



# Jibs & Jibes

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## ***From the Helm***

**By Tom Pezzella, Commodore**



Well, it's certainly been an eventful season for WSA, with a mix of life's highs and lows. Certainly overshadowing all events was the sudden passing of our longtime member and friend Roger Livingston. When I am on the property, I sense that something is missing and out of place. Things just aren't normal. I expect to see Roger welcoming a new member, repairing a dock, or working on someone's boat. He and Sally were usually the first to arrive, and unlock the gate. Somehow we will all go on, never forgetting his friendship or contributions to WSA. I want to thank those many members who showed their support by attending Roger's touching Celebration of Life, hosted by Sally, Tom and the family.

Josh Hines has graciously agreed to take over the mooring and parking assignments, as well as continue as Grounds Committee Chairman. This is an excellent time for some new faces to step up and make a much-needed, stronger contribution.

There are many ways to be more involved and make an impact. It's up to each of us to keep the ship sailing, so please contact me if you are so moved.

I hope you all read my recent email regarding the Regatta Point programs in Worcester. There are many good opportunities on Lake Quinsigamond for beginner to advanced sailors. We hope to draw off their sailing school graduates for memberships at WSA. Also, consider taking their O'Day 22 "Whisper" for a day sail on Narragansett Bay! See their website.

Did you see the segment last Friday promoting WSA on WFXT 25's Zip Trip? It was short, and taped earlier at the Anchorage. I was told it would be a live interview, and longer, but any free exposure is welcomed. Do you know the names of the islands?

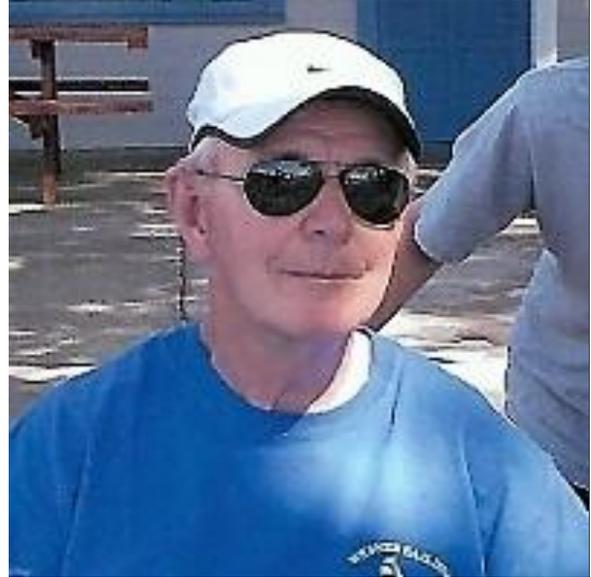
I welcome all our new members this season, and hope that you will attend the Fall Banquet and Business Meeting this Sunday.

# ROGER LIVINGSTON

## 1943 - 2019

Roger N. Livingston, 76 of Worcester, died Thursday, July 18, 2019 at UMass University Medical Central from complications of a heart attack.

He is survived by his partner and best friend Sally Mitchell; two sons, Thomas Livingston of Webster and his wife Kim; Mark Livingston of Coventry, CT and his wife Liisa; his sister-in-law, Carol Livingston of Florida; his nephews, Stephen Domingues, David Domingues and Danny Livingston; his nieces, Debbie Domingues, Kathi Vespi and Donna Sirimaco; two grandchildren, Nicholas Livingston and Brandy Robidoux.; Papa to Trey and Tate Haulterhoff. He was predeceased by his brother, Arthur Livingston and his sister, Elsie (Livingston) Domingues.



Roger was born in Quincy, MA, the son of the late Ernest and Dorothy (Smith) Livingston. Roger proudly served in the U.S. Navy from 1961-1966 on the USS Essex.

Roger's greatest passion in life was being out on the water. As a child, he always found a way to be connected to the water; whether rebuilding an old boat or exploring the shores near his Quincy Home. He was a passionate sailor and an active member of the Webster Sailing Association for 40 years. He was also a member of the Holden Hills Tennis Club and the New England Ice Yacht Association. Roger enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and was always active; playing tennis, iceboating, skiing or cursing in his Mazda Miata he affectionately called "Baby."

The family would like to thank the staff at UMass University Medical Center for their kindness, compassion and exceptional care, especially Dr. Dennis A. Tighe and ICU Nurse Lisa.

### **HEARTFELT MEMORIES OF ROGER.....**

*I just received the shocking news that our long-time member and dear friend, Roger Livingston, passed away this evening from complications with his heart condition. Many of you know Roger and Sally Mitchell, as they were always at the club, welcoming new members, taking care of the grounds, and assisting many sailors with advice or repairs. In my 30 years at the club I can't think of anyone who has done more, or sailed more, than Roger. You will be sorely missed, My Friend. It is hard to imagine WSA without his presence, and he leaves a tremendous void in the long, proud tradition of our Association.*



*On behalf of all, I extend our deepest condolences to Sally, and his son, Tom, also a member. We want you to know that anything the Webster Sailing Association can do for you, we are there.*

**Tom Pezzella, Commodore**



*This is such a sad Email to read. WSA will be forever changed with his absence, his knowledge, his smile. We will keep Sally and her son in our prayers. Please keep us posted on the arrangements and if there is something the WSA considers doing for Sally and family.*

