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***Official Newsletter of the
Webster Sailing Association***



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From the Helm

**By Tom Pezzella,
WSA Commodore**



Welcome to the 2023 season!

We're off to a great start with several well-attended work parties that got the property ready for summer fun. Thanks to all who helped out.

Our Spring Banquet and Business Meeting is coming up soon, which is always a great night, and I'm encouraged by the large registration. We are pleased to see so many new members this spring!

See you at the Banquet!

Tom Pezzella

Commodore

WSA Executive Committee Announcements

2023 WSA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Commodore

Tom Pezzella

Senior Vice Commodore

Bob Gurlitz

Executive Committee

Lee Amodeo, Dr. Kringle Daly, Phil Bastien, Charlie Farber, Josh Hines, Norman Cloutier, Doug Kenyon, John Czebotar, Ken Spindola, John Colby, Lewis Wolfenson, Jonathan Chalmers

WSA BOARD MEETING

Your WSA Executive Committee met on January 14, 2023 to discuss and review plans for the 2023 sailing season.



Webster Phone Numbers

911	Any Emergency
508-943-2218	Medical Services (EMT & Ambulance)
508-943-1212	Police
508-949-3875	Fire
508-949-3861	Water / Sewer
508-340-5189	Animal Control
508-949-3861	Highway
508-987-8190	Hazard Marine
508-461-6020	Lakeview Marine
508-943-7525	Post Office
508-943-0404	Point Breeze Restaurant
508-943-2222	Waterfront Mary's
508-943-3871	Indian Ranch
508-943-1639	Samuel Slater's Restaurant
508-949-0000	The Lodge Restaurant
508-949-8888	Eighty Ates Restaurant

FROM LEE AMODEO (WSA Secretary)

Welcome back 2023 members...

We had a very successful membership renewal period. All of our 2022 members with the exception of two returned for 2023. We also have added 6 new sailing memberships and 1 canoe/kayak member. As of this date we have a total of 67 members. There are no additional sailing membership applications in the pipeline at this time, however I have received one additional inquiry for a canoe/kayak slot.

I would like to express thanks to the team of others at WSA. Josh Hines, Charlie Farber and I have collaborated to create a list of space assignments so that we establish an inventory of space availability. We will never again ask on a renewal form where you parked your boat last year. We know where your boat lives. We ask that you do your very best to center your boats in your spaces so that available spaces can be assigned to new members should we receive additional applications. I would like to ask all members that wish to have a mooring assignment to be patient. Josh Hines will be making an assessment of spaces based on depth and the quality of the hardware. Some of this may be determined electronically with a depth finder or may require getting in the water with an aqua lung and a wetsuit. It's a dirty job and the water is still pretty cold. A job not for the faint of heart.

A special shout out to John Colby for his work on the canoe/kayak brochure and the dissemination of information through social media to Facebook groups about this new WSA program. We look forward to some positive growth to WSA with respect to this program.

I will be working with Lewis Wolfenson on the web page with particular interest in the way we title our forms and information. It is important that the description of forms and information match the title of what they are linked to.

