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The Newsletter
for the
Pleasant Lake
Protective Association

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I'm happy to report that Pleasant Lake, the Pleasant Lake Watershed, and the Pleasant Lake Protective Association all had an excellent year. The quality of both our ground and surface water in the watershed remains very good. The waters of Pleasant Lake are still among the best around. Our Lake Hosts and Weed Watchers ensured another year of no invasive species entering our lake. Our membership has continued to grow. In short, both the lake and PLPA are strong and vibrant at the present moment.

I'd like to take this opportunity to write a little about the future and our obligation to make sure things stay as strong and vibrant as in the past. As you'll read in another article, later this year we will be losing a number of long time PLPA team members. Terry Dancy started conducting water quality sampling and testing on Pleasant Lake in 1990 and for the past 25 years has been keeping a close eye on the water quality of this lake. Dick Kellom started working with Terry in 2000 and for the past 15 years has been heading up the water monitoring. At the boat launch, Teri Lee, our Lake Host, will be retiring after serving for 12 years. This will be the last summer that Dave and Bev Payne serve as heads of the Lake Host Program. Dave is also stepping down as a PLPA Board Member, having served for 4 years. Bruce Avery has served on the Board for 4 years and is also stepping down. We greatly appreciate and thank them all for their years of service. We simply couldn't have done it without you!

While we will certainly miss these valuable team members, the silver lining is that it gives us an opportunity to bring on some new people to the team with new skills and perspectives. So, if you or anyone you know would like to help us support our goals in a more active role, now would be an excellent time. We have many opportunities from full Board Members to occasional volunteers. The range of things available to do that would help is

very broad and covers a wide range of skill sets.

I know in life that many things demand our time and tug us in different directions, but I would argue that Pleasant Lake and the quality of life it provides to us is very worthy of our time and efforts. Not only do our efforts enhance our enjoyment now, but they ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy the lake with their families and make wonderful memories just as we have. I'd encourage you to visit the website or talk to a current board member if you'd like more information. As they say, many hands make light work.

As an added bonus for reading all the way to the end of my letter, I'm also happy to say that the fireworks for 2016 will be on Saturday, July 2nd with great thanks to Atlas PyroVision Productions.

Thanks again very much for your continued support of PLPA. We wouldn't be able to do what we do without you. Here's wishing you and your families a very pleasant summer on the lake.

Will Kidder



WEED WATCHERS

A group of dedicated volunteers patrol the lakeshore each month, in search of any sign of exotic-invasive weeds. They participate in training sessions and put in hours of time on and in the water. We are most thankful for all that they do to protect Pleasant Lake. Weed Watcher Captain: John Wilson 526-4069 Weed Watchers: Doug Baxter, Lynn Annicharico, Paul Messer, Dick Kellom, Kittie Wilson, Debbie Perkins, Bruce Avery, George Jamieson, Bruce Johnson, Sally Winship, Judy Oates, Tom and Sandy Stark, Betty Williamson and Sons, Jeff Hollinger, Oge Young, Jerry and Janie Barnes, Bob Kirchberger, Dee and Storm Connors. ~ THANK YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH!

PLEASANT LAKE HONORS TERRY AND EDNA DANCY AND DICK KELLOM FOR THEIR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

Terence and Edna Dancy started sampling Pleasant Lake to monitor water quality in 1990. They are both graduates in Chemistry from Imperial College in London. Terry went on to a PhD in Fuel Technology (Oil Shales) and Edna earned a PhD in Molten Semi-Conductors. Their careers in Engineering and Material Development took them to Pittsburgh, PA and to Montreal, Canada. In 1978 they acquired their house on Bunker Road as a weekend cottage and in 1990 they both retired and moved full time to Bunker Road.

