



GREAT SALT POND SWIM-7

On Saturday, July 30th, our seventh annual Great Salt Pond swim took place at Andy's Way, and was a great success! In addition to creating awareness of this great resource, this is a fundraiser to supplement our water testing program in the recreational swim area. 110 swimmers took part in the event, ranging in age from 13-82 with some of our swimmers completing the virtual version of the swim!

The weather Saturday morning started out with some light rain but by the time the swimmers arrived on-site the weather was perfect with a light breeze blowing in from the east. Swimmers were in the water at 11:00 a.m. for the swim which brought people of all ages and swimming abilities together, since this is not a timed event or a race. There were triathletes, college swimmers, leisurely swimmers, and those who were there to socialize with their friends. This has truly become a community event with an audience of friends and relatives sitting in beach chairs, cheering for the swimmers, a Block Island tradition and yearly event.

The Great Salt Pond Swim-8 will take place at Andy's Way on Saturday, July 29, 2023. You can sign up for the swim at cgspliblockisland.org, click 2023 Swim (where you will find a participant packet) - click Register. Registration is also available on Active.com. The registration fee is \$60.00. On-line registration will open October 1, 2022 and on-site registration will also be available. See you July 29, 2023 at Andy's Way!

To view the entire collection of Swim-7 photos, click [here](#).



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OUR MISSION: To protect and enhance the environmental quality of the Great Salt Pond, including its shorelines and wetlands, and to promote appropriate and productive uses of the Pond's resources by residents, visitors and local businesses.

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