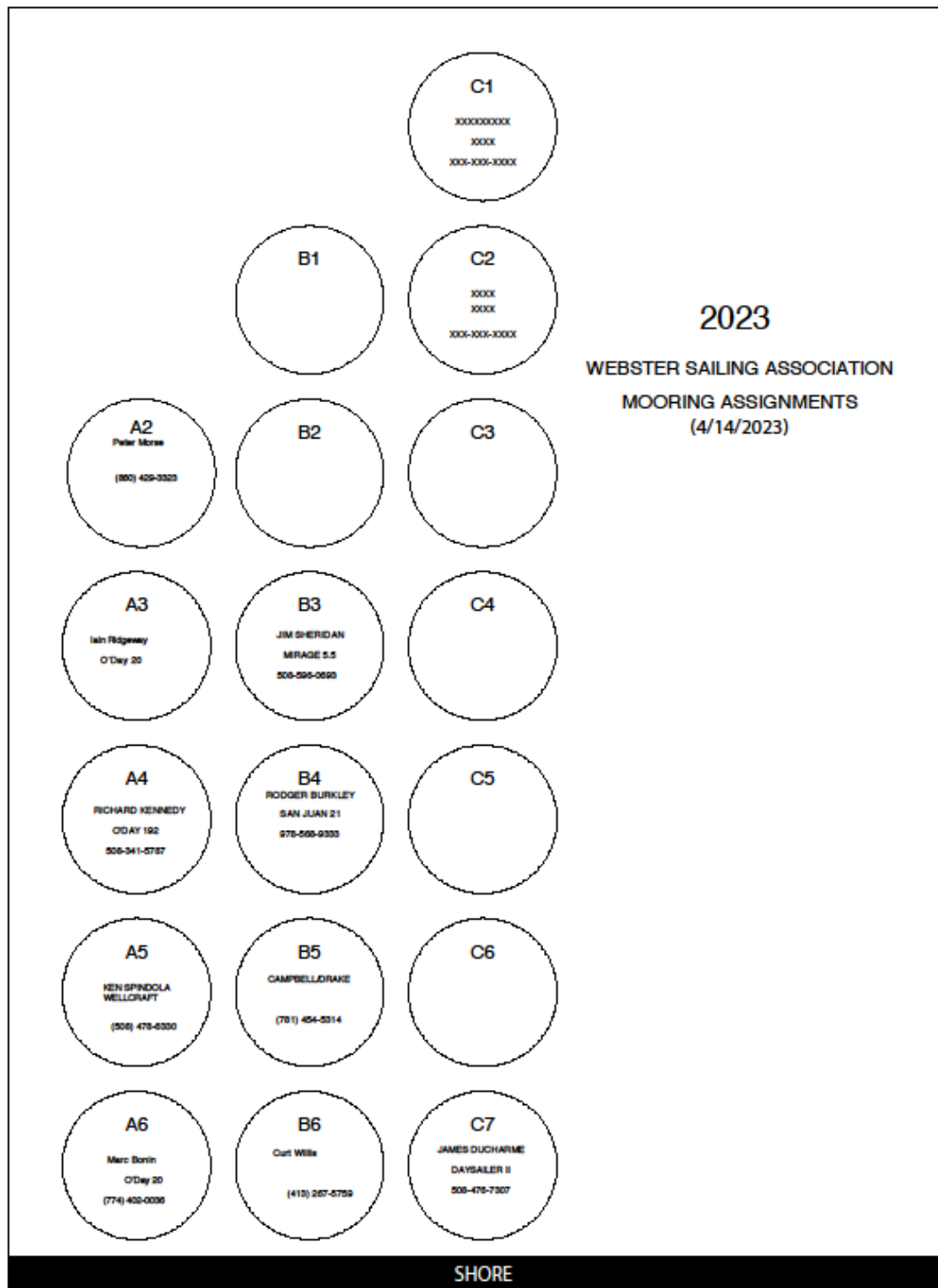
There is a lot going on this year. Look forward to seeing everyone participating in everything that WSA offers.

Lee Amodeo, WSA Secretary

FROM CHARLIE FABER (WSA Vessel Assignments)

Charles Faber has recently posted the new boating areas for both moorings and dry dock. If there are any questions or concerns on your boat location, please contact Charlie at winddr@hotmail.com

Please note — Those with Drysail locations are requested to line up their boats with their assigned number on the fence.



