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The NEW 2010 Crescent Lake

Chronicles

All New Chronicles and a Great New Website

Welcome, friends and neighbors, to your old lake newsletter in its long-awaited new format. We've finally made the revisions we've been promising for years, and we're experimenting with ways to share content with our beautiful new online sister publication, designed and maintained by our own Larry McCluskey of "Jefts Junction," map site 59. Hats off and a giant thank you, Larry, for enhancing our lives by giving us crescentlakeassn.org.

Many of you have enjoyed the site since its inauguration last August, and many have contributed stories, photos, poems, and other important content. Larry has made the site very inviting for everyone who wants to participate, and we expect it to be a terrific "virtual gathering place" for years to come. Check it out often if you're not already doing so! You'll see that we're always looking for various types of input.

We recognize, however, that not everybody has Internet access, and that high-speed access is hard to come by at the lake. If you do have access, please share the site with your neighbors. And we're continuing, at least for now, to publish the Chronicles in paper form—as always, thanks to Mike Walker (map site 1) and Newsbank, Inc., of Chester, VT.

Let us know what you think of the new format.

Association Notes

By Fred Yates, Secretary-Treasurer

The Crescent Lake Association Annual Meeting is traditionally held on the first Saturday after the Fourth of July. This year we'll be meeting on **July 10, from 10:00 am until noon** at the **Unity Fire Station**.

Dues Are Due

2010 annual dues—still \$40—are due **BEFORE** the annual meeting. Checks should be made out to *Crescent Lake Association* and can be handed in at the meeting or mailed to:

Fred W. Yates, Sec'y/Treas
17 Washington Street
Westminster, VT 05158

Annual Dues Increase?

As was mentioned at last year's meeting, we may have to increase our CLA annual dues because of the reduction of funds from the NH Lakes Association. The amount we have received in the past has been lowered from \$3,000 down to \$1,500 last year. It was decided to see if we could get a few more donations to the Milfoil Fund and we would not have to increase the dues.

I am glad to report that we received over \$500 more in Milfoil donations and an increase from 33 to 50 cottages who contributed (not to mention \$553 in proceeds from the magic / talent show fundraiser). Three cottages donated \$100 or →

more. One donated \$70. This increase in donations covered the loss of funds from the State.

BUT, the sad news is, we were cut again this year by another \$500. The **GOOD** news is, the Milfoil Committee will again keep a 100% schedule of Lake Hosts at the boat landing as in previous years. Your generous donations prove to us that you want our lake to be protected from ever getting an infestation of invasive milfoil. So to all of you that donated this last year to the Milfoil fund—**THANK YOU!**



Fireworks July 3rd

Thanks to **Allen Desbiens** and his faithful crew, this year's gala is scheduled for dusk on Saturday, July 3—rain date Sunday, July 4.

This **expensive show** takes a lot of hard work to prepare. If not for Allen Desbiens, it would cost us four times as much for this professional display we see every year at Crescent Lake. So when you send in your dues, consider adding a **donation for fireworks**. Last year we collected over \$1,960 from 79 cottage owners—an average of \$24 per cottage—the largest

amount of donations ever. Thank you! Thank you!

This year the fireworks will be held at a different location—the Desbiens' Silver Beach, where we've enjoyed so many celebrations in the past. Our deepest thanks to Dick and Jane Desbiens for letting us use their beach area again.



An important notice to all boaters who plan on watching the fireworks from the middle of the lake: You must have a life jacket for everyone on your boat, canoe, kayak, party barge or any other type of watercraft you use to watch the fireworks. Also, very important, you must have a **white light on all canoes or kayaks**.

P.S. We need about six campers to help rake the beach area the next morning. At 7:30 a.m. Bring your rake and your favorite cup of coffee. Call Fred at 863-1021. **THANKS!**

Sam Calkins Golf Tournament

This year marks the eleventh annual CLA golf tournament. It is open to all cottage owners, family, and friends—both men and women. If you are a golfer and want to participate, please

contact Dave Sloan, 863-7156, or John Marshall, 863-1513.

We have participants with handicaps of 10 all the way up to 35—so you see, everyone can play in this tournament. If you are alone, or a twosome, we'll pick a foursome to complete. It's a great day. Don't wait until the last minute to sign up.

The event starts at around 7:30 a.m. on July 17th at Newport Country Club. Evening festivities TBD.

