



NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2022

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2022 CLBC Schedule of Events:

- Firecracker - Monday July 4th 2022
- Banquet - Saturday July 9th 2022
- Poker Paddle - Saturday July 23rd 2022
- Community Picnic - Saturday July 30th 2022
- Canoe/Kayak Race - Saturday August 13th 2022
- Sailboat Races - July 3rd 2022 (Tentative July 17th ...)

Event Updates

This year, we'll have guest speakers for both our annual meeting and Banquet and for our Community Picnic. Aaron Graves, the Forest Preserve forester for St. Lawrence County, will be speaking at the Banquet about the role the DEC plays in managing the land in the Adirondack Preserve. Jaime Savage, a professor at the Ranger School, will be entertaining us with local news, stories and even some songs at the picnic. Following the Poker Paddle, the CLBC is sponsoring the Summer Music concert in Wanakena featuring **The Busted Jugband**, out of Boston

Firecracker

I hope everyone is getting as excited as I am about all of the upcoming Summer Activities planned. The first is the Firecracker. This year our chairman, Ian Ward, has decided to change the shirt. We had a shirt design contest and Kelly Owen is the winning entry. See a picture of it and the other entries at the end of this newsletter. This will be the 13th year for the Firecracker which is on July 4th, a Monday this year. Come and join in on the fun as a runner, walker or cheerleader. Registration forms have been posted on our Facebook page, sent out as a group email to our membership, and published in the Bargain Hunter. Register early to guarantee we have your size shirt and save \$5.

New Website

Many thanks is going out to Bob Sutor who has single handedly managed the current CLBC website for many years. In fact, a few years ago the site was "hacked" and he reprogrammed the website from scratch in "HTML". He has been very instrumental in the acquisition of the new website domain "cranberrylakeboatclub.com". Cathy & Bob Safford's Daughter, Rebekah Aumen, is a website designer and has volunteered to help design this new site using WORDPRESS. You will be hearing more about this new website when it opens.

Life Jacket Loaner Program

Karen Vavra lives in Florida during the Winter and noticed a PFD (personal floatation device) loan program at her marina. Last year she brought this to the attention of the CLBC BOD and after much planning and work with the DEC the CLBC will be providing loaner life jackets at the Cranberry Lake Boat Launch. The intent is to make these PFD available to any boater who is planning a day or weekend on the lake, but forgot to bring their own. These jackets will be placed on hooks on the side of the Steward Shed. When the boater has finished using them they are to be returned. If anyone has their own PFD that they no longer use, they can donate them to this cause.

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CIP

Funds raised from donations and certain boat club events go to the Community Improvement Program (CIP) which benefits the Cranberry Lake Community.

Last year, Clint Farnsworth, Chairman of the CIP, reported the following:

- Provided funds toward completion of the Hub breakwall.
- Memorial Walkway Upgrade Project sponsored by Sandy and Bill Griffin.
- Provided funds for the Hub steps built by Nick Hunter and Clint Farnsworth.
- A group of CLBC members under Clint’s lead painted the beach utility pavilion.

This summer the following projects are planned:

- Maintenance of the Clifton Community Center Pavilion
- Beach Picnic Pavilion Roof
- Cranberry Lake Flowers and Banners
- Funds toward Wanakena Dock Replacement

Thanks to your individual contributions and participation in our events, we can continue to provide this support to the Cranberry Lake Community.

If you’d like to contribute to the fund, please make out a check payable to: Clifton-Fine Economic Development Corporation and put CIP in the memo.

Mail the check to Cranberry Lake Boat Club, PO Box 656, Cranberry Lake, NY 12927. Also, if you’d like to recommend a community project, please let the CIP Committee know.

Sponsorship

The events held each summer are sponsored by many of the local businesses and people. This year the sponsorships are available at various levels and events. We have created four levels, Bald Eagle, Loon, Mallard and Seagull for the Firecracker, Boat Race and Poker Paddle. A sponsorship form has been posted on the CLBC Facebook page and all past sponsors have been contacted and available to anyone who wishes to become a sponsor. At this time, we’d like to thank Black River Tree Removal, Clifton-Fine Hospital and Dimon Construction for being Bald Eagle (Top Level) sponsors this summer.

VENMO is Here!