DATE: 06/27/2023

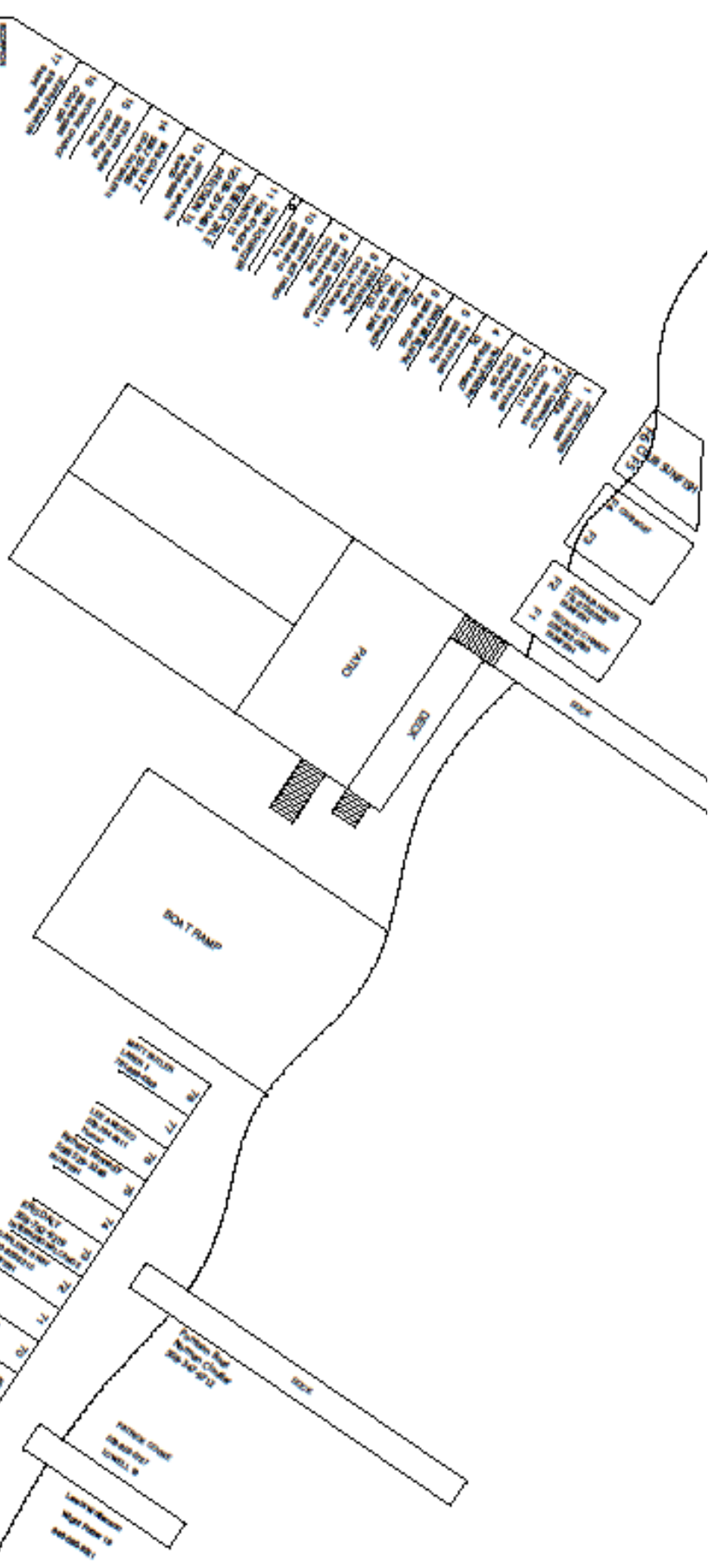
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555-333-4128
OTOMY DB11

LAKEVIEW LANE

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2023 WEBSTER SAILING ASSOCIATION DRYSAILING ASSIGNMENTS (6/27/2023)



FROM JOHN COLBY (WSA Safety Officer)

U.S. Department of
Homeland Security
**United States
Coast Guard
Auxiliary**



U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Promoting Boating Safety and Stewardship since 1939

(<http://cgaux.org>)

Flotilla 10-1, Worcester, MA

(<http://worcesterflotilla.org>)

Spring / Summer 2023 Boating Classes

“Boat America”

This basic course is designed for students aged 12 through adult.

Course meets all the requirements of NASBLA.

(National Association of Boating Law Administrators)

Upon completion USCGAux & Mass. E. P. Boating Certificate issued.

Topics Include: Types of boats, boating laws, required safety equipment,
navigation on the water, boating problems, and trailering your boat.

Live Demonstrations • Questions Answered

ONE DAY CLASSES on SATURDAY

April 15th, May 20th, June 17th, July 15th

TIME: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Holden Chapel Community Room

279 Reservoir Street

Holden, MA 01520

COST: \$45.00/pp

Many Insurance companies will provide discounts on boating insurance to boaters who complete the above class.

