



The Lake Harvey Association Newsletter | Fall 2010

President's Message | Jan Sherman

It was a glorious summer and now we have enjoyed a gorgeous fall. The colors though not as bright as usual were still picture perfect. Seems winter may be on its way though as we have had many frosty mornings.

Harvey's Lake Day went off without a hitch. The day started with our annual meeting in the upstairs of the church, a little daunting at first. West Barnet was overflowing with people all day. The mile long yard sale was once again a huge success. At 1:00 pm we had the boat parade and for the first time in years, thanks to the hard work of Don Burke and Bob Perrin, we had nine entries. There have been discussions since the parade on how we can make the parade a little more organized -- any suggestions from the membership would be helpful and any volunteers would be even better!

Thanks again to Bruce Ellison and family for making the chicken barbeque a success. The chicken was delicious and we sold out!! As always thanks to the Barnet Fire Department for doing such a great job.

The fireworks 2010 may be remembered for the show that followed. While making it all the way through again a great fireworks display, almost immediately Mother Nature let loose a display of her own. It was quite a night!

At the annual meeting we had a guest appearance by our Selectman, Ted Faris, who explained the back up from Peacham Brook and the manure spill from the Kempton farm. We thank him for his time, and especially for his prompt action preventing potentially serious contamination of our lake waters. He came armed as well with debris piled up from the channel, increasingly a problem. It was nice to have some connection between the Town and the Lake Harvey Association. We also decided at the meeting to support the UVM study which concluded that just putting in a new gate at the dam would help things a lot. We all agreed to appropriate \$5000 toward the cost of the new gate.

There have been lots of ups and down this fall with the water level. To make a long story short we compromised with the town to drop the water October 1st instead of October 15th as it has been the last few years (and hopefully will be again next year!). Mother Nature decided to intervene and the water was raised instead, but all turned out okay as the person who wanted to do work on his shore was able to complete it.

Today we had our first snow, only flurries but legitimate snow. Have a wonderful winter and please remember to send in your membership if you have not already.

Notable & Newsworthy

It was once again a great year for monitoring. We put Don Easter in charge this year and he did an excellent job, which made my job much easier. Don had to deal with all the young girls schedules and he even spoke up for us at selectmen's meetings to lower the speed limit on the road by the boat access area. Thanks again to all the monitors: Don Easter, Kathy Wirthwein, Kyle Berge, Holly Greenleaf and Natalie Raeder! Thanks as well to departing Trustee Dave Scott (still our Treasurer) for his long service to LHA, and welcome new Trustee Kathy Bergeron!

Perfect Weather for the Boat Parade | Don Burke

Last summer's boat parade theme, "Through The Eyes Of A Child," brought out many Harvey's Lake boat owners responding in grand fashion. Nine families joined in the fun and decorated their boat with their interpretation of the parade theme. It was truly a testament to everyone's creative talents. All the viewers at camp sites around the lake enjoyed the show and each entry was greeted enthusiastically.

The boats started out at the point and proceeded around the lake in the following order:

1. The Perrin Family: "No Child Left Behind," A schoolhouse with all the students dressed in jailhouse stripe outfits. One student, not to be left behind, was pulled in an inner tube around the lake. Grandpa Perrin was the prison warden.
2. The Elliot family: "Disney Characters," Mickey Mouse et al.
3. The Woods family: "The Enchanted Forest," complete with dancing fairies.
4. The Burke family: "The Rainbow Connection," starring Kermit, the Frog, himself sitting on the pot of gold.
5. The Buckingham family: "Treasure Island," complete with palm trees and all.
6. The Bushey family: "Pirate Ship," with lots of imagination.
7. The Trebilcock family: "All Things Look Big to a Child," featuring, amongst other things, a giant ice cream cone.
8. The Campagne family: "Jack-In-The-Box," a child's favorite toy.
9. The Laferrier family: "Things Children Love," featuring lots of giant candy.

Some thought is being given to accommodating families who said they might like to participate in the parade with a non-motorized boat but were concerned about the pace of the parade.

So we are giving some thought to organizing next year's parade in two sections. The first group would consist of canoes, kayaks, rowboats, paddleboats and other non-motorized crafts. They would be given a "head start" at 1:00 p.m. and lead the parade. The motorized crafts, with a delayed start, would follow in a second group. Separate recognition would be awarded by group. Hopefully, we can again increase the number of boat entries in 2011.

Speaking of 2011, you might want to get a head start conjuring up your boat decorations for next year's theme: "Memorable Moments." It would be very helpful if you could notify either Bob Perrin [633-2601] or Don Burke (633-4941) in early July if you are planning to enter your boat. That way we can plan for the viability of running the parade in two sections. If you have any other questions and/or you are interested in being a judge for next year's parade, please call us.



Trustees

Jan Sherman	633-3053	Don Burke	633-4941
Karla Cornelius	633-2534	Bob Dufresne	633-3711
Jackie Sprague	633-4994	Bruce Ellison	633-3011
Kathy Bergeron	633-3632	Dave Curtain	633-2536
Bob Perrin	633-2601		

The Lake Harvey Association Newsletter | Fall 2010

Boat Monitor Report | Kathy Wirthwein

2010 monitoring began the weekend of May 23, was ongoing from 7 AM to 7 PM every day between May 27 and Sept 6, and ended with weekend monitoring through September 26th. The 4 busiest days were 3 days of the July 4 weekend and our annual LHA meeting/fireworks day. About 100 boats were monitored on these 4 days. This boosted the July total. Uncertainty about lake lowering dates may have reduced boating activity in September as the numbers were less than in 2009. But also it rained.

