

Hi CLBC Boaters! I hope you're all having a great Winter and looking forward to the activities being planned for 2023. Please use the following schedule to mark your calendars.

CLBC Events for 2023

Firecracker - Tuesday July 4th 2023

Banquet - Saturday July 8th 2023

Poker Paddle - Saturday July 22nd 2023

Community Picnic - Saturday July 29th 2023

Canoe/Kayak Race - Saturday August 12th 2023

There may be other events that haven't been scheduled yet. Watch for these on our Facebook Page or Emails.



It's that time again! Time to start guessing the date and time the ice melts on Cranberry Lake. Ice-Out varies year to year and the winner is the guess closest to that time. The official Ice-Out date and time is determined by the official judge, Chuck Yartz. Enter as many times as you want at \$2.00 each guess, five guesses per form. If you want to go paperless, we have a Venmo account where, with a few clicks, you can submit your donation and then email your guesses to me. The option to write a check and mail your guesses is also available.

The winner receives 50% of the total. So, in 2021 the winner received \$308 and \$246 in 2022. The other 50% has been and will be a donation to the Cranberry Lake Fire Department. Give it your best shot; good luck! Included with this email is a 2023 Ice-Out Form.

Brianna's Law

Safe navigation on Cranberry Lake is one of our missions. Have you heard about Brianna's Law? One of the Directors, Bob Safford, brought this law to our attention. **This law requires operators of personal watercraft, including jet skis, fishing boats, pontoon boats, racing boats and everything in between to be**

of age 14 or greater and complete a boating safety course. Named after 11-year-old Brianna Lieneck, who died in a 2005 boating accident, the law intends to ensure that everyone operating a boat in New York State is competent enough to do so. By January 1, 2025, every operator of a motorized boat in New York State must have obtained a boating safety certificate in order to legally operate their boats. **As of today, everyone 40 years old and younger must have a certificate.**

The phased in requirements for obtaining a boating safety certificate in accordance with Brianna's Law are as follows:

- Persons born after January 1, 1993, certified by January 2020
- Persons born after January 1, 1988, certified by January 2022
- Persons born after January 1, 1983, certified by January 2023
- Persons born after January 1, 1978, certified by January 2024

● Persons of all ages will be required to obtain the certification by January 2025.

Not complying with the boating safety education requirements in New York State can result in a fine up to \$250. In New York State, the parameters under Brianna's Law account for operators of any motorized boat, including personal watercraft. This includes jet skis, fishing boats, pontoon boats, racing boats and everything in between. If the boat is powered by any type of motor, it likely requires a certified operator. If you're operating a sailboat, kayak, paddleboard, canoe, rowboat or any other unmotorized vessel, you're not required to obtain a boating safety certificate; however, it is recommended. While there are no boating licenses for personal boats in New York, there are boating safety education certificate requirements. The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation is managing the NYS Boater Safety Program. Here is a link to their Website for more information:

<https://www.parks.ny.gov/boating/education.aspx>

Please make sure each of your family members gets a boating safety certificate.

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Northern New York Community Foundation (NNYCF)

As many of you are aware, the CLBC is now affiliated with the NNYCF. The Community Improvement Program Funds (\$22,190), that were stewarded by The Clifton-Fine Economic Development Corporation (CFEDC), are now transferred to the NNYCF (as of December 2022) into a fund named The Community Improvement Program (CIP) of the Cranberry Lake Boat Club.

Every year, all of the profits from the CLBC events go back into the community. The profits from the Poker Paddle go to the Library and the rest are transferred into the CIP. The CIP is also funded by donations from the CLBC membership. Many members choose to donate to the CIP each year when they renew their membership. Please note; this year donations to CIP will need checks written out to the NNYCF and please put CLBC-CIP in the memo. We prefer checks be mailed to the CLBC so donations can be recorded. These funds will be transferred to NNYCF - CIP. The CIP provides funds to maintain the Community Center Pavillion, buildings at the Beach, and CIP funds are committed to other projects, such as the Hub Break Wall. The CIP Committee of the CLBC meets each year to make recommendations for projects to fund for the year. If you have any ideas to benefit the community, please let me know. We will be meeting soon.

Membership Renewal

Karen Vavra has agreed to continue to manage our membership renewal process. She will be sending out renewal information for current members to verify and/or update their contact information in March. No need to renew until then.

Speaker Series

The Library has started to organize speakers for this summer. So far they have a talk about Loons by Jennifer Denny of the Adirondack Center for Loon

Conservation on July 1st and are planning a Pickle Ball Seminar and a Poetry session for this Spring/ Summer. We (CLBC) will also look into speakers, one for the Banquet and another for the Community Picnic.



Navigation Wall Maps

A survey was sent out to membership in the Fall and over 50 members indicated they would be interested in purchasing one of the Cranberry Lake Navigation Maps designed for framing and hanging on one's wall. Green Goat Maps, who produced our fold up maps last year, has designed both a large and medium sized wall map that will be offered for sale to all members in the next few months.

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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