

Sabbathday Lake News

June 2011

Annual Meeting

Wednesday
July 13, 2011

At the Grange
Potluck Dinner

6:30 p.m.

BYO utensils
and pot luck
Provided: beverages

7:30 p.m.

Business Meeting

Election of Officers

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August Meeting

Saturday
August 20, 2011

Coffee and Donuts

At the Grange
9 am - 11 am
program to be
announced

Music Fund-raiser for Conservation Projects

July 15 at 7 PM. \$10 adults and \$5 age 18 and under

Grange Hall – Old Rt. 26 Sabbathday Lake

The Sabbathday Lake Association (SDLA) is planning a musical show to raise funds for several conservation projects on the Lake. The music night will be held at the historic Grange Hall on the south shore of Sabbathday Lake on Friday evening July 15th. Mark your calendars! The music show will feature a mixture of folk, soft rock, bluegrass, jazz, and blues provided by talented musicians from New Gloucester and surrounding towns, and is it certain to be a very fun evening. We are hopeful that all our members will come and support this event. We ask that members help spread the word to anyone they know who might like to come to the lake to hear some great music and support the cause. Your strong support will help us make this a very successful evening.

(Cont. See **Fund-raiser**, page 2)



Bald Hill Boys pictured from left to right, Guitar – Chris Ricardi, Mandolin – Ben Detroy, Bass – Tim Clough, Violin and Banjo – Mike Conant, see article **Bald Hill Boys**, page 2 Photo by Chris Ricardi

Fund-raiser continued from page 2

In 2008, in an ongoing effort to prevent erosion pollution from getting into the lake, the SDLA worked with the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District (CCSWCD) and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) to complete a survey of the Sabbathday Lake watershed to identify problem areas where erosion was occurring. We have identified a number

of areas where erosion control landscaping could be done. Some of the landowners with properties identified in the survey have voluntarily taken steps to stabilize problem areas and we thank them for their efforts. But there are some roads and shoreline areas that require more difficult remediation. The second goal of the music fund-raiser is to generate funds that can be used to make improvements to several high impact areas identified in the watershed survey.
Article by Chris Ricardi

ICE OUT DERBY 2011

From: Rick Fortier
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2011 5:07 PM
Subject: Ice out

Hello all you Sabbathday Lakers. The ice broke up some during the night before last on a strong south wind, but there was still much ice on north shore and in South Cove by sunset. Today it is 55 degrees and the ice is gone on the north shore. Maybe still some in South Cove, but I can't tell for sure. By fish and game definition (Able to navigate from one end to the other) and mine, today is Ice Out Day.

There is a fisherman in a boat in Loon Cove across from me, and there have already been a pair of common mergansers and a pair of loons spotted.

We have three winners: Jennifer Elizabeth, Sharon Scannell and Tahlia Chamberlain. They all bet on April 19.

Thanks, and see you on the water! Rick Fortier



The Bridgton Lake version of an Ice Out Contest

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from David Driscoll

From the IPP Team

by Mike Cloutier and Sharon Scannell

The IPP (Invasive Plant Patrol) Team has had a busy spring in 2011. We attended the annual Lakes Environment Association Milfoil summit at the USM campus in April. Most of the material has been covered by recent summits; however, the two known main facts are still the same:

- ◆ Once invasive plants are introduced into a body of water, it is imperative that they are identified immediately in order to control them.
- ◆ Early detection is still the best way to control them and to have any chance of eradication.



Mike Cloutier and Sharon Scannell

photos this page by Christine Guerette, Maine Volunteer Lake monitoring Program VLMP

We attended some additional IPP field training on April 18 and this will allow us to carry out some public educational surveys at the lake, both to inform the public and train new volunteers. We also attended the IPP Scope building training workshop at the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (MVLMP) facility in Auburn on April 30. At the workshop, we were able to build two types of scopes for SDLA. Also, we will help others build their own

scopes at our own workshop sometime early this summer.

The IPP Plant Identification Workshop will be held at the Lakes Environmental Association office in Bridgton in July. We plan to have representatives at this workshop and hope others can join us. Check out their website at <http://www.mainelakes.org/> to get more information (not posted yet at this date). This is a certification workshop which will be a more in-depth analysis of invasive plants. The more people on the lake are educated, the more successful our IPP team will be!



The SDLA IPP goal is to set up an organizational structure in an effort to start our initial lake surveying efforts for the summer of 2011. In order to organize our efforts and leverage our volunteers we have divided the lake up into segmented survey areas of approximately 500 foot (lineal shoreline measurement) increments. We have an eastern sector and western sector and each sector will have 12 inspection zones going from north to south. We can review this process in greater detail as we gather for our first meeting this summer.

Mark your calendar for Saturday morning, June 11 at 10:00 am to attend this first meeting at the Shaker Village library.

At a recent meeting at the MLVMP the SDLA was lauded for having a large turnout at the IPP Field training in August of last summer. ***Our goal is to turn that training into active participation by as many volunteers as possible.***

IPP continued

The IPP team goals for 2011 are:

1. Volunteers sign up for survey area by June 15, 2011
2. Scope building session, by July 14, 2011
3. Start the survey by July 15, 2011
4. Complete survey by September 15, 2011
5. Submit survey results by Oct. 1, 2011

For more information or to sign up to be on the team, please e-mail Sabbathday@comcast.net or call Sharon at 603-475-3072.