Help Help Help

This is a desperate plea from your Secretary/Treasurer, Fred Yates. I need someone to step up and volunteer to be an Assistant Secretary/Treasurer of the Crescent Lake Association.

I started this job back in 1970, over 40 years ago. I am not always going to be around to do this job. I want to train someone or two someones, to fill my shoes when I would like to retire. Also the banks are after me to get another name on the CLA bank books.

If anything happens to me, the CLA will be in a very bad situation with only one name on the financial accounts.

Are you interested? Talk to Fred Yates. Drop by at HATETOLEAVEIT, cottage 86, or call (802) 463-3468 or 863-1021. It's time to step up and help.

Milfoil Committee Report *By Bill Paton, map site 42A*

Here it is the middle of April and already the Milfoil Committee under the leadership of Tim Perry (chairman) with excellent help from Mark Wilson has our Lake Host Program for 2010 well under control. NH Lakes Association funding has been secured, Lake Hosts have been hired, a work schedule for the boat ramp has been created, necessary training has been scheduled as has our annual underwater swim to search for invasive weeds (milfoil). A lot of work has been accomplished in a very short time, all of which is geared to our stated goal of keeping Crescent Lake free from any invasive specie of weed, including, but not limited to milfoil.

The CL Milfoil committee is convinced that we run one of the most comprehensive Lake Host Programs in New Hampshire. As milfoil is spread from lake to lake via boats and fishing tackle, the backbone of our efforts is focused on the inspections of as many boats as possible entering Crescent Lake. To that end our lake hosts in 2009 were a veteran crew who did an outstanding job and as they are all CL owners and/or family members they take the job very seriously. Many thanks to: Antoinette, Victoria and Bob Woolner; Charlie Watt and Diane Brenker for their efforts. They worked in excess of 800 hours over 84 days to help ensure the success of our program

The Milfoil Committee, whose members are listed at the bottom of this article, was formed in the fall of 2001. 2002 was our first year for the Lake Host program, and it was only implemented on a limited basis. That first summer we inspected 166 boats. Last summer we inspected 508 boats. While our boat traffic has increased over the years, our outside funding has declined. From 2002 through 2007 we received \$3000./year (exception being 2004 - \$4000.) from the NH Lakes Association. In 2008 we received \$2,000. and in 2009 \$1,500. It's a trend that is continuing as we will only receive \$1,000 from the New Hampshire Lakes Association for 2010. This results from a combination of the economy and a cut back primarily of federal funds.

We continue to receive a \$2,000 donation from the Town of Acworth and a \$1,000 donation from the Town of Unity. The upside has been the Crescent Lake community (that's YOU), who have been generous with donations and supporting other fund raising efforts that contribute to our efforts. Thanks so very much. The program is successful, because you recognize the need and provide the support.

Committee members:

- ♥ Tim Perry, Chairman
- ♥ Lorraine Dion, Secretary
- ♥ Jerry Bushway
- ♥ John Demars
- ♥ Jim Howe
- ♥ Bob Kroupa
- ♥ Bill Paton
- ♥ Stan Rastallis, Weed Watch Captain
- ♥ Mark Wilson, Lake Host Captain

CLA Email List

As part of our transition to the 21st Century, we've begun collecting email addresses for quick dissemination of time-sensitive messages. Sadly, our first lakewide announcement last summer was for the memorial following the unexpected passing of our dear neighbor, Chris Lisischeff, map site 3.

We've since sent out several other messages, both happy and sad—but all of them, we hope, helpful to lake residents. If you're not yet on the list, send your email address to ckaftan@aol.com. If you signed up but haven't been receiving messages, check your spam file to authorize mail from ckaftan@aol.com. If that doesn't work, please resubmit your address.

If you've joined the list but find you *don't* want to receive future emails, please write to ckaftan@aol.com to tell us you'd like to opt out. We aim to please.

So, what can I do about the geese on my shoreline property?

By Andrea LaMoreaux, NH Lakes Education Director.

Reprinted from the Spring 2010 issue of "Lakeside," the NH Lakes Association newsletter.

We didn't get permission, but we're pretty sure that Andrea won't mind our spreading the word.

"So, what can I do about the geese on my shoreline property?" This is one of the most common questions I am asked during the summer when I travel around the state to talk with lake associations about how they can better protect, and improve, the health of their lake.

