

Waypoint: *“Waypoints typically mark either points along a planned route, or locations of interest”*

- The American Practical Navigator/Bowditch

Harbormaster Waypoint 3/2017

Fellow Boaters:

Once again Labor Day has come and gone, marking the unofficial end of summer, and like last year, the weather did not cooperate. In 2016 the Labor Day weekend was spoiled by Tropical Storm Hermine, and 7 vessels ended up on the beach. This year, the remnants of Hurricane Harvey paid us a visit, and although not as severe, the wind and rain caused many Labor Day plans on the water to be changed. There's something about the “H” storms and Jamestown Labor Day!

We are entering the active part of hurricane season in New England, so if you haven't already thought of your personal hurricane plan – for you and your boat – it's time to do it. Please plan ahead. Planning and preparation will go a long way to ensure the safety of you and your property.

In the last waypoint, I mentioned the new stickers we began using this year. My own observation is that they seem to be holding up very well. If you have any feedback on the stickers – good or bad - I'd be glad to hear it.

As the season winds down, for those of you who have not used your mooring in 2017, a reminder: the Harbor Ordinance requires that you have the boat you registered to the mooring/outhaul ON the mooring/outhaul for at least 20 days during the season or you risk losing it. If you are having a problem meeting this requirement, please contact the Harbor Office.

My office number is: 401-423-7249. My cell number is 401-265-3990. If I'm out on the boat, you can hail me on VHF Channel 16, and we'll take it to another channel.

Please remember that we all share the same goal: to enjoy our time on the water in a safe and responsible way.

Smooth sailing - See you on the water!

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