*Thank you*

**Sue and John Colby**



*Elaine and I just landed in Ireland and are just devastated upon learning this sad news about Roger!*

*In our 40 years with the club, Roger represented everything that was and is so good about our Association. He seemed to be everyone's "go to guy" and his passing leaves a hole in the heart of WSA.*

*"May his memory be for a blessing",*

**Burt & Elaine Marmer**



*Very sad, Rodger was a great help to me and Ellen getting us settled in at the club He will be missed.*

**Ray & Ellen Desanti**



*Donna & I are truly shocked and deeply saddened by the totally unexpected news of Roger Livingston's passing. Having been members these last 34 years, the Club will miss him sorely, as he has always given of himself (above and beyond) to be helpful with advice, assistance or any projects always enhancing all members experiences with*



*the Club. Our deepest sympathies go out to Sally Mitchell & Roger's son Tom. We will truly miss this wonderfully generous and humble man. Our hearts and prayers are with him, as well as Sally and Tom*

**Hank & Donna Strok**



*Roger and I joined the association 41 years ago - He was a friendly competitor on the race course for many years and a good friend on shore for all 41 years. He will be greatly missed at the association - it seems that he and Sally were always there doing something to make the club better and friendlier for all. He will be greatly missed and always remembered at W. S. A, Fair winds and gentle seas my friend*

**Bob Gurlitz**



*We want to offer our sincere sympathy to Sally, Tom, and Roger's family for your loss. We have wonderful memories of Roger. He was the face of WSA and was a wealth of knowledge about sailing and boat repairs and always willing to share it with everyone. He was always there with an outstretched arm to help and never said, "no." He will be sorely missed.*

**Irene and Steve Rubin**



*I met Roger only a couple of months ago. As a new member he instantly made me and my family feel welcome and like I belonged. He was so helpful that first day at WSA. I am so sorry to read this email thread. He was one of the good guys.*

**D. Kennedy**



*Maria and I are new members, but were fortunate to have met Roger and received his help in launching our boat and friendly support. Sad that he is no longer with us.*

**Steve and Maria Koral**





*It was such a shock when Liz and I heard the sad news about Roger since he's always seemed to enjoy life to the fullest. He was like a "little kid" when around the lake, especially when he and Sally were sailing their boats, volunteering their time at the Anchorage and even ice sailing during the winter months. Roger was the "Welcome Wagon Ambassador" of the Association, greeting*

*old and new members whenever he was there. I first approached Roger asking how Liz and I could contribute more to WSA and mentioned reviving the Jibs & Jibes Newsletter. Immediately Roger was very supportive and helpful. Roger will be missed and thought of often when members raise their sails on the lake. Liz and I extend our deepest sympathies to Sally and Roger's family.*

**Liz & Ken Spindola**



*Cyndi and I share everyone's sentiment for the loss of our mate, Roger. From the 40+ year members to the ones who've been around for just a couple like us, Roger instilled the*



*true spirit of the WSA. From helping to raise a mast or 200, to having that spare cotter pin handy to secure the last turn buckle, he was a pleasure to engage in conversation with, particularly in sharing our passion for boat restoration. We will miss him dearly. Our deepest condolences to Sally and Tom.*

**Andy and Cyndi Davis**



*Roger was my first contact at WSA. He was a very pleasant gentleman and very helpful. I'm quite saddened at hearing this news. I wish all the best for those who will miss him.*

*My Dad was in the Navy 30yrs. When he passed I heard a little saying like this:*

*When one departs this place and embarks on the ship to the great beyond we keep watch on them and observe their ships mast growing small on the horizon until we see it no more. We are saddened that the mast of our beloved*





*ship is lost over the horizon, gone from all and gone forever. We cry it has disappeared into nothingness. But truly it has not. In our despair we need only find peace knowing that there is another place, far far away from us, where the sighting of that mast on the horizon is just beginning, even after we can no longer see it, and it then looms larger and larger until it can be greeted by other friends who await on those distant shores. And so it is that*

*though the last of our beloveds ship has gone from us, we rejoice knowing it has but gone only from one great shore to another, even more wonderous, and that one day we also must set sail on the same course. The winds will too bring us there. We need only patience and love as we wait until there, we once join our friends again.*

**Dave Eaton**



*We are having a very difficult time accepting the lost of Roger. We can't imagine the pain that Sally and Tom must feel. All we can do is pray that God brings them comfort in some way remembering what a Great person he was and what an asset he will be in heaven until they meet again.*

*Love,*

**Pete & Judy Schotanus**



*Roger was a wonderful person with a huge heart and wonderful nature who was always ready help. Our son, Alex, always looked forward to seeing Roger and we have many enjoyable memories of Roger at the club. When our son was improving his sailing skills and out sailing with his friends (without his parents), Roger always made him and his friends feel welcome and even more importantly, comfortable to ask him questions or have a conversation where Roger could calmly provide some sage*

*advice. And there were always many happy conversations about the wind, or lack thereof. One of my best memories was the first time our son was going to back the trailer*

*with the boat into the water by himself. A key reason for his first time success was that he subtly sought out Roger to have a "strategy" discussion with him before the attempt. Roger's guidance plus quiet confidence were decisive in helping Alex achieve success on his first attempt.*