Those who wish to make payments for dues or activities can use VENMO. If you already use Venmo, find Cranberry Lake Boat Club under businesses. The account is **Cranberrylake-Boatclub**. Signing up for Venmo requires a computer or smartphone and is relatively easy to do. Please remember to document in the note section what you are paying for, i.e. dues, firecracker, etc.



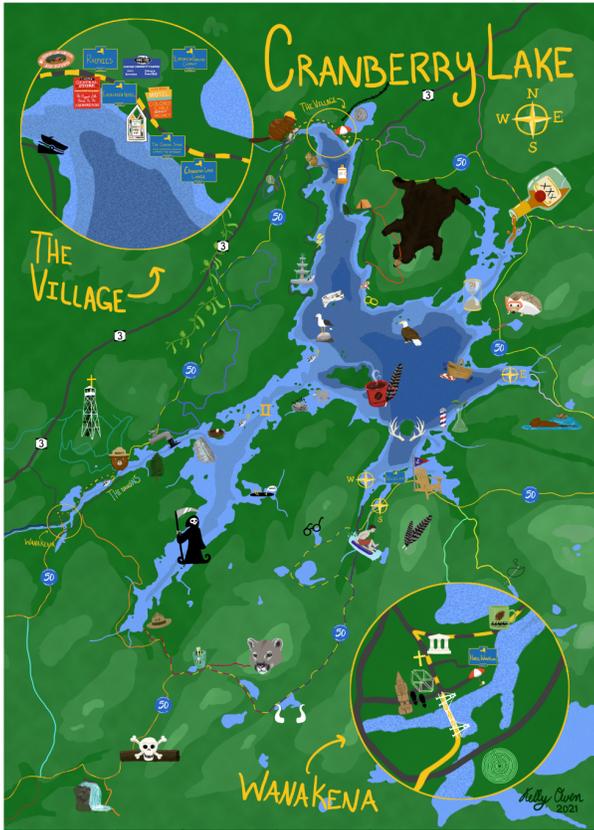
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Cranberry Lake Puzzle:

We still have a few puzzles left. If you'd like to purchase one contact Karen Vavra. The cost is \$35 plus postage.



Navigation Map: All memberships received a free gift of one navigation map last Fall. For those of you who need another navigation map, you can send me an email with your request. There is a limited supply available to members for \$10 plus postage.

CRANBERRY LAKE NEW YORK

A BRIEF HISTORY
Cranberry Lake is the third largest lake in the Adirondacks, behind Lake George and Great Sacandaga Lake. The lake is nearly 1,000 acres with a total length of 40 miles. The average depth of Cranberry Lake is only 16 feet deep. Near the center of the lake is the island of The Village.

Originally a much smaller lake, the Cranberry Lake Dam was built in 1912 at the nation's first hydroelectric power plant to help control the flow of water to downstream communities and the city. According to local tradition, the land was not cleared and the dam was built through the forest. The dam was built over the forest, and was built out with just two log choppers, as the forest could be cut only by hand.

As Cranberry became a spectacular paradise for boating and fishing, the community at the foot of the lake's shore was made to fit the lake of those times. Also, construction of the Cranberry dam and the lake's hydroelectricity made the lake much easier to get to in 1912. The original log dam was replaced by a concrete dam and canal shortly thereafter.

ENJOYING THE OUTDOORS
While visitors enjoy boating, fishing, paddling, canoeing, paddling and more, fishing is also very popular in the Cranberry Lake region. The lake itself is stocked with fish to encourage the sport, and nearby rivers also offer excellent trout fishing.

The Cranberry Lake region is an ideal spot for hiking and walking. For those of us who enjoy hiking, there are many trails in the Cranberry Lake area. The most popular trail is the Cranberry Lake 1000 Foot Trail and the 1000 Foot Hike. The trail is a 1000 foot trail in the Cranberry Lake area. The trail is a 1000 foot trail in the Cranberry Lake area. The trail is a 1000 foot trail in the Cranberry Lake area.

Just east of Cranberry Lake village, there is a DEC campground and day-use area. There you'll find a picnic area, fishing pier, beach for swimming and sunbathing. The public boat launch is located off Columbus Road, approximately 1/2 mile from the launch from WC-30.