It seems that Canada Geese are becoming a more and more common sight around New Hampshire's approximately 1,000 lakes and ponds. While these beautiful birds typically migrate in the fall, isolated populations may reside along New Hampshire's shorelines year-round. In the spring, usually in March and April, these birds nest near the shorelines of lakes, ponds, rivers and streams, and lay approximately three to six eggs per nest. It has been reported that a single goose can live more than 24 years and can weigh approximately 12 pounds!

Canada Geese can pollute the lake and can make you sick!

Believe it or not, biologists have discovered that one goose can consume up to four pounds of grass per day, creating about three pounds of fecal matter daily! This fecal matter makes grassy areas and beaches along the shoreline unappealing and, even worse, pollutes nearby waterbodies by accelerating the growth of plants and algae blooms. In addition, this fecal matter can make those who recreate in polluted waterbodies sick by introducing the swimmer's itch organism and *E.coli* bacteria into the water and by possibly causing toxic cyanobacteria blooms in the waterbody to become more frequent and severe.

If you have a goose problem, here is what you should do.

You need to make your property less attractive to geese. Luckily, the most simple and effective thing you can do is also the healthiest thing you can do for your lake—plant a vegetated buffer consisting of native shrubs and bushes on your property along the entire shoreline. Geese love a mowed, lush lawn that leads right up to the edge of the lake. They prefer to hang out on the lawn and eat grass while having easy access to the water in case a predator (such as yourself or your dog!) comes down the hill. This vegetation will not only obstruct the bird's view of the lake from your property, its roots will reduce the amount of soil erosion occurring along the shoreline and will reduce the amount of storm-water runoff from your property which pollutes the lake. If you need help constructing a vegetated buffer contact NH LAKES—our Lake Conservation CorpsSM Program may be able to help!

If you must have grass, keep it at least six inches high. If you find any nesting material on your property, as long as it isn't being actively used, remove it. (You'll need a permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to tamper with an active nest with eggs or young in it. For more information, visit www.fws.gov and/or call the Concord, NH, office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture at 603 223-6832.)

And, of course, if you are feeding the geese, you must stop!

(Please see Clark Moore's additional observations in last year's Chronicles, now available in the Chronicles archive at crescentlakeassn.org.)

Other things you can do to deter Canada Geese.

In addition to creating vegetative buffers, implement two or more of the strategies listed below to make your property unattractive to geese:

- Create barriers between the grass and the water. The barrier can be as simple as a piece of string that they cannot step over or walk under. Snow fences also work well.
- Spray your lawn with methyl anthranilate (a registered chemical that is a derivative of grape juice and acts as a bird repellent); the chemical will give the grass an unpleasant taste making the grass undesirable to eat.
- Install an overhead grid wire to prevent the geese from landing and nesting in that area.
- While many agencies recommend using noise harassment (propane cannons, starter pistols, air horns, recorded predator noises), unless your neighbors live very far away, NH LAKES does not recommend this management technique. Instead, consider using a solar powered flashing light which simulates the eye reflection of predators and disrupts the geese’s ability to sleep. Geese may no longer consider the area “safe” and may move to another suitable areas.
- Dogs may also deter geese from landing or roosting on your property. A barking dog guarding the property may be effective.

For more information.

Visit the following websites:
www.awaywithgeese.com,
www.canadagoosemanagement.com and
www.canadageese.org/nlcontrol.html.

Crescent Lake's Got Talent!



Yep, that’s a pic of the entire Chronicles staff, along with your CLA Secretary/Treasurer, the Mayor of Crescent Lake, the Acting Bass-Stocking Committee, the Chairman of the Mile-Long Yard Sale, the Keeper of the Keys to CLA Life and, at right, the sponsor of last year’s magic/talent show. At center, you can see Colleen handing Fred \$553 in fundraiser proceeds for the Milfoil Committee. Notice the limited-edition anti-milfoil t-shirts. (Photo courtesy Bethany Coursen; online slide show at crescentlakeassn.org)

AUGUST 8, 2009: **Chad the Magnificent**, our magician/MC from Colorado (by way of camp 103) started by setting a fundraising goal of \$1 million, and announced we had already amassed \$27--so we just needed a few more t-shirt / hot dog / lemonade / brownie sales to get closer to the goal.

