

E-LAKE CARMI ASSOCIATION NEWS

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Special e-Edition

Are you surprised to get correspondence from the LCCA? Certainly had enough news to send out a special edition, by email only. It is just a quick edition, but your editor will call it No. 5 of Volume 4. This is an e-Edition, meaning electronic edition.

As I write this, in mid-September, the evening lights around the lake are pretty much extinguished. There were quite a few boats on the lake today, but by 7:00 pm the lake was quiet and the sun was gone. It's pretty cool now in the evening, especially with the winds we've been getting.

Those of us still here are wrapping up and getting ready to close, a month from now Lake Carmi will be pretty much deserted. Every day we note more boats have been put away and the docks are on the shore. It really is a sad time, to have the season come to an end. Many of the snow birds have already flown south and the rest of us will be departing over the next month.

Those of you, who stay around, please keep an eye on your neighbor's cottages and report any strange happenings.

Town of Franklin & the North Beach?



Franklin...Nearly 40 residents attended a public hearing, before the Selectboard, on the possible acquisition of the north beach area of Lake Carmi, by the Town of Franklin. Ted & Peggy Meunier, the current owners, have offered the town ownership, at no cost. The Lake Carmi Campers Association, Inc. and the Franklin Watershed Committee, Inc.

support the proposal and have agreed that they would take over maintenance of the area. Among the attendees was Wayne Laroche, Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife for the State of Vermont and a Lake Carmi Resident. Laroche stated that he would lease the boat access area back from the town and take over the maintenance and rebuilding necessary, for a minimum 20 year lease.

Much of the discussion centered on any possibility liability incurred by the town. Town Clerk Lisa Larivee had been in touch with the town's insurance carrier, who saw no increase in liability and projected a policy increase of not more than \$10. Larivee had also consulted surrounding towns who own public beaches, Fairfield, Highgate, Swanton, Alburgh and Georgia. They expressed their views that they have no additional liability and there has been no cost to the town from owning these beaches.

The listers indicated that tax revenue loss would be in the neighborhood of \$3 to 4. A representative from the Fish and Game Department provided a copy of the State law showing that there would be no liability assumed by the town or the sponsoring organizations.

The selectboard later decided to have another public comment session at their regular meeting on October 11. They also have appointed one of their number, Lynn Paridis, to serve on a committee being formed to study the proposal and make recommendations back to the selectboard.

Both sponsoring organizations have voted to share in the maintenance and possible redevelopment of the beach area with the town. This area has always been the "front door" of Lake Carmi and reflects greatly on the Town of Franklin.

"Walking gets the feet moving, the blood moving, and the mind moving. Movement is life." What a great time to be walking at Lake Carmi. It is so quiet and serene.

For Sale or Rent

These ads may not be current in pricing for 2011, call the owner for details. If you know any possible renters, forward this on to them.

Cottage Cleaning Service at Lake Carmi. Preparing the camp for your arrival or cleaning in the summer months. Cleaning between renters. Natural cleaning products used, references available. Call Nicky Magnant 802.933.4096 or email: nmag58@gmail.com.

Cottage for Rent, at the end of Patton Shore Road, 2 bedrooms, large living space, full kitchen. Four adults, well behaved pets and house broken children are welcome. Les/Josée at 514.365.8348 or email: lesjot@videotron.ca.

Cottage for Rent: \$550/wk. till Labor Day; after LD \$400/week. Sleeps 5, screened porch, deck, dock, spring water, satellite. Deposit required. Pet fee. Inquire directly. Call Fran at 888-774-3485 or 802-285-2077.

Cottage for rent, a weekend or a week, our cozy comfortable cottage on Shore Road, three bedrooms, full kitchen and bath. Views, sunsets, large deck. From \$450 to 950. Call Gillian at 802.985.9186 for photos and information. Email: gilliansenior@gmail.com.

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.

Cottage for Rent, 2 bedroom. Includes row boat, paddle boat, grill, fully equipped kitchen. \$700/week plus security deposit. Contact lakecarmicamp@madriver.com or 802-496-8196 for more info.

Cottage for Rent, right on the lake, Patton Shore Road, 2 story, sleeps nine, 2 full bedrooms, 2 bath. Second story loft, fully furnished. Call 802.8797517, www.cyberrentals.com/rental/p129401.

Cottage for Rent, Hammond Shore, call Dan Larivee at 802.285.6737.

Cottage for Rent, Patton Shore, call Kevin Lothian at 802.285.6568.

Cottage for Rent, Available June & July. Three bedrooms, sleeps six. Dock, rowboat, canoe. Westcott Shore. \$400 per week. Call Jan Cushman, 925.253.1958.

Dock Removal & Installation services. Site visit and free quotes, by appointment. Out in

September, back in May, 2011. Call Bob Mongeur evenings at 802.496.8196, email: lakecarmicamp@gmavt.net.

