



May 2011 A Publication of the Canobie Lake Protective Association

Our Mission

“To help protect and improve the quality of Canobie Lake and the surrounding watershed, while maintaining and supporting the interests of lake users and watershed property owners.”

We are your advocates:

- To maintain water levels
- To maintain water quality
- To monitor invasive species in lake and report to DES
- To monitor I93 construction project esp. sediment control
- To maintain communication and working relationships with the

Town of Salem, Town of Windham, Arlington Pond Assoc., NH DOT, NH DES, & NH Lakes Assoc.

- To encourage stocking of fish by the NH Fish and Game
- To remove logs from Canobie
- To improve the boat ramp
- To keep you informed via our newsletters and web site
- To coordinate the clean-up of the conservation land on W Shore Rd
- To organize the 4th of July boat parade and contests
- To hold our annual meeting and information forum
- To provide a habitat/raft for our resident LOONS

Our role as advocates is strengthened with a unified membership.

Our goal is to have all property owners around the lake join together in solidarity.

PLEASE demonstrate your support for our work to protect Canobie Lake.

JOIN TODAY and become a MEMBER

CANOBIE LAKE PARK has, again, *generously* given CLPA park GUEST PASSES to be used in our membership drive. For each membership or donation of \$25 you will receive one \$32 guest pass to Canobie Lake Park.

To join: fill in and send with your tax deductible check for \$25 (any additional donations will be gratefully accepted) to the Canobie Lake Protective Association, Inc. To receive your CANOBIE LAKE GUEST PASS(ES) please enclose a return addressed, stamped envelope. With questions, please call Mary Warren at 898 4471.

Please CUT OFF and MAIL to: Mary Warren, 73 West Shore Rd, Windham, NH 03087

Name _____ Tele# _____ email _____
 Address _____ Town _____ \$enclosed _____

WELCOME and THANK YOU!!!!

Salem seeking permission to transfer water

At a meeting in Concord last month Rick Russell, Salem's Director of Public Works, confirmed that Salem is still seeking permission to transfer water from Arlington Pond directly into Canobie Lake. The application has not been formally made yet, because DES is changing the permitting process.

The CLPA is strongly opposed to a transfer. We believe it would damage the quality and quantity of Canobie Lake water. And it does not solve Salem's fundamental water issue, which is not enough source water. We will continue to work to prevent a transfer.

Status report: I-93 Construction

The project to widen I-93 from 2 lanes to 4 in each direction is continuing (and will for years). In Windham near exit 3 the highway runs close to Canobie Lake and Cobbetts Pond. Storm water runoff from the construction site can lead to pollution (sediment) discharges into either lake. The contractor is required to have an approved SWPPP (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan) in place and implement it conscientiously. There are weekly meeting with the contractor, reps from the Department of Transportation and the Department of Environmental Services, and reps from the CLPA and Cobbetts Pond Improvement Assoc., to monitor status and any events which have occurred. Since September, 2009, I have been attending the weekly meetings for the CLPA.

So far, there have been two sediment discharges into Canobie Lake, and two near misses. These were covered as news items on the CLPA web site last year. The CLPA filed formal complaints with DOT and DES for the two discharge incidents.

To be fair, it is difficult to do a construction project of this scale, so close to lakes, and not have any sediment discharges. I believe that DOT and the contractors are well-intentioned and trying hard. I believe the presence of the lake reps, and the attention the Windham selectmen have paid to the issue, reinforce the importance of preventive measures. And there have been lessons learned from the discharges that have occurred, which have led to better controls and fewer incidents. There have been no discharges of sediment into the lakes in 2011, so far.

We will continue to be vigilant and to cooperate with all the parties involved.

Bill Schroeder (president, CLPA)

Watershed Study for Canobie Lake is underway

An assessment of the watershed of Canobie Lake is being performed by the Granite State Rural Water Association, in cooperation with the Canobie Lake Protective Association. The study is being paid for by a grant from the US EPA, which the CLPA learned about through its contacts with NH DES. Nick Sceggell, a civil engineer with the GSRWA, is leading the effort. He is gathering information from town officials in Salem and Windham, and from his own field work. Work began last fall, and is continuing

through this summer.

This watershed assessment seeks to determine:

- The exact boundaries of the watershed
- Land use within the watershed (e.g. commercial, residential, agricultural, natural)
- Amount of impervious surface
- Storm water flows
- Potential sources of contamination to the lake
- Measures to reduce potential contamination

A comprehensive assessment has not been done before for Canobie Lake, to our knowledge. We believe the assessment will reveal what needs to be done to protect the water quality of Canobie Lake for the future. Results of the study will be made public this summer.



Welcome back LOONS!

Dave Blake and Odie Odierna will be repairing the loon raft and positioning it for habitation and hopefully reproduction. Nothing is more pleasing than watching and following our loon family. As in 2002, let's hope that we can enjoy the thrill of a chick being born and raised on Canobie Lake this year. Please respect the raft and stay far enough away so as to not disturb our love birds.

West Shore Road Conservation Land

We have a local boy scout, Brandon Dreyfuss, who is interested in improving the conservation land on West Shore Road as his Eagle Scout project. He will be looking for volunteers to help with the project. If you are interested in helping please contact Ginny Campiola (603 894 6957). We will keep you posted as Brandon's potential project goes through the approval process.

www.Canobelake.org , facebook, and email

Please visit our web site, www.Canobelake.org There you will find updates and notices, our newsletters, and links to information relevant to protecting Canobie lake.

The Canobie Companion will also be on Facebook (Canobie Lake Protective Association).

Throughout the year the newsletter and special points of interest will be emailed to our membership.

That is why we hope that you will provide us with your email address (It will not be shared with others.)

CLPA Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be at the Searles School and Chapel on July 16 at 9AM.

Please mark your calendars



THANK YOU to Canobie Lake Park for their generous support of our association. Again, this year they have provided 200 guest passes for our use in promoting membership and participation in CLPA.

We hope that all 200 passes will be used for membership. If there are any passes leftover they will be used as prizes for the 4th of July parade and other incentives for CLPA members as publicized in later newsletters.

Canobie Lake Park is a beautiful facility with over 85 rides, games, and attractions. This year brings a new roller coaster. **Construction is Underway for Canobie Lake Park's New "UNTAMED" Coaster.**

For hours of operation and more information about Canobie Lake Park visit;

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2011 Membership Recruiting SPECIAL !!

**To all of our current members –
Earn 1 FREE Canobie Lake Park Pass for
every new member you recruit!!!!**

Please take the form below (make copies if needed) to your neighbors and friends and encourage them to join the association. Help bring all the property owners around the lake together in support of PROTECTING CANOBIE LAKE (Be sure to fill in your name so that we can send you your free pass. Special offer will continue while supply of passes lasts or until the annual meeting.)



I _____ **have recruited my neighbor to join CLPA**
Current Member's Name Please mail me my free pass to Canobie Lake Park

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