



CRANBERRY LAKE BOAT CLUB

JUNE NEWSLETTER 2012

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The weather during May was outstanding and many things were ahead in the growing season. June has provided a good share of warm days. Our summer newsletter will bring you up to date on any event changes from those shared in my March newsletter and more details where available.

Our two major projects are moving forward. The new Welcome to Cranberry Lake signs are in place and will be a nice community addition for all residents and visitors. We are planning to have the new navigation maps available at the Annual Meeting and Banquet on July 14. In addition, the new 2012 Boat Club Directory was completed by Fred Guevara. It will be distributed to all boat club members.

At the June 1 Directors Meeting it was decided not to proceed with a Boat Parade and Boat Show this summer. Interest in the past few years has been declining. If there is renewed interest, the Board will consider bringing the events back on the schedule.

We are pleased to have Eric Holmlund back as Boat Steward at the Public Launch site. His boat inspections are an important part of maintaining our water quality and preventing unwanted invasive species from entering our lake. Eric checked 1,100 boats and nearly 3,000 persons were involved in 2011. His work for 2012 began Memorial Day weekend and will continue through Labor Day. He will be at the site from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursday through Monday. Most problem boats seem to come from the St. Lawrence River or Lake Bonaparte.

The new Boat Club Dock at the Cranberry Lake Lodge should be in place by the time you receive this newsletter. It is be a stationary dock with nice gangway. Our Boat Club signs and mailbox will be moved to the new location as will the cart for carrying items. Easy access to fuel and a short walking distance to a boat are facilitated by the new location. Boat Club members are encouraged not to leave boats overnight.

You all should have received information regarding the Emporium's operations for this summer. They will continue to provide boat slips, service water accessible camps and provide propane. No boat fuel will be available and the store will be closed.

As a matter of information, there is no boat mechanic at the Cranberry Lake Lodge at the current time.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2012, please do so and consider a donation to support our Community Improvement Project fund. The latter enables us to provide community improvements that would not be possible without Boat Club involvement.

The March newsletter provided a complete listing of our Boat Club events along with the Summer Arts Series schedule. **As you are aware, certain activities require advance registration or making reservations. Please try to be timely in replying to assist those coordinating the event.**

Below are the events scheduled for Summer 2012 to include changes from March.

BOAT CLUB BOARD MEETINGS—FIRST MEETING HELD ON JUNE 1—NEXT MEETINGS—JULY 14 AT SPLETE CAMP AT 10:00 A.M.— AUGUST 11 AT THE RANGER SCHOOL AT 9:30 A.M.

SATURDAY, JULY 7—RACE/WALK

The 5K and 10K running races and one mile walk will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Columbian Road. **Entry forms are available on our website and at the Clifton Community Library. Please contact Virginia Myers 848-2905 if you have questions or need further information.**

SATURDAY—JULY 14—ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET

Our annual meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. at the Cranberry Lake Lodge. New directors will be elected at this meeting. Eric Holmlund, Boat Steward, will report on his work. Please attend this important meeting.

In an effort to keep banquet costs down, we are planning a sit down dinner this year. The Boat Club at its June 1 meeting voted to provide a five dollar subsidy per meal making dinner costs lower than last year. **A banquet registration form is attached with this newsletter. Please indicate your meal choice and return the form no later than July 2.**

SATURDAY—JULY 21—POKER PADDLE

This annual event benefits the Clifton Community Library and is sponsored by the Cranberry Lake Boat Club. Everyone in the community is invited to participate. Have some fun along with some great exercise. More details on starting times etc. will be provided by Fred Guevara in the Bargain Hunter and posters advertising our events.

SATURDAY—JULY 28—FOURTH ANNUAL CARDBOARD BOAT RACE SPONSORED BY THE CRANBERRY LAKE BOAT CLUB AND THE CRANBERRY LODGE

This year we have boats coming from Silver Lake, Star Lake, Windfall, Cranberry Lake and perhaps some from Saranac Lake and Lake Placid.

It was reported that between 300-400 spectators enjoyed last year's race. Bob Raymo, race organizer, expects even a larger crowd this year. As in the past, Giant and the Green Foam will be performing for your listening pleasure. The Lodge will provide an outdoor food and drink concession stand. Merchandise will be available from the Boat Club, including a brand new event t-shirt. Hand crafted canoes built by local artisans will be available for viewing.

Steve Doxzon, owner of Adirondack Lake and Trail Outfitters, Saranac Lake, will again be present with kayaks and canoes that one can try out and purchase. Steve will also be bringing stand up paddle boards that are very popular now. There will be a Stand Up Paddle Boat Festival on June 23 at Lake Colby in Saranac Lake. Further information is available at www.adirondacksupfestival.com

Last year, 3 Boat Club members, 3 days before the annual race, built a boat which was entered and won. So don't be afraid to try your hand at building a boat. All you need is card board, paint and some duct tape. Boat construction and registration information is available at www.cranberrylakeboatclub.org

Trophies will be awarded in 3 race categories. Individual prizes will be given to all category winners. Trophies are being donated by Gamble Distributors, Inc, of Carthage, N.Y.