Trumpeter **Dick Zellner** summoned everyone with "Summertime," followed by **Krispy and the Skinny Kids**, a fantastic, award-winning rock band from Connecticut—and also from camp 10; the **C-Side Precision Hula Hoop Drill Team** in “Rock-a-Hula Baby”; the **C-Sidewinders**, whose catchy tunes inspired the **Sloans’** impromptu ballroom dancing performance; our own Dancing Queens, **Abby and Ellie**, beautifully adorned in evening gowns with feathered boas and flowers in their hair; **Forrest Hallee**, who sang a gorgeous song in Spanish and shared his sound system with his fellow artists; **Clay Hallee** with a side-splitting standup comedy routine; and **Kahlia**, who belted out a fine *a capella* love song. To round out the set, **Johnny K.** got the audience to howl at the moon with "I Wanna Be A Dog," dedicated to his Uncle Peter.

And then....**Chad the Magnificent's** famous magic show! Chad got all the kids involved, and left the rest of us scratching our heads at his tricks. The evening ended with more rocking out to **Krispy and the Skinny Kids**. Many, many thanks to everyone who came, performed, and otherwise participated in the fun. It sure was a blast!

The Race, 2009

By Bob Mumford. map site SWE 6

The annual Crescent Lake Canoe Race took place on Saturday, September 5, 2009. Under the direction of Liz Grinaski and Bob Mumford, it started promptly at 10 am.

The perfectly calm day with a glass-like water surface turned a little windy by race time, but not enough to make the race dangerous. It only created difficulty for the timers trying to keep the sign-up sheets from blowing away. We improvised with rocks, pine cones, and coffee cups.

Many thanks to Tim Grinaski, Dave Sloan, and Ian Grinaski and his friend Brian Malone for laying out and picking up the orange buoys that marked the course. Of course, additional thanks to Beth Boyle and her committee for the coffee and donuts for the racers and spectators—not to mention organizing the picnic itself!

We had 13 canoes participate and they were spaced out evenly enough so that the officials had an easy time recording finishing times. Thanks to wearing their life vests, 2 participants in the 14 and under division who tipped over in a collision 100 yards from the finish line were able to safely complete the race. One of their competitors jumped into the water to aid them, but the capsized canoe was in no real danger and was safely righted and the race completed by all.

A note to everyone- 2 divisions did not have a full complement of racers and we had leftover t-shirts. You might consider entering next year yourself for the \$5 entry fee per canoe to get 2 free t-shirts if you place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd (capitalism at work!)



Here's a list of the deserving winners:

MEN'S DIVISION

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| 1. Mike Grinaski & Ian Grinaski | 26:05 |
| 2. Kris Huttar & Larry McCluskey | 28:13 |
| 3. Andrew Bellamare & Brian Malone | 30:31 |

WOMEN'S DIVISION

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| 1. Sheryl Yarosevich & Bethany Coursen | 31:30 |
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WOMEN and MEN

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| 1. Janna Grinaski & Tim Grinaski | 28:38 |
| 2. Jen Bell & Ed Bell | 31:33 |
| 3. Ashley Farnen & Tom Farnen | 31:58 |

UNDER 14

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| 1. Sam Colello & Ben Colello | 20:50 |
| 2. Memphis Erwin & Abraham El Makawy | 28:30 |
| 3. Tyler Bonomo & Adam Finn | 30:10 |

ADULT with CHILD UNDER 12

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| 1. Kahlia Gonzales & Don Gonzales | 19:00 |
| 2. Reid Coursen & Scott Coursen | 20:00 |

P.S. Did you notice how often the name GRINASKI appears in this write-up? They were responsible for directing it, setting up the actual course, and winning 2 of the 5 divisions. Congratulations on their proficiency and dedication!!!



Winners, one and all. There are terrific slideshows of the canoe and kayak races, as well as the picnic itself, at crescentlakeassn.org —photos contributed by your Crescent Lake neighbors and posted by our wonderful web genius, Larry McCluskey (pictured at left with Kris Hussar in one of Stan Rastallis's beautiful handcrafted canoes).

Dates to Remember

July 3, 2010, dusk. (rain date July 4, 2010)

Silver Beach

Annual fireworks display

July 3, 2010, after dark

Yates-Terrell cottages

Kids' Show

Big screen cartoons & movie for the young of all ages. Popcorn furnished, bring your drink, chair, and blankets for the young ones to sleep on. Presented by Bethany Yates Coursen.

