

Lake Life

For Members of the Baboosic Lake Association
July 2006 Edition

Social Recap

The volleyball tournament scheduled for June 17th got off to a scuba-divers-only start because the court was under water. I think they still could have played maybe water polo or mud volleyball. That would have been interesting to watch!!!

The annual meeting was held on June 23rd at the Merrimack Town Hall. It was very well attended by the membership of the Baboosic Lake Association. As usual, Toni Paul had a great selection of Baboosic Lake New Hampshire clothing etc. for the members to purchase. We had a guest speaker at the meeting, Andy Chapman. Our assigned DES project leader stopped by to give us an update on the Baboosic Lake Storm water Management Grant. He also touched on the community septic system on the Amherst side of the lake. Took questions from the membership and answered them to the best of his abilities. We also voted in three new board members Beverly Balfour, Greg Gendron and Jeff Mulligan, and Bernie Shedd was elected treasurer. We presented plaques and gave our deepest thanks and gratitude to our outgoing board members Linda Matz, John Tisdell and Joe Kerns. The membership gave them a well deserved round of applause.

2006 Social Schedule

The Baboosic Lake Association is currently setting the summer social schedule. The dates listed below are subject to change. The actual confirmed dates will be published in the monthly member newsletters over the course of the next few months. As always, any questions you may have regarding any event may be directed to Ellen Fallon. We look forward to seeing lots of you this year!

July 15 th -	Boat Parade 4:00 followed by ice cream social 7-9pm
July 30 th -	Cardboard boat race 1:00pm Washer Cove Beach
August 6 th -	Canoe/Kayak morning social (no motor boats) 8 – 10 A.M.
August 19 th -	Ice cream Social 7-9pm and Ring of fire around the lake
August 26 th -	Annual picnic- further information to be announced
September	Volleyball Tournament ?
September-	Pot Luck Dance?

2006 Boat Parade

The Annual Boat Parade will be held on Saturday July 15th. It will begin at 4:00 P.M. Last year we changed how we picked the theme of the parade. We are sticking with it again this year! We randomly draw a letter out of the alphabet to determine the theme for the parade. Last year the letter was "B". So everyone decorated their boats with things that start with "B." For example there was the Bearded Bridesmaids, Barbeque, and Baseball. This year's letter is "C." Please be sure to keep your theme appropriate for all ages to view. If there are any questions please call Ellen Fallon. The rain date for this event will be on Sunday July 16th.

2006 Ice Cream Social

On the same night of the Boat Parade, we will be having the ever popular Ice Cream Social. It will be held at the Sullivan's dock from 7 to 9 P.M. So feel free to come by boat, float or walk on over to enjoy a nice refreshing bowl of ice cream. You can also pick up Luminary bags for the Luminary night on August 19th. On August 19th we will be having the second Ice Cream Social of the summer. The Luminary's will be lit for your leisurely cruise around the lake with your Ice Cream.

Cardboard Boat Race

On Sunday, July 30th 2006 it will be our second try at a cardboard boat race. This was a very fun event last year. There were many enthusiastic contestants ready to give it a go at beating their competitors. There was also a dedicated LARGE crowd cheering them on in the lovely rain. This will be a rain or shine event ☺ so be ready to put on your life vests and race around the course in your cardboard boat!

Cardboard Boat Race Rules: Sunday July 30th 1:00pm Washer Cove Beach

- * The entire boat must be made of cardboard
- * Life jackets must be worn by all participants
- * The cardboard may be as thick as you want, but may not be glued or attached to wood, plastic, fiberglass, etc.
- * Duct tape, masking tape, packing tape, or adhesives such as "liquid nails" may be used to connect cardboard to cardboard and may be used to reinforce only seams and stress points.
- * Waterproof the entire boat with any paintable, one-part substance like Varnish, Polyurethane, or Latex paint. No epoxy type substance.
- * Things not to be used:
Sono-tubes, coated cardboard, wood, Styrofoam, metal or plastic staples, clamps, nails, screws, etc. Waterproofing materials, such as caulking, etc. Also plastic or fiberglass.
- * Where the crew sits may not be enclosed. The crew must be able to get in and out of the boat easily.
- * Ordinary paddles and oars may be used.
- * If there is any doubt about the construction, the judges reserve the right to use a probe, such as an ice pick, to test and verify that only cardboard has been used.
- * Violation of any construction rule shall be cause for disqualification.

The above rules are more of a guideline. Just remember first and foremost to have fun!

Canoe/Kayak Breakfast

On August 6th we will be having a no motor boats morning coffee. Paddle your way to the Sullivan's dock and get coffee and a bite to eat while you socialize with your fellow paddlers. This event will be held from 8-10 A.M.

Boating Safety

Just an FYI we all need to have our boats registered and the new stickers placed on the bow of the boat. If you do not have a sticker on your boat, you will be an easy target for Marine Patrol. Remember when you are out at night cruising the lake in your boat, your boat **needs to have working navigational lights on the bow and stern**. For your safety and the safety of others. Fish and game has been on the lake so fisherman beware – you must have a valid NH fishing license.

E-coli Water Testing



<u>Location</u>	<u>July 2006</u>	
	<u>Map Code</u>	<u>E-coli count</u>
Hillside	1	11
4 Seasons	2	2
Greenwood/Lakeside	3	2
Oliver's Pipe	4	6
Carter Road	5	1
Jebb Road	6	3
Far Cove	7	1
Seagull Heaven	8	3
Washer Cove	9	4
Moonbeam	10	1
Amherst Town Beach	11	1
Walnut Hill Inlet	n/a	n/a

****Please note- counts higher than 88ppl will be retested. We'll keep you updated!****
Also, please remember not to feed the ducks and geese. Their waste contributes to higher e-coli counts!

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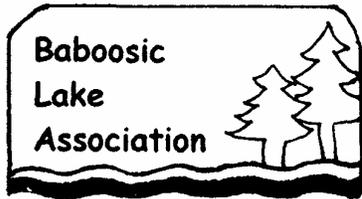
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