

LAKE CARMI ASSOCIATION NEWS

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Big Event for July Fourth Weekend

The Fourth of July is here already, it's the biggest weekend of the summer. Lots of planning and preparation has taken place getting ready for all the excitement.

Events begin with the Franklin Fire & Rescue Department's annual chicken Bar-B-Q. This long time event is usually sold out, so get your tickets in advance. Tickets are sold at the Franklin Telephone Company office or the Town Clerk's office. Fire and rescue personnel also have tickets available. **Saturday, July 2, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Franklin Elementary School.** Tickets cost \$8.00 person and take is available. For further information and to reserve tickets, if you can't get to Franklin before Saturday, call 802.285.9911.

Later that evening is the **Lake Carmi Lighted Boat Parade. July 2**, line up between 8:30 & 9:00 p.m. at the Westcott Shore on the southwestern side of the lake. What a spectacular and fun event! Decorate your boat with lights and we'll circumnavigate the lake, with viewers making lots of noise cheering on their favorites. Make it a tremendous success with your participation! Join us for fun and frolic!

There are special lights available on line to connect directly to your boat battery. But, it is easier to use your Christmas lights. A "Power inverter" is available, quite inexpensively; it will convert power from your boat battery to 120 volts so you can use your regular Christmas lights. They are available at most Walmart, Sears and Kmart stores.

The Mullen Shore Fireworks at 9:30 p.m. (July 2) can be best viewed from the lake. Folks at the State Park have the best views.

The **July 3 Pontoon Boat Race will take place at 7:30 p.m.** Five, five boat, teams of pontoon boat racers competing for a large trophy. Team details are in a later article in this issue.

LCCA, Inc. **Fireworks Show at 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 3**, north beach boat launch area. See the full page ad in this newsletter announcing and thanking all the sponsors and details of the road closing. During the evening musicians of the **Missisquoi River Band** will be performing at the Old Bowling Alley Restaurant.

On **Monday, July 4** to help celebrate the holiday, **decorate your boat in a patriotic theme** and have fun in a decorated boat parade around the cottage areas of the lake. Line up at the North Beach area at 1:30 p.m., be ready to go for the

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Your raffle tickets select a particular race team as the winner. When the race is all done, the race officials will draw the winner from the bucket of those who selected the winning team. Teams include the *Westcott/Mullen Shore Wildcats*, led by Captain Joe Craig. The *Patton Shore and Blackwoods Pirates* are led by Captain Jim Pivrotto. The *Hammond Shore Hammerheads* are led by Captain Bob Larose. For the *Dueling Dolphins of the Dewing and Camp Road Shore*, Captain Richard Mercy will lead.

The Carmi Cruiser's team from Vic's Crossing, Shore Road and King's Court will be led by Captain David Larose.

Tickets are available at a number of locations including the Old Bowling Alley Restaurant; Byam's Quick Stop; Franklin General Store; Boat Headquarters in Swanton; The Crossing Restaurant in Richford; Wetherby's Sunoco in Richford; The Enosburg Country Club; Green's ACE Hardware; and the Enosburg Pharmacy.

This race is produced by Chair Bob Lumnah of Westcott Shore and his committee, Leonard Larose and Kevin Lothian with lots of help from many volunteers. The race is licensed by the State of Vermont. Questions? Call the Captain on your shore.

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Dick Davis Passes

Long time Lake Carmi resident and past association officer Dick Davis passed away on Thursday, June 16 in Green Valley, Arizona, he was 90 years old. Dick grew up an Army brat as the son of General Merle H. Davis and Edith Gates Davis. He summered at Lake

Carmi nearly all his life as part of the Franklin Gates family, his family is a fixture on the Patton Shore. He was a director or officer of the LCCA, Inc. for 28 years.

Dick leaves his wife Lee and her family; sisters of Rutland and Colorado Springs; and his daughter Cynthia Hicks of Texas; two grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dick will be interred at the Maple Grove Cemetery on the Middle Road in Franklin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 10. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests you make a contribution to your favorite charity.

Private messages of condolence may be sent to the family on-line through www.spearsfuneralhome.com. (The editor suggests perhaps a contribution in Dick Davis' name to the LCCA, Inc. Water Quality Fund, P.O. Box 1, Franklin, VT 05457)

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Franklin Watershed Committee



FWC Coordinator Heidi Valenta submitted this report of the planned summer activities. She can be reached at 285.2054 or hbv@franklinvt.net.

The Septic Study to determine feasibility of such a project at Lake Carmi and in the Village of Franklin will be carried out by Stone Environmental and Green Mountain Engineering will be working together to provide a comprehensive report on the current septic situation in these two areas of Franklin. LCCA, Inc. has been working on septic surveys for two years now. This contract will finish the lake survey and carry out the village survey. All data will be strictly confidential and the information not used to penalize any property owner.