At an early meeting of The Pleasant Lake Protective Association, Terry and Edna learned that water quality sampling

and analysis was being done once annually. This was seen to be totally inadequate and needed to be done monthly to be meaningful. Terry and Edna joined the PLPA Board, but the Board felt that monthly testing would be too costly. Their answer was that with simple apparatus and reagents they could do the analyses at home. As a result, the Board agreed to buy what was needed and as of 10/20/90 they did the first analyses in the kitchen at Bunker Road for pH, phosphorus, nitrate

and alkalinity, and also Secchi Disc. This was followed up by a monthly water sampling from six sites starting April 1991. This was continued April through September until September 1994, at which time required e-coli samples were sent to DES in Concord until the LSPA Lab was equipped. During the latter part of this period, Terry was in contact with Lake Sunapee Protective Association which was working on setting up a local lab for water analysis rather than sending their samples to DES in Concord. In 1994 the science teacher at Lake Sunapee High School set up to analyze water samples with procedures approved by DES. In April 1994 PLPA samples were analyzed by LSHS and the Dancys. Lake Sunapee Protective Association soon arranged for their lab to be moved to the Science Department of Colby-Sawyer College and all PLPA analysis were then done there. The Water Lab is now a department at Colby-Sawyer and the lab supervisor, Bonnie Lewis, is a member of the faculty.

Terry continued overseeing PLPA sampling until September 2000. Dick Kellom took over in 2001 with Terry's assistance until the end of 2014. After 25 years, Terry is now retiring from regular sampling. We thank Terry and Edna so very much for their enormous contribution to the preservation and protection of Pleasant Lake!

Dick Kellom started lake monitoring in 2000. Dick is a graduate in Chemistry and Biology from Wesleyan University. He worked at the Northfield Mount Hermon School in Massachusetts teaching chemistry and biology, heading the science department, and serving as Dean of Students. In 1968 Dick and his wife, Lyn, acquired land on Bunker Road and built a house there. In 1995 they retired and moved full time to Bunker Road.

Dick began monitoring with Terry Dancy and Pete Dunning. He regularly attended the annual Volunteer Lake Assessment Program (VLAP) workshops sponsored by DES in Concord

which featured a review of monitoring procedures, plant identification with Amy Smagula, and various lake-related topics of interest. In 2001 Dick officially took over the lake monitoring from Terry. Samples were taken at the deep spot and six shore locations through May September. Beginning in 2003 the major tributaries were sampled soon after the snowmelt and the present summer lake monitoring schedule of June through September was adopted. Samples are taken at the deep spot and six shore locations near the mouths of the major tributaries: Red,



Dick Kellom and Terry Dancy

White, Great and Chandler Brooks, the major stream from Hall Farm, and the dam outlet. All are tested for pH, phosphorus, conductivity, and turbidity. The deep spot is additionally sampled for acid neutralizing capacity (ANC) and water clarity. Temperature and dissolved oxygen readings are taken each meter from the surface to a depth of 25 meters. At least once a season the lake is sampled for chloride and e-coli. (The Town checks e-coli readings at the Elkins Beach several times a season.) Once a summer a biologist from VLAP joins Dick to assist with the monitoring. To try to learn about how the lake fared during the winter, in 2008 the deep spot was sampled shortly after ice-out. This procedure was repeated for the next three years, but because of difficult weather conditions and equipment problems little good data was obtained. Now early spring runoff testing of tributaries is done instead. Better data and much more comfortable!

The basic monitoring crew of Dancy, Dunning and Kellom has remained constant over the years, and from time to time it has been augmented by Hod Moses, Bruce Johnson, and John and Kittie Wilson. Pete Dunning retired in 2012. Peter Winship and Steve Allenby have been added to the team. Dick is now retiring from monitoring. We thank him so very much for his enormous contribution to the preservation and protection of Pleasant Lake!

PLEASANT LAKE THANKS Teri Lee TWELVE YEARS AS OUR LAKE HOST!