Memo to View Clinic Participants

from Christine Guerette, VLMP

Thank you for your interest in our View Scope Clinic, held Saturday, April 30th! The necessity of having comfortable, easy-to-use view scopes is growing, as more and more people are directing their eyes towards the waters in search of invasive aquatic plants. We hope that this clinic will not only enable you to build your ideal view scopes, but also give you the resources and hands-on practice needed to share your newfound knowledge and skills with others in your community.

16 SDLA Members Participate in Clean Up Day

By Anne Maurice

At 9 AM on August 28, 16 enthusiastic SDLA members gathered at Barefoot Beach to prepare for trash pick up around our lake. The crew put on gloves and grabbed trash bags provided by the Association and headed out to their assigned segments of the surrounding road. In a couple of hours, volunteers gathered 22 bags of trash which were picked up by David Maurice and hauled off to the transfer station.

Several bicyclists passed by that day and cheered us on. It goes to show the impression clean roadsides can make. Thanks to everyone who helped.



From left to right: first person unidentified, Elaine Becker, Joanne and Dave Driscoll with Lady, Sharon Scannell, Anne and Dave Maurice, Paula Gauthier, Nick Karamessinis, and Chris Ricardi

2010 Sabbathday Lake Association Members

David and Patricia Anderson
Nicole and David Becker
Elaine Becker
William and Joanne Begert
Jane Begert
Nancy Begert
Stuart and Charlene Belden
Ronald and Carol Beyna
Diane and Robert Carson
Norman and Tahlia Chamberlain
Stephen and Natalie Chandler
David Chandler
Becky and Jim Clark
Gary and Cecile Cleaves
Michael and Joan Cloutier
Margo Cook
Kathleen Cruz
Thomas and Judith Cushman
Elizabeth Davis
Gerard and Benita Deschaine
Diana Dowd
David and Jo-Ann Driscoll
Stephen and Althea Driscoll
Kevin and Penny Ducharme
Eleanor Fellers
John and Janet Foley
Richard and Cheryl Fortier
Kevyn and Lori Fowler
Helen Franck

Stephen M. Franck
Paula Gauthier
Peter and Sheila Giancola
Nancy Gilbert
Paul and Carol Gillis
Alan and Cathy Gregory
Tim and Becky Gregory
Lee and Sandra Harper
Richard and Linda Hildebrand
Jeffrey and Babbette Irwin
Matthew and Lillian Johnson
Thomas and Mary Beth Johnson
Donald and Mary Kane
Nicholas Karamessinis
Pamela Kern
Donald and Janet Lambert
Paul and Laura Larrivee, JR.
Peter and Diane Libby
Abigail Lumdsen
Ronald and Luciana Marcotte,
Carolynn and Allen Marsh
David and Anne Maurice
Cheryll and Shaun McKinnon
Paulette & Harry Morin-McNally
John and Phyllis Morrissey
William and Sue Morrison
Ali and Munira Naqui
Donald and Monique O'Malley
Richard and Beverly Ouellette

Francis and Susan Parker
Ginny Paulson
John and Karen Pennell
Pamela R. Pinette
Priscilla Rawstron
Jo-Anne Regan
Christian and Julie Ricardi
Barbi and Davis Richardson
Davis and Mary Richardson
Charles and June Rodis
Diane and John Salisbury
Sharon and Kevin Scannell
James and Pamela Selberg
Carl and Catherine Shaw
Tom Shupp and Nancy Thomas
Beth and David Steele
John and Paula Sturgis
Catherine Thorpe
George and Melissa True
Thomas and Birgitta Tupper
Robert and Norma Walsh
William H. Webb
Dan Wheatley
Douglas and Nancy Whitehouse
Greg and Linda Whitney
Peter and Corrine Wills
Tom and Sue Wilson
Ruth York
Leroy and Eileen Young
United Society of Shakers

Thanks to the 2010 Sabbathday Lake Association members. Your financial support continues to protect our lake. The SDLA Board of Directors

SDLA Social/Activities Committee Spring Update

The Social/Activities Committee is gearing up for the 2011 summer season. We hope to see you at one or more of our activities! If you want to join the committee, contact Sharon at 603-475-3072 or e-mail her at Sabbathday@comcast.net.

Please check the website: <http://www.sabbathdaylakeassoc.org/> for the schedule in early June. If you are on our e-mail list, we will send you the schedule when it is finalized.

Sabbathday Lake Association Annual Membership Dues 2011

AMOUNT: \$15

Additional donations welcome!

Please send annual dues to: ANNE MAURICE, 10 CUSHMAN DRIVE
NEW GLOUCESTER, ME 04260

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SABBATHDAY LAKE ASSOCIATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Benefits of belonging to the Association:

- ◆ News about what's happening around the lake
- ◆ Social gatherings to meet your neighbors
- ◆ Water quality testing
- ◆ Environmental Improvement Activities
- ◆ Web Site: <http://www.sabbathdaylakeassoc.org/>

E-mail Directory

The SDLA has begun to organize a database of e-mail addresses for our membership based on e-mail addresses that are provided on the annual membership application. This e-mail directory will be used to notify members of our upcoming events. Members are invited to send their e-mail addresses (or e-mail addresses of others who may be interested in supporting our work) to Anne Maurice at amaurice@maine.rr.com.



A winter's walk on snowshoes

photo of Anne Maurice by Paula Gauthier