July 10, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

Unity Fire House

Crescent Lake Association Annual Meeting

The CLA Annual Meeting will be held this year in beautiful downtown Unity. Get there by 9:30 a.m. to pay dues and purchase t-shirts, etc.

July 17, 2010, 7:30 a.m.

Newport Country Club

11th Annual Sam Calkins Golf Tournament

Everybody's welcome to play! Call Dave Sloan 863-7156 or John Marshall 863-1513 to sign up and receive further info.

Date TBD

Crescent Lake

5K Walk-Run

An exciting new event to be organized by Kevin Brenker and Rich Maines. Stay tuned for further announcements.

August 21, 2010, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Crescent Lake Road

Mile-Long Crescent Lake Yard Sale

If you're not on Crescent Lake Road, you can still reserve a space or donate your items. Call Fred Yates for details 863-1021.

September 4, 2010 (rain date Sept. 5)

Silver Beach and lakewide

Labor Day End-of-Season Celebration

9:30 a.m. – Kayak Race. Chairman James Howe 863-5739.

10:00 a.m. – Canoe Race. Co-chairs Bob Mumford & Liz Grinaski.

1:00 p.m. – Annual Picnic. Bring a dish to share and a basket to raffle. Food must be delivered by 12:50 p.m. Thanks.

Early evening – Kayak/Canoe Rally at the lighthouse. Bring your own pleasing beverage.

After Dark – Flare Night. Horn will be sounded to announce flare lighting. Decorate your boat for the boat parade, or cheer from the shore.

Grand Finale Kids' Show! Big screen cartoons and movie for the young of all ages. Popcorn furnished, bring your chair, drink, and blanket. Presented by Bethany Yates Coursen at the Yates-Terrell cottages.

Desbiens Land Purchase

By Sue Paton, map site 42A

The Acworth Conservation Commission's effort to make the town's purchase of the 83 acre Desbiens property a reality will continue through most of 2010. With a positive vote at the March, 2010 Acworth annual meeting, a \$4,999 NH Moose Plate Grant, \$7,400 in private contributions, and \$15,000 from the Conservation Commission's Conservation Fund, we hope to be able to raise the money needed for the purchase of the land and associated expenses. We're gearing up for another round of grant writing, and the positive developments to date should enhance our grant applications. Most grantors place a premium on confidence that a proposed project will be successful.

Although the town approved the purchase and approved raising up to approximately \$112,000 through property taxes it isn't a done deal. NH Department of Revenue Administration rules limit the amount the Budget Committee's recommended budget can be increased at the annual meeting to no more than 10%. To comply with the DRA 10% rule and minimize the amount needed to be raised through property taxes we are continuing our fund raising efforts.

When this land is purchased it will be permanently protected from development. The land will be added to the 296 acre Acworth Gove Forest and the 112 acre Sirkin easement for a total of 491 contiguous protected acres in the Crescent Lake watershed. The easement will be held by the Society for the Protection of NH Forests.

Please consider making a new or additional tax deductible contribution to help with this effort to protect a large part of the Crescent Lake/Cold River watershed. Thank you.

Checks made out to 'Town of Acworth Desbiens Land Fund' can be sent to:

Town of Acworth
Attn: Conservation Commission
PO Box 37
Acworth, NH 03601

Please feel free to email or phone me with any questions about this project.

Susan Paton – susanrpaton@yahoo.com
Acworth Conservation Commission
603 863-8122

Lempster Embraces Its Windmills

By Robin Smith
Reprinted From
The Caledonian-Record

LEMPSTER, NH-- Cathy Sturgeon did not know what to think when she arrived in Lempster, NH, to re-open the town's only store in 2005.

She found the small town embroiled in debate about wind turbines. All she could picture were "wind farms," hundreds of turbines in row upon row that is the typical image elsewhere in the U.S. She could not imagine how they would look in the folded pinecovered hills of this part of southwestern New Hampshire.

The turbines went on line in November, 2008.

"I think ours is nice," Sturgeon said. So nice that she and her husband, Norm, have put an image of the turbines peeking through tall pines on T-shirts for sale in Sturgeon's General Store.

"They are very graceful to watch," Norm said while folding pizza boxes for the supper crowd.

"We like to go kayaking," he said. "You back yourself up and stop just to watch." Sturgeon's General Store has benefited several times over from the 12, 2-megawatt turbines built by multinational company Iberdrola on Lempster Mountain. It is the first wind development in New Hampshire, and has the capacity to provide electricity for 10,000 homes.

