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Our Mission

"To help protect and improve the quality of Canobie Lake and the surrounding watershed, while maintaining and supporting the interests of lake users and watershed property owners."

2019 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our goal is to have all concerned residents join together. We mail this MEMBERSHIP DRIVE newsletter to over 300 residences around Canobie Lake. To all of our past and loyal members, THANK YOU!!!! We continue to welcome anyone to join and demonstrate his or her support for our work to protect Canobie Lake.

PLEASE JOIN TODAY and become a MEMBER for 2019

CANOBIE LAKE PARK has, again, *generously* given us GUEST PASSES to be used in our membership drive. For each membership you will receive one complimentary guest pass to Canobie Lake Park. While supply lasts, for each additional \$25 donation you will receive a guest pass. (All donations of any amount are WELCOME but we must limit the number of passes from donations to insure that we have enough so that all members receive their guest pass).

We are continuing our "RECRUITMENT SPECIAL"

PLEASE reach out to your neighbors and friends to join the Canobie Lake Protective Association. Current members will receive 1 free pass for each new member recruited. (Just fill in the special recruitment information on the membership form below.)

TO JOIN: fill in and send with your tax deductible check for \$25 to the Canobie Lake Protective Association

TO MAKE A DONATION: Due to recent legal and engineering consultant expenses any additional donations included in your check are encouraged and gratefully accepted.

To receive your CANOBIE LAKE GUEST PASS(ES) please enclose a return addressed, stamped envelope.

With questions, please call Ginny Campiola at (603) 490 3733.

YES, I want to join (or renew my membership to) the Canobie Lake Protective Association

Please CUT OFF and MAIL (w/self addressed/stamped envelope) to: Ginny Campiola, 51 West Shore Rd, Windham, NH 03087

Name _____ **Tele#** _____ **email** _____

Throughout the year the newsletter and special points of interest will be emailed to our membership. That is why we hope that you will provide us with your email address (It will not be shared with others).

Address _____ **Town** _____ **\$ enclosed** _____

Comments _____

I _____ **have recruited my neighbor,** _____ **, to join CLPA**

Current member's name

Please mail me my free pass to Canobie Lake Park

WELCOME and THANK YOU !!!!!

THE TOWN OF SALEM IS GOING TO HAVE A NEW SOURCE OF WATER!!!

***Salem's water future...should be secure...with a new source
of water to supplement Arlington Pond and Canobie Lake***

IN THE MARCH ELECTION, ARTICLE 5 PASSED APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE TO PURCHASE WATER FROM THE "SOUTHERN NH REGIONAL WATER LINE INTERCONNECTION" FROM THE MANCHESTER WATER WORKS. Salem has acquired the right to purchase up to 1.5 million gallons per day of drinking water.

The campaign to get out the vote (sailemswaterfuture.com) was a joint effort from: voters and residents of Salem, the Salem Board of Selectmen, the Salem Budget committee, Salem Municipal Services, Greater Salem Chamber of Commerce, the Arlington Pond Protective Association, the Canobie Lake Protective Association, and many others. There was broad support as demonstrated by Article 5 passing with 77% of the vote.

This pipeline is a regional undertaking, with many approvals needed from the State and other towns. The CLPA directors will be following the process to ensure that the pipeline is completed. We will update members as the details are finalized.

The approximate \$27 million cost of construction of the pipeline will be paid in full by the MtBE settlement money from the State of NH DES. Clean and safe drinking water should be flowing through the pipeline by the end of 2020.

The Town of Salem policies of drawing water from Canobie Lake and Arlington Pond will be better defined when the water is flowing through the pipeline. It is hoped that Canobie Lake will never again be drawn down more than it's "SAFE YIELD".

The CLPA continues to promote "SAFE YIELD"

(If you would like Stickers contact Ginny Campiola)



WINDHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN ADDRESS CONCERNS AT HAYES HART RD BOAT RAMP

Windham Police Chief Lewis made his presentation to the Windham BOS asking for an ordinance to support a locked gate at the boat ramp with only Windham Residents having access. His underlying purpose was discussed as being to solve the neighborhood problems of loitering, parking, and inconsiderate activities that the current abutters are facing. The Town is also looking for a means to manage such access as they will struggle with resources to enforce said ordinance.