Teri Lee has served faithfully as a Pleasant Lake Lake Host for twelve years and has decided to retire. She has inspected thousands of boats over the years. Teri has noticed that most of the guests to the lake are repeat visitors and they care about the lake and carefully clean and inspect when returning to her waters. She has high praise for Dick Clayton, who started our Lake Host program, and for Dave and Bev Payne, who have continued Dick's work. Teri's favorite moment was meeting a delightful young couple her first summer, at which time they shared news of a pregnancy. The next summer they were back with their baby girl, and they have returned every year since, and over the years were blessed with a little boy as well. The scariest moment for Teri was when a car incorrectly parked next to the ramp and would not move. A boat was being backed down the ramp when the trailer came off the trailer hitch and the boat and trailer narrowly missed the car. Everyone was very lucky that day. Teri has appreciated those who have stopped over the years with cookies, soda, water, and ice cream. She has been labeled Moat Dragon, Heavenly Host, Boat Inspector and Lake Host and she thanks everyone for making her tenure a fun experience. Pleasant Lake is very thankful for Teri and we thank her for her service!



Hazardous Waste

There is a scheduled Hazardous Waste Collection in Sunapee on June 20th. Collection will be at the Sunapee Highway Garage at 621 Route 11. For additional details, visit the hazardous waste section of the Upper Valley Lake Regional Planning Commission website Sunapee http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org/

The website includes additional collection dates and locations at which New London residents may participate. The site also contains information about alternative cleaning recipes and proper disposal of unused medicines.

Flares and Wet Newspapers

As we light our flares and create our "Circle of Friendship" glowing around Pleasant Lake, please be aware that the flares are dripping chemical residue which is harmful to the lake. If you simply place several sheets of WET newspaper under the flare, the chemical residue will be caught and prevented from entering the lake. This also makes for easier clean up!

NO AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS ALLOWED!!!

2014 went very well at the boat ramp last summer power boats inspected were registered in New Hampshire. with a crew of four and 1,611 total inspections conducted. 2015 will be very different with our long time host, Teri Lee, not with us. We will miss her very much and appreciate her twelve years of loyal service to our community. Sonia Garre will be returning for a second summer and Sylvia Dowd and Cathy Todd will be working with her. Occasional coverage on weekends will be done by Megan Hanscomb, a college student of environmental studies, who lives in Andover and will be a summer intern at the Fells during the week. Our hosts are a part of a total of 750 hosts staffing 102 ramps statewide to prevent the spread of hitchhiking aquatic invasive species. 82,949 courtesy inspections were conducted across the state last year and 58 "saves" were made, so the program is certainly worthwhile!

The PLPA Lake Host Program has been in place since 2002 and last summer our total inspections reached an all-time high of 1,611. More than a thousand of those involved kayaks, canoes and paddle boards. 90% of the

NH Lakes, the Town of New London, and PLPA will once again fund this necessary program and, as in the past, we will cover the ramp seven days a week, from Memorial Day Weekend until Labor Day. Our Lake Hosts earn \$12.00 an hour and the total cost is roughly \$12,000.

We hope you will occasionally stop by and thank our Lake Hosts for their time and effort.

> Dave and Bev Payne, Volunteer Point Persons for the Lake Host Program

Pleasant Lake Thanks Dave and Bev Payne for Their Outstanding Service as Heads of the Lake Host Program!





8th Annual Run For The Lake

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015 AT 8:30 AM

To benefit the Pleasant Lake Protective Association and the New London Fire Department.

Start and Finish at 836 Pleasant Street, New London, NH across from the Inn at Pleasant Lake.

To Register On-Line go to: https://g2racereg.webconnex.com/lake5k2015

Registrant Name	- 1.7	
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Age on Race Day		
Address	City	Zip
Phone	Email	
Emergency Contact	Emergency Phone	
Please Select a Category: 5K Ro	unner Walker	
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Registrations must be received by June 24th. Rac	e day registrations \$5 additional fee,	7:30-8:00 AM
Free Tee Shirt to the First 125 entrants!	Desired Shirt Size: SM MED MED	IG XIG
Waiver and Release		
I, the registrant, agree to assume all risk and harm, participation in The Run for the Lake. I release, ren New London, N.H., Pleasant Lake Protective Asso volunteers, and all sponsors and contributors asso arise from my participation in said run/walk or froand agree to the waiver and release.	nise, discharge and forever hold harmle ciation, Slope 'n Shore Club, Race offic ciated with the event, from any claims	ss the Town of cials and which might
Signature		Date
Parent Signature if Under 18		Date
Send Registration Form and Check Payment	Q	uestions?
(Payable to "Run for the Lake") to:		John Filbin at
John Filbin, P.O. Box 205, Elkins, N.H. 03233	jwfilb	in@gmail.com



Saturday ~ July 4, 2015

2015 Theme: "Star Wars!"

The Force Awakens in 2015! Darth Vader, Yoda, Hans Solo, Princess Leia, Luke Skywalker, Obi-Wan Kenobi, R2-D2...all are coming to Pleasant Lake! Come join in the fun! (Please be sure to observe all Boating Safety Regulations.)

