

## **CLCA Lake Management Committee Reports**

**June 17, 2023 Director's Meeting: Mary Jablonski, VP**

**Environment and Ecology** Dave Graves, Chair Report given at the meeting.

**Water Level / Flood Control** Henry Eifert and Bill Fielding, Co-Chairs The water level issues will be discussed at the meeting. Also, the water levels taken daily, by Bill and Henry, for Canada Lake and the Stewarts Landing Channel, are posted on the [canadalakesconservationassociation.com](http://canadalakesconservationassociation.com) website. Look under Lake Issues for ' Water Level ' Info. It's an amazingly detailed diary that's kept up to date! Importantly, it provides the DEC in Northville, with updated accurate information, to assist them with the regulation of the flow of the Stewarts Landing Dam, if they access the site.

**Fire Safety** Rick Fink - Chair Report given at the meeting.

**Water Purity** John Byrnes - Chair At last year's Annual CLCA Meeting, in July, 2022, the CLCA had a speaker from the New York State Federation of Lake Associations, (NYSFOLA), address the programs they have, which assist local lake associations determine water quality, by providing education, information exchange of data findings from lake samples sent to them, and collaboration efforts. More information will be shared at the June 17th, 2023 Meeting, about reports from NYSFOLA and the Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) and the Adirondack Lake Assent Program (ALAP), as to the quality of the Canada Lakes in 2022.

**Invasive Species** Lorrie Mott - Lake Steward, ISC Co-Chair Randy Fredlund - Lake Inspection, ISC Co-Chair The 5:30-7:30AM slots for volunteer Lake Stewards, are not fully filled. These times are important as many people fishing, launch their boats early in the morning, before the West Lake Boat Launch Steward arrives to work. Lorrie Mott expresses the need for MORE VOLUNTEERS. On April 20, 2023, an Invasive Species Committee Zoom Meeting was held, facilitated by Lorrie Mott and Randy Fredlund. Eight CLCA Members and representatives from East and West Caroga Lakes, Peck Lake, Pleasant Lake, and the Stoner Lakes, attended. There were a total of 18 attendees. Lorrie and Randy presented summaries and data, from the activities at the West Canada Lake Boat Launch, Caroga Campground Boat Launch, and the Caroga Boat Washing/Decontamination Station from May 28, 2022- October 10, 2022. There was much discussion among the attendees about invasive water species protection strategies used in the lakes that were represented. The plan, is for the communication and collaboration among the Lake Associations to continue. Continuing educational outreach to area boaters, including school aged children, is believed to be one way of increasing awareness, knowledge, and personal involvement regarding protection of the lakes from invasive species infiltration.

**Lake Safety** Bob Baker and Brian Franz, Co-Chairs Important repeated information for all boaters: Brianna's Law, the name of the NYS law signed into effect by Andrew Cuomo, in 2019, is a comprehensive boater education law, requiring ALL operators of motorized watercraft, to

obtain a boating safety certificate, after completing a boater safety course, by 1/01/2025. - All Jet ski/PWC (Personal Watercraft) operators must be currently certified regardless of age. - All power craft operators regardless of age, will need a boating safety certificate by 1/01/2025. On line course schedules can be found on the following website: [www.safeboatingamerica.com](http://www.safeboatingamerica.com). - The West Caroga Lake Association is offering a Boaters' Safety Course at the Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Station on July 15th this summer. Reservations can be made by contacting the West Caroga Lake Association. There are only a few places left to reserve. I googled the Association, and the NYS Boaters' Safety Course is noted on the initial page. Discussions were held at the CLCA August Directors' Meeting regarding the idea to purchase buoys notifying boaters of the 5 MPH Speed Law, within 100 ft. of the shore and possibly buoys requiring "No Wake Zones." The Safety Committee of the CLCA recommends the purchase of official lighted orange and white regulation buoys that say, "5 MPH" to deploy at the entrance to Lily Lake and the London Bridge channel. Rick Fink is donating a buoy he has, and the current recommendation is to purchase one other such buoy. DEC has the option to approve the placement of these buoys. The CLCA would be required to obtain annual permits for the buoys and be responsible for their maintenance. Further discussion on this topic, will take place at the June 17th Meeting. In the summer of 2022, there were 2 times the Fulton County Sheriff and or a DEC En-con Officer, patrolled the Canada Lakes. It is noted that Sheriff Richard Giardino, recently reported in the Leader Herald Newspaper, that there are limited available sheriffs to patrol the many lakes in Fulton County. This unfortunately reduces the enforcement of boating safety on all local Lakes. The Fulton County Sheriff has been contacted, to request at least 2 patrols, during the current summer, and preferably, a sheriff's presence on a weekend.

**Fishing** Tom Lyons - Chair Fish stocking: 5/07/23 - CLCA, on Green Lake, Rainbow Trout DEC, 2023 Spring Trout Stocking: 1,7285, 8 in. Rainbow Trout

**Stewardships** DEC forms need to be filled out this summer by all volunteer stewards of the Nick Stoner Island, the Kane Mt. Fire Tower and trail, and the NYS DEC controlled campsites on the Canada Lakes. These forms provide insurance coverage by the DEC, for volunteers.

**Adopt A Highway** - Bob Baker, Chair On May 6, 2023, there was a Town of Caroga, Town Wide Highway pick-up, which included the stretch of highway the CLCA is responsible for, to pick-up and remove trash. Dates for future Highway pick-ups, will be set as the season progresses.

