

## **Tisbury Shellfish Department**

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June 2023:

Earlier in the month we helped MVSG @ HH to teach the Tisbury 3<sup>rd</sup> graders about shellfishing and the importance of our pond's ecosystem. We also had the Tisbury School 8<sup>th</sup> graders as well as Pre-K kids.

Installed a data logger in Tashmoo for BBC with MVC.

This month we started to receive batches of quahogs and bay scallops, we put them in rafts and on lines in both ponds, and already had to thin them out by the end of the month.

LPA interns- Robbert Simpkin and Maddie Blaha joined the team late in June to help both OB and Tisbury Shellfish Departments with all aspects of shellfishing.

Planting eelgrass- within our marked eelgrass area in Lagoon, Alley McConnel, MVSG and TSD, took old quahog rafts, added legs brought them to the desired location and sunk them to plant eelgrass.

Postponed Family Shellfish Day 6/24 moved to 7/8.

TSD has regularly taken MVC out to collect water samples in Lagoon and Tashmoo.

## Meetings/events: 6/5 LPA meeting, 6/28- SB hearing

/Tisbury Shellfish CY 2023	
	As of June 30, 2023
Bay Scallops	
Quahogs	353
Soft Shell Clams	11

Permits Sold Month of June 2023	
Shellfish Permits (111)	\$2565
Gauges (9)	\$45

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