2:30 Gathering of the Boats

We will gather together off Slope 'N Shore, take pictures of each other and admire all the clever ideas!

3:00 Parade

The horn will sound and we will follow our Grand Marshals, <u>Terry and Edna Dancy</u>, <u>Dick and Lyn Kellom</u>
We travel counter-clockwise this year, so your starboard side will be facing the shore. Everyone loves to watch the parade!

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU!!!

PLEASANT LAKE

LEAD FREE ROCK BASS MARATHON

May 30 TO AUGUST 29, 2015 KIDS WIN FABULOUS PRIZES!

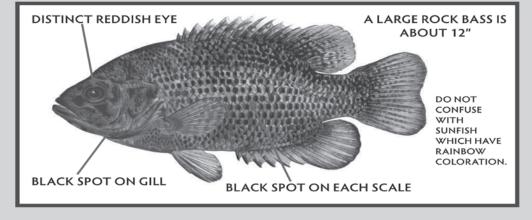


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ALL ANGLERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CATCH AND REMOVE ROCK BASS FROM PLEASANT LAKE.

ROCK BASS ARE STILL A PROBLEM IN PLEASANT LAKE, THREATENING THE SURVIVAL OF ALL DESIRABLE GAME FISH (SALMON, TROUT AND SMALLMOUTH BASS) BY EATING THEIR EGGS, CRAWFISH AND OTHER NATURAL GAMEFISH FOOD. THEY ARE DESTRUCTIVE EATING MACHINES AND WE WANT TO DECREASE THEIR NUMBERS. CAUGHT ROCK BASS CAN BE DEPOSITED IN THE COLLECTION BUCKET AT THE ELKINS BOAT LANDING. MARATHON PARTICIPANTS, YOUNG FISHERPERSONS (UNDER SIXTEEN – NO FISHING LICENSE REQUIRED), FILL OUT AN ENTRY FORM FOR EACH DEPOSIT MADE TO HAVE YOUR NAME POSTED ON THE LEADER BOARD.

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FISH	
ENTERED	
10 to 24	
25 to 49	
50 to 99	
100 to 149	
150 to 199	
200 to 299	
300 to 399	
400 to 499	
500+	

PRIZE AWARDS SATURDAY AT 12:00 NOON, AUG. 29, 2015!

On the final day of the Marathon, August 29, 2015, there will be a gala awards ceremony at Elkins Dam! All fish caught that day, Saturday, August 29, must be turned in by 12 noon to be added to the others recorded during the summer. Valuable gift cards and beautiful trophies will then be awarded for the first and second most fish caught and for the largest during the Marathon. Fishing is a great activity for young people and considered by New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to be a wholesome outdoor experience—especially when encouraged by enthusiastic parents.

Gift cards of increasing value will be awarded to all entrants in each category.

ROCK BASS ★ ALL STAR ★ WINNERS 2014

1. Russell Hornung 1,111	10. Keenan Adams 1
2. Alfie Rylander 190	11. Kenya Sanders 1.
3. Prew Carlson56	12. Bragen Kinzer1
4. Marc Carlson56	13. Bailey Carmody
5. Anonymous32	14. Tommy Winship
6. Logan Tewell20	
7. Eddie Kinzer17	
8. Quincy Adams17	17. Ivy Duston
9. Addison Winship16	

BIGGEST ROCK BASSQUINCY ADAMS - 9 1/2"

Total for 2014... 1.595

A SPECIAL DRAWING WILL BE HELD, OPEN TO ALL YOUNGSTERS IN ATTENDANCE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A SPECIAL, SUPERHUGE MT KEARSARGE ICE CREAM SUNDAE BIG ENOUGH FOR 20 PEOPLE!

