



June 2022

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

July 9, 2022 9:00-10:30 AM

Parker Pie, West Glover

Bring your own chair and coffee if you wish.

Rain or Shine

Board member positions that are being filled this year for a two-year term are: President, Treasurer, Membership Chair, Water Quality Chair, Fishing & Wildlife Chair, Boating & Water Safety Chair, and Recreation Chair. For one year term Vice President. If anyone is interested in serving in one of the positions reach out to Tim Plastridge, Ken Kasz or Linda Alderton, members of the Nomination Committee.

Raffle Items

LPA has received a donation from Joan Hudson of a quilt she made to raffle at the annual meeting. Called "Lady of the Lake" size 65" x 75". History indicates that the "Lady of the Lake" quilt pattern originated in Vermont in 1810. In a book written by Ruth E. Finley "Old Patchwork Quilts and the Women Who Made Them" (1929), Ruth writes as follows, "Lady of the Lake" quilt block pattern was named after the poem by Sir Walter Scott of the same name.

Each LPA Member attending will be given a ticket and at the end of the meeting we will pick numbers for the quilt, along with other prizes we have as well. Hope to see you at the meeting.



President's Welcome | Brenda Plastridge

On behalf of myself and the Board of Directors we hope that you and your family are safe and well. As we look forward to summer on Lake Parker, we sincerely thank everyone for their involvement, volunteering on committees, and working together to keep the lake healthy for generations to come. Please read the important information below provided by Responsible Wakes for Vermont Lakes. We hope as many people as possible can attend one of the Public Informational Hearings to express their views on wake boats.

Questions or Suggestions: Contact any Board Member

2022 Lake Parker Association Executive Board

President: Brenda Plastridge - President@lakeparker.org

VicePresident: Vacant

Secretary: Joan Hudson - Secretary@lakeparker.org

Treasurer: Joyce Croteau - Treasurer@lakeparker.org

Past President – Ken Kasz - KKasz@lakeparker.org

Committee Chairs

Membership: Linda Alderton - Membership@lakeparker.org

Recreation: Tim Plastridge - Recreation@lakeparker.org

Water Quality: Mike Pierce - WaterQuality@lakeparker.org

Boating & Water Safety: Steve Cutler – BoatingWaterSafety@lakeparker.org

Fishing & Wildlife: John Wooten - FishWildlife@lakeparker.org

Events List

Lake Parker Association Annual Meeting – Saturday, July 9th Start Time 9:00 AM

Walking Path workday – Saturday, July 23rd (rain date the 24th) 10:00 – 12:00

Boat Social – Saturday August 20th – more details to come

2022 Membership Form

Reminder... If you haven't already done so, be sure to renew your LPA membership before the Annual Meeting on July 9th. Ensure your ability to vote on issues that affect the long-term health, beauty and enjoyment of Lake Parker. Volunteers are always needed for various working groups. Be sure to review the membership form attached and check items you wish to participate in.

Taps Across America

Taps Across America was held at 3:00 PM Memorial Day on Lake Parker. We took a pontoon into the middle of the lake and raised a flag and played the taps. The National Moment of Remembrance is an annual event that asks Americans, wherever they are at 3:00 p.m. local time on Memorial Day, to pause for a duration of one minute to remember those who have died in military service to the United States. Our plan is to celebrate this every year going forward.

Water Quality Updates

The removal of the Phragmites is set for fall 2022. Luke Hardt, the forester who will do the eradication, has asked that no-one cut the Phragmites as we need as much of the green leaves on the plants as possible.

We were accepted into the LaRosa Partnership Program, conducting water sampling from our tributaries. This testing allows us to engage with our local streams and tributaries firsthand and learn about water quality issues and use water testing to identify where impacts are present.

Septic System Test Tablets

The Town of Glover has septic system testing tablets available at the Town Clerk's office for free....on a voluntary basis. The Town recommends testing but does not require it.

The green/blue tablets are to be flushed down the toilet (several flushes are recommended).

Then watch for incandescent color on the lake in front of your property; if this color appears, you have a septic system problem.

According to the Glover Health Officer, the Town is not looking to punish or chase property owners, but wishes that owners who have a problematic septic system address same, so we all have clean water in the lake for swimming, fishing etc.

Fish and Wildlife News

Thanks to the efforts of Jud Kratzer, our local State of Vermont Fish and Wildlife contact, Lake Parker received 904 rainbow trout stocked on Wednesday April 20th.

The State of Vermont has changed and simplified the fishing regulations beginning on 1 January 2022....see the new regulations at www.vtfishandwildlife.com The Vermont Fishing Guide & Regulations 2022 will be dropped off at every camp.

We have deployed the loon nesting raft however it seems the loons prefer to use shoreline. Signs have been posted in the water around the nesting area to protect the loons. Please stay away from the nesting area. Please feel free to contact John Wooten FishWildlife@lakeparker.org if you wish to assist our committee with its endeavors.

