

# Balloon-A-Palooza

**Friday June 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>**

Helium Balloons have been accumulating in our waterways; polluting the Long Island Sound.  
Now it's our turn as a boating community to get involved- **Lets Catch the Balloons!**

Whether you are out fishing, walking the Norwalk Islands, or just drifting in the Sound; catch all the balloons that you see. **It's that easy!** Together we will help keep the Long Island Sound clean.

## How to Play:

1. Take Photos of Any & All Balloons You Find
2. Submit Your Findings- Email or Tag Us on Instagram
  - **Email** your daily or weekly findings to [Info@Rexmarine.com](mailto:Info@Rexmarine.com)

**OR**

**Post** your findings on Instagram, and tag [@Rexmarine\\_NorwalkCove](https://www.instagram.com/Rexmarine_NorwalkCove)  
& Use [#Balloonapalooza2020](https://www.instagram.com/hashtag/Balloonapalooza2020)
3. We will keep track of the number of balloons participants have collected, keeping you updated with some friendly competition along the way
4. Final Submissions must be sent by Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup> at midnight

## Ways to Win:

- GRAND PRIZE- Most Balloons Collected from 6/19- 7/5
- Greatest Assortment of "Species" (Birthday, Graduation, Father's Day etc.)
- Youngest Participant Award
- Most Unusual Balloon
- Flotsam Award: Find the Most Unusual Piece of Water Debris

### **This is Not a Catch & Release.**

**\*\*Please Catch, Document, and Dispose Properly\*\***

### **Social Distancing Rules Apply**

Remember, boating is still limited to those in the same household. This is a great family activity where social distancing is safely followed, and submissions will remain completely virtual.

### **STAY SAFE!**

Please use utmost caution while fishing for balloons, reaching to grab them in the water, or using nets to retrieve them.

# [#Balloonapalooza2020](https://www.instagram.com/hashtag/Balloonapalooza2020)

# PRIZES

**“Most Balloons Collected” June 19<sup>th</sup> – July 5<sup>th</sup>**

**~Grand Prize Winner~**

**1 Hour Boat Photo Shoot with Local Photographer Patrick Sikes**

Have keepsake photos of your family & friends aboard your boat, out and around the Norwalk Islands

**Check Out @Magic\_Sites on Instagram**

**“Greatest Assortment of ‘Species’ (Birthday, Graduation, etc.)**

**\$200 Norwalk Cove & Rex Marine Gift Card**

Boat supplies, marine mechanics, apparel- Enjoy this gift certificate at both locations  
@Rexmarine\_NorwalkCove

**“Most Unusual Balloon”**

**Two Hour Casting Lesson with Captain Ian Devlin**

Ian regularly consults with rod and line manufacturers and holds casting demonstrations at industry trade shows. @ian\_devlin

**“Youngest Participant Award”**

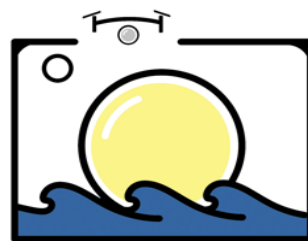
**Family 4 Pack of Tickets to the Mystic Aquarium**

The Mystic Aquarium’s mission is to inspire people to care for & protect our oceans  
@Mysticaquarium

**“Flotsam Award: Find the Most Unusual Piece of Water Debris**

**Swag Bag from The Clean Earth Project- Shirts, Hats, Cups, etc.**

The Clean Earth Project works to raise awareness to the pollution issue we’re facing, reduce waste, & create a cleaner environment for all to live in. @thecleanearth\_project



Patrick Sikes Photography