The construction crew ordered food almost every day, Cathy said. Once it was built, the tourists came in waves. People buy the T-shirts and send them out for Christmas presents, Cathy said.

So far, she has not tired of the turbines. She can see six or more, depending on the angle, behind the store and house on Lempster Mountain Road, a mile and a half away. "I like to stand out back late

at night or early in the morning and see if I can hear them," she said.

Sandy Sonnichsen has a much closer view. She lives on a mountain road in nearby Goshen, about a quarter-mile from one of the turbines.

"I was worried it would be loud," Sonnichsen said, but it isn't. "I hear it when it's wet out, or snowing or cloudy - whoosh, whoosh."

Sonnichsen likes renewable energy and likes the look of the turbines. So do others, she said. "People call them elegant." Some have built observation decks to watch the turbines, she said.

What she hates is the big new transmission line that runs from the mountain through Goshen right past the church. That, she blames on the state's largest utility. Goshen does not receive taxes or payments directly from Iberdrola, but it does benefit indirectly. Lempster is able to pay more toward the shared Goshen-Lempster elementary school over which a group of wind turbines turn.

Sonnichsen works in the Miner Memorial Library, a former Unitarian chapel on the intersection of Route 10 and Lempster Mountain Road. It's right across from the town's historic meeting house with its own little view of a wind turbine. The library's book sale drew quite a crowd recently, with folks stopping in the town parking lot to talk with one of the Lempster's town's fathers, Selectman Everett Thurber. As far as Thurber is concerned, the wind turbines are a great deal.

The town received \$670,000 last year from Iberdrola and will continue to receive annual payments, he said.

In Vermont, Green Mountain Power will pay Lowell between \$400,000 and \$500,000 for the 16 to 24 turbines it wants to build, if Lowell voters support the project March 2 and the Public Service Board approves. "It's good for the town financially," Thurber said. "It's very good for business."

Property values are up as well.

Cathy Sturgeon holds one of the T-shirts that she and husband Norm sell to tourists at Sturgeon's General Store.



Not all like the turbines, though. Thurber's wife, Claire says they are ugly and spoil the mountain views.

The turbines are not visible from every vantage point on the area's twisty mountain roads. Ten miles away in Croydon on Route 10, the turbines are specks on the horizon. The closer you drive, the harder it can be to see them because of the hilly tree-covered terrain. It is odd to see just the top of a turbine and its 139-foot blades turning over a hilltop, as if the 256-foot tower supporting it did not exist.

Iberdrola let GMP take a tour bus full of Vermonters to the turbine site recently to see the turbines and to meet property owner Kevin Onnela. He lives 506 feet from the nearest turbine, so close that he and his wife, Debbie experience the "flicker" of shadow from the turning blades. Flicker affects Onnela's house at this time of year and in late fall, with the sun halfway up the sky.

They live closer than is recommended. GMP's turbines in Lowell would be 3,200 feet from the nearest home, far away from the flicker and most noise.

At a little more than 300 feet, the whooshing sound of the turbine above was 55 decibels, said Vermont Electric

Cooperative CEO Dave Hallquist, the same as quiet conversation. VEC is partnering with GMP in the Lowell project.

At about 1,700 feet away, the turbines could barely be heard despite everyone's best efforts, drowned out by a plane overhead, an idling truck nearby and the crunch of gravel underfoot. Whispered conversations nearby were easier to pick out.

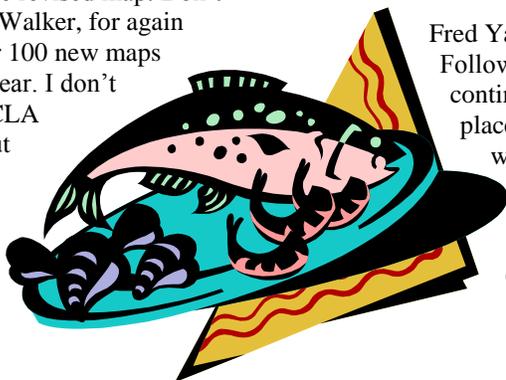
A logger, Onnela said he had one of the highest view taxes in New Hampshire and needed the compensation from Iberdrola to avoid selling his property piecemeal. He can see eight ski areas in New Hampshire and Vermont from his house.