*When my husband Rich and I joined, Roger was the best sailing club ambassador ever! He was always a joy to chat with. And words don't do justice to the environment Roger created as he was always kind and supportive while always ready with a useful insight or happy quip.*

*I am thankful we were able to know Roger and he will be sorely missed.*

**Beth Zeranski**

**Rich Moyse**



*I was totally surprised to open my email today, I never thought I would see this day. I remember the day I joined the club in 1986. The first person I met was Bobby Cloman, and the second person was Roger Livingston. I can't imagine the club without Roger around. He was such a great help and always willing to step another mast. I will deeply miss Roger. Our deepest sympathy and condolences to Rogers family and all that were touched by his life.*

**Henry and Linda Neeser**



*Roger introduced himself to me( via email) about two months ago when I was inquiring about becoming a member. He couldn't have been nicer. We got as far as him assigning me a dry dock location for my boat on June 23rd. Lee sent my key shortly after that and I was in the water. I never actually got to meet Roger. I wish I had. From all I am reading about him through other WSA members in their emails,... I missed out on a very rewarding friendship I may have had with him.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with his family.*

**Stan Schertzer**



*I am very saddened for your loss. Jim and I had just joined WSA and he was one who was very helpful and welcoming to us. I did not know him long but his kindness will be forever remembered.*

*Sincerely*

***Karin Neal Doyle (Foltz)***



*This is very sad news indeed.*

*Roger was a warm, welcoming, thoughtful and competent soul. I cannot imagine that he will not be there for opening work day next year.*

*He will be missed.*

***John P. Mordes M.D.***



# WSA Executive Committee Announcements



*This section is from the following that may have statements or announcements for the WSA members: Senior Vice - Commodore, Vice Commodore, Executive Committee, Treasurer, Secretary, Race Committee, Grounds Committee, Communications Committee, Program Committee, Nominating Committee, Jibs & Jibes Editor and Webmaster.*

## **YES... THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REALLY WANTS YOU!!!**

It's time to start recruiting some new blood for the WSA Executive Committee. If you have been thinking about getting more involved with the Sailing Association, now would be a good time. Not that you would have to "jump in" and immediately be responsible, but rather be assisting committee chairpersons and learning what all the voluntary positions entail.

One immediate position to be filled is Doug Kenyon's as Race Committee Chairman. Any member interested in taking over for Doug will be instructed on what the position entails and obviously will have the support of the entire racing committee.

Anyone who is either interested in assisting with the executive committee or in taking over the Racing Committee position, please contact the Commodore, Tom Pezzella.



## **Message from our WSA Grounds Committee Chairman – Jose Hines**

### Update on the Grounds:

#### Remembering Roger

As most of you know, Roger was a very active member, involved in most all aspects of the Sailing Association and has helped form the club into what it is today. He was always proud to state that in his 41 years of membership, he had met all but one new member at the club. He was truly the ambassador to Webster Sailing Association. Roger and Sally were extremely active on the grounds committee (and many other committees). They often did many of the little things that one may



overlook including but not limited to; like watering flowers, mowing around boats and the beach, painting trim, cleaning the clubhouse, doing small repairs, and identifying larger items that soon needed attention. During most of my nine years of membership at the club, Roger was the Chairman to the grounds committee, spearheaded parking assignments, managed the website and most club communications, among undertaking many other responsibilities. Roger was a good friend to many at the club always ready to lend a hand or bit of advice to anyone who needed it. His hard work and dedication over his tenure of membership has helped formed the club into what it is today. Roger is truly missed by those who had the joy of knowing him.

Going forward, I will be handling parking and mooring assignments. In addition, I will be handling the winter storage assignments. A (much too early) reminder, winter storage applications will be due October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Grounds Update:



I would like to thank all those who showed up and volunteered time at the dock building part. The event was extremely well attended despite the frigid temps, high on-shore wind, and snow earlier that morning. During this work party and during the following day, we were able to fully build two dock sections and fabricate a base for the port dock row which has helped eliminate many of the alignment issues that we used to face. Thanks for everyone's contributions.

The weekend after the dock building party, we had the spring work party. Roger coordinated the spring work party as I was on business travel in Europe. Thanks again to Norm for the use of his bobcat and too all that attended to make short work of all that needs to be completed in the spring. Also, a special thanks to John Colby for painting the deck of the committee boat this spring.



I would also like to thank all those who completed cleaning assignments this year. To date, we have had 100% adherence to cleaning assignments / found coverage. The club truly appreciates your contributions. For those who do not know, cleaning assignments are assigned on a rotating basis to members not involved in other committees giving preference to our newest members.

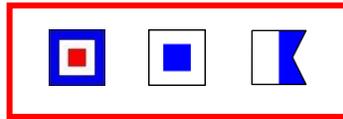


As some of you may have noticed, we have a new outside shower. It is definitely the best in neighborhood and a great improvement over what remained of our original 30+ year old shower. Thanks to Frank Jablonski, Tom Pezzella, and Lee Amodeo for helping out with this major project.

The posts under the covered portion of the patio were replaced, anchored in with brackets, and painted. These posts came un-fastened during a February wind storm. Thanks to Jeffrey Martin, Tom Pezzella, John Benoit, and Bob Cloman for erecting, securing, and painting the new posts.

