

NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2022

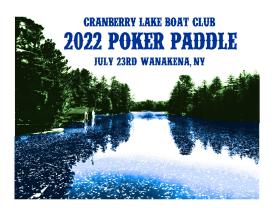
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It's been a very busy summer! The 2022 CLBC events are now concluded. The first event, **Firecracker**, was on Monday July 4th 2022. Under the direction of Ian Ward, there was a new record attendance of 175 and the Firecracker T-Shirt contest brought us a new look with the winning design of Kelly Owen.



The annual meeting and <u>**Banquet</u>** on Saturday July 9th 2022 organized by Nick Hunter was catered by Coffee Fever and featured a talk by Peter D'Luhosch on DEC Easements near Cranberry.</u>

The summer fun continued with the **Poker Paddle**, under the direction of Nolan Fedorow on Saturday, July 23rd 2022. The Poker Paddle was another big success with a record number of 92 paddlers (a few virtual) out on the lake inlet going from the Wanakena Beach toward Wanakena Rock. A total of seven people participated in the event providing various levels of support to the paddlers as they collected tokens along the way. After their journey, the participants took their tokens to the Z-Park where the famous card dealer, Chris Westbrook, dealt poker hands with a card for each token. The fun continued with The Busted Jug Band from Boston, who entertained everyone with their musical talents. Compliments were profuse for the pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw and cookies offered for sale from Coffee Fever of Star Lake. Proceeds of \$1,825 were presented to the Clifton Community Library.



Next, on Saturday July 30th 2022 Randy Young directed and managed the CLBC <u>Community Picnic</u> for 50 people. Jaime Savage, a professor at the Ranger School, entertained everyone with local stories, intermingled with songs he had written based upon these stories.

The final event was the <u>Cranberry Lake Canoe &</u> <u>Kayak Race</u> on Saturday August 13th 2022. Race Director Deb Roberts reported 24 people registered with many racers coming from the racing circuit. Roger Gocking and Eileen Visser, in a tandem Kayak, had the best time of 44:10 to complete the course from the town beach around Birch Island and back. Mark Friden hand created trophies out of Shelf Mushrooms, which were given to the fastest overall times for the 5.4 & 1.5 miles courses. After the race, paddlers had the opportunity to attend the Annual Arts Show at the CLFD and purchase the famous barbecue chicken lunch.



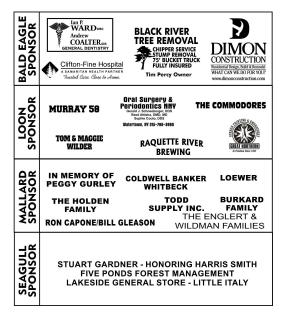
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The CLBC board of directors and I thank all of the participants and the generous support of our sponsors for making this summer a success. Because of everyone's participation, our Community Improvement Program (CIP) has replenished the funds to continue its work of providing for projects to help the local community.

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I'd also like to report other activities besides all the fun events. We continue to promote stewardship of the lake by performing the Cranberry Lake water quality sampling June, July and August each year as part of the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program (ALAP). It is a project managed by the Paul Smith's College Adirondack Watershed Institute. Also, this summer, working with the DEC, we implemented a Life Jacket (PFD) loaner station at the Cranberry Lake Boat Launch.

Clint Farnsworth recently shared a copy of the1956 CLBC Certificate of Incorporation. In this document the stated purpose of incorporation is; "to promote the science of seamanship and navigation, to mark navigation hazard on Cranberry Lake, NY, to aid in the protection and propagation of fish and game in and on the said lake and to maintain an adequate water level on said lake for the protection and enjoyment of lakeside property owners".

FISH STORY

Kaden is the 11 year old son of boat club members Caitlin and Kristopher Lee, and grandson of CLBC Director, Carol Murray. For over a year he saved his money and was able to purchase a 10 foot fishing kayak. He spent a week with Carol in July and set out one early morning in this kayak. Soon Carol heard him yelling and she rushed down to the dock to see him holding this 22", 8 pound largemouth bass with a 15 1/2" girth. According to the DEC data, the fish is estimated to be the same age as Kaden. He said it was a struggle to land in his kayak and then hold it while paddling back to shore. With fierce determination, he made it. While Carol was thinking "fish fry tonight", his parents and everyone else encouraged him to freeze it for future mounting. AND - in true fisherman style - when Carol asked him where he caught it, Kaden's response was "in the water".



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. <u>Navigation Map:</u> 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.

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).

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