If our completed survey shows high numbers of inadequate systems it will put us in a higher ranking for potential grant funds to upgrade in the future. When you receive your survey form in the mail, please complete it and return it with accurate information. Interim results, from this research will be revealed at a public meeting in late July or early August. The final report will be available later in the fall.

Shoreline Erosion Issues

Preparations are continuing for shoreline buffers. Work will begin on July 18, when our AmeriCorps work crew arrives. Several have reported shoreline damage, a list is being compiled of jobs we may be able to fit into. Some shoreline projects will need to be approved by the VT Agency of Natural Resources, Steve Hanna at 802.241.3791, steven.hanna@state.vt.us.

If you are interested in learning more about prevention of shoreline erosion, a workshop is to be held in Colchester on July 14, 6 to 8 p.m. call or email for details.

Culvert Upgrades-Money will be allocated for upgrades to culverts contributing sediment into waterways. A list has been compiled but if you know of a culvert in need of repair, please let us know.

Water Sampling Program-Amy Picotte of ANR, Peter Benevento of LCCA and Polly Perkins of FWC presented a report of the 2010 tributary water sampling program at the June Franklin Watershed Committee meeting. The presentation included specific details about comparisons from the three year program for each site being sampled. Copies of the report are available.

Agricultural Programs-the recent nice weather is helping farmers get their crops in and the growing season off to a better start. Franklin farmers have responded to the FWC offer for assistance with cover cropping in the fall, but the weather has to cooperate with growing degree days to bring the crops to maturity. The target is for cropland for annual crops in the lake area to see the greatest return for the investment.

Annual Meeting Announced-The FWC annual meeting will held on August 11. Mark your calendar. Wayne Laroche will be presenter.

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Summer Event Schedule

July 3, Route 120 at the north end of the lake will be closed from 6:00 pm until after the fireworks. No parking in a restricted area along north beach, from 10 am until 10 pm, for setup and show. By police and fire department order.

July 3, 7:30 pm, LCCA Pontoon Boat Relay Race. Five teams, see article in this issue.

July 4, Decorated Boat Parade, 2:00 pm. Details will be announced.

July 9, Community Yard Sale at the Franklin Elementary School, 9 – 4 pm. Call the Town Clerk to reserve a table or get your questions answered at 285.2101 or email: townoff@franklinvt.net.

July 9, Franklin County History Expo, hosted by the Franklin Historical Society. Exhibits from 10 societies. Franklin Town Hall, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Free admission, donations accepted. "What's in Your Attic," antique appraiser Kyle Scanlon will appraise your items for \$5.00 each, between 2:00 & 4:00 p.m..

July 9, LCCA, Inc. Annual Meeting and 50th Anniversary Celebration at The Abbey, Rte. 105, Sheldon. Tickets much be purchased in advance, \$20.00. See separate article.

July 16, Chicken Pie Supper at the East Franklin United Church, seatings at 5 & 6 p.m.

July 21, Ice Cream Social at East Franklin United Church, 6 - 7 p.m., Band Concert at 7 p.m.

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North Beach Now Owned by Town

The old North Beach at Lake Carmi is now owned by the Town of Franklin. We were offered the transfer of ownership by Mr. & Mrs. Ted Meunier. Voters at the March town meeting accepted it by a wide margin. The town in cooperation with the Franklin Watershed Committee and the LCCA, Inc. will be making plans for the beach area. Negotiations are underway to lease the boat launch area to the Vermont Fish and Game Department.

North Beach Cleanup



After a very rough spring of high water and damaging waves, the beach area was a mess. Route 120 has been undermined, culverts damaged and many tons of debris deposited, including huge logs. On Saturday, June 25, about thirty volunteers began the cleanup at 9:00 a.m. and ended promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Shown here are Cody (15) and Brian (12) Paradis of Franklin helping with the cleanup. Dick Benton worked with his tractor to pull the logs out; Dan Laravee later mowed the grass. The town crew cleaned up the debris on Monday, making for a nice looking area for the holiday week. This is the fourth year of volunteer at the north beach, by LCCA and FWC volunteers.

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LCCA, Inc. Celebrates 50 Years

A special 50th Anniversary Dinner Party will help celebrate your organizations official half century of work at Lake Carmi protecting its resources. Vice President Helen Dever chairs this event being held at The Abbey in Sheldon on Saturday, July 9.

Events will begin at 6:00 pm with a social hour. A special buffet will follow at 7:00 pm. President Dick Lang has a great speaker lined up to learn more about Lake Carmi and local history. There will be special guests and presentations of the winners trophies from the July 3 Pontoon Boat Race. Door prizes too.

Tickets must be purchased in advance for this special event, including the great buffet dinner. Tickets are \$20.00, including tax and tip. Tickets are available at the Franklin Library, Franklin Town Clerk, Hilda Hendrickson on Vic's Crossing, Bob Baran at Blackwoods, and Larry Myott on Hammond Shore Road.

