

# June 2018

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# **Cranberry Lake Boat Club Summer Newsletter**

### **Commodore Greeting**

The ice retreated late this year, around May 2<sup>nd</sup>, but the weather has been warm and the lake is ready for us all to enjoy our usual water activities. With the passing of Joyce's dear aunt and the birth of our first grandson, Joyce and I have been super busy. Our time at the lake has been limited but know that I am only a phone call or email away. Hope to hear



your comments and suggestions for an even better boat club. Our events are better than ever so why not register early and get the whole family involved. Call Patty Farnsworth for Banquet and Picnic Reservations. Paddle Reservations can be made at the library, and Registration forms for the Firecracker are on our website or you can register on race day.

#### Dock Year 2

As we move into the second year of our dock, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, remember that we operate this dock because of the generous nature of our membership, but more importantly, because of the community minded spirit of Brett Blackmer and his family. Respect his property! Thank him often! Understand that we operate this dock on private property. The dock IS NOT handicap accessible. The only vehicles permitted on the access way are Brett's family vehicles.

#### Membership Renewal

Your Membership Renewal form should have already been mailed to our Cranberry Lake Post Box. The form is available on our website (<u>http://www.cranberrylakeboat.club</u> **Note** that ALL memberships are now \$25; individual or family. You may pay for the next two years if you like. A new membership directory will be distributed upon receipt of your membership.

# Summer Events 2018

#### Firecracker 5K/10K Race/Fun Walk (Columbian Rd)

July 4 (Wednesday) - **Pre-Registration** forms are available via the front page of the club website (Click on "this form") and the Bargain Hunter. Same day Registration starts at **8am** with the race/walk start scheduled for **9am**.

# Member Banquet and Annual Meeting (Fire Hall)

July 14 (Saturday) – Starts at 4pm with a BYO social hour followed by a short business meeting. The dinner menu is; Grilled Chicken, Ziti & Sauce, Toss salad with Ranch and Italian Dressing, rolls and butter, Chocolate cake, coffee, water, and ice for \$17. **Reservations**: Call Patty @ 848-2541 AND send a check to CLBC at PO Box 656, 12927 by July 3. Receipt of checks reserves your seats. The primary business of our meeting will be to thank retiring board members and vote on the slate of new directors. Our guest speaker this year will be Chris Westbrook.

#### Paddle for the Library (Poker Paddle)

#### **Calendar of Events**

Sat. June 30 - Bd Mtg 9am Wed. July 4 - 5K/10K Race Sat. July 14 - Bd Mtg 9am Sat. July 14 - Banquet/Mtg Sat. July 28 - Cardboard Race Sat. Aug 4 - Paddle/Library Sat. Aug 18 - Bd Meeting 9am Sat. Aug 18 - Picnic July 28 (Saturday) – Time to once again clean out your kayaks, canoes, paddle boards and anything else that is self-propelled for a fun afternoon on the Oswegatchie River. Meet up with your neighbors and share in a great event to support our local library. **Sign-up** sheets are at the Library and Otto's Abode. Same day registration will be available starting at noon the day of the paddle at the Wanakena dock. Paddle begins at 1 pm and ends around 4pm at the Pine Cone followed by light refreshments and prizes awarded based on poker hands. 50/50 and raffle. All monies collected are donated to our Community Library!

#### Cardboard Boat Race (Town Beach)

August 4 (Saturday) – Boat check-in starts at 12 noon and races begin at 1pm. Looking for all variations of boats. Anything goes! **Registration** fee is \$30 per boat. Forms are available on our website, at the library, and in the Bargain Hunter. Please park behind the community center after boat drop-off.

#### **Open Picnic** (CCC Pavilion)

August 18 – This Community Inclusive Picnic starts at 1pm under the Pavilion behind the Clifton Community Center. The club will supply hamburgers, hot dogs and water as well as plates, napkins and utensils. Each family is asked to bring a dish to share. (salad, side, desert) **Make reservations** by calling Patty at 848-2541. Cost is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. You may pay at the picnic.

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#### Community Improvement Program Update (CIP)

Current Activities include;

- Two Benches assembled and installed; a 6' Bench from a Damoth Grant at the town tennis court, and a 8' bench at the beach in memory of Ann Franke Gurley
- A Landscaping Plan for the front of CCC was adopted by Town Board;
  There is a \$2,500 budget with the planting to be done this fall.

CLBC Board approved Funding from CIP Fund for;

- o \$3,000 +/- towards a Deck on the Golf Course Club House
- o \$200 for Grasse River Rail Road Committee
- o \$500 for Cranberry Flower and Banner Committee (2 years)
- o \$250 for Beach Maintenance
- o \$300 to Wanakena Historical Association for a Plaque

Financial Report;

- o \$4,122 left in the Pavilion Accout
- o \$21,012 in CIP Account, Total = \$25,134

#### **Invasive Species**

I know that we keep talking about this, but it is so important for us all to pay attention. This is, and will be, a continuing problem in the Adirondacks. We MUST all be vigilant and take advantage of the local facilities for cleaning our boating vessels. Keep in mind that ALL vessels including canoes, kayaks, paddleboards as well as boats and trailers should be washed when used between different bodies of water. **Remember, if you see something, say something to others using our lake**.

# Lake Water Quality Testing

Each summer our lake water has been tested once a month by John and Dot Adami, Ed Kipp, and John Englert. This is the only testing done on the lake with the exception of bacterial testing done at our town beach. The importance of monitoring the lake for changes cannot be overstated. We are now in need of additional volunteers to continue this important job. Please contact me if you are interested in helping out this year or in future years.

# Website and Facebook Page

It's time for us to get up to speed on the convenience of our Website and Facebook, Instagram and Twitter Pages. You can access all the important information concerning our club as well as information from the Adirondacks and the North Country. Note; **Membership Application**, Upcoming Events Calendar, Registrations for CLBC Events, Weather Reports, Local and Adirondack News Features, Pictures from Cranberry Lake etc. Go check things out at <u>http://www.cranberrylakeboat.club</u>



# **Commodore's Notes**

- 1. So very sorry to say good bye to an inspirational boat club member, Bob Raymo. Bob was behind so many of the great ideas in our community! Condolences to Kathy and the family!
- 2. If you have not yet mailed in your Membership Renewal, it is LATE? Go to our website and fill out the form and send it in **ASAP**.
- 3. Registration Information for Firecracker Race, Banquet, Paddle for the Library and Picnic is on our website. Register **ASAP**.
- 4. Thanks Rod Leavell for acquiring our boat club stickers
- 5. Thanks Sarge Boss for sending out the club emails
- 6. Kate Kosior is our new library director. She has made some new additions including a newsletter. Check it out at; *https://www.cliftoncomlib.org*

Happy Boating! Nick