The CLPA board requested the Board of Selectmen to take this under further consideration and to come up with a solution that solves the problems above all while maintaining access to waterfront owners regardless of township. The CLPA offered their full support to help create the solution. In Speaking to the Town's challenge of managing the area, Kenny Samel presented an RFID gate system solution where the Town would manage the distribution of RFID tags to qualifying applicants, have control over time of day access and activity logs. It was stated that the CLPA is willing to participate in the cost of this and that our community is willing to take on a clean up role for the site.

The BOS was very receptive to come up with a solution as discussed and moved to "leave all things at the boat ramp status quo while Town counsel contacts the State of NH Attorney General's office to pursue the ability to amend the deed". ***If this can be done***, they are 5-0 in favor to modify the language of the deed in a way that will provide all Canobie Lake homeowners access to the use of the ramp regardless of township.

Attorney Campbell was very clear that it is going to be challenging to get this done so we are in a "stay tuned" mode as they do their good work.

Betty Dunn presented a wonderful history of the land walking us through its changes from the time of the donation to present. This was well received by the BOS as well as counsel.

Other CLPA board members Tanya and Jeff were present sharing their ideas. We had a nice showing of other CLPA members some of which also spoke to support a solution.

Overall there was a good sense of open discussion from all parties. There was sincere interest to arrive at a cooperative and sensible solution.

Tracking Chloride (Salt) Levels in Canobie Lake

The level of chloride in Canobie continues to climb. This is probably the gravest challenge facing the protection of Canobie Lake. Currently the level of chloride is at 100mg/liter, which is about double where it was just five years ago. Per the federal standards, when chloride levels reach 230mg/liter, that is when chloride is harmful to both vegetation and wild life. So the good news is the lake is well below the "trouble" level of 230mg/liter but the continual rise is concerning

We will continue to test the six spots monthly. More important, we will continue our efforts to get the state, towns and commercial entities to lessen the use of chloride to treat snow and ice. This is very important as treating of roads and parking lots accounts for over 75% of the total chloride consumption

To follow the history since 2013 of how the CLPA has been working on the "New Directive" to monitor and work toward reducing the use of salt in the watershed please go to our website www.canobielake.org and read the articles in the newsletters from the following dates:

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| Sept 2013 | "A New Directive for CLPA" |
| May 2014 | "Our "New Directive" – Salt (Chloride) reduction and monitoring initiative" |
| May 2016 | "Tracking Chloride (Salt) Levels in Canobie Lake" |
| June 2016 | "Tracking Chloride (Salt) Levels in Canobie Lake" |
| Sept 2016 | "Canobie Lake Chloride Testing Update" |
| May 2017 | "Tracking Chloride (Salt) Levels in Canobie Lake" |

Volunteer Lakes Assessment Program (VLAP)

NH DES workshop and need for volunteers

The CLPA continues to monitor the water quality of Canobie Lake. Again, this year, volunteers, including Jeff Schulte, Kenny Samel, and Betty Dunn, headed by Bill Schroeder will be drawing samples and taking them to NH DES for evaluation. If you would like to help, please contact Bill.

We have Fish and Eagles and Muskrats and Turtles!!

We are happy to report that the State of New Hampshire Fish and Game did stock Canobie Lake with fish this Spring. "Tight lines" to all you fishermen, young and old! There have been many sightings of eagles around Canobie. We are all hoping that they will bear and raise their young as they did last year. Growing in population are the muskrats. Where there were sightings of one or two, now people are seeing many! The turtles have been crossing the road from their winter hibernation spots to return to the lake. Thank you to those who have stopped to help them get across safely!!!

Loon Update

The sights and sounds of our loons is always a welcomed sign of spring! We all hope that they will be blessed with chicks this year. Dave Blake has put out the loon raft. We once again respectfully ask that ***all boats and kayaks PLEASE stay clear of the raft*** as Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) suggests that human interference can cause the loons to abandon their eggs.