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Cottage for Rent: Westcott Shore, \$625/week summer, \$475/week after Labor Day. Sleeps 5, screened porch, deck, dock, spring water.. Deposit required. Pet fee. Inquire directly. Call Fran at 888.774.3485 or 802.285.2077.

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Cottage for Rent, Hammond Shore, Fully furnished, bring your own linens. 802.285.6737.

Sailboat for Sale, 1986 18' Pearson Yacht, with trailer and small motor, \$2500. Call Rob at 802.393.5199.

Cottage for Rent, Patton Shore, call Kevin Lothian at 802.285.6568.

Cottage for Rent, Three bedrooms, sleeps six. Dock, rowboat, canoe. Westcott Shore. \$450 per week. Call Jan Cushman, 925.253.1958 or email: JCushman@chevron.com.

Cottage for Sale, 76 Tanner Jct. Road, Westcott Shore. Nice View; large screened porch; open deck; Long dock; fresh water; heated; 3 bedrooms. Contact David Rood (802.309.9218 or Wendy Castilla 802.272.1955 at RE/MAX.

Lawn Mowing & Trimming, by a young man at Lake Carmi. Call 933.2022 to schedule.

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Cottage for Rent. Patton Shore; 3 bedrooms; Sleeps up to 15; full kitchen. New England style rustic, by the week. Includes rowboat and canoe. Pets & children welcome. Contact Ted Hearne at 1.773.728.6996, or: lakecarmicamp@gmail.com.

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Home for Sale or Rent, 71 Hammond Shore Road, 3 bdrm/1 bath, fully winterized home. Permanent ROW mooring. Want to rent, call Rob at 802.393.5199. Want to buy call Kristine Stell at RE/MAX, 792-2834.

Cottage for Sale, 237 Shore Road. 60' frontage, owned land. 2 bdrm, John Duso, 802.285.6828. jpduso@myfairpoint.net

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Annual Dues are only \$25.00 per cottage; be an active member, participate in LCCA, Inc. activities. We need you.

If you haven't already done so, please take a few minutes to fill out the membership form on page eight, send it in with your check. The volunteers will just have to deliver the paperwork later in June.



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2013 LCCA, Inc. Calendar Soon

After a successful first effort the LCCA, Inc. is publishing the 2013 Calendar using even more beautiful photographs taken at Lake Carmi. The calendars are ordered and will be available in local stores by mid-July. The August issue of this newsletter will have full details and ordering details. Watch the website, www.lakecarmi.org, for full details as well

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The Franklin Historical Society meets the 4th Saturday of each month at the Franklin Telephone Company office, 9:30 a.m. All are welcome.

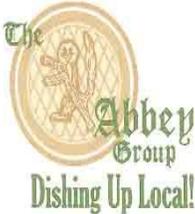
Public Meeting on LCCA Weed Control

Mark your calendar for a public meeting on the LCCA weed control studies and options for weed control. *The meeting will be held at the FELCO room in the Franklin Homestead at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, July 29.* There will be representatives from the State of Vermont, researchers from companies who prepared the studies and others interested in the proposed weed control program. Mark your calendar.



Protect Our Waterfowl

The best way we can protect the waterfowl at Lake Carmi is to not feed them. Those ducklings are cute when small, but they don't need humans to feed them. Each year many ducks die from eating moldy bread or other foods that make them sick. Please don't feed the waterfowl and advise your guests to not feed them.



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Pyrotechnics by North Star Fireworks, East Montpelier, VT, with special assistance from the Franklin Fire and Rescue Department.

**Note The boat launch will be closed from 10:00 a.m. on July 3 until approximately 10:30 p.m. Please use the Lake Carmi State Park Boat Launch during those hours. State Route 120, at the north end of Lake Carmi, will be closed from about 5:30 p.m. until after the show. Please find alternate routes to avoid the congestion and possible safety hazards.*

Special Thank You to all the 2001 Fireworks Sponsors, You Make it Happen!

We need you as a member of the LCCA, Inc:

Become an LCCA member for the 2011 season. The dues are still just \$25.00 per year. LCCA members are committed to our wonderful lake in many ways. Some are volunteers who help out wherever and whenever they are able; some are simply here to enjoy a week or more in this beautiful setting. We only ask that you become a member of your association and do what you can. Your comments are always welcome, contact any of the directors, they are listed on page seven of this newsletter. Please become a member of the Lake Carmi community, send your membership form and dues check made payable to LCCA, Inc. to: *LCCA, Inc., P.O. Box 1, Franklin, VT 05457.*

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If you're going fishing in Lake Carmi, better spend a little time learning how to catch them and what's biting. Check out the internet, it's amazing the information you'll find there, species, size requirements, and lots more. Visit this website:

<http://www.fishingnotes.com/lakeinfo.php?id=31430>

If you need a kayak, canoe or rowboat for the day or a few hours. The Lake Carmi State Park has them for rent. \$7.50/hour, \$20/half day & \$35/day. They are in the day use area, standard park entry rates apply.

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