



Baboosic Lake Association

Amherst & Merrimack NH

Lake Life

For Members of the Baboosic Lake Association - Spring 2013 Edition
Visit our website at www.BaboosicLake.com

**Please renew your Annual BLA Membership
on-line at www.baboosiclake.com**

**All contributions, including your annual dues,
are now TAX DEDUCTIBLE!**

**We appreciate your contributions
to help preserve Baboosic Lake!**

BLA Annual Meeting - 2013

Sunday, May 19th at the Weathervane
Restaurant ~ 393 Route 101, Bedford NH



Social Hour 4:00, Meeting starts at 5:00 PM
Appetizers provided, Cash Bar

Did you know?

- The Baboosic Lake Web site was visited by 3797 people in the last year who viewed 14,235 pages.
- We had visitors from all over the world including:
 - 8 from Japan
 - 5 from Germany
 - 3 from Australia

The easiest way to join the BLA is by visiting <http://BaboosicLake.com/>

Letter from Greg Gendron, BLA Board President:



Hello to all of our Baboosic Lake Association members and families. Welcome to Spring of 2013. I am not sure about you, but it seemed to me like this winter just went on forever. I am looking forward to another great summer on Baboosic Lake and I wish you the same.

The BLA has been meeting over the winter to discuss plans for the upcoming summer. The social calendar has been published and is now on the website for your viewing. Please make note of the dates and we will look forward to your participation. Your social committee has been and is working hard to provide you a bunch of fun events over the summer months culminating with the annual picnic in August. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact us via the website.

At our April meeting we had a presentation done by Aquatic Technologies, Inc. about the Alum and Phoslock processes. These are two methodologies that are used to reduce the amount of phosphorous in the lake, which will result in lower algae counts and better water clarity. We are currently pulling together some data and hope to review it all with UNH and DES so we can make an educated decision if either of these processes suits the need for our lake. I also video taped the presentation and we will try to get it posted on the website if you are interested in seeing it.

We are also exploring a possible partnership with the Nashua Regional Planning commission for execution of a grant that they have received through DES, which has targeted site improvements on Baboosic Lake. This program will be looking for private home owners (waterfront) who are interested in making improvements on their private property to reduce/eliminate runoff into the lake. We are scheduled for a presentation by the commission at our May meeting on 5-8. Stay tuned and we will have more details for you.

I also want to encourage everyone to attend our annual meeting which will be held at the Weathervane on Sunday May 19 th at 5:00 pm. I did also save one of the biggest accomplishments for last. Thanks to the hard work of several of your board members, especially our treasurer, Bernie Shedd, our IRS application for a 501C(3) status has been approved. We were told by the IRS that less than 1% of all applications that they receive get approved on first submission. Ours was approved on the first submission. Great job to all. What this means is that any donations that you make, including your membership dues are now TAX DEDUCTIBLE. That being said, we certainly appreciate your membership dues and anything you might donate in addition to the dues. Bear in mind these funds are used for the benefit of the members and the lake.

I will look forward to seeing you at the meeting and I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

Greg

BLA Scavenger Hunt

Thank you to all that participated in the 2012 BLA Scavenger Hunt. There was a great turn out last year with a total of 9 boats! The 3rd Annual Scavenger Hunt will be on July 6th @ 1pm (rain date 7/7). We will meet at the Four Seasons end of the lake, an envelope containing trivia questions, photos and objects to find will be handed out. Each boat will have a total of 1 hour to get as much completed as they can and will come meet at the Baboosic Beach Club at or near the end of the hour when finished. We will provide hot dogs and water on the beach while waiting for the points to be calculated and the winner announced. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners. So gather your family, the kids and friends for a fun time and let's make this another great year!



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**BLA Social
Schedule 2013**



Sunday ★ May 19th

Annual Meeting 5:00 PM
Weathervane ~ Bedford, NH

Saturday ★ July 6th

Scavenger Hunt by Boat 1:00 PM
(Rain date July 7th)

Saturday ★ July 27th

Ice Cream Social 6:00 - 8:00 PM
(Rain date August 3rd)

Saturday ★ August 24th

Annual Picnic 1:00 PM
Cardboard boat race, raffles, games
BLA merchandise, food @ 3 pm
Adult members \$8 Non-members \$10
Kids \$5 ages 6-12, under 6 free
Visit: www.baboosiclake.com

**We now
accept
Credit Cards!**

**The Baboosic Lake Association
has some great new
additions to the 2013 Clothing. We have added tons
of great items. Some items include beach bags, lunch
totes, new men's and women's tees , new visors, new
sweatshirts, new fun kid tees and women's vests.**

**We would love for you to check out all the new additions!
They all have fun new logos!**

Contact Michelle Barsosky at (603) 732-2345

SAFETY



We are very fortunate to have a lake free of milfoil and other invasive aquatic plants (that we know of). Please keep up your diligence in making sure that all watercraft (motorized and non-motorized such as kayaks, canoes, paddle boats, etc.) and/or trailers are clean and free of these nasty invaders when entering our lake. This includes strong reminders and checks to ANY visitors.

Also our yearly reminder that as new young drivers and others without a boating license, the 2013 Boating Education Courses are currently underway and NOW is a great time to get into the classroom to get certified. Check the NH Dept. of Safety website at boatingeducation.nh.gov for upcoming classes nearby or call [\(603\) 267-7256](tel:6032677256) for more information.

Please be reminded that anyone over 16 years old operating a jet ski or a motorboat over 25 HP must have a Safe Boater Education Certificate !

A boat must reduce to headway speed (the minimum speed necessary to steer a boat) when within 150' of other boats, the shore, swimmers, rafts, etc. According to the Marine Patrol, this is the most violated boating law.

Travel on Baboosic Lake is typically counter-clockwise on the lake to avoid congestion and collisions.

Please be aware that there is a marker missing from Bass Rock, known to damage many a prop, located in the area southeast of Clark Island. Marine Patrol has been contacted and a replacement is on the way. If any others are noted, please let us know.

In cases of emergency please call 911.

We are happy to hear from you regarding other concerns for a safe Baboosic Lake. Thank you :)

Miscellaneous:



If the BLA performed site improvements in your area, please help us out by checking on rain gardens, raking or blowing out leaves, and doing general clean-up at these sites. This will help with run-off protection.



Water testing and analysis will commence shortly. Be sure to report anything suspicious in and around lake waters to the Board.



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