OTHER FREE REFRESHMENTS WILL

ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL!
GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE!
COME ONE, COME ALL,

RELAX AND HAVE A GOOD TIME.

P.S. FISHING TIP FROM THE EXPERTS

DROP A HOOKED WORM
IN A HOLE BETWEEN
THE ROCKS NEAR SHORETHAT'S WHERE THE
ROCK BASS LIVE.
AND PLEASE
NO LEAD SINKERS!
LEAD CAN BE FATAL TO LOONS



Golf Shirt Sale!

Only \$15 ea/ two for \$25

The Store is open and stocked with all your PLPA logo items...

Tee shirts, hats, windbreakers, sweatshirts, youth hoodies, travel coffee mugs and more.

Come to the PLPA Annual Meeting on July 4th and shop 'til you drop.

or visit the store at

501 Lakeshore Drive

to see our complete inventory
(please call ahead to 603-848-6700).

Shipping available on pre-paid orders.

Cash or check only.

Peter & Sally Winship, managers





If you have lost

If you have lost something from your beach or waterfront, or if something unexpected comes ashore, please call 526-4069 or e-mail lanes-end2@tds.net and we will try to help!

Lost and Found

PLEASANT LAKE WATER QUALITY 2014

Last year the major tributaries to the lake - Red, White, Great and Chandler Brooks - plus the principal stream from Hall Farm were monitored in April. In May and October Red and White Brooks, which pass through the parcel of land on Pleasant Street that has been cleared and is being developed for cattle grazing, were sampled with the property owner to establish a baseline for runoff from this area. The normal summer monitoring of the lake occurred toward the end of each month June through September.

In reviewing the lake records for the past several years it becomes abundantly apparent that the lake is a complex and dynamic ecosystem with constant change from year to year and throughout a given season as it responds to weather and various environmental influences. Fortunately for us, underlying the changes, Pleasant Lake is basically quite stable. Despite the seasonal variations, the chlorophyll-a and phosphorus levels have remained low, the electrical conductivity steady, and the pH satisfactory. The one factor that has shown a general decline is the water clarity. The decline is slow and not necessarily steady, but it is evident. Whereas the clarity is far better than most lakes in the state and nearby region - the fifteen year average is 6.3 meters (20.7 feet) - we must continue to do all we can to protect this valuable resource.

Thanks to all of you who watch over the lake and help keep it clean and healthy - including but certainly not limited to the weed watchers, lake hosts, monitoring crew, and Colby-Sawyer Water Quality Laboratory personnel. And finally a special word of thanks to Terry Dancy who began monitoring the lake setting up his own laboratory in 1990 and has been at it ever since. His expertise and long experience with water testing and analysis have been crucial to our monitoring program. Thank you, Terry, for all your work and advice - and of course the use of your boat for the past several years!

Dick Kellom

Pleasant Lake Ice-out Dates

2005	APRIL	18
2006	APRIL	2
2007	APRIL	26
2008	APRIL	21
2009	APRIL	13
2010	APRIL	2
2011	APRIL	22
2012	MARCH	22
2013	APRIL	17
2014	APRIL	22
2015	APRIL	21

SAFE BOATING AND FISHING RULES

We hope you enjoy your day boating here on Pleasant Lake! For your safety and enjoyment as well as that of others, please follow these important boating and fishing rules:

NO WAKE ZONES

When you are within 150 feet of any shore, other boats, skiers, swimmers, floats, or marked swimming areas, State law mandates that you must slow down to NO WAKE speed. NO WAKE means no faster then 6 mph.

150 feet is equal to the length of two ski ropes.

TOWING SKIERS

All skiers must wear life jackets.

A maximum of two people may be towed at any time.

An observer 13 years or older is required.

No skiing is allowed before sunrise and after sunset.

Always keep your boat and skier 150 feet or more away from <u>EVERYTHING</u> including the shore, the island, other boats, skiers, swimmers, floats, and marked swimming areas.

