

# LAKE CARMI ASSOCIATION NEWS

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## The President's Welcome, 2013 Season

Ahh! The first LCCA Newsletter of the 2013 season. A sure sign that winter is waning, spring is arriving and camp season is beginning. As this goes to print we know some folks have



already opened camp and are getting ready for our short summer. Marion and I are looking forward to that initial ride to Lake Carmi, and the first sight of our lake after a long winter.

When we open camp to the musk and dust from

being closed for several months we'll be working hard to eliminate the impact of winter. It's a rite of passage, to the good times that are yet to come. As LCCA President I would like to be the first to welcome you to the summer of 2013 at Lake Carmi.

Your directors have been working over the winter to bring you a memorable summer. The "*Celebrate Lake Carmi*" activities for the big holiday week are shaping up nicely. The fireworks will again be the night before the 4<sup>th</sup> on July 3. Of course this will coincide with the third annual Pontoon Boat Relay Race. You'll see in Bob Lumnah's report, his Shore Captains and Admirals are in place. Tickets for the race raffle will be out soon, certainly by the end of May. I'm sure the Hammond Shore Hammerheads are planning for their third straight victory! The lighted boat parade, a sailing regatta, and a kayak event are also on the agenda with some new developments being prepared.

There is a 2013 Cottage Tour Committee, working up new tour for later in the summer. Details will be available in the June newsletter.

As always, everyone is welcome to participate in the planning and development of LCCA events. If you can devote some time to help organize volunteers, or be a volunteer, we strongly encourage your participation.

On the last page is your membership application for 2013. Please take a few minutes to complete it and send in your dues of \$35.00. Your support is essential to the success of all our activities.

I remind you that articles are always welcome for the L.C.C.A. newsletters. Send email ideas and articles to [larry.myott@uvm.edu](mailto:larry.myott@uvm.edu). The next issue will be June 2013, deadline May 15.

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## Membership Drive Under-Way

The 2013 LCCA membership drive is underway. Membership chair Marion Benevento says that come June, there will be volunteers knocking on doors. They'll be delivering window cards and 2013 Directories to all paid members. They are also soliciting memberships from those who have not paid. The annual dues of \$35.00, are due in June.

Members get their new camp window card for identification throughout the year. When the sheriff visits your cottage in the winter and finds

something wrong, they will know who to call and where.

LCCA Members can be proud of their lake community and all the activities and events that take place during the summer months. Your board of directors and many volunteers, work all year, planning, producing and packaging events for the seasonal folks and local residents to enjoy. The annual "Celebrate Lake Carmi" events are only part of what happens around the lake. *Become an official part of our community, send in your membership, new or renewal.*

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### LCCA Board Meetings, 2013

The LCCA Board has set their schedule of board meetings for the summer months. They meet at the FELCO Room of the Franklin Homestead at 8:30 a.m. once a month. Of course, members are welcome to attend. They'll meet on May 25, June 15, July 13, August 17 and September 14. The annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday August 3, at the Franklin Town Hall.



**Winter's Gone** Just a short time ago this was the scene on Lake Carmi. At the end of the first week of April there were still fishermen on the lake with motor vehicles, but not trucks and

trailers. This was one of many ice fishing photos published on the Friends of Lake Carmi Facebook Page this past winter. Thanks for sharing.

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### Jet Ski Safety – It's the law

No one under the age of 16 may operate a personal watercraft (PWC, Jet Ski, etc.) even if the person has completed a boating safety course. Every passenger on the PWC must wear an approved life jacket. PWC's may not be operated more than ½ hour before sunrise or ½ hour after sunset.

Operating a boat or PWC at a speed greater than 5 mph, closer than 200 feet from shore is against the law. This 200 foot buffer is called a NO WAKE ZONE.

### Welcome Derick White, Director

Last fall the board of directors appointed a new director to fill a vacancy on the board. Derick White lives in Williston, VT with his wife Deb. They spend their free time on the Westcott Shore.

Derick is a Chittenden County native. He and his wife, discovered Lake Carmi after their son convinced them to camp at the State Park. The following January they bought their cottage.

Our new director is President of SRS Vermont, a company that forms and manages captive insurance companies. The State of Vermont is known worldwide for its involvement in this industry and are third in the world for the number of "captives" licensed. They have two sons, one living at Grand Isle State Park and one in graduate school in Boston.



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*Paid members are permitted a free classified ad in the four issues of the season. Merchandise ads are only for two issues, unless renewed. Camp rental ads can run for the whole season, however if you have no more availability, please notify the editor.*

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**For Sale**, Coleman Taos Popup Camper, sleeps 6, furnished with appliances, excellent condition. Garaged when not in use. Asking \$2850. Please leave message at 802.281.9424.

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**For Sale**, 14' Puffer Sailboat, fully equipped, \$1000 or best. Call Helen Dever, 802.233.9939 or [saildever@franklinvt.net](mailto:saildever@franklinvt.net).