JOIN US IN BOATING SAFELY ON CRANBERRY LAKE

SAFETY GUIDELINES

- Pleasure vessel operators must possess a registration certificate and display the required validation stickers on the vessel.
- Boaters should keep any eye out for buoys and other regulatory markers that will alert them about any necessary cautionary measures. In general, vessels should stay to the left of red buoys when traveling southbound on Cranberry Lake.
- Vessel speed within 100 feet of shore, a dock, pier, raft, float, or anchored boat is generally limited to 5 mph.
- Boaters must observe 10% right of way rules while on the lake. Vessels with a lower priority must stay out of the way of vessels with a higher priority unless being overtaken. These include vessels not under command (vessels in distress), vessels with restricted maneuverability and vessels engaged in fishing which restricts maneuverability.
- For acceptable noise levels, a maximum of 90 dB is allowed for vessels that undergo a stationary test. A maximum of 75 dB is allowed for vessels subjected to a test while underway.
- Every vessel must have a US Coast Guard ERSO approved wearable life jacket for each person on board.
- The following people are required to wear a life jacket:
 - Children 12 years old and younger
 - Anyone who is towed (waterbobslees, water skiers, etc.)
 - Everyone aboard a PWC (personal watercraft, jet ski)
 - Boaters aboard pleasure vessels less than 21 feet in length, including canoes, kayaks, and rowboats, between November 1 - May 1.
- Vessels 16 feet and greater (except for canoes, kayaks, and rowboats) must carry a type IV throwable flotation aid as well as day and night time visual distress signals.
- Use of navigation lights on recreational vessels is required between sunset and sunrise and times of restricted visibility.
- Boating while intoxicated is not allowed, and there is a zero-tolerance policy for people under 21 caught drinking while operating a vessel.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSOR

Clifton-Fine Hospital
A HILKATHAN HEALTH PARTNER
101 COMMERCIAL STREET
SUN LAKE, NY 12158

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Clifton-Fine Hospital	Sun Lake	(518) 848-5351
Clifton-Fine Hospital Clinic	Sun Lake	(518) 848-5404
Prison Control Center	Watkinsville	(518) 232-2222
Forest Ranger - Region 6	Watkinsville	(518) 546-5838
Forest Ranger - Region 6	Watkinsville	(518) 212-9647
DEC Dispatch/Emergency	Watkinsville	(518) 691-5555
NYS DEC Info	Sun Lake	(518) 848-5341
NYS DEC Info	Cranberry Lake	(518) 285-3670
NYS DEC Complaint	Cranberry Lake	(518) 848-5371

We are grateful to the Cranberry Lake Boat Club (CLBC) for their stewardship of the lake and involvement in the local community. Please consider membership in the CLBC to support them with their efforts.

- The **July 4th Firecracker SKI/SEA Race** brings our community together with fun and competition.
- The **Poker Fiddle** in Watkinsville in July benefits the Clifton Community Group.
- The **Cranberry Lake Canoe/Kayak Race** (USCA sanctioned) in August supports our local economy and is fun for our community.
- The CLBC works with The Hike to provide de-lodge a town.

The funds raised at CLBC events are used to help the community and are distributed as the **Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Committee**, an affiliate of the CLBC.

ATTENTION ALL BOATERS
Cranberry Lake county has **NO** aquatic invasive species, which is most means of a reason for you to help protect the health of the lake.

CLEAN YOUR GEAR
Help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

CLEAN Use and clean in a clean place, and use a brush or scraper.

DECONTAMINATE Use a disinfectant solution to kill any remaining organisms.

DRY Drying gear for 48 hours will kill most aquatic invasive species.

CHECK THESE AREAS
NEAREST BOAT REPAIR STATION
State Route 3, post office, 2 miles east of Sun Lake

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Firecracker T-Shirt Contest

Winning Entry by Kelly Owen:



Entry by Nasick Chrisbacher age 10 entitled Loon:



Two Entries by Vanessa Burkard:



Entry by Fred Guevara

Cranberry Lake Boat Club



13th Annual Firecracker 5/10K
July 4, 2022

Entry by Davis Chrisbacher age 9 entitled Nature:



If you'd like to be more involved in the activities of the Boat Club and serve on one of its committees, please let me know (Halsey Bagg, 315-790-7512 halseybagg@gmail.com).
Take care and be safe!

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