

## **Friends of Merrymeeting Bay 2015 Accomplishments**

### **Media**

Print: (Over 11 articles-US & Canada) Atlantic salmon, Outings, Archaeology, St. Croix Alewives, Education, Speaker Series

### **Volunteers**

Approximately 4,364 volunteer hours (545.5 days)  
169 volunteers

### **Membership**

410 households  
Speaker Series – (400 people)  
Outside 2015 (Paddle Series & Walks – 125 people.  
Newsletters – 4

### **Grants**

\$22,546: Education, Research, Staffing

### **Outreach Presentations**

Maine Maritime Museum Cruises & Paddles (181 participants)

### **Education**

Two Bay Days (300) students) 8 schools (plus Morse students as chaperones)  
School Visits (80 visits, 1810 students, 63 teachers, 14 schools)  
Non-School Visits (97 people)  
Web site updates

### **Conservation and Stewardship**

Additional easements in progress  
Continuous landowner outreach  
Ongoing stewardship activities  
Monitor all easement & fee properties

### **Research**

Water Quality Monitoring – 24 sites  
Thwings Pt. Archaeology Dig  
Carp Tagging Study

### **Advocacy (postings, letters, testimony, etc.)**

Lawsuit-Atlantic salmon CWA  
Healthy Rivers/Healthy Gulf promoting safe fish passage  
Smart Meters  
Posting Fish Consumption Advisories  
St. Croix Alewives

#### **Primary Partners**

Friends of Casco Bay  
National Environmental Law Center  
The Archaeological Conservancy  
Kennebec Reborn  
Avian Haven  
Maine Coalition to Stop Smart Meters  
Bowdoin College Environmental Studies  
Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife  
Maine Maritime Museum  
Department of Marine Resources  
Bowdoinham Public Library  
Maine Historic Preservation Commission  
Maine Land Trust Network  
Department of Environmental Protection  
Patagonia Outlet, Freeport  
Chops Point School  
Brunswick TV 3  
Merrymeeting Arts Center