Do not drop a skier within 150 feet of the shore.



ON-BOARD SAFETY

It is illegal and dangerous to sit on the edge of the cockpit, bow or transom.

There must be at least one appropriately-sized life jacket for every person aboard.

By law, children age 12 or under must wear a life jacket at all times.

BOATING CERTIFICATION

New Hampshire law requires that all persons who operate a powerboat with a motor greater than 25 horsepower must have a New Hampshire Safe Boater Education Certificate and that certificate must be carried on board. Out-of-state boaters must have completed a National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) approved course and carry that certificate on board.

Call 1-888-254-2125 or go to www.boat-ed.com/nh/ for more information.

WILDLIFE, LOONS

Pleasant Lake is home to many water birds, including nesting loons. The loon is a protected species and harassment is a punishable offense. Loon chicks are very small and cannot dive or fly to escape an oncoming boat, kayak or canoe. Please keep well away from all water birds, especially loons and their chicks.

FISHING

Children under the age of 16 may fish without a license.

The use of lead sinkers and jigs is strictly prohibited. Ingestion will kill a loon! Only smelt can be used as live bait in Pleasant Lake.

Be sure to follow all the Fishing Rules published in the New Hampshire Freshwater Fishing Digest.

Ask the Lake Host how to become involved in the Pleasant Lake Lead Free Rock Bass Marathon.

Copies of <u>A Boater's Guide to NH Boating Law</u> and <u>The New Hampshire Freshwater Fishing Digest</u> are available at Tight Lines Bait and Tackle Shop in Elkins or Clarke's Ace Hardware in New London.

THE "150 FEET LAW"

New Hampshire Law 270-D:2 Section VI

All vessels shall maintain **headway speed** (only 6mph and No Wake) **when within 150 feet** (the length of two ski ropes) from: the shore, the island, other boats, docks, rafts, swimmers, permitted swimming areas.

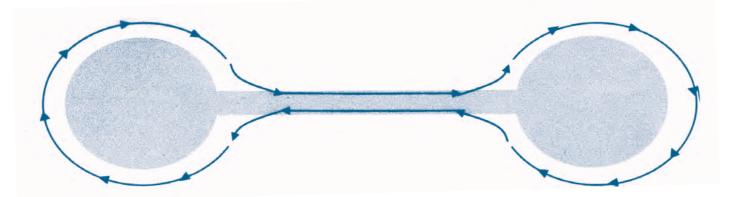


There are additional requirements for vessel operators towing skiers or boarders, including:

- In addition to the operator, another person must be present in the boat when towing a skier or boarder.
- The additional person must be 13 years old or older and capable of assisting the person being towed.
- No more than 2 persons may be towed and that requires two additional observers.
- No towing after sunset and before sunrise.
- When returning to the shore with a skier, the towing vessel and the skier must remain at least 150 feet from the shore.

Ski down the middle of the lake and Use "Best Practice" Towing

Long, straight runs, with barbell turns help keep the wake moving away from the skier.



IF YOU SEE A VIOLATION, PLEASE REPORT IT!

- Obtain the bow number of the boat.
- Call Marine Patrol at 293-2037. They appreciate our help!





The Loons of Pleasant Lake 2014 Season



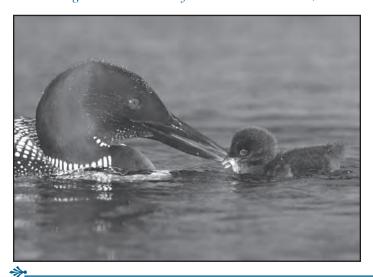


For the eighth year in a row the Pleasant Lake loon pair nested on the Turtle Cove raft. This year only one of the two eggs hatched, something which is fairly common in the loon world, but has never happened before with this pair. The Baxter Family had the honor of naming the chick this year and gave the name "Passamaquoddy" to the little loon. Passamaquoddy had a very successful summer and grew to be a beautiful young loon. Father Loon left the lake for the ocean in November and Mother Loon and Passamaquoddy left on Christmas Eve Day.