This fall or early next spring, we will have a work party to replace a floating dock section, repair another dock section, and fabricate at least one of the leader docks. Additionally, the dock anchors will be re-secured and some of the lines on the mooring in the mooring field will need replacement. The fall work party is scheduled for October 26<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you all there. For those interested in getting more involved in projects at the club, please reach out to me directly. I would like to expand the grounds subcommittee who act as the “go to” crew for most of the club projects.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the summer and fall sailing season.



## Notice to Mariners

*This section is for information that might be of interest to boating on the lake.*



*Public Service Announcement  
forwarded by  
The Webster Lake Association*

### **The Dangers of Invasive Species (Lotus Plants in Meshanticut Lake in Cranston, Rhode Island)**

Please find the below article from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, MassDEP, concerning the introduction of a non-native invasive lotus species into Meshanticut Lake in Cranston, Rhode Island.



For reference, Meshanticut Lake is approximately 30 miles from Webster Lake. It appears, from the article, that the lotus plant was inadvertently planted in the lake by an area resident.

Although such actions may appear to be harmless at the time, let this

serve as a reminder that non-native plant (or animal) species should never be deposited into a lake, *for any reason*. The cost of managing the negative environmental impacts of an invasive non-native species is often substantial, and can range into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Copy of Text from the DEP Article Begins Below...

**Pretty but noxious, the lotus patch has already covered 1.25 acres of 12-acre Meshanticut Lake and is spreading fast.**

**CRANSTON, R.I. — Paddlers in kayaks and canoes, along with non-boating volunteers, are eeded to collect seed pods from a noxious plant that threatens to cover a local lake. The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) is recruiting volunteers to help harvest seed pods from a large, non-native lotus patch in Meshanticut Lake. The plant, sacred lotus, is a highly**

**aggressive, invasive species that threatens a healthy balance of native plants, impedes fishing and boating opportunities, and is costly to manage, according to DEM. Invasive species have contributed to the decline of 42 percent of U.S. endangered and threatened species, and for 18 percent of such species, invasives are the main cause of their decline, according to U.S. Forest Service. Volunteer opportunities are available for paddlers using their own canoes or kayaks to cut the lotus seed pods from the stem of the plant and collect them in a bucket or basket. Non-boating volunteers are needed to stay ashore and help unload the containers of lotus seed pods**

**for disposal. DEM will provide a dumpster. Community harvesting events will be scheduled in late**

**July or early August. Volunteers should bring handheld garden pruning shears to cut the lotus seed pods from the stem and a container to collect them in their canoe or kayak. Seed pods must**

**be removed after the plants have flowered but before they drop the seeds to slow down plant regrowth. Lotus plants will reproduce by seed and root system, but removal of the seed pods will reduce the number of new plants and help eliminate opportunities for seeds to move downstream. Future control efforts may include use of chemical herbicides, but manually harvesting the seed pods this summer will reduce the amounts of herbicides necessary to treat the lotus patch. “The rapid and aggressive dispersal of this lotus patch is a case study in the impacts of invasive plant species,” said Katie DeGoosh-DiMarzio, environmental analyst with DEM’s Office of Water resources. “Its establishment and spread are degrading native habitat and decreasing recreational opportunities. We hope that civic-minded volunteers will join us and help check the spread of this destructive invasive plant.” This is the first finding of sacred lotus in a natural area in Rhode Island. Regionally, it hasn’t been found in any other New England state except for Massachusetts, where it was found in one lake. It’s typically found in small, isolated, backyard water gardens or curated in pots at botanical gardens. First documented in Meshanticut Lake last year, the lotus patch is believed to have been growing for about five years. DEM believes that an area resident — unaware that planting in a pond isn’t allowed and of the plant’s noxious nature of rapidly preading — released the lotus in the pond.**

**Aerial photographs indicate that it’s reproducing at an exponential rate, according to DEM. The patch currently covers 1.25 acres of the 12-acre lake, with its massive leaves covering large areas and outcompeting native aquatic vegetation. DEM said it’s urgent that the growth of this invasive pecies is culled, and the population managed, so it doesn’t spread to other areas in the state or New England.**

## **WLA Acquires New Water Testing Multiprobe**

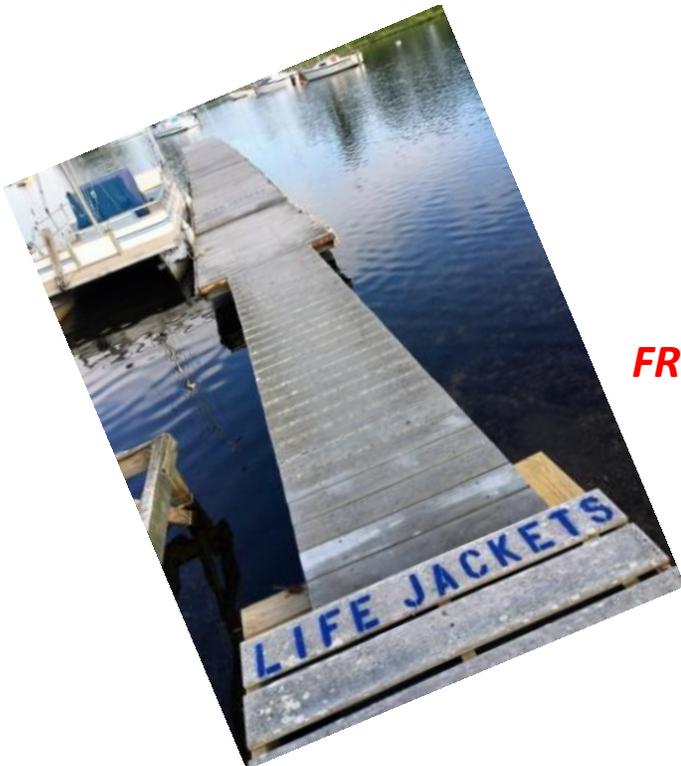
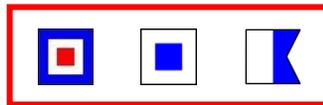
The Webster Lake Association (WLA), this past spring, made a significant investment into the monitoring of