It's Weed Watching time!

We are seeking volunteers to participate in our monthly (warm weather) survey to find exotic, invasive aquatic weeds that could damage beautiful Canobie Lake. It only takes about 30 min. each month from May to September.. Don't be shy if you are not a Biologist. We have training materials on hand and can set up training. Contact Steve Bortone (steve.bortone@gmail.com) if you are interested.

*Weed Watchers report bad news:
Purple Loosestrife has invaded the edges of Canobie Lake.*

The pictures below show the flower and the entire plant. Amy Smagula of DES verified the ID.



The picture below shows some of the locations around the lake.



It's everywhere but probably only notable when flowering. The biggest concentration is in the NW corner where the kayak launching entry is along W. Shore Rd. Around the lake, it is most often found along the shoreline, usually above the water line. Apparently some folks have also incorporated it into their gardens!

Amy indicated that DES does not have a management program for Purple Loosestrife so we are on our own. She indicated that the best way to get rid of it is to snip off the flowers and put them in a black plastic bag. This prevents seed dispersal when handling the plant. Then, dig up the plant by its roots and put that in the black plastic bag. Let it bake in the sun for a few days and then take it to a landfill.

IT'S AVAILABLE...

THE CLPA informational and welcoming brochure for Canobie Lake

If you would like more copies of the brochure
please contact Ginny Campiola at vcampiola@comcast.net



We are on Facebook and the web

If you are not already on **Facebook**, and do not want to “join” you can still look at what’s on our Facebook page. Just click on <https://www.facebook.com/CanobieLakeProtectiveAssociation>. If you are already on Facebook, just do a search for Canobie Lake Protective Association. Then, please “Like” any of our posts. If you do that, you will be more likely to see the new posts that appear on our page.

If you want to post a photo, or bit of lake news, or a comment, please do so. It will not appear immediately since one of the page administrators will have to approve it before it goes public. We hope that we can keep this page for fun stuff: photos, loon and critter news, lake related questions and stories, and CLPA announcements.

Please visit our website: www.Canobielaque.org

There are photos, maps, depth charts and all sorts of information relevant to protecting our beautiful lake! Plus there are archives of previous newsletters and a downloadable version of our new Welcome brochure (under Lake Info). We will continue to add new information to it.

4th of JULY 2019



Watch for details in the pre 4th of July Newsletter and website and Facebook. Also, the Canobie Lake Park fireworks are scheduled for July 4th, 5th, and 6th at 9:15PM (weather permitting).



Our 4th of July boat parade will be held as usual.



THANK YOU to Canobie Lake Park for their generous support of our association.

Again, this year, they have provided complimentary guest passes which will be used for membership. Any passes leftover will be used as prizes for the 4th of July parade and other incentives for CLPA members as publicized in later newsletters.

Canobie Lake Park is a beautiful facility with over 85 rides, games, shows, and attractions which include; a new ride – ICE JET, CASTAWAY ISLAND, Extreme Science, Critters Live, Tribute

to Taylor, Tribute to Bruno, Vaudeville Magic Show, Mermaid Encounter, and Twisted Circus

For hours of operation and more information about Canobie Lake Park visit;

www.Canobie.com
or call: (603) 893 3506



A welcomed sign of summer...The Canobie Park Boat

Canobie Lake Protective Association

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YOU are INVITED to join us at the...

CLPA ANNUAL MEETING/SOCIAL

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE...SUNDAY, JULY 28

Please mark your calendars for our annual meeting and social to be held at the Searles School and Chapel starting at 6:30 PM. Please come to the “party” and enjoy dessert and light adult beverages. The agenda details will be announced and will include; the election of officers, update on current issues of concern, and refreshments and socializing with fellow CLPA members. PLEASE NOTE: There will be openings on the board. We encourage anyone who is interested in serving on the board of CLPA to contact any current board member prior to the meeting and come to the annual meeting.