Thank you for all your commitment to preserve and protect the Loons of Pleasant Lake. Please subscribe to "All Things Pleasant on the Lake" by visiting www.plpa.net. You will receive a nature photo journal each Friday morning updating you on the loons and other natural events on the lake. And please remember to always use lead free sinkers and jigs when fishing. The smallest piece of lead will kill a loon. Please spread the word. Together we can make a difference!



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OLD GLORY

Do you have a flag that is ready to be put to rest? Please bring it to the PLPA Annual Meeting on Saturday, July 4^{th} . We will be sure that the flags are disposed of properly.

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526-4531
848-6700
525-6741
526-4069
877-0043
526-2854
526-2217
526-4972
526-2589
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PLEASE JOIN THE PLEASANT LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

\$40.00	Membership Fee	Name:	
\$	Protection Programs	Address:	
\$	Fireworks		
\$	Where Needed	Town, State, Zip:	
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\$		Note: Contributions to PLPA is a 501(c)(3) No	the PLPA are fully tax-deductable.
	I would like to learn more about becoming a volunteer in (check all that apply)		
	Membership and Communications Exotic-Invasive Weed Prevention Activities Wildlife Conservation		Watershed Conservation
			Water Quality
			Fish Conservation
			Boating Safety
	My phone numbe	r:	

MAIL BY JULY 1 TO:

PLEASANT LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 1584, NEW LONDON, NH 03257

Many Thanks!!

WHAT'S IN YOUR TACKLE BOX?

"No idea! We only use Grandpa's tackle box when we vacation on the lake." Grandpa's Tackle Box is full of toxic lead! Please dispose of the lead tackle properly.

"I don't know if my sinkers and jigs are lead or not." Then they are probably toxic lead. Unpainted lead will actually write on paper. Please dispose of all of your lead tackle properly.

"I only purchase lead-free tackle.
I find that tungsten jigs and sinkers are superior for bass fishing.
I certainly don't want my children handling lead."
Congratulations!
We all need to make the switch to lead-free tackle. Ask for lead-free

at your tackle shop.

DON'T LETTHIS LOON'S MEAL BE HER LAST!

The smallest piece of lead will kill a loon. When you lose a sinker or jig in the lake, loons may pick it up as they forage for pebbles to aid in digestion, or when feeding on a fish that is attached to lead tackle. That loon will die of lead poisoning in a matter of weeks. Death by lead fishing tackle accounts for nearly half of all documented adult loon deaths in New Hampshire.

These deaths are completely preventable!

Please use only lead free fishing tackle!

Thank you for helping to keep the beautiful call of the loon echoing over New Hampshire waters!

For more information please visit www.loon.org



Courtesy of The Pleasant Lake Protective Association

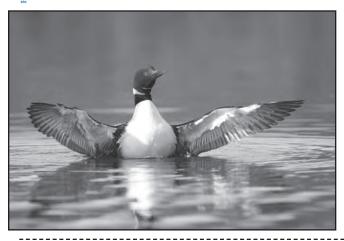
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CELEBRATE PLEASANT LAKE THIS SUMMER!

June 27th Saturday ~ Start the Celebration with a Bang!

9:00 PM Cannon Fired! Light the Flares!

9:30 PM Fireworks! Followed by Illumination of the Colors and Taps

June 28th Sunday ~ 8th Annual RUN/WALK FOR THE LAKE

8:30 AM Begins across from the Inn at Pleasant Lake

July 1st Wednesday ~ "Spirit of the Loon!"

7:00 PM Kittie Wilson will present a program on the Loons of Pleasant Lake at the Tracy Memorial Library, 304 Main Street, New London

July 4th Saturday ~ PLPA Annual Meeting and Boat Parade

8:30 AM Coffee, Juice, Pastries, Slope 'N Shore Boathouse

9:00 AM PLPA Annual Meeting

2:30 PM Gathering of the Boats off Slope 'N Shore Beach

3:00 PM Boat Parade, "Star Wars!" theme

The Parade will go counter-clockwise this year.

August 29th Saturday

Noon PLEASANT LAKE LEAD FREE ROCK BASS MARATHON Awards Ceremony, Elkins Dam