**Adopt A Shoreline** - Brian Franz, Chair Nothing new to report.

**Campsites** - Betsy Cannon, Chair Sites will be checked soon.

**Fire Tower** - Marcus Harazin, Temporary Chair; Permanent Chair Position is vacant. Volunteer steward forms will need to be filled out by any members volunteering as Forest Fire Lookout Association Fire Tower Stewards. This association works in conjunction with the DEC. More will be discussed at the June Directors' Meeting.

**Island** - Brian Franz, Chair Bruce Busch will put in and remove the Nick Stoner Island dock, in cooperation with the Island committee members.

**Lake Organization:** Jon Vesey, Vice President

**Adirondack:** Margaret Newell -Chair

**By-Laws:** Dick Maider, Chair  
Linda Clark

**No new news on By-Laws**

**Directory:** Chris Rohrs, Chair

Dick Arthur  
Julia Butler  
Allen Farber  
Lane Franz  
Sue Kasson  
Cassandra Lyons  
Lois Miller  
Kathy Rohrs  
Barbara Kane Russell  
Sandy Sturchio

**Fire Department:** Howard Dutcher, Coordinator

**Lake Publications: *The Echo*:** Mark and Christine Moritz, chairs

Parker Davis  
Allen Farber  
Ian Moritz  
Judy Moritz

**Legal:** Dick Maider, Chair  
Linda Clark

**Possible news on the private suit affecting the inlet from Linda Clark.**

**Membership:** Erin Beaudet and Merryn Byrnes, Co-Chairs

Merryn and John Byrnes  
Kaelyn Byrnes  
Allen Farber  
Bill and Dorothy Fielding  
Bob and Pat Hagen

Dorothea Loomis  
Lois Miller  
Tim and Sue Mitchell  
Chris and Judy Moritz  
Alan and Mary Peck

**Nominating:** Chris Rohrs, Chair  
Dorothy Eifert  
Tim Eldred  
Tom Lyons  
Lois Miller

**Lois Miller and Erin Beaudet have decided to step down from the Board. We are hugely grateful for their service and hope to keep both active with the CLCA. Paul Corr is also stepping down after serving the Association so well but happily Janice Corr will stand for election to replace him.**

**The Nominating Committee has reached out to Ken Luttmann about becoming a Director. The by-laws allow for a Board of between 17 and 21 Directors.**

**Website:** Allen Farber, Chair  
Erin Beaudet- administrator  
Merryn Byrnes- administrator  
Dillon Nuanes- administrator

**No new news regarding the website.**

**Welcoming Committee:** Lois Miller, Chair  
Lane Franz  
Audrey Smith

**Again this year, the Welcoming Committee will be greeting new families to the CLCA.**

**Packets will be handed out which will include:**

**The 2023 Echo(if it was not already sent).**

**The 2020 CLCA Directory**

**Town of Caroga Directory**

**Information pamphlets on:**

**Protect Your Waters**

**Living with Bears**

**Recycling 2023**

**NYS Boater's Guide**

**NYS Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide  
Caroga Lake Music Festival Schedule**

**Winter Emergency:** Mary Jablonski, Chair  
Merryn Byrnes  
Dorothea Loomis  
Lorrie Mott

**A small tree limb was noted on a summer resident's porch roof, this winter, slightly damaging the trim. Snow and ice prevented the branch from being totally removed, however, it was pulled away from the roof, a picture was taken, and the camp owner was notified.**

**Lake Activities Reports**

**June, 2023**

**Lois Miller, VP**

**2023 Boat Parade:**

The 2023 Boat Parade will be held on Sunday, July 2. Boats will pick up their number at 1:30 at The Newell/McCormack Dock (202 South Shore Road). The parade will start at 2:00 and proceed around the lakes clockwise (decorate the left side of your boat). Spectators please be out on your docks ready to cheer on all of the boats. A parade is not a parade without spectators.

**VOTING:**

Every CLCA paid member is eligible to place 1 vote for their favorite boat. If multiple there are multiple paid members in your camp, each current paid member may vote.

Voting instructions:

log onto [bit.ly/clcaboatparade2023](https://bit.ly/clcaboatparade2023)

answer the questions

submit your vote

RECEPTION: Location Change

The reception will follow immediately after the parade (around 3:30-4:00) at the Newell/McCormack Camp (202 South Shore Road). EVERYONE is welcome. Come by land or sea. The votes will be tallied & the trophy will be awarded at the ceremony. Snacks and beverages will be served. Hope to see you there!!

### **Flare Lighting**

LED flares will again be used this year for flare nights. The committee finds the LED flares to be safe, easy to use and environmentally friendly.

Ed Fake

Jackie Fake Gilman

Karlton Fake

### **Fireworks**

The Fireworks are all ready for this year.

Mike Manning

Bret Fielding

### **Water Sports Clinic**

Nothing to report at this time.

### **Ice Cream Extravaganza**

Nothing to report at this time.

### **Lake Luncheon**

Nothing to report at this time.

### **Picnic**

Nothing to report at this time.

### **Youth Activities**

The Youth Activities Committee will be gathering to make plans for the 2023 season. The committee has several names of individuals that are willing to help make the 2023 season abound with activities for our youth.

Kim Poulos

Lois Miller