water quality within Webster Lake by purchasing a new Eureka – Manta+35A water multiprobe. The new multiprobe replaces a significantly aged multiprobe that had been used by WLA Lake and Stream Testing volunteers. The new multiprobe provides the WLA with increased monitoring capabilities, as it contains sensors for water temperature, pH/ORP, conductivity, turbidity, blue-green algae, and dissolved oxygen. It is used, along with a corresponding tablet, to gather water quality data at three locations within Webster Lake.

Water quality volunteers record measurements for each of the above-listed sensors at two-foot intervals at each location. The multiprobe is, additionally, used to monitor the three streams that flow into the Lake: Brown's Brook, Mine Brook, and Sucker Brook.

The recorded measurements will allow the WLA to better monitor water quality within the lake, and allow the WLA to share gathered data with environmentalists to better protect and preserve Webster Lake. The WLA would like to thank Gloria Ricker, Ernie Benoit, and The Last Green Valley for evaluating numerous multi-probes and coordinating this acquisition.



***FRIENDLY REMINDER...***

***SAFETY FIRST !!!***

# Members DIY Hints

Member hints regarding upgrades and boat maintenance including boat product critiques.



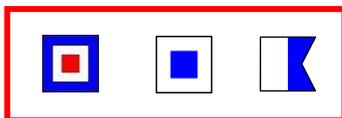
For the past 3 years, our boat has been moored at the lake, but this year we opted to try the “dry mooring” option. This entailed a learning process and some trailer modifications. Most of our members will not require these types of



modification to their own trailer either because you’re on a mooring or your boat is easily manageable at the boat ramp. Our boat is a 19’ Starwind and has a 20” keel (before the centerboard is lowered). Because of this setup, I use an extended trailer hitch in order to get the trailer deeper into the water to launch and load the boat back on. The major modification to the trailer was to make it easier to walk onto the trailer and steer the boat on as there is a channel that the keel needs to follow in order to be centered on the trailer. So... after the first few times of balancing myself on the

