



Two Great Organizations Become One for the Day

On Wednesday June 6, 2018, Camp Resilience teamed up with the Lake Winnipesaukee Sailing Association (LWSA) in order to get American Veterans on the water with the LWSA sailing fleet. The day began with a lunch together at the Lake Winnipesaukee Sailing Center on Davis Road in Gilford. During the lunch, the sailors and volunteers got to meet the Veterans as both groups got to know a little more about each other while making plans for the afternoon sail. From the Sailing Center, the group travelled to Fay's Boatyard on Varney Point where everyone boarded the cruising sailboats; Haleakala, Painkiller, Renaissance, and Claddagh for a fun day on the water. Each of the veterans played an active role in setting sail for the day including raising the sails, skippering the boats and trimming the sails for the most speed. The cruise began by motoring out of Smith Cove and on to the southern portion of Welch Island in the "Broads" of Lake Winnipesaukee. Due to initial light winds, the four vessels motor-sailed with just their mainsails around the southern portion of Welch then north towards Six Mile Island where the wind began to come alive and the genoa sails were raised and the motors snuffed so the veterans could enjoy the quiet of a Lake Winnipesaukee late spring day-sail. As the wind picked up and Haleakala, Painkiller, Renaissance and Claddagh sailed between Birch and Dollar Island, it seemed as though a bit of competition ensued as winches began ticking on all the boats to improve sail trim and speed to see which boat would sail back to the docks at Fay's the fastest. Everyone arrived back at Fay's Boatyard late in the afternoon and all were thankful to have gotten to know each other and enjoy a day on the water. The LWSA sailors and Camp Resilience volunteers were especially thankful to have gotten to spend the day with American heroes that afternoon.



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