	2010	2009
May 23 -31	80	37
June	145	71
July	274	207
Aug	160	201
September	40	81
Total	699*	697**

*The 2010 699 boat total included 597 visiting cars as some visitors brought 2 or more kayaks. The kayaks totaled 234 and arrived in 141 cars or groups.

**The 2009 697 boat total included 100 additional kayaks.




Boats arrived after previous use in about 61 different lakes or ponds. In 2010, 466 of the 597 visitors (78%) were last in 9 bodies of water or "first use of year" boats. These 9 bodies of water were Harvey's Lake, 6 lakes or ponds in Danville, Peacham or Groton, the CT River or Marshfield Dam. The remaining 133 visitors were from about 52 all over the place lakes or ponds including about 13 out of state. Thirty-four visitors or 6% were from 12 lakes with milfoil. These lakes included Lake Champlain, Willoughby, Crystal, Fairlee, Morey, and Halls Pond. No weeds were visible on any boats or hitches and many boats arrived already washed. Our boater education efforts have clearly made a difference, and we have made it through another season of preventing milfoil. The diversity of boat travels, however, illustrates the necessity of continuous monitoring.

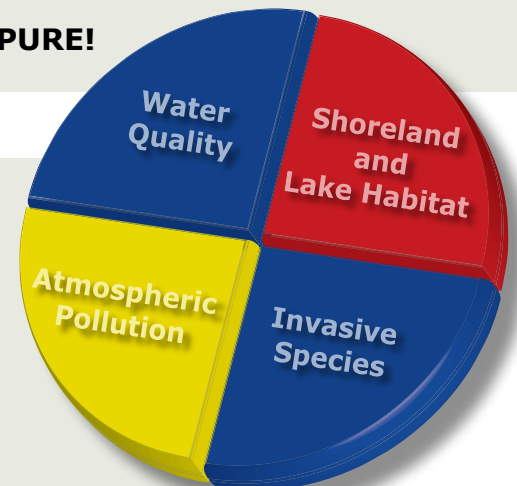
We have our work cut out for us; prevention is the only cure. We seek funds for the upcoming 2011 boating season—donations from our membership, and again a \$10,000 appropriation from the Town of Barnet at Town Meeting Day in March.

VOTE YES TO KEEP LAKE HARVEY PURE!

Lake Harvey Scorecard | Jackie Sprague

The new Vermont Lake Score Card shows the conditions of Harvey's Lake in terms of water quality, shoreland habitat, aquatic invasive species and for the effects of atmospheric deposition. For more details on the report, please visit our website - www.lakeharvey.com.

 Good Conditions  Reduced Conditions  Fair Conditions



Visit Our Website | www.lakeharvey.com

Have Some Fun, Do Some Good & Share!

Photos of our beautiful lake and wildlife by Barbara Roggeveen.



Lake Harvey Association is a volunteer charitable organization dedicated to preserving our valuable natural resource. Your contributions are vital to that effort and are tax deductible.

Website & Newsletter designed by A BCD Creative | www.abcdcreative.com

TO:

The
Lake Harvey Association
P.O. Box 86
Barnet, VT 05821



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Start/Renew my annual membership!

I want to help the Lake Harvey Association protect and preserve the integrity of Harvey's Lake. Enclosed are my tax-deductible annual membership dues of:

\$25 Annual Cottage Membership

Donation:

Fireworks Fund _____

Lake Preservation Fund _____

Donors of **\$100.00 or more** to our **Fireworks Fund** will receive an invitation to a champagne thank you brunch on the fourth Sunday in July.

Donors of **\$100.00 or more** to our **Lake Preservation Fund** will receive an invitation as well, along with a plush Lake Harvey Loon (squeeze for official Audubon Society loon call) as a token of our appreciation. **Remember, all donations are tax-deductible.**

GO GREEN! Sign me up for Membership and E-Newsletters

My Email Address: _____

The quarterly Newsletter contains information about LHA sponsored events, event reminders and contests, notices about important meetings and updates about current issues relevant to our mission.

Please provide the following information:

Town of Barnet resident? Yes No

Mailing address:

Phone _____

Lake Area Property Address:

If seasonal mailing, when? _____ to _____.

Phone _____

Please make your check payable to the Lake Harvey Association, and mail form with your payment to:

**Lake Harvey Association
P.O. Box 86
Barnet, VT 05821**



Barnet Village Store
Full Line of Groceries & Deli
 90 Monument Circle
 Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 693-2302



Harvey's Lake Cabins & Campground
Marybeth F. Vereline
 190 Campers Lane
 West Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 633-2213
 info@harveyslakecabins.com
 www.harveyslakecabins.com



Harvey's Lake Camp Services
Rentals & Handyman Services
 722 Harvey Mtn. Rd.
 Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 633-3053
 harveyslake@hotmail.com



Harvey Lake Self Storage Units
Workdays
 (802) 748-4513
Nights & Weekends
 (802) 633-3673



Dolgin's Docks & Lifts
The Toughest Boat Lifts & Docks
 P.O. Box 314
 St. Johnsbury, VT 05819
 (802) 274-4943
 dolgins@westelcom.com



Market Cafe
 1368 Elliott Rd.
 St. Johnsbury, VT 05819
 Sharon - (802) 748-5419
 Judy - (802) 748-9788
 sharon@marketcafevt.com
 www.marketcafevt.com



Too Little Farm
Peter & Elizabeth Everts
 278 Cloudy Pasture Lane
 West Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 592-3088



West Barnet Garage
Gary Schoolcraft - Owner
 477 Main St.
 West Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 633-2828



West Barnet Quick Stop
About 1 mile from Harvey's Lake
Full Line of Groceries & Deli
 113 W. Main St.
 Barnet, VT 05821
 (802) 633-2624

