



Cranberry Lake Boat Club

2015 – 2016 Officers

Commodore - Clint Farnsworth
Vice Commodore– Nick Hunter
Secretary – Patty Farnsworth
Treasurer - Jenna Burkard

Board of Directors

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Team Leaders

Banquet - D. Lough
Cardboard Boat Race – P. Burkard
CIP – C. Farnsworth
Directory - J. Owen, K. Vavra
Dock / Navigation - B. Gleason
Fish & Game – D. Hall
Historian - B. Gleason
Membership – P. Farnsworth & P. Burkard
Merchandise - D. Lough
Nominations - K. Thompson
Picnic – N. Hunter
Poker Paddle - N. Hunter
Publicity - S. Liberty
Water Quality / Invasive Species - A. Davis
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Almost Ice Out - March 23, 2016

Winter 2015 / 2016

Not a good year for Winter sports. Snow came and went, thus snowmobiling was not good. Bill White reports only 92 miles on his sled and 0 miles on Joan's. The Fireman's fishing tournament almost did not happen due to lack of safe ice. The mild Winter was also tough on local businesses. As I write this Newsletter, Padgett's IGA in Star Lake is closing after 135 years due to lack of customers. A bright spot; the Stone Manor has been doing a steady business with excellent food. The Clifton-Fine Consolidation Study has progressed thru the Data Gathering Phase and is now in the Evaluation of Alternatives Stage. A Public Meeting is Scheduled in July. The Town of Clifton's web site has the details.

Web Site Makeover

Over the fall and winter Bob Sutor worked on giving our old web site a "makeover". With help from Nick Hunter and John Farnsworth, the result is now available. Click on this address < <http://www.cranberrylakeboat.club/> >. As we move forward with Bob and this site, I extend to my brother John a big THANK YOU for creating and maintaining, for the past 10+ years, our original web site .

Dues are Due

Attached to this Newsletter is the dues renewal form and a solicitation for a tax deductible donation to our Community Improvement Project Fund.

Fish and Game

Dana Hall reports a very warm fall made for a slow season for deer. Northern counties reported a deer kill down 13% with Southern counties down 12%. Locally there were more bear killed than deer. Bass fishing has not been very good. Bill White reports that the 7th annual Fishing Derby was held on January 30. Due to concerns over thin ice, registrations were down 125 to about 250. 116 fish were caught with the largest being a 42" pike.

The DEC plans to stock 5,000 brook trout in Cranberry Lake this spring.

Boat Club Dock

As I write this Newsletter, we have not been able to re-establish a Boat Club Dock in the Village.



Directory

This summer we will publish and distribute an updated directory to Boat Club Members.

Community Improvement Projects:

Clifton Community Center Pavilion - Finishing Touches

Partnering with the Library, finishing touches of, electrical / lighting, ceiling, sidewalk, stage, side curtains, and landscaping will continue this year. The first priority is the electrical / lighting by Brett Blackmer and the ceiling. The Pavilion will be our Boat Club Picnic site on August 13th. The total funds raised so far for the Pavilion are \$38,000+. About \$23,000 has been spent so far; thus we have about \$15,000 available for finishing touches and a reserve for on going maintenance. In addition we will be starting to furnish the interior with picnic tables, etc. Donations are always welcome.

Clifton Community Center - Front Yard Landscaping

We have applied for a Damoth Grant for \$2,250 to provide a lighted flag pole and another bench for the front yard of the Community Center as part of the Landscaping proposed by the Town Board and the Dept. of State. There is already \$1,000 on deposit from the Boat Club's CIP Fund. for this Landscaping project.

Other 2016 CIP Projects -

We anticipate continuing to fund the Banner Committee for \$250 and the Town of Clifton Beach Park Maintenance for \$250 as we have in the past.

A Foot Note; The Cranberry Lake Boat Club (CLBC) is not a 501 (c3) organization. The Clifton Fine Economic Development Corporation (CFEDC) is a 501(c3) organization and thus donations made to it are tax deductible. The Boat Club's Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Committee is a sub committee of both the CLBC and the CFEDC thus donation checks made out to CFEDC with CIP or CIP / Pavilion in the memo line are tax deductible.

In Memory of -

It is with sadness that we note the passing of Club Members: Ron Pearl, Nancy Valentine, Mickey Barrett, Christa Baxter, and past Commodore Chuck Martin.

2016 Boat Club Activities

June 4 - 9:00 AM Board Meeting
July 2 - Firecracker 5K / 10K
July 9 - 9:00 AM Board Meeting
July 9 - Annual Meeting & Banquet
July 16 - Cardboard Boat Race
July 30 - Poker Paddle
August 13 - 9:00 AM Board Meeting
August 13 - Picnic at the CCC Pavilion



**New Clifton Community
Center Pavilion**

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