To Register Contact:

Robert Bentley, Public Education Officer (617) 913-5553

OR

wrbentley-uscga@yahoo.com

For more information, visit our website: www.worcesterflotilla.org



NEW WSA MEMBERS

If you happen to run into our new members, please make them feel at home and introduce yourselves.

Douglas / Victoria Campbell

Andrea Campbell Drake / Daniel Drake

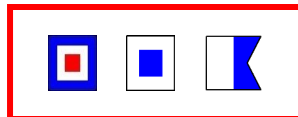
With their crew - Axel, Eva, Annalee, and Logan. They'll be sailing their Compac 16 located on a mooring. They are interested in racing and cruising with members. Dan attended the MA Maritime Academy and Douglas was on the sailing team at the University of Vermont.

Paul / Donna Sugarman

They'll be sailing their Precision 17. Paul wants to be part of the Race Committee and could also teach sailing. Donna's expertise is in communications such as in websites, Facebook, and social.

Peter / Diane Morse

Will sail their Catalina 22 located on a mooring. Peter has website development experience to offer.



EVERYONE HAS THEIR OWN STYLE!!!





WSA & Lake News

Any news or events that are WSA or lake related.

SPRING BANQUETTE

This is a friendly reminder of our upcoming Spring Banquet & Business Meeting rapidly approaching on Saturday, May 13 at Point Breeze Restaurant. Looks like we have a great turnout so far, and I'm encouraging everyone to attend, especially the new members who can meet a number of fellow sailors. Registration forms and checks need to be in to Vic Stephaniak by this Saturday. You can find a form at the Anchorage or on our website (www.wsasail.org) under "Forms and Information".



Tickets are only \$20 for adults, and \$10 for children, including appetizers, choice of 11 entrees, dessert, coffee, tax & tip. If you've been out to eat lately, you'll agree that this is a great deal these days. There will be great conversation, laughs and new friendships made. I have some special prizes for those who attend, and WSA swag will be available for purchase.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all, and the start of our new season. See you at 5pm for a cocktail.

RIGGING DAY REMINDER

Don't forget!!! —those needing assistance with getting their boat prepared for the season, there's Rigging Day on Sunday May 21st. There will be members available to help in whatever you need to get done. Everyone come down and bring your favorite beverage and just hang out around the firepit...bring the marshmallows!



NEW WSA FLYERS AVAILABLE

Thanks goes out to Sue and John Colby for revising our current brochure to now include Canoes and Kayaks. We are now capable of offering these activities through our Association and possibly increasing our membership.

Webster Sailing Association



**Sail • Kayak • Canoe
Swim • Picnic
A Fun Adventure
for the
Whole Family!**

4 Bates Point Road
Webster, MA 01570
wsasail.org

Membership Information

You may join the Webster Sailing Association if you are 18 years or older, have a sailboat 20 feet or less (18 feet or less for a catamaran) and have a basic knowledge of sailing. Kayaks and canoes are also allowed for membership.

Cost for first year is \$342.00 and \$265.00 for each year after. Membership fee covers all persons living in the same household and includes one boat parking space (either dry sail or mooring).

The first year of membership is probationary and each new member must demonstrate their sailing skills, attend one of our two work parties and show a willingness to help with the management and maintenance of the club.

We are now offering winter storage to our members for a small additional fee December through March.

For more information:



Phone: 508 864-6594

Email: wsasailsecy@gmail.com

Website: wsasail.org

WSA FACEBOOK ADVERTISING

John Colby has also taken the lead in promoting WSA in approximately 7 Webster Lake website on Facebook

WEBSTER SAILING ASSOCIATION



**IS NOW ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS
FOR THE 2023 SAILING SEASON**

PLUS...