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**Cottage for Rent**, 1950's era lakefront family camp on Westcott Shore. Sleeps six, two bdrm, plus beds on porch. Woodland setting. \$500/week. Contact Kim Gates 802.285.9911 or email [vera@franklinvt.net](mailto:vera@franklinvt.net).

**Cottage for Rent**, right on the lake, Patton Shore Road, 2 story, sleeps nine, 2 bedrooms, 2 bath. Second story loft, fully furnished. Call 802-879-7517, [www.cyberrentals.com/rental/p129401](http://www.cyberrentals.com/rental/p129401)



**Cottage for Rent.** Patton Shore; 3 bdrms; Sleeps up to 15; full kitchen. New England style rustic, by the week. Includes rowboat and canoe. Pets & children welcome. Contact Ted Hearne at 1.773.728.6996, or: [lakecarnicamp@gmail.com](mailto:lakecarnicamp@gmail.com).

**Cottage for Rent,** 1930's era vintage lakefront camp on Vic's Crossing. Sleeps 10, 4 bdrm, with canoe & Kayaks. 802.285.2250 or email: [blackbarn@franklinvt.net](mailto:blackbarn@franklinvt.net).

**Cottage for Rent,** Three bdrms. Dock, rowboat, canoe. Westcott Shore. \$600/week + VT Tax. Available after July 20. Contact Jan Cushman, 925.253.1958 or [jancushman@comcast.net](mailto:jancushman@comcast.net).

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The prize is a 6'6" Okuma High Performance fish Pole with an Okuma Avenger AV35b High Performance Reel. The drawing will be held early next summer.

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**It Won't be Long Now!** The Pontoon Boat Relay Race teams will soon be getting ready and taking their practice runs around Lake Carmi. The current champions, *Hammond Shore Hammerheads Blue Team* is looking to keep their Championship name.

Bob Lumnah, chair of the race, has announced leaders of the five team race for 2013. The Westcott/Mullen Shore team (Wildcats, Yellow Team) will be captained by Joe Craig, with Bob Rennie serving as Admiral.

The Patton/Black Woods (Pirates, Red Team) will be captained by Jim Pivirotto with Peter Benevento as Admiral. Hammond Shore Road, the Hammerheads Blue Team, will be captained by Bob Larose, Bruce Bushey will be the Admiral.

Dewing and Camp Roads team, known as the Dueling Dolphins (Green Team) will have team captain Richard Mercy. Carolyn Rhodes will be their Admiral. Vic's Crossing/Shore Road/Kings Court are presenting Bill Spears as captain

and Lee Abernethy as Admiral.

The tickets for the big raffle drawing, after the race, are being printed. When you buy your tickets, 7 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each, you select which team you expect to win. The tickets are then divided into buckets, each teams tickets go into their bucket. Your contribution is greatly appreciated in making this a success. Lumnah announced there will be \$1,250 in prizes presented after the race.

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## 2012 Fishing Contest Results



Last September Fishhead, Bob Everest, announced the winners of the 2012 Lake Carmi Fishing Contest. His announcement certainly reinforced that Lake Carmi is indeed a fisherman's lake. The above photo shows the 2012 trophies on display in the Franklin Town Clerk's

office in Franklin. We ask the trophy winners to please pick up their great trophies (at the Town Clerk's Office, 802.285.2101) when at the lake preparing for the 2013 contest, beginning June 1.

In the Senior Division yellow perch category, Jerry Goss gets the trophy for his .97 pound full meal entry. Wendy Peyrat is runner up with a slightly smaller .87 pound entry.

The small mouth bass trophy goes to Ernie Englehardt for his whopping 4.07 pound entry. The runner up entry was brought in by Joe Burke with a 3.85 pound second place fish.

Joe Craig takes the first place trophy in the northern pike category for his 8.93 pound entry. He had a runner up of 1.9 pounds.

In the walleye category, Ernie Englehardt was again the winner with 4.18 pound entry. Joe Craig was runner up with a 3.08 pound entry.

In the Rainault Family children's division, Brandon Neilson takes the trophy for a nice walleye pike.

Fishhead asks that we offer a special thank you to the official weigh-in stations. Byam's Quick Stop and the Franklin General Store are great to help us on so many projects during the year, we certainly appreciate all their help. Byam's and the Franklin General have agreed to be the official weigh-in stations again for the 2013 contest. Full contest details will be published in the June issue.



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## **Franklin Watershed Report**

“LakeWise Certification” program for the summer 2013 season has been announced for all Lake Carmi property owners. With a generous grant from the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation and the Agency of Natural Resources, the Franklin Watershed Committee, Inc. will help lakeshore property owners implement *Best Management Practices*. These prac-



tices include driveway water bars, ditch improvements, and installation of shore-line buffers.