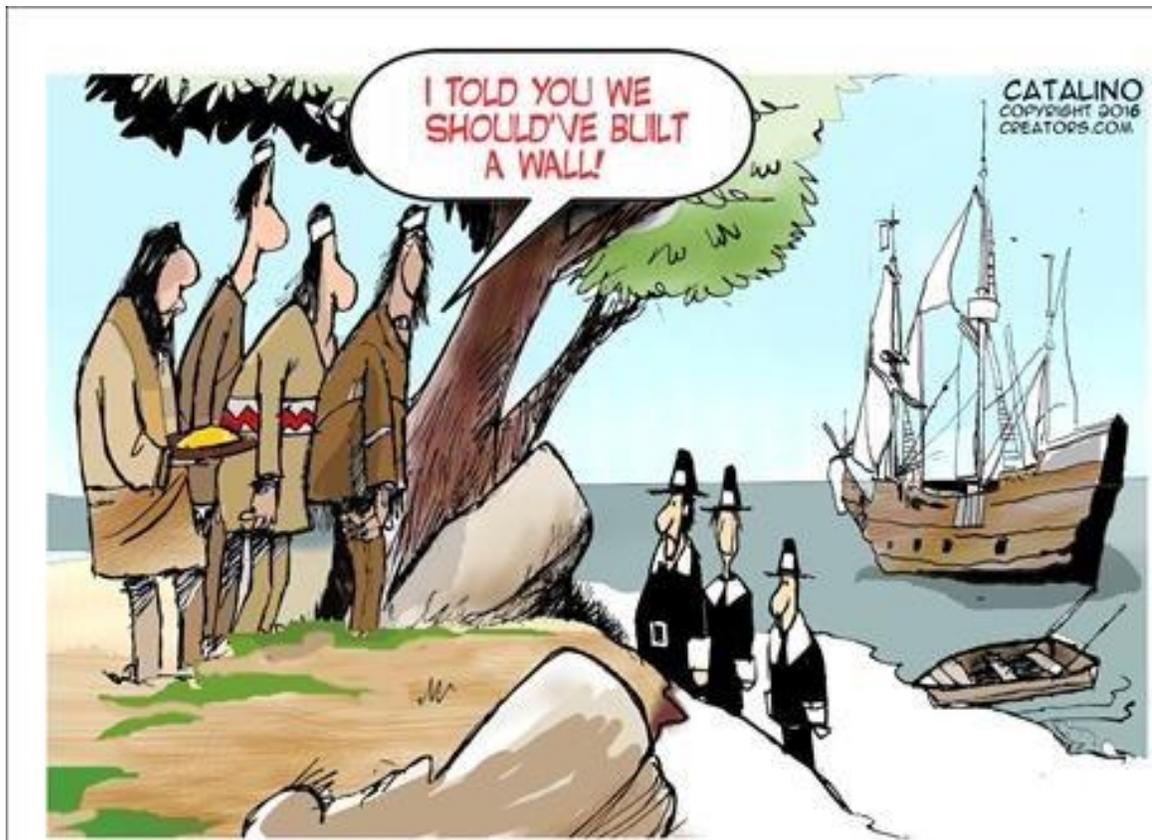
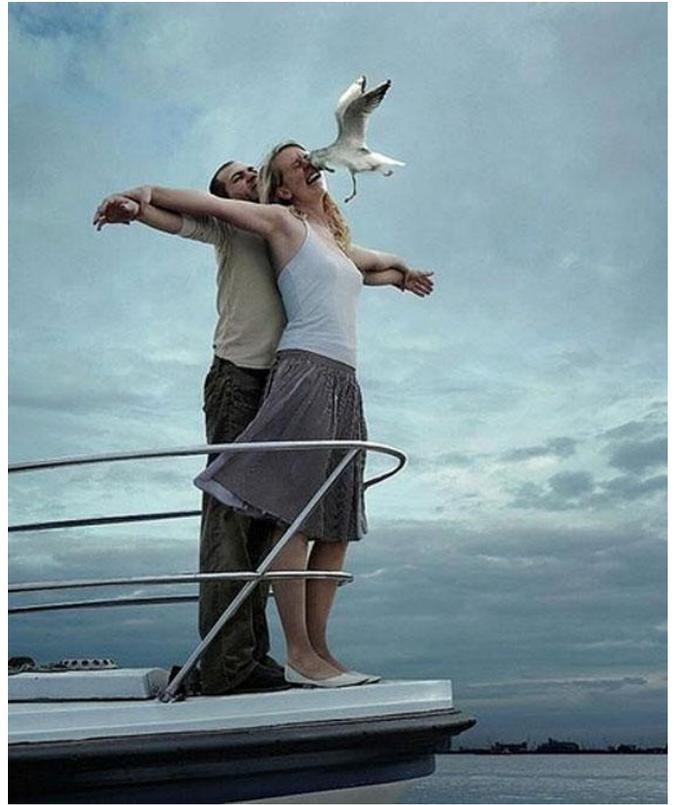
trailer trying to not fall in (it would only be a matter of time!), I added walkways on the trailer. This allowed me to be on the trailer and guide the boat on without worrying about slipping and falling in.

To make the channel for the keel to be guided into, I used 2x6s. 2x3s were used along the outer area of the trailer secured by U-bolts. The walkway was then screwed on using 1x6s. So far, this DO-IT-YOURSELF project seems to have done the job as I haven’t fallen in!!!





**SAILING HUMOR**





# WSA & Lake News

Any news or events that are WSA or lake related.

## THE RACING SCHEDULE FOR 2019.....

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Trophy Race** – Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm start

**Sunfish Regatta** – Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup>, open race (members & non-members),

10:00am registration, cookout & trophies after race

**Craver Memorial Trophy Race** – Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm start

**Phil Nims Memorial Trophy Race** – Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm start

**Point Breeze Cup Race** – Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>, open race (members & non-members),

9:30am registration, 10:00am skipper's mtg., 5:00pm dinner & trophies



## THE WSA 2019 EVENT SCHEDULE...

The following is a summary of events planned for this season. For additional information, see the WSA website at [www.wsasail.org](http://www.wsasail.org).

March 9<sup>th</sup> Saturday – **DOCK RE-BUILDING WORK PARTY**, 9:00am (rain date 3/16)

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – **OPENING WORK PARTY**, 9:00am (rain date 3;30)

April 1<sup>st</sup> Monday – **WSA ANCHORAGE OPEN FOR 2019 SEASON**

April 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday – **SPRING BANQUET / BUSINESS MTG.**, Point Breeze @5:00pm

July 6<sup>th</sup> Saturday – **FRIENDS & FAMIL DAY**, 4:00pm Lake Tours & Appetizers, 5:00pm Cookout, and Firework Display (Memorial Beach) @ dusk

August 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday – **FALL BANQUET / BUSINESS MTG. / RACE TROPHIES**, 5:00pm

October 26<sup>th</sup> Saturday – **CLOSING WORK PARTY**

November 30<sup>th</sup> Saturday – **WSA CLOSSES FOR THE 2019 SEASON**

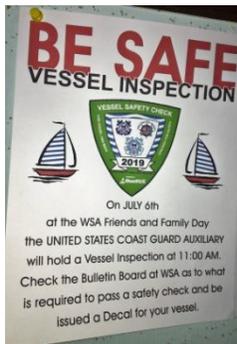


## WSA DINGHIES SECURED

The Commodore wants to inform everyone that the two WSA dinghies are now locked by chain to the wall along the beach. The key is hanging in the Anchorage by the sink. Please remember to put the key and the oars away when you are done. We have been fortunate so far that there has been no theft or vandalism at the waterfront, but there is no sense in taking chances.