Wendell Fortier Honored

Long time LCCA treasurer Wendell Fortier was honored at the July annual meeting, a meeting he was unable to attend. President Dick Lang recently visited Wendell in his Richford home, presenting him with a silver bowl recognizing his long service to



Lake Carmi. On Sunday, August 29th Wendell was hosted at a reception in Richford on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

Weed Control in Lake Carmi

The ad hoc Weed Control Committee reports progress in our fight against Eurasian Milfoil. In late July, Aquatic Water Technologies conducted the first study of weeds in the lake. They reported there are approximately 200 acres with Eurasian Milfoil; about 100 acres contain a dense population of the weed.

Based on their initial reports, the Board of Directors has contracted with the Darren Fresh Water Institute of Bolton Landing, NY, part of the



Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. They conducted their study on September 9 & 10. A re-report should be ready in November.

The permitting process is expected to begin in early 2011, using the information gained from these surveys. The committee expects to be using the herbicide *Renovate OTF*® to manage milfoil population. All studies of this product, and its use around the country, show a very positive outcome and no effect on the fish population or water quality.

It is anticipated that most of 2011 will be taken up with fund raising and public education of this process. It is expected to cost about \$1400 per acre to treat the acres found to need treatment, as indicated, about 100 acres. Funds will be sought from the State of Vermont, grants, Lake Carmi owners, the Town of Franklin, and various fund raising activities.

LCCA Membership at an All Time High

Treasurer Bob Baran reported recently that membership has reached an all-time high, with 250 members. There was 100% membership in several areas including Camp Road, Cedar Lane, Hammond Shore Road, Jenne Drive, Mullen Shore, Patterson Point Road, Perry Landing and Vic's Crossing. Congratulations to all the volunteers who helped to make this happen.

A letter will soon go out to the camp owners who have not yet paid their dues, asking them to join the association for 2010. There are about 304 cottages around Lake Carmi. Several friends of Lake Carmi (non-owners) have joined, expressing their support of the association.

To read four years of back issues of this newsletter and get a membership application form go to: www.lakecarmi.org. You can also see the current photo from the Lake Carmi webcam, updated every few minutes.

Dewing Farm Barn Comes Down

The Dewing Farm Barn has been a landmark for Lake Carmi campers since about 1850, it is being torn down and salvaged to be reconstructed on the other side of Lake Carmi. The deconstruction is



nearly complete. Beams going cross-ways measure 44 feet and length-ways up to 56 feet. The post and beam

construction was built completely without nails.

Cottage & Garden Tour 2011

After two very successful cottage and garden tours in recent history, the LCCA, Inc. will again produce a tour to show off the homes, cottages and the gardens at Lake Carmi. Of course volunteers are needed to participate by showing their beautiful places at the lake.

Cottages are needed, sometimes they are just unique, others may be quite the comfort zone. It could be the architecture, the flower beds, the interior design, or something else. Owners that have been contacted in the past will be contacted again, now is the time to make plans for July 2011.

Helen Dever (285.6652) and Hilda Hendrickson (285.6855) are co-chairs.

50 Years to Celebrate!

The 2011 camping season will be the 50th year celebration, throughout the summer. The LCCA was chartered in April, 1961.

All the 2011 summer events will commemorate this anniversary. The committee is planning for lots of activities around the long Fourth of July weekend. Full details will be available during the winter.

The 2011 annual meeting will be held at The Abbey in Sheldon on Saturday, July 9. Mark your new Lake Carmi Calendar for that date. To make the celebrations successful the committee is seeking historical documents and photographs of memories at the lake. If you have old photos, stories or favorite memories please send them on to Helen Dever, P.O. Box 112, Franklin, VT 05457. Make sure all photos are identified as best you can. After scanning, they will be returned to you.



This undated photo of the old bowling alley gives you an idea of what's needed. Any ideas or suggestions would be welcomed by the committee: Helen Dever, Bob & Nancy Lumnah, Ruth Ann Krayesky, Faith Pivrotto, Carolyn Rhodes, Anita Rogers and Larry Myott.

Lake Carmi Calendar for 2011

The new Lake Carmi Photo Calendar has been out since July, it is available locally at several different locations, including Byam's Quick Stop, Franklin General Store, and The Franklin Telephone Company. Also, at Precious Things and Young's Accounting in Enosburg Falls.

It will be the best Christmas present ever for those with wonderful memories of Lake Carmi, past or present. There are 13 full color photos by local artists Carol Lyman, Larry Myott and Molly Corrow. Each month's photo represents a scene from Lake Carmi to go with the month, from cold frozen January to the warm recreation months, to a desolate December. There are descriptions of each and little verses about Lake Carmi. Also included is a full page of Lake Carmi facts and history.

This calendar is guaranteed to make folks homesick for our lake, even if they have never been here. We believe that this calendar is equal to the quality of more famous Vermont calendars. All the memories brought forward remind you of home at the lake.