Land owners participating will receive some improvements at no cost, while some may

require a modest cost share. Once the improvements have been made, property owners will obtain a “Lake Wise Certification.” Applications will be evaluated by a local expert who will review the efficacy of shoreline vegetation, water runoff strategies, septic options and potential or existing erosion problems. The review will be necessary to implement plans for the summer and fall.

**LakeWise** is a new program being implemented by the Franklin Watershed Committee, Inc. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that has been working for nearly two decades with land-owners presenting outreach events, and carrying out projects that reduce phosphorus loading into Lake Carmi. The program acknowledges that protection of a lake’s water quality depends on the actions of all people who live in the lake watershed, the land area that drains to the lake. Working together, we can have a healthy lake.

Applications to participate in this 2013 summer program and answers to your questions are available from the FWC Coordinator, Kurt Valenta at: [kjvalenta@franklinvt.net](mailto:kjvalenta@franklinvt.net) or by phone at 802.238.3697. Kurt will be facilitating technical assistance to participants and providing oversight for LakeWise, grant-funded shore-land improvement work.



Valenta will also be supervising our new AmeriCorps volunteer, Mike Avery. Mike began work last fall. He has a background in environmental science with a degree from Keene State College in NH. His

background is diversified, including a summer as a range technician monitoring stream banks, stream channels and stream side riparian vegetation in the Sawtooth National Forest in Idaho. The next summer he worked for the Washington Department of Ecology, evaluating chemical, biological and the physical habitat of 75 different streams and rivers as a field biologist/fisheries technician. We welcome Mike Avery to Lake Carmi.

## **Reminder**

Do NOT feed the ducks or other waterfowl. Yes, it’s fun for the kids and grand-kids, but unnecessary and harmful for the birds and humans that live near them. We have received warnings from Vermont Fish & Wildlife about ducks being poisoned by moldy bread and other foods. Also, they lose their fear of humans, making them easy targets for hunters in the fall.

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We'll all meet in Fairbanks, Alaska on May 14, flying in from any point in the U.S. or Canada. We'll start right off with a special tour of Fairbanks, river cruise and visit

to a native Alaskan village. You'll even get fresh Salmon bake dinner. On the 16<sup>th</sup> we'll board the Alaska Railroad, dome-topped train, for a five hour trip to Denali National Park for lots of sightseeing and entertainment. After touring we spend the nights in 1<sup>st</sup> class hotels before we board the train again, heading to Seward. On arrival in Seward we'll board the Holland America Oosterdam, at 930



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All meals, for the entire trip, are included. Also included are sightseeing tours, at all our Inside Passage ports, the Alaska Salmon Bake, all transfer and port fees, hotel taxes and baggage fees and much more.

Email Larry Myott for full details. I'll send you the flyer and reservation forms. Any questions can be answered as well. There is a lot of interest, reservations have been coming in. My email: [larry.myott@uvm.edu](mailto:larry.myott@uvm.edu) or call me in Florida until about May 5 (813.779.6195), after that at Lake Carmi (802.285.6718). Also, you can go to Carefree Vacation Services website, find the brochure and print it out: <http://www.carefreevacationservices.com>

## Ice Out Machine Waiting to Serve

The annual ice out contest is still going as this is being written. The ice is still pretty solid and the temperatures haven't gotten high enough to melt it out.



Special thanks to Polly Gadbois, Dick Benton and Arnie Byam for carrying out the responsibility this season. There will be some changes made in next seasons contest and a chair is being sought. If you would like to be part of the Ice Out Contest for next season, please contact president Peter Benevento, he'll be back at the lake around the first of May or email him: [peterben@charter.net](mailto:peterben@charter.net).

## Vermont Dairy Festival

The 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Vermont Dairy Festival, hosted by the Enosburg Lions Club will be May 31 thru June 2. There will be a carnival, Bands for entertainment in the park, a No Limit Texas Hold 'em Tournament at the Dairy center on Friday evening, Baking contest, huge parade on Main Street at 10:30 a.m. (arrive early, the roads will be closed) and a great chicken Bar-B-Q after the parade, events all Day Saturday and Sunday. The last event is Cow Plot Bingo on Sunday at 5:00, get your tickets to get that pot, when she plops! Information: [www.vermontdairyfestival.com](http://www.vermontdairyfestival.com).

***We need you as a member of the LCCA, Inc:***

Become an LCCA member for the 2013 season. The dues are just \$35.00 per year. LCCA members are committed to our wonderful lake in many ways. Some are volunteers who help out wherever and whenever they are able; some are simply here to enjoy a week or more in this pristine setting. We only ask that you become a member of your association and do what you can. Your comments are always welcome, contact any of the directors, or send the editor your thoughts for sharing at your directors board meetings. Become an official member of the Lake Carmi community, send your membership form and due check, payable to LCCA, Inc. to: LCCA, Inc. P.O. Box 1, Franklin, VT 05457.

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