## BOAT INSPECTION



As part of WSA's continuous effort to educate and promote safety on the water, members had the opportunity to have their boat inspected by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Thanks to WSA member John Colby and his colleague, Dan McAuliffe both in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, scheduled to inspect members' vessels in the morning prior to our Friends & Family Day event.

Those that took advantage of the inspection, went through a rigorous point inspection by John and Dan from having life preservers and navigation lights to anchors and fire extinguishers on board. If anything, we all walked away with a better sense of what is required to be prepared and stay safe on the water. Thanks John and Dan for your dedication as part of the Coast Guard and for taking the time in educating us in water safety.





## **WSA UPGRADES SHOWER STALL**

*The outside shower had a long overdue uplift.*



## **WELCOME 2019 NEW WSA MEMBERS**

This year we are happy to welcome 7 new members to our WSA family. If you see these newbies at the lake, please introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome.

**Jim Foltz**  
**Karin Neal Doyle**  
**Bob Hines**  
**Richard Kennedy**  
**MaryEllen Kennedy**  
**Richard Lemer**  
**Stan Schertzer**

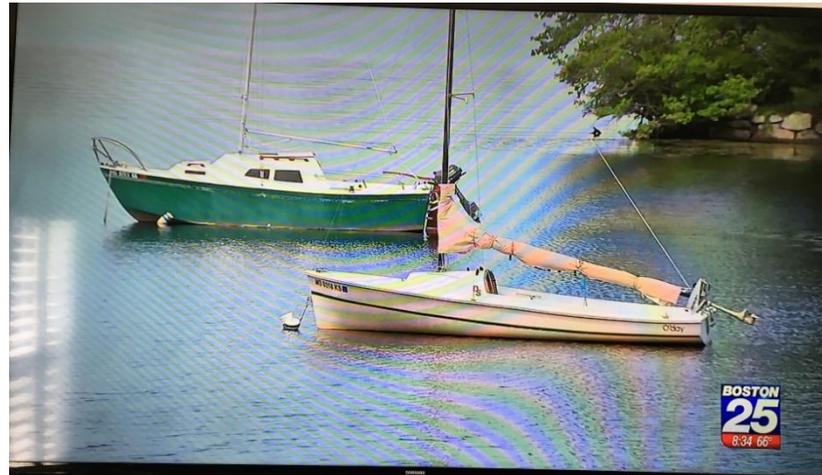


**WSA Fall Banquet** – Yes, it's already here! Mark your calendar for Sunday August 25<sup>TH</sup> and come enjoy good food, summer sailing stories and laughter. As with any "pot luck" dinner, bring a dish to share.



## FOX 25 – WEBSTER ZIP TRIP

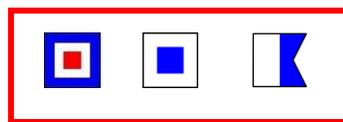
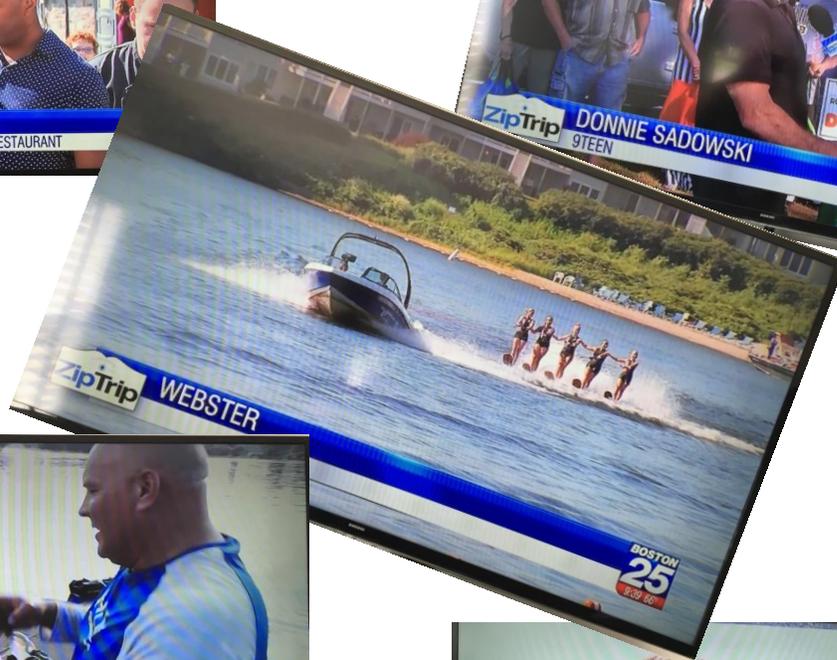
On August 6<sup>th</sup>, FOX 25 interviewed our Commodore Tom Pezzella at the Anchorage about WSA. FOX's Zip Trip aired from Memorial Beach, Webster live on Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 7-10am. Prior segments filmed from their Webster interviews will be shown at that time.



## MORE FROM THE WEBSTER ZIP TRIP...







## Members Blog

This section is a hub for members to share their thoughts, questions, opinions and stories.

### **WSA RACING REJUVENATED**

One of our primary purposes at WSA has always been to promote racing. Aside from the friendly competition, racing sharpens your skills and makes you a better sailor. With the



handicap scoring system that we use, everyone has an equal opportunity to win, but the main goal is to get out on the lake and have fun. Many great relationships and memories have been made over the years on the race course. Can you yell, “starboard!”?