Bob Raymo advises me that the band will start playing at 11:00 a.m. Boat inspections will take place at 11:30 a.m. Merchandise will be sold beginning at 11:00 a.m. with kayak and canoe displays set up. The Cardboard Boat Race will start at 2:00 p.m. The Band will not play during the race but will return for a final set when the race is over. Plan to attend this popular Boat Club event!!

Allen Ditch has created a video on You Tube of the 2011 Cardboard Boat Race. Check the Boat Club website for directions on obtaining the video.

WEDNESDAY--AUGUST 1—BOAT OUTING

This event should appeal to all kinds of boaters.

It allows persons to gather at a set location for lunch and good fellowship. **Suzanne Liberty is asking persons to call her directly at 848-5427 to register for the event.** This will allow for contact in case of bad weather.

SATURDAY—AUGUST 11—ANNUAL PICNIC

The picnic will be held at the Pinecone Restaurant. We plan to gather at noon with lunch to follow at 1:00 p.m. The Canton Goldenaires will provide singing entertainment. **Reservations are due to by calling Sara Ricalton at 387-3275 by Saturday, July 28. A picnic sign-up sheet will be handed out at our Annual Meeting on July 14th and at the banquet.**

SATURDAY—SEPTEMBER 1—RING OF FIRE

We plan to continue this two year old tradition as a way of ending the summer in a special way. We help the Cranberry Lake Fire and Rescue Squad by purchasing flares from them for use. This special illumination is a beautiful sight. Please be on the look out for details and locations where flares can be purchased.

WATER QUALITY UPDATE—John Adami, Chair of the Water Quality Committee and members, Dot Adami, Ed Kipp and John Englert provided the following update. The Cranberry Lake Boat Club is entering its 15th year of water quality monitoring in cooperation with the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program and Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) at Paul Smith's College.

As in previous years, Cranberry Lake will be sampled three times by the Boat Club and once with AWI staff during June, July and August 2012.

Adirondack Lakes are subject to the effects of acidic precipitation (snow-rain). Over one dozen tests are performed each year. Although test results vary each year, depending on precipitation amounts, over the last fourteen years as a whole, Cranberry Lake has remained fairly stable. Water quality testing results are too voluminous to detail in this newsletter but are available at the Clifton Library at Cranberry Lake and online on PROTECTS website at:

www.protectadks.org/programs/what-lakes-are-assessed

SPECIAL NOTES-- The SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF) Ranger School celebrates its centennial this year. In September, they will have their first ever Forest Festival at the school's campus in Wanakena. The festival will feature entertainment, educational events and family activities. Beginning Friday, September 28 at 6 p.m. there will be exhibits and presentations at

the school including: lectures from the Bavarian Foresters. On Saturday, September 29 events will include: a 5-K run, tours of the Ranger School's Dubuar Memorial Forest, photo contest entry displays and arts and crafts for children. The Wanakena Historical Association will have a display in the main Ranger School Building. In addition, the Saturday activities will feature live music, forestry demonstrations, food vendors, exhibitors and a storyteller. This is a free-to-the public event.

The Dick Narkewicz Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on August 15 with a rain date of August 17. Hope many of you participate.

REQUEST—Anyone not receiving the newsletter by e.mail who would like to, send an e.mail to cranberrylakeboatclub@yahoo.com requesting the newsletter and/or all notices

The Bargain Hunter will provide updated information on the Summer Series Events shared in the March newsletter and for Boat Club events.

THANK YOU

This will be my last newsletter as your Commodore. It has been a privilege to be involved with the Boat Club as Commodore for the past three years and as a member of the Board for six years.

My gratitude to my fellow officers, Board members, and technology helpers who volunteered time to make sure our annual events went smoothly. Special thanks to those who worked on our community improvement projects. Your efforts made many good things happen. Thanks also to the many Boat Club members who helped with a variety of Club activities.

The Cranberry Lake Boat Club is an integral part of the life of Cranberry Lake and Wanakena. Our role to make these communities better and stronger has grown in recent years. The members of the Boat Club can take great pride in its accomplishments over the years and in continuing to foster the special friendships that result from our mutual association.

Thank you for the opportunity to lead this wonderful association. Let us continue to work to preserve the beauty of this special place. May the future bring good boating opportunities for all, fair winds for the sailors, challenging paddling, great hikes, wonderful scenic vistas, fine water quality, good fishing and Boat Club events to be enjoyed by all members each year.

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