



CRANBERRY LAKE BOAT CLUB

Summer Newsletter 2011

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I am happy to report that the water levels in the lake are returning to normal after days of high water and notable dock damage for many. The Boat Club Board had its first meeting on May 29 and plans for summer activities were finalized. Of major note was the decision to have our annual meeting prior to the banquet at the Cranberry Lake Lodge on July 9. We shall begin the meeting at 3:00 p.m. and move into the reception at 4:30 p.m. before our dinner. Please complete the banquet reservation form attached as part of this newsletter. Thanks to Virginia Myers and Patty Farnsworth for coordinating the details.

As you know from the Spring 2011 newsletter, we have new water quality research activities underway during this summer. Eric Paul from Paul Smiths College is the Boat Steward stationed at the public launch site on Columbian Road. He has already started work and will be at that location on Fridays through Tuesdays from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. He will be talking with people about problems related to invasive species and looking at boats. His role is to increase public awareness and is part of a larger project that includes several other Adirondack lakes. The work is part of a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant. Please stop and introduce yourself to Eric. I have asked him to attend our annual meeting and report on his work. Also, Brad Baldwin from St.

Lawrence University will be doing water testing during different times of the year. Brad will also attend our annual meeting. The Boat Club will continue its own annual studies as part of the Adirondack Lakes Assessment Program run by Paul Smiths College.

For those of you who use the parking lot behind the Community Center in Cranberry Lake, there are some changes you should be aware of as you plan ahead. Parking behind the building will be restricted to allow new paving to be done. Work is slated to begin on June 20 with the space anticipated to reopen for use by July 4. Once it is completed there will be parking for many more vehicles and trailers. During the interim, it is suggested that you park at the public launch site.

Another development of interest is the arrival of David Martin, a boat mechanic from SUNY Canton who has been employed by the Cranberry Lake Lodge to provide boat service and repair. David is located in the building next to the large storage barn across from the Lodge.

The dock area at the Lodge has been expanded and a bait shop is in process. It will be located in the front section of the Lodge facing the highway.

To help you remember the dates for key summer events, I am repeating the activities and cultural attractions planned.

Boat Club Meetings-May 28, July 9 and August 13

Race/Walk-June 25
Banquet-July 9 (Cranberry Lake Lodge)
Annual Boat Club Meeting-July 9
Boat Show, Parade and Cardboard Boat Race-July 16
Poker Paddle-July 23
Boat Outing-July 27
Picnic-August 13 (Pine Cone)
Ring of Fire-Sept.3

The coordinators for all these events were listed in the last newsletter. You can also refer to the committee chairs list on the masthead of this newsletter and contact the person listed if you wish to volunteer your help for a specific event. Extra hands are always appreciated.

Cultural Events Schedule

July 3-**Atkinson Family Bluegrass Band**-Wanakena
July 16-**35th Parallel**-Cranberry Lake
July 30-**Mack Brandon and the Connection**-Cranberry Lake
August 1-**Romeo and Juliet**-Cranberry Lake Beach
August 5-**Burns Sisters**-Wanakena

Entry forms for our first Boat Club event-the Cranberry Lake Boat Club 5K, 10K Run and 1 and 5 mile Walk are available from Virginia Myers or via our website. Come join the fun and get some exercise.

Entry materials and instructions for the Cardboard Boat Race have been posted on our website
www.cranberrylakeboatclub.org
We are combining the Boat Show, Cardboard Boat Race and Boat Parade on the same day with special activities at the Cranberry Lake

Lodge. Let's all support this growing interest in the race and work toward adding more old boats to the boat show and increasing the number of boats in the parade. July 16 promises to be a great day.

Fred Guevara is moving forward with plans to schedule float plane rides on July 2. Please contact him if you are interested in participating. We had an excellent response during the Centennial summer and many expressed an interest in doing it again.

On the merchandise front, we are going to produce note cards featuring pictures of loons on Cranberry Lake. We'll let you know when these will be available. I encourage all members, if they have not done so, to purchase copies of our Centennial Boat Book, *Boats and Boating on Cranberry Lake* and the 1915 Wilcox book on Cranberry Lake. The latter will be out of print after the current supply is depleted. It is a wonderful keepsake of the early days on Cranberry Lake. Centennial DVDs can still be purchased also.

Many historical artifacts collected as part of the Centennial have been turned over to Bill Gleason, Boat Club Historian, for our permanent files. If you are interested in viewing any items, please contact Bill. We are in the process of placing more items in the display cases at the Cranberry Lake Lodge to include some old maps. We have some wonderful family camp histories and I encourage anyone else interested to write them up and make them a part of our history collection. Our work on

a narrative history of the Boat Club continues to progress. We shall be sharing some drafts with selected individuals to check facts and accuracy of information gathered to date from minutes and other club documents.

The Boat Club appears to have reached a new level of technological sharing as Fred Guevara advises me that we now have information on our CLBC Facebook page pointing to our CLBC website.

Happy boating, fishing and hiking! I look forward to seeing you at our summer events.

Allen Splete
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