In an effort to encourage and promote racing, we are forming a new committee to explore possibilities to open it up to more sailors and get them out on the course.

Phil Bastien is going to be the contact person for this new committee. If you would like to join us, please contact Phil at 508-498-9970 for text/voicemail, and parbastien@gmail.com for email.

Once we have your names, we will set a time to meet to generate some ideas. We are thinking of a weeknight at The Anchorage after work. Also, don’t hesitate to send Phil any thoughts on the subject.

Tom Pezzella

## **REGATTA POINT COMMUNITY SAILING & WSA**

I have met with Casey Duva, the Executive Director of Regatta Point Community Sailing, Inc. and we had a very enjoyable and productive meeting on possible interaction between our two sailing organizations. They are located at 10 Lake Ave, Worcester 01605 on Lake Quinsigamund at the State Park.

Both organizations are interested in promoting sailing and other water sports. We thought it would be of mutual interest and enjoyable to our members to offer programs to that end.

Regatta Point (RP) offers a wide variety of opportunities at their site. Check out their website for all details. These are some of the events that we discussed.



1. For any members who would like to learn to sail, lessons are offered Wed-Thur, 6-8p and range from beginner to advanced. A thirty day course for WSA members would be \$149, which is \$50. Off. They also have kayaks, paddle boards, dinghies for rent, and are a center for crewing on the lake.
2. RP members are looking to crew for you either sailing or racing. Please let them know if you are interested. Perhaps you can encourage a young person to take up the sport!
3. RP has a sail loft with an experienced seamstress who will repair your sails for \$80/ hour, discounted to us from \$140/ hour.
4. RP has an O'Day 22 for rent in Narragansett Bay for in Wickford Harbor at \$125 weekend days, and \$100 Mon-Fri. She has a motor, and a mini course is required before sailing. Overnight stays are not allowed. You can register online. Get a group of four together and have some fun!

Perhaps as young, trained sailors get older, they continue to sail, and will look to WSA to become members. No privately owned boats are stored at Regatta Point and there is no club there, with our facilities, to join. We hope you take advantage of these opportunities and make the most of your summer!

Tom Pezzella,



### **PHOTOS, PHOTOS & MORE PHOTOS...**

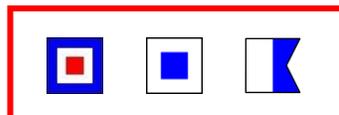
Thanks to those that have submitted photos for Jibs & Jibes. Special thanks goes to Susan Colby for her great photography of members on the lake.

### **Several important events on the near horizon...**

- This Sunday, Aug 25 will be the Phil Nims Memorial Trophy Race do - over, with a 2pm start. Bob and John will again be on Race Committee, thank you. That will be followed by the business meeting, trophies, and pot luck banquet. John & Elaine will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks. Each of you is asked to bring a dish and dessert. There will be a brief Executive Committee meeting prior to the business meeting.
- There will not be a Sunfish Regatta make up.
- We left Labor Day weekend opened. There are no scheduled events.
- Sunday Sept 8 we will hold the Point Breeze Regatta. 9:30 registration at the restaurant, 10 am skippers meeting, 1pm start, 5pm dinner at PB. \$20 covers all, including a tee shirt , trophies and prizes. This year, there will also be a prize for the sailor wearing the OLDEST PB Regatta tee shirt during the race! Let's have a good turnout! Outside racers are welcome to launch at WSA.
- On Oct 1, all winter storage forms and payments are due to Josh Hines. All other boats need to be removed from the property by Nov 30.
- Oct 26 is the closing work party.

Thanks to all on the cleaning detail this year. The building and grounds look great! By the way, try out the new outdoor shower before the season ends. It's awesome, and lit at night.

Tom Pezzella



# WSA Photo Gallery



First boat in for the 2019 season...  
Roger & Sally, April 9th

## SPRING BANQUET









**FRIENDS & FAMILY OUTING**





**RACING**





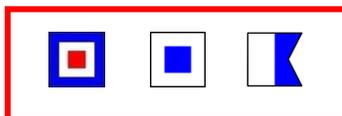






## Classifieds:

Items for sale, for free, or available services



### Editor's corner



*UNBELIEVABLE! The Summer Newsletter already here. First I'd like to thank those that took time and contributed their input to our Newsletter. Secondly, I want to acknowledge all the efforts that our friend Roger Livingston has done for WSA. For a very long time Roger put together Jibs & Jibes.*

*Again, please email me at [kennethspindola@gmail.com](mailto:kennethspindola@gmail.com) for anything you would like to include for future*

*newsletters. Below are some areas that could use members' input:*

**Classified section:** *Items to sell/give away, services provided/wanted.*

**DIY Hints section:** *Any upgrades or boat maintenance done that may be of interest or critiques of boat products, good or bad.*

**Members Profile section:** *Some information about yourself and your sailing experiences.*

**Photo Gallery section:** *Any photos you may have from this year to add.*

**Members Blog Section:** *It's a hub for members to share their thoughts, questions or opinions, also stories.*

*As with any newsletter, it's only successful with member participation.*

*Ken & Liz Spindola*

