



Perkins Pond Protective Association

# The Perkins Ponder

Spring 2005



The Fall PPPA meeting held on The Island.

## Report on the Fall 2004 PPPA Meeting



Dundee and Linda Nestler hosted the Perkins Pond Protective Association meeting on August 28, 2004. This newsletter reports on that meeting and also includes additional news and articles.

Gary made members aware that Chris Domian is stepping down as vice president, and that Suzanne Graves would not be returning as treasurer. Gary said a candidate selection committee would be established to seek out members who may be interested in seeking the positions being vacated. As of spring, 2005, there may be a volunteer for treasurer, but a VP volunteer is still needed.

Members suggested that the association banner at the launch site be posted in the spring to warn boaters against bringing dangerous weeds into the pond. It was agreed that the banner would be installed lower to the ground and possibly between a couple of 4x4 posts rather than between two trees which made launching sailboats difficult.

Tamar Sanders of the Weed Watch Committee reported members have been patrolling by boat for problem weeds.

**2005 Spring Meeting**  
**Sat. June 11**  
**10 a.m.**

**116 Mary's Road**  
Steve and Cathy Priest  
603-763-2402

Come by car or boat.

Please bring chairs.

(Approximate location shown on pg. 3 map.)

No invasive weeds were found this summer. Bladderwort may have been seen by the outlet, but it is under control.

Gary informed members that the Town of Sunapee has asked property owners to make sure they get permits for construction work being done on their residences. The town is concerned about non-permitted work being performed. Sunapee now has a building inspector who will monitor for compliance with building codes and zoning regulations.

Dundee Nestler spoke about the DeMartin parcel that had been advertised for sale. It runs from Fontaine residence on North Shore Road to the Nestlers' non occupied log cabin (see map pg. 3). Dundee said he spoke with the realtor and was advised the property had been taken off the market and would likely not be sold in the near future.

Tamar Sanders brought memorabilia to sell and advertise. See the notice on page 2 for how to order memorabilia.

Chris Domian presented the Treasurer's report for Suzanne.



Dundee speaking at the Fall meeting.

## Water Quality Study

Amy Smagula, a fresh water biologist, from the Dept of Environmental Services, reported on the results of water quality sampling and the progress of the Diagnostic Study. Amy provided typed blue handouts of current sampling and project results. The following summarizes Amy's report.

Field sampling and monitoring for the study began June 1, 2004 and ends May 31, 2005. "Staff gages" that have been placed in small streams are used to determine flow in and out of pond. "55 gallon drum tops" are used to measure groundwater making its way into the pond.

Amy asked for volunteers to collect storm samples. Gary and Robin have agreed to be responsible for measuring precipitation. The Jaffes, Quinlans, Nosenzo's, and Nestlers agreed help also. Chris Domian agreed to transport samples to Concord once collected.

Amy advised that many pond residents had still not responded to the septic survey. She emphasized the need to have as many responses as possible in order to qualify the survey results. She emphasized the goal is to identify "area's" of concern, and not individual homes. One goal of the survey is to measure what may be coming into the pond from septic systems. Information from the survey may be used for future consideration of sewage system.

Amy discussed the survey results so far. She mentioned that the largest source of metals and phosphorous is coming in off the Burma Road area. Amy said that water quality is also being affected by industrial smoke stacks from across the country. The jet stream pushes emissions from the stacks to the New England area.

Amy was glad to report no "exotic weeds" found in the pond. She explained that about a 20-25% coverage of lily pads now exists in the pond and that this is good as it helps prevent algae growth.



Amy discussing the Water Quality Study.



Gary with Bob and Duffy Carruthers

## Appreciation to the Carruthers

Bob and Duffy Carruthers were presented an award by the association for their 19 year involvement with the association. The Carruthers are moving to an assisted living facility in Connecticut to be near their children. Gary presented them with a framed written "certificate of appreciation" acknowledging their contributions and also made them lifetime "honorary association members." Bob and Duffy received a good round of applause. Bob may have also developed the association's logo, but we're not sure.

## Vice-President Needed!

Perkins Pond Protective Association needs a new vice-president. Chris has decided to step down after several years in the job.

Duties are very easy: fill in if another officer is missing,, and help with policy and logistics decisions. If interested, please contact Gary.