You'll have the phases of the moon, the holidays, and much more. At the same time you'll be helping out the Lake Carmi Campers Association, Inc. You can do your Christmas shopping right here, order as many as you like, but we only have 500, so order early. *You can send in the form below to order yours, by mail. The price is the same as in the local stores, \$10.00, but shipping and handling is \$2.00 for one calendar, \$3.00 for two.* You can print it and then mail it in. You can print this page and mail it in.

Enclosed is \$_____ for _____ Lake Carmi 2011 Calendars. Please include \$2.00 for shipping and handling for one calendar, \$3.00 for two calendars. For more than 2 calendars, email the address below for shipping and handling price information. ***Make checks payable to LCCA, Inc. and mail to: LCCA, Inc., P.O. Box 1, Franklin, VT 05457***

Please mail my calendars to: Name _____
Address _____

Please Print Carefully

Email or Telephone in case of question _____

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Calendar Photos for 2012 Calendar

The board of directors has authorized the production of a Lake Carmi Calendar for 2012. Development will take place in the early summer of 2011. Larry Myott and Carol Lyman have volunteered to oversee the project again, selecting photos and preparing the copy.

Anyone with possible photos for use in this calendar should contact Larry Myott, larry.myott@uvm.edu. Photos can be emailed, at full resolution anytime for possible inclusion in the 2012 publication. The committee is looking for photos that tell the story of Lake Carmi and its impact on our residents and visitors. What impresses you? What is the best scenery? Photos are needed for all 12 months, in short supply, are winter/ice fishing scenes.

All photos have to be at least 300 dpi at 8½ x 11 inches, landscape format. Clarity must be perfect. With today's digital cameras and computers it is quite easy to submit entries. Any photos received before next spring will simply be stored until needed. If you have any questions contact Larry Myott at the above email address.

The committee reserves the right to use or not use any photo submitted. Once submitted it could be used in a later edition of the calendar or even in the Lake Carmi Newsletter. All submissions used will be credited to the artist.

A Very Special Thank you!

The Lake Carmi Association, Inc. expresses its' sincere gratitude the advertisers in the four issues of our summer newsletters. Without their assistance, it could not happen. Your association has benefitted greatly by the advertising and we hope you have patronized these businesses. Thank you to each of you:

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- ☺ Young's Accounting, LLC
- ☺ Franklin Telephone Co. Inc.
- ☺ Progressive Auto Sales
- ☺ One Federal Restaurant & Lounge
- ☺ Howmars Farm
- ☺ The Flying Disc
- ☺ The Parkside Grill
- ☺ E.B. Feeley Water Wells
- ☺ The Crossing Restaurant
- ☺ The Abbey Pub & Restaurant
- ☺ Boat Headquarters, Inc.
- ☺ Pine Cone Snack Bar
- ☺ Creeks' End Lawn Care & Mowing
- ☺ Stuff & Things

If you or a friend would like to become an advertiser for 2011, contact the editor for details.

Classified ads are free to members of the association, but have to be renewed regularly. The editor contacts the advertiser and may delete an ad on a for sale item after the second published issue.

2010 Fishing Contest Results

Robert Everest, chair of the annual Lake Carmi fishing Contest has announced the winners of the 2010 contest. He expresses his gratitude to both the Franklin General Store and Byam's Quick Stop for serving as the official weigh-in stations. Trophies for the winners will be available next June.

● Smallmouth Bass Trophy in memory of Walter Everest goes to *Steve Cameron* for a 3.28 lb. 19.25 inch specimen.

● Northern Pike Trophy in memory of General Merle Davis to *Robert Brenton* for a 9.58 lb. 36.5 inch fish.

● Walleye Pike Trophy in Memory of General Davis goes to *Phil Bissonette* for his 6.13 lb., 27 inch catch.

● Yellow Perch Trophy in Memory of General Davis to *Ernie Englehardt* for a 1.02 lb. 12.5 inch fish.

● Junior Fisherman Trophy by the Rainault Family goes to *Mary Miller* of Enosburg Falls, granddaughter of Sue Ovitt of Patton Shore for her catch of a 2.94 lb., 20.5 inch fish.

2009 Junior Fisherman Trophy Winner, Matt Wright, for a 22 inch, 3.75 lb. Walleye. He is grandson of Dick & Cheryl Benton of Dewing Road. No photos of 2010 winners are available, photos should be sent to editor Larry Myott.



Runners Up Too

● Northern Pike, *Ernie Englehardt*, 7.65 lbs. & 31.5 inches.

● Smallmouth Bass, *Scott Rogers*, 3.01 lbs. & 19.5 inches.

● Walleye Pike, *Tom Cheney*, 3.55 lbs. & 23 inches.

● Yellow Perch, *Kameron Cyr*, 0.95 lb. & 13 inches.

● Junior Fisherman, *Alexus Cyr* for a 2.56 lb., 21 inch Walleye.

This issue is written and edited by Larry Myott for the Lake Carmi Campers Association. The next issue will be in April, 2011. The deadline for articles and ideas for articles is March 20, 2011. Special news may be emailed to the LCCA, Inc. email member list between issues.