**WSA IS ALSO ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR OUR
NEW BAYS FOR KAYAKS & CANOES AT OUR
WATERFRONT... 16 BAYS AVAILABLE!!!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR APPLICATION FORMS,
CONTACT LEE AMODEO AT wsasailsecy@gmail.com**

WSA Photo Gallery



DOCK BUILDING





Kayak / Canoe Construction



"Opening Day" Work Party

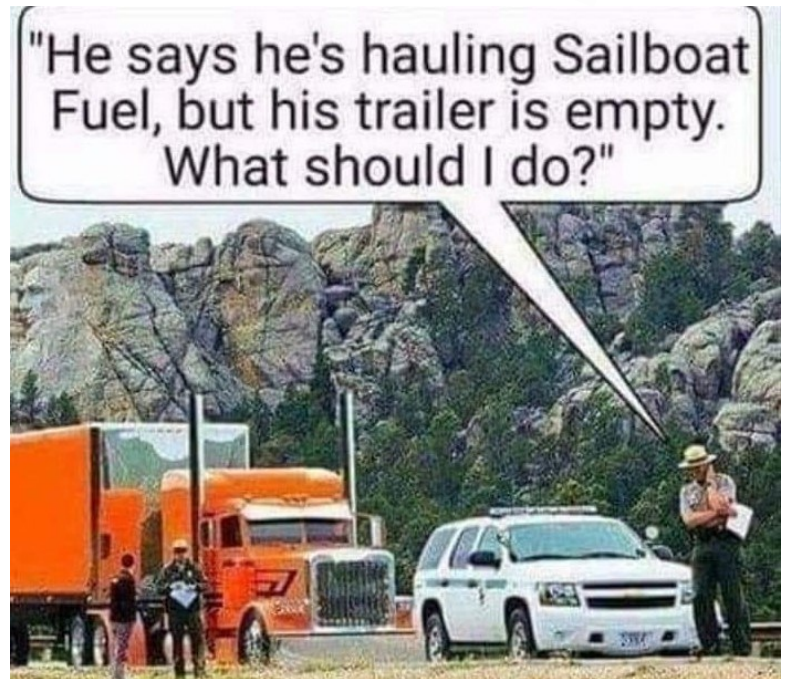
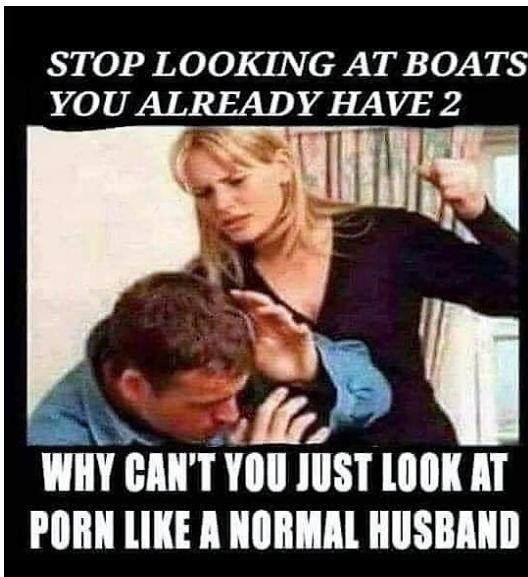




Ready to Launch!



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE...



Did
you
know?

This section is for information or interesting articles
for the education of our members.



A size comparison between the Titanic and a modern cruise ship.



Members Blog

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

Commodore's message

Welcome to spring and the new season! The property is open and ready for you to enjoy.

There are a number of things that have made this possible, starting with a fantastic Sunday turnout for the work party. All of our goals were accomplished thanks to many volunteer and motivated hands. I was especially pleased to meet and see so many new members present and digging in. We will need you going forward to participate in the committees that make WSA possible. The work can almost be fun when done with old and new friends, over coffee, donuts, and Becky's brownies and chocolate chip cookies!

A few other thank yous go out to George Chabot, for getting the water turned on, Norm Cloutier and Dennis for the use and operation of the bobcat, dump trailer and truck, and Jim Ducharme for provided a place to store our leaves (in case we want them back). Norm also dealt with Verizon to get our phone working. As usual, our crack reporter/ photographer Ken Spindola, captured the day for prosperity! And as always, thanks to the WSA officers who are very busy this time of year. Thanks to all!