His beef cattle ate hay next to the base of the turbine. That impressed some of the Vermonters, who also saw deer and moose tracks nearby.

A.J. Sicotte of Lowell, a ninth-grade student, called the turbines impressive. He cannot wait to see them from his home. Others on the trip, from towns like Newport Center and Irasburg, just wanted to see them for themselves. Those questioned during the tour said they were mostly supportive. Bob Lawrence of St. Johnsbury wanted to see them up close for the first time. He called the turbines "amazing. ... I wouldn't mind having one myself."

Crescent Lake Maps

Once again we will have new lake maps at this year's annual meeting on July 10. A special thank you goes out to Fred Yates, for updating all the changes, and to Charlie Clauss for computerizing them to set up the revised map. Don't forget our Mike Walker, for again printing out over 100 new maps for the coming year. I don't know what the CLA would do without these three.



In Sympathy

By Fred Yates

The Crescent Lake Association and all its members wish to extend our deepest condolences to the Crescent Lake families that have lost a loved one this year. There are not enough words to express our sorrow. Our prayers of sympathy, strength, and hope are with you in the days ahead.

To John Marshall in the loss of your mother, Elinor, and to John Demars in the loss of your mother, Majella. This loss is especially dear to us all. Your Mom who nursed you, fed you, loved you during good times and bad—her love for you will always be there. God bless.

To the Lisischeff family, at the far end of the lake, the loss of your husband, father, and grandfather was felt shore to shore. Chris will be missed by all of us. Crescent Lake will never be the same. Your love and our love for this man will live forever in our hearts. His smile and humor will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace. It's nice to think that the new baby grandchild will carry on the Lisischeff tradition.

To Arnie Antak, our deepest condolences in the loss of your beautiful wife, Carol. Words fail in times like this, but please know that our prayers are with you. "Time will pass, the grief will ease, but the love for our lost one will live forever." You two will never be forgotten at Crescent Lake.

In writing this, this year, tears came to me as never before. To my close friends above, my prayers are with you all, as all of us at Crescent Lake are saddened by the loss of your loved ones.

We note also the passing of another former lake resident, Lutz Ruhe. Clark Moore wrote a fascinating portrait of Lutz years ago for the Crescent Lake Chronicles. The scion of a renowned German family of exotic animal specialists, Lutz continued the family business in the United States and, among other things, provided, trained, and looked out for many celebrated animals. He also found time to volunteer regularly to work on the Unity Town Hall steeple project during his years at the lake.

The Dowd and McCluskey families at "Jefts Junction" suffered an excruciating loss when Nancy and Steve Dowd's son-in-law, Marty, passed away in December after a noble and courageous battle with cancer. Marty left behind a wife and young child, and a hole in the heart of Crescent Lake. Our kindest thoughts and sympathy to the extended Jefts family.

Bass Notes

Fred Yates has good news for all of our Crescent Lake fishermen. Following Dick Brown's diligent earlier work in trying to find sources to continue stocking the lake with large mouth bass, Fred finally found a place that harvests large mouth bass that the State of New Hampshire will let us purchase and stock into our lake. This year Fred will contact Poling Aquaculture to order 100 new large mouth bass. When and where they will be put in will remain a secret.

Good fishing, and enjoy all those halcyon days on the water!

Ambulance Service

The Acworth Selectboard maintains a contract with LeFevre Ambulance Service of Bellows Falls and Golden Cross of Claremont to allow Golden Cross to service the Crescent Lake area 100%.

All of the cottages in both Acworth and Unity will now use **Golden Cross of Claremont**, which should make for a speedier response time for Acworth cottagers.

Call 911 or Golden Cross Ambulance, 542-2244. **Be sure to give your 911 mailing address, NOT your CLA lake site number.** Of course, we hope you'll never have to call.

If you do not know your 911 address, call Fred Yates, 863-1021. It's also listed (along with your lake site number) on your map.

Online Updates

Can you tell that we're enthusiastic about crescentlakeassn.org? (Summer Puzzler: How many times have we referred to the new lake website in this newsletter?)

Here are two more sites we mentioned last year. Both of them still do a wonderful job of keeping us informed about local events.

