

CRABBING RESPONSIBLY AT BARNEGAT BAY:

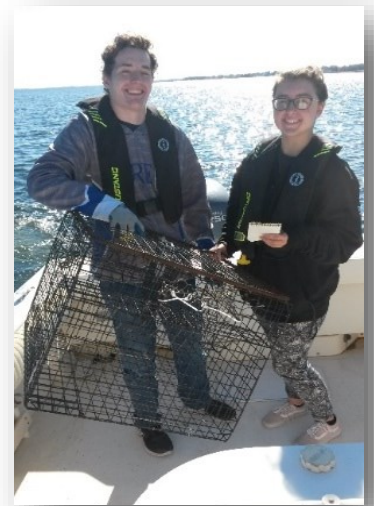
Catch Them if You Can

Catching blue crabs at Barnegat Bay is an important activity that spans generations. Over the years, there has been a debate about the numbers and sizes of crabs captured with perceptions that "crabbing isn't what it used to be". Dr. John Wnek, director of The Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science (MATES), will present a program about crabbing regulation on Wednesday, August 25th on Zoom, on the methods and results of a derelict crab pot project that recovered crab pots throughout Barnegat Bay, NJ over a four-year span.



Measuring a blue crab.

Dr. Wnek will share the results of a survey conducted by the MATES "Crabbing Responsibly at Barnegat Bay" (CRABB) Team that gained a better understanding of actual recreational crab captures and perceptions, including reported size



Members of the CRABB team.



Above left: a female Diamondback Terrapin tries to move through a turtle excluder device. Above right: drowned terrapins. Above bottom: examples of excluder devices.

requirements and blue crab capture practices. The program will be interactive and provide ways to be more effective at practicing sustainable crabbing practices throughout the area.

The presentation will be held virtually on Zoom, Wednesday, August 25th, at 7 pm. A short 15 minute Mordecai Land Trust members meeting will be held before the presentation. The public is welcome to attend.

To register use the link at the bottom of the page. Register in advance. Registration is available until the meeting begins. Waiting room enabled.

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