A special thank you to Josh Hines, our buildings & grounds chairperson, who purchases all materials, plans and organizes the projects to be done. He also, along with Charlie Farber, establishes the dry sailing and mooring assignments. They do a fantastic job!

A reminder to everyone to shut off lights, lock the doors, and spin the combo on the gate lock when you leave. Sign the sign in book on the table for safety and insurance purposes. Josh will be putting out a cleaning assignment list soon, and all new members will find themselves on it. Thanks also to new member Douglas Campbell for volunteering for the communications/ website committee! Welcome!

A reminder of the upcoming Spring Banquet and Business Meeting at Point Breeze restaurant on Saturday, May 13. We'll enjoy cocktails and conversation at 5, dinner at 6, and our meeting at 7. It's been a few years absence from PB, and we'll have a private room and a choice of 10 entrees, to be chosen that night. Dinners are only \$20 adult, \$10 children, tax & tip included.

Reservation forms and payment need to be in to Vlc Stephaniak by April 29th and are available on our website, www.wsasail.org, under "forms". It's casual dress, and the only time we won't be together in a bathing suit all year! I highly recommend that all the new members attend and have a chance to meet and converse with us old timers. Always a good time.

Looking forward to seeing you then. Happy Ramadan, Passover, and Easter!

Tom Pezzella

Commodore

2023 Membership List Phone Numbers Requested

To all 2023 WSA Members:

The 2023 POSTED MEMBERSHIP LIST has been provided to all members. This list reflects our current membership as of the Rev date of 4/22/23. We have tweaked the list this year to re-classify phone #'s as Primary and Secondary. I would appreciate that each of you who provided two phone #'s to message me back should you feel that your Primary and Secondary phone #'s have been mis-applied and need to be switched.

Appreciate your help in this matter. It is important we have an accurate listing should you need to be contacted.

Lee Amodeo, WSA Secretary

Dock Building Thanks...

Thanks for volunteering to help. I will probably use this list for solicitation for future carpentry work parties. (Understandably people might not be available). It is great to see so many people willing to help. Some of you have not been included until now based on the last minute nature of today's work party (due to the questionable forecast). I am glad it turned out to be okay weather.

Today, we were able to get the three docks completed (minus the fire hose for the third dock), and the wood cut to length for the kayak rack.

Thanks to Andy Davis, Bob Gurlitz, Derick Drake, Dick Gosslin, Dick Kennedy, Jeff Martin, Lee Amodeo for today's work, We worked from ~9:30am to ~3pm. I did not realise it was cool out until I got home and washed my hands with cold tap water that felt warm...(we have had work parties with much worse conditions in the past)

We still have to add the fire hose to the third dock and build the kayak rack, Other projects include fixing the shoreline patio dock that was damaged by ice last year (we can at least find out what is needed to fix this and or use the leftover lumber) (will require muck boots or waiters),. and cleaning out the storeroom of the stuff we need to dispose of.

Not clear at this point what Saturday's weather is but for now, we will plan on another work party next Saturday, I will touch base later in the week when the weather becomes clearer,

Thanks,
Josh

Canoe and Kayak Rack Completed

Thanks for the help with this weekend's work party. We completed the last dock and kayak rack.. (I hope I included everyone who helped,... I apologize if I did not). (I did not take attendance). As several of us know, this rack is heavy and solid, but moved into place for now. We also removed all the stuff in the rafters above the patio overhang as well. We will be disposing of those items (with others) going forward..Anyways, below / attached are pictures of the completed rack.

Thanks Again,
Josh



WSA Classified Ads:



For Sale:

1990 Compac 16/3 sailboat, refurbished boat trailer. "Half Moon" \$4800.00 or best offer. Dry docked at WSA slip#7

Contact Rich @ (508) 434-1278, Email: criterion@charter.net



O'Day 20

O'Day 20', good shape, slight bend in mast, 7.5hp long shaft motor, with trailer.

Jib, storm jib, genoa(120% jib), mainsail.

Blue hull, white deck.

Asking \$900.

Call Tom, 774-200-9697