Update on the Wake Boat Petition

The "Responsible Wakes for Vermont Lakes" group continues to work on the petition submitted to the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) for the management of wake boat usage on all Vermont lakes and ponds. The group consists of over two dozen volunteers representing some 14 Vermont lakes and ponds. Our own John Wooten is in that group. See attached document with information on the upcoming Public Informational Meetings being held in person and virtually. Reach out to John at the above email address if you have any questions.



**Please Consider Using your Voice at the Upcoming
Wake Boat Petition Public Information Meetings**

As mentioned in our May 31, 2022 communication, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will hold meetings to obtain public comment on RWVL's petition to adopt a Use of Public Waters Rule to manage wake boats and their activities on Vermont's lakes and ponds.

Public participation from our supporters is critically important.

Your voice matters!

Please consider attending in person or remotely to communicate your concerns.

Two meetings have been scheduled.

1. **Public Informational Meeting, Northern Vermont: Wednesday, June 29, 2022, 5:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.** at the Richmond Free Library, at 201 Bridge Street, Richmond, VT, and online via Microsoft Teams. [To join the meeting remotely, click "Join Microsoft Teams Meeting"](#) at the scheduled time or call 802-828-7667 and enter the Conference ID number: 646 403 677#. Note: the call-in option provides audio only.

To comment during the RICHMOND meeting, please send an email to [Laura Dlugolecki](#) or call 802-490-6133 **by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, June 28, 2022**. Find complete June 28 meeting details at [this link](#).

2. **Public Informational Meeting, Southern Vermont, Thursday, July 7, 2022, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** at the Manchester Community Library, 138 Cemetery Ave., Manchester Center, VT in the Hunter Community Room and online via Microsoft Teams. To join the meeting remotely,

click "[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)" at the scheduled time or call 802-828-7667, and enter the Conference ID number: ID: 929 449 736#. Note: the call-in option provides audio only.

To comment during the MANCHESTER meeting, please send an email to [Laura Dlugolecki](#) or call 802-490-6133 by 4:00 pm on [Wednesday, July 6, 2022](#). Find complete June 28 meeting details at [this link](#).

If you would like to submit a comment after the meeting has ended, comments will be accepted via email to [Laura Dlugolecki](#) (please use "Use of Public Waters Public Comment" in the email subject line) or mail to the following address by 4:00 pm on [Friday, July 29, 2022](#):

Attn: Laura Dlugolecki
Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
Watershed Management Division
[1 National Life Drive, Davis 3](#)
[Montpelier, VT 05620-3522](#)

Additionally, **if you have not signed the online Letter of Support** for the Wake Boat petition, please do so at this link: tinyurl.com/RWVLLetterOfSupport and forward the link to friends and family.

Read the petition here: [petition and details](#). (Scroll toward the bottom of the page to find the RWVL petition.)

Have questions or want to get involved? Please contact responsiblewakesvt@gmail.com

Thank you for your support of this important issue!



Lake Parker Association Membership

OUR DUES REMAIN \$25 FOR 2022. PLEASE RETURN THIS DOCUMENT WITH YOUR PAYMENT

_____ **Regular Membership** – Membership is open to all residents of, and landowners in the area known as the Village of West Glover and to all property owners whose lands are on or drain into Lake Parker.

_____ **Associate Membership** – Any persons not meeting the criteria above may join as an Associate Member and will not have voting rights on Association matters.

We welcome your input and suggestions as well as your time, talents, and financial support. With everyone participating, we have the best chance to preserve our lake. The \$25 annual membership fee is the source of funds for supplementing the costs of mailings, meetings, insurance, maintaining the website, required dues, and for such projects as deemed appropriate for the benefit of the Lake Parker Watershed by the Executive Committee.

Full Name (and spouse/partner): _____

Primary Residence: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Primary Phone Number (with area code): _____

2022 Dues:	\$ <u>25.00</u>
Phragmites Project donation	\$ _____
Additional Contribution	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

If any of your information has changed since last year, please write “NEW” next to it. Please make checks payable to “Lake Parker Association, Inc.” and mail completed form and payment to:

Lake Parker Association Inc., 48 County Rd Unit 40, West Glover, VT 05875

Physical/Street Address at Lake Parker _____

Phone # at Lake Parker (with area code): _____ Map/Camp No.: _____

Email address: _____ (Your information will not be shared)

The Association depends on volunteers to keep the lake healthy and safe for you and your families. We are seeking members to volunteer in the following areas:

_____ Glover Day Table _____ Membership/Outreach _____ Boating/Water Safety _____ Walking Path

_____ Grant Planning/Writing _____ Recreation Activities _____ Lake Protection Projects

_____ Newsletter or Website _____ Meeting Setup _____ Other _____

Lake Parker Association, Inc. is a 501(c)(4) organization. Contributions to 501(c)(4) organizations generally are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal tax purposes.