Bass Club	15	7 AM	3 PM
8/18/2018	Happy Hookers Bass Club	19	7 AM	3 PM
9/08/2018	NE Bassin Eastern MA	24	7 AM	3 PM
9/22/2018	South Middlesex Bass Anglers	17	8 AM	4 PM
9/29/2018	Silver City Lunkers	20	7 AM	2 PM
10/06/2018	NE Bassin Regional Event	24	7 AM	3 PM
10/07/2018	Rod Jockeys of Cape Cod	20	7 AM	3 PM
10/13/2018	NE Bassin Eastern MA	24	7 AM	3 PM
10/14/2018	South Shore Bassmasters	20	7 AM	3 PM
11/03/2018	Next Level Bass Fishing	24	8 AM	4 PM