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Maine Wardens Locate Missing Mass Boater.

Today, August 4 2018 at approximately, 1245pm Warden Divers being pulled underwater with planing boards located the body of Robert Hammond 66 of Hanson Mass.

Mr. Hammonds boat was located Thursday afternoon near the southern end of Moose Island on Moosehead Lake. Wardens were able to piece together a time line of Mr. Hammond leaving Spencer Bay camps in the late morning with his boat on Thursday August 2 2018. Then travelling south into Greenville and docking at the public landing. Mr. Hammond then purchased some gas from a local store and then was heading back north on Moosehead Lake when for some reason his watercraft made a 180-degree slow turn and then stopped on the shore of Moose Island where wardens would eventually locate it.

Today on August 4 2018 Maine Game Wardens deployed several resources to assist in locating Mr. Hammond. Maine Warden Service Dive Team members, Maine Warden Service K9 team members, Maine state police K9 team members, Maine Association of Search and Rescue personnel (MASAR) with teams from Maine Search and Rescue Dogs (MESARD) and Piscataquis County Search and Rescue team members.

These resources executed land and water searches today around the Hartford Point and Moose Island areas today.

Maine Warden Service would like to remind boaters to wear a life jacket when on a watercraft while recreating on Maine's Inland waterways.



Photo of Maine Warden Service and State Police K9's searching water.



Photo of Maine Warden Service Dive Boat pulling divers underwater in Moosehead Lake.