



**Like bathtub toys**

Noel's winds and high seas caused at least six island vessels to run aground. Here, boats are up on the shores at Dutch Harbor, East Ferry and off East Shore Road.

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**Storm**

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He added, "We checked and rechecked the lines of those still at their moorings, and the only damage, which was minor, was to my own personal boat... it was the last to be placed." He said the storm also did some minor damage to the boatyard dock.

Napolitano reported he did not get wind and rain readings on his electronic equipment because "the winds were too strong for me or anyone to go up to the roof to replace batteries."

Bill Munger at Conanicus Marine Services echoed Napolitano's report in many ways. "We're feeling pretty good and very lucky about being able to give a good report. The crew did a really bang up job all week before the storm hit. Boats were hauled, the dock was secured and we had minimal issues with the marina," he said.

"But at the shed, we had two sky lights blown off, and some rain came in," he reported. "It blew hard... All I can say is that it blew hard," Munger added, explaining that he had failed to reset his wind and rain gauges, so he did not have a precise report on those aspects of the storm here.

**The Newport Bridge**

Personnel at the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority said its operations went relatively smoothly, including at the Claiborne Pell Newport Bridge, for

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