Check out *E-ticker News of Claremont*, founded and produced almost singlehandedly by our own Pam Muzeroll (map site 60B). You can visit the Ticker or sign up for free home delivery at:

<http://tinyurl.com/etickernews>

Gretchen Abendschein, of the Acworth Board of Selectmen, continues to offer a fine online glimpse into goings-on in our area at:

<http://acworthian.org>

So many new ways to stay in touch!

Welcome, New Neighbors!

This year there were nine cottage changes, and several other cottages are still on the market. While we hate to lose our old neighbors, we're always happy to meet new ones.

The Crescent Lake Association and its members welcome all of you to the best lake community in New Hampshire.

If there have been other changes, please let Secretary Fred Yates know as soon as possible before the annual meeting. Contact Fred at (802) 463-4368 or drop by camp 86, HATETOLEAVEIT – 863-1021.

- Cottage 106AR, Christopher Purinton, Hartford, CT
- Cottage 73AR, Allen & Kimberly LaGuardia, Contoocook, NH
- Cottage 22, Stuart & Joan Scharaga, Naples, FL
- Cottage 27, Casey Sewell, Wellesley, MA
- Cottage 44SW, Wayne & Sandra Packwood, Austin, TX
- Cottage 14A, James Oliver III, Haddam, CT
- Cottage 63, Ray St. Sauveur, Charlestown, NH
- Cottage 115, William & Susan Gamache, Concord, NH
- Cottage 78AR, Mike & Linda Kahn, New Fairfield, CT

Welcome to Crescent Lake. We hope you will fall in love with the place as we all have. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your Lake Association officers. We don't get paid much, but we have a lot of fun.

Your Crescent Lake Chronicles, Still in Print

We'll keep publishing *Crescent Lake Chronicles* as long as you keep sending material. To contribute, contact:

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Or **Fred Yates**, Camp 86, "HATETOLEAVEIT" 863-1021

Email: LBYates@myfairpoint.net

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We're looking for comments on lake life, tips on the area, for sale/wanted to buy, announcements, news, reviews, good summer puzzlers (and solutions!), pithy quotes, letters to the editor, and photos—especially if they're accompanied by witty captions or stories—and, of course, poetry. Don't be shy. Send your article today!

Your Lake Association Officers

President: David Sloan, map site 11A

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Lost & Found: *If you find anything floating down the lake—boats, docks, skis, rafts, toys, etc., please try to locate the owner. Also, be sure to secure your boats, etc., and put your name on your stuff so it can be returned if found. Contact the Chronicles staff or any CLA officer to report either lost or found items.*

For Rent: *Waterfront cottage, great sunsets. Weekends, weeks, or all summer. One bedroom, open floor plan with futon, big decks. Modern kitchen, fully equipped. (413) 567-0724 or dmbrenker@tahoo.com.*

Lawn mowing / yard work. *Call Bob 863-3080*

Gary Dutton Photography: *Family Portraiture, Weddings, Anniversaries, Events, Disc for Insurance Coverage. Cottage 111, 284 Crescent Lake Road. 863-9205 or garydutton@earthlink.net.*

Site Specific, Inc. *Remodeling, new construction, custom carpentry, period restoration, energy auditing and conservation service. K. Wesley Cubberly, 863-4802 or 800 281-2880.*

Nyblom & Sons Masonry. *Also light carpentry and repairs. John Nyblom, cottage 26SW, (603) 826-3454.*

Lakeside Forge. *Welding of all kinds, including aluminum. Also light backhoe work and snow removal. Shorewood Estates and Anderson Road area. Norm Ferland, 863-3-13.*

CGD Property Service. *Chad G. Demars (603) 543-7071. Tree removal, snow plowing, and more. Just call and ask. Claremont, NH.*

Keep up with area news and events!
<http://tinyurl.com/etickernews>
<http://acworthian.org>
Both sites offer free subscriptions.

*Or try the **Acworth Community Newsletter**, published monthly by the Friends of Silsby Library. Box 88, S. Acworth, NH 03607.*

*Pick up the **Unity Newsletter** at **Will's Place** in beautiful downtown Unity. Summer hours: M-F 6 am – 9 pm, Sat. 8 am – 9 pm, Sun. 8 am – 8 pm. 543-3769.*

Support Will's Store and Market Place! *Please support your local store as much as possible. Next store is 10 miles away.*

South Acworth Community Store, 835-6547. *Operated by the town residents and the Acworth Historical Society. Support another local store, and take part in the many fun events it sponsors.*

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