

SUMMER 2023

WATER SAFETY

INITIATIVES

NEWSLETTER

North Atlantic Division



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Announcements

Goals for Water Safety Initiatives Newsletter

- Showcase what your project or office is doing
- Share water safety programs & initiative ideas
- Provide a record of NAD water safety initiatives

Your insight is needed

Submissions due March 15th, June 15th, Sept. 15th, Dec. 15th

North Atlantic Division Quick Facts

- 225 recreation sites at 47 lake projects in 9 states
 - CT, DE, MD, MA, NH, NY, PA, VT, WV
- Approximately 10 million visitors annually
- 72 boat ramps
- 470 miles of shoreline

FY2023 "I Got Caught" Products Distributed To:

NAE – Buffumville Lake & Hopkinton-Everett Lake

NAB – Jennings Randolph Lake & Almond Lake

NAP – Blue Marsh Lake & Beltzville Lake

Thank you for your patience on the water safety product orders this year. Everyone should have received their orders by now, if not please let Pam Doty, National Water Safety Program Manager, know by emailing her at pamela.j.doty@usace.army.mil

2023 Life Jacket Video Contest – Ends September 8, 2023

Please help promote this contest using the promotional items available on the contest website, <https://www.lifejacketvideocontest.com>.

NRM Gateway Water Safety Section

<https://corpslakes.erdc.dren.mil/employees/watersafety/water.cfm>

New England District (NAE)



West Hill Dam

Park Rangers represented USACE and promoted Water Safety at the 22nd Annual Kid's Fair at the Whittin Community Center in their local community.



Buffumville Lake

Park Rangers have been promoting water safety while representing USACE this spring at many local events.



Cape Cod Canal

To help kick-off National Safe Boating Week, The Cape Cod Canal had several guests promoting boating safety alongside USACE Park Rangers & Bobber.



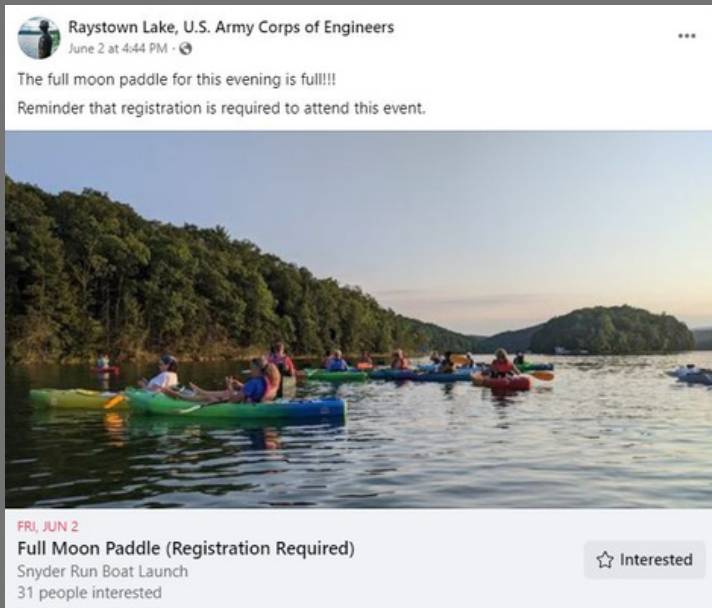
Baltimore District (NAB)

Jennings Randolph Lake

On Saturday June 24th, Shaw Beach hosted their Annual Glow Swim. Over 150 participants enjoyed the night swim! Everyone was given glow sticks, water safety frisbees, and a life jacket to safely enjoy the evening festivities.



Raystown Lake



Create "Events" on your social media pages to increase participation.



Water Safety Panels

If you are looking to replace existing panels like this recently updated one or create something new to promote water safety, the National Water Safety Program is happy to help.




Philadelphia District (NAP)



"I Got Caught" at Blue Marsh

Park Rangers at Blue Marsh Lake have been handing out well-earned products to visitors practicing water safety, being "caught" wearing their life jackets!

 **Practice Safe, Fun Boating!**
US Army Corps of Engineers

-  **BUCKLE UP**
Everyone on your boat should wear a life jacket. Accidents can happen anytime.
-  **ALCOHOL & BOATING DON'T MIX**
Alcohol reduces reaction time and can cause accidents.
-  **KNOW THE BASICS**
Successfully complete a boating education course.
-  **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**
Check the weather forecast and file a float plan with family and friends.
-  **DON'T OVERLOAD**
Too many people and too much equipment can capsize your boat.
-  **MAINTAIN YOUR BOAT**
Routinely check electrical, fuel and auxiliary power systems.

Social Media

Be sure to share graphics like these from the National Water Safety Program's social media page, "Please Wear It", to your Social Media Page to promote Water Safety all year.

 **iPractique Navegación Segura y Divertida!**
US Army Corps of Engineers

-  **ABRÓCHELO**
Todos en su bote deben usar un chaleco salvavidas. Los accidentes pueden ocurrir en cualquier momento.
-  **EL ALCOHOL Y LA NAVEGACIÓN NO MEZCLAN**
El alcohol reduce su tiempo de reacción y puede causar accidentes.
-  **SEPA LO BÁSICO**
Tome un curso de navegación.
-  **SEPA ANTES DE IR**
Verifique el pronóstico del clima y deje su plan de navegación con familia y amigos.
-  **NO SOBRECARGUE**
Demasiada gente y demasiado equipo pueden hacer su bote zozobrar.
-  **MANTENGA SU BOTE**
Inspeccione rutinariamente los sistemas eléctricos, de combustible y de propulsión auxiliar.

Blue Marsh Lake

Park Rangers have been conducting evening boat patrols to check for appropriate lighting after sunset on boats and to ensure PWC's and waterskiers are off the water for everyone's safety.



Water Safety is Everywhere

Project Staff participate in
"Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day"
May 19th, 2023



Meet your National Water Safety Representatives



National Team Meeting- Hot Springs Arkansas - March 2023