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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."

2014 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our goal is to have all concerned residents join together. We mail this MEMBERSHIP DRIVE newsletter to over 300 residences around Canobie Lake. Our membership has been growing with over 110 members in 2014. To all of our past and loyal members, THANK YOU!!!! We continue to welcome anyone to join and demonstrate their support for our work to protect Canobie Lake.

PLEASE JOIN TODAY and become a MEMBER for 2014

CANOBIE LAKE PARK has, again, *generously* given us GUEST PASSES to be used in our membership drive. For each membership you will receive one complimentary guest pass to Canobie Lake Park. While supply lasts, for each additional \$25 donation you will receive a guest pass. (All donations of any amount are WELCOME but we must limit the number of passes from donations to a maximum of 10 to insure that we have enough so that all members receive their guest pass).

We are continuing our "RECRUITMENT SPECIAL"

PLEASE reach out to your neighbors and friends to join the Canobie Lake Protective Association. Current members will receive 1 free pass for each new member recruited. (Just fill in the special recruitment information on the membership form below.)

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 Ginny Campiola at 894 6957.

YES, I want to join (or renew my membership to) the Canobie Lake Protective Association Please CUT OFF and MAIL (w/self addressed/stamped envelope) to: Ginny Campiola, 51 West Shore Rd, Windham, NH 03087			
Name	Tele#	email	_
Address	Town	\$ enclosed	
Comments			
Current member's name		my neighbor to join CLPA free pass to Canobie Lake Park	(

Welcome back LOONS!

THANK YOU, Dave Blake, for providing them with their nesting loon raft!!!!







Dave has also positioned 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.

The Island on Canobie Lake

Yes, there is an island at the south end of the lake near the Loon raft! It is privately owned and should be respected as a NO TRESSPASSING AREA. Recently a fire was built and the fire department had to be called. This is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN and presents a real threat. Please remind all your relatives, neighbors, friends, and visitors to respect this private property. THANK YOU!

WATER LEVELS

Isn't Canobie Lake BEAUTFUL with the water level so high? We are now benefiting from all that snow all winter!!! In fact, the water level on May 26 was 220.4 feet (220.0 is the official level of "full"). The Town of Salem switched from Arlington Pond water to Canobie on May 26, 2014.

www.Canobielake.org and email

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

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).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED....SPECIAL INTERESTS!!

We would like to develop a welcoming program for new Canobie Lake Residents. This would involve; putting together a package and/or brochure, tracking real estate transfers, and the delivery of the package to the new residents. We are also looking for people who may be interested in coordinating some special events on the lake. This may include: sailing races, fishing tournaments, family picnics/gatherings, kayaking events, boat parades, etc. Please contact Bill Schroeder (wesCLPA@myfairpoint.net) or Ginny Campiola (ycampiola@comcast.net) or any board member if you or anyone you know might be interested in helping in any of these areas.

4th of JULY 2014

Our 4th of July boat parade will be held as usual. Watch for details in the pre 4th of July Newsletter. Also, the Canobie Lake Park fireworks are scheduled for July 3, 4, and 5 at 9:30 PM (weather permitting).

CLPA ANNUAL MEETING/SOCIAL---SUNDAY EVENING JULY 27 at 6:30 PM

Please mark your calendars for our annual meeting and social to be held at the Searles School and Chapel starting at 6:30 PM. We are trying something different so that our meeting will be an enjoyable outing for all of our members. Please come to the "party" and enjoy dessert and light adult beverages The agenda details will be announced and will include; the election of officers, update on current issues of concern, and refreshments and socializing with fellow CLPA members.

We encourage anyone who is interested in serving on the board of CLPA to contact any current board member prior to the meeting and come to the annual meeting.

GRANT MONEY FROM NH DES FOR CLPA

We are pleased to announce that our application for grant funds to pay for water testing equipment used in the Volunteer Lakes Assessment Program (VLAP) has been approved. CLPA will share the equipment with both Cobbetts Pond and Rock Pond volunteer monitors. The equipment consists of a deep water sampler, a Secchi disc, and an Aqua Scope. If you are interested in helping take water samples this year, contact Bill Schroeder or Betty Dunn.

Our "New Directive" - Salt (chloride) reduction and monitoring initiative

As was reported in our last newsletter, Dale Valvo, (CLPA director from Windham) will be studying and reporting on salt reduction strategies. Salt can be dangerous to the health of the lake and its aquatic life. Please watch for more information on how you might be able to help.

WEED WATCHING - NH DES PLANT SURVEY OF CANOBIE LAKE

Last fall an intern from NHDES, Angela Piemonte, did a survey of the weeds in Canobie Lake. Her data was compiled and reported on by Amy Smagula (Limnologist/Exotic Species Program Coordinator – NHDES). The only non-native plant identified was purple loosestrife. Although there was an abundance of plant life, it was reported that "This new growth did not seem to be hindering the health of the lake as a whole, and it is a natural process for aquatic plants to expand over time in waterbodies." The complete report and mapping of identified plant types (19 different ones!) can be found on the CLPA website.

We continue to welcome anyone who would like to become involved in "weed watching" on Canobie Lake. If you do have any weeds or plants of concern please take a picture of them and email the picture to Amy Smagula (amysmagula@des.nh.gov) and cc to Bill Schroeder (wesCLPA@myfairpoint.net). It would also be helpful if you took pictures (to share) on a regular basis to document the growth throughout the growing season.

193 Construction Update

We did experience another release of dirty water during the heavy rains this spring. The dirt appeared to be mostly suspended clay and silt, nothing toxic. The contractors are taking additional steps to prevent any more in the future. Bill Schroeder continues to attend the weekly pollution prevention meetings (three each week now) to represent the CLPA's concerns.

Soon trees will be removed from an area between I-93 and South Shore Road. This was originally scheduled to happen last fall, and concerned residents had a meeting with DOT officials then, arranged by the CLPA. Now the removal is scheduled for mid-June. It's for the construction of two retention ponds.

<u>Update on the request from Salem for the lifting of the 1996 NHDES</u> Administrative Order 96-02 on Salem

We continue to monitor the use of Canobie Lake water by the Town of Salem. The state has lifted the administrative order but remains concerned that Salem does not have adequate resources for drought conditions or major development. Lifting the administrative order has no immediate impact on Canobie Lake.



PARK THANK YOU to Canobie

Lake Park for their generous support of our association. Again, this year they have provided complimentary guest passes which will be used for membership. Any passes leftover 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, shows, and attractions which include; Summer of Superstars, Magic Show, Tributes to Michael and Elvis.

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

www.Canobie.com or call: (603) 893 3506

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