*2005 PPPA Dues  
\$20 per family*



## Perkins Pond Memorabilia

Contact Scott Sanders  
603-763-9255  
mem@perkinspond.org

## It is illegal to operate a boat any faster than "headway speed" within 150 feet of

- The Shoreline
- Swimmers in the water
- Other boats
- Rafts or floats
- Docks or mooring fields

"Headway Speed" - The slowest speed at which it is still possible to maintain steering or 6 mph. ("No Wake")

The dotted line on the map is scaled to represent 150 feet from the shoreline.

From the *Handbook of NH Boating Laws*

## Ice-Out

The winter ice left Perkins Pond on April 13, 2005. This picture, taken April 14, shows a last remnant of winter ice hovering at the pond edge. Lake Sunapee wasn't free of ice until April 19, defined as the ability to boat from one end to the other.



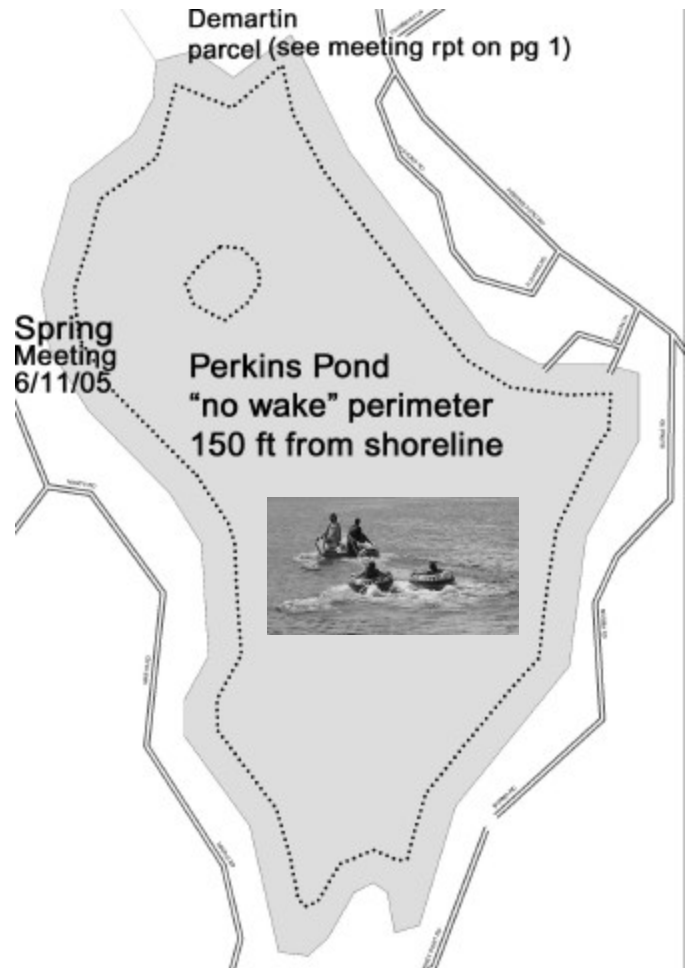
## The Spring Meeting

Roger Landry, Zoning Administrator for the Town of Sunapee, will speak at the spring meeting. Roger will give an overview of zoning and planning regulations and the permitting process. Amy Smagula or Andy Chapman of the NH Clean Lakes Program may also attend.

## New Hampshire Lakes Association

The Perkins Pond Protective Association is partnering with the New Hampshire Lakes Association (NHLA) to offer our members a special opportunity to join NHLA as new individual members for only \$25.00 (a 40% discounted rate).

You can visit the NHLA web site at [www.nhlakes.org](http://www.nhlakes.org). This \$25 membership offer is only available by returning the enclosed form.



## Zoning Regulations, Building Permits, Etc.

Available at Town Hall. Zoning Administrator office hours: Tue 12 - 4 pm. 763-3194

## Transfer Station Hours

Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8 am - 4:15 pm  
Sun 8 am - 11:45 am

## Transfer Station Stickers

Get a free sticker from Sunapee Selectmen Office (763-2212). They'll mail it out if you call with license plate number. *Stickers are not available at the dump, and they do check.!*

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One of many participants in the 2004 Water Carnival Boat Parade.

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