



Perkins Pond Protective Association

The Perkins Ponder

Spring 2006



Coming to the meeting by boat.

**2006 Spring Meeting
Sat. June 10
10 a.m.**

**44 Mary's Road
Dick & Helen Quinlan**

603-763-8878

Come by car or boat.

Please bring chairs.



Tom and Marge Judge (above) hosted the Perkins Pond Protective Association meeting on August 27, 2005. Attendees appreciated Marge's delicious home-made coffeecakes.

Photos from the Meeting Last Fall



Attendees expressed thanks to Claude Leavitt (left) for providing maps showing the properties around the pond.



Attendees enjoyed the fine view and sunny day from the front lawn.



Road Status Discussed At Fall Meeting



The main topic of discussion at the Fall Meeting was the status of the roads around the pond and a change proposed by the town. Selectman Chair and Perkins Pond homeowner Bill Roach (pictured) explained the situation.

Most of the roads around Perkins Pond are private roads, owned by the landowners along the length of the road. The Town of Sunapee has plowed and maintained these private roads for many years, but strictly speaking were not supposed to. To resolve this dilemma, the town referred to a State law that gave the town powers to designate a private road as an emergency lane, in which case they could legally spend money to maintain the road.

Bill Roach explained that an open meeting would be held the next week to gather input from residents. Following that, the Selectmen would vote separately on each road whether to accept it as an emergency lane. Paul Pratt moved that the PPPA send a letter supporting acceptance of the roads. Claude Leavitt seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved. The text of the motion follows:

"The Perkins Pond Association at its meeting of August 27, 2005 meeting unanimously requests that the Sunapee Board of Selectmen vote to designate the roads mentioned in the town letter of August 8, 2005 as emergency access roads, in order to facilitate access to police, ambulance, fire services, and also road maintenance and other improvements as may be necessary from time to time."

Roads Accepted

At the public hearing, Gary Szalucka read a letter from the Association supporting classification of the roads as emergency lanes. No one at the public hearing opposed the changes.

Subsequently, at the September 12 Sunapee Selectmen meeting, Chairman Bill Roach stated that no negative comments were heard at the public hearing, and then the Selectmen voted to accept the roads. Piney Point, Burma, North Shore, Mary's Road, and Melody Lane were accepted as emergency lanes.

Nothing Changes!

Road Agent Tony Bergeron explained that residents will see no change as a result of the roads' new status. The roads remain as private roads. The town will continue to grade and plow the roads, and do repairs as needed. The goal is to maintain the roads to the existing standard and not to make improvements in them.



Update on Perkins Pond Water Quality Study at Spring Meeting

Andy Chapman of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES), will discuss the Study at the Spring meeting.

Memorabilia

Paula McDonough is now handling memorabilia. At the Spring meeting, there will be many new items available to purchase. Contact Paula at:

603-763-0195

or

617-909-5735

Email

mem@perkinspond.org



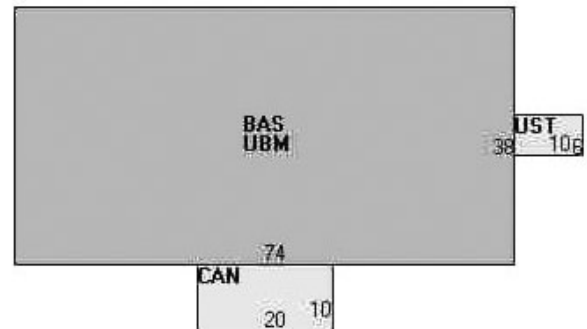
PPPA Treasurer Holly Leonard shows off hats and coffee mugs with the Perkins Pond logo.

www.visionappraisal.com

Want to check again on how your cottage is appraised?
Curious about your neighbors and the rest of Sunapee?
Surf on over to Vision Appraisals.

- Click on "Online Database Access"
- Click on "New Hampshire"
- Click on "Sunapee NH"
- Click on the "Click Here" text

Vision Appraisal includes diagrams of the buildings with dimensions. Can you guess what this one is?



www.town.sunapee.nh.us

The Town of Sunapee has a new and improved web site and it's full of information! Here's some examples:

- Town hours for each department
- Names and contact information for town officials
- Information about all the town departments
- Meeting and Recreation calendars
- Zoning Regulations
- Zoning and Planning Board minutes and forms
- Forms for everything!
- Ben Mere Bandstand Music Schedule
- Information about taxation (under Selectmen)

And much more. It's worth a visit.

2005 PPPA Dues \$25 per family

(Yes, after many years, the dues have increased by \$5)

Bring to Spring meeting

Or send to

Holly Leonard, PPPA Treasurer
26 Mary's Road
Sunapee, NH 03782

Perkins Pond Boat Parade, July 23, 2005



"Creel Notes"

by Guide Islefish Anytime



There is only one way to describe this past ice fishing season on the pond, "fantastic." It began with a late December fishing excursion out front of the Nestler's Isle View property. Within hours Ol' JB and I had landed about a dozen smallmouth bass all in the two to three pound range. As always we released our catch hoping to see them again in the summer. While Ol' JB kept up with the flurry of flags I brewed a pot of my special

mix ice fishing coffee, and surprised him with a nice Dominican cigar. As you now know as the guide it's my responsibility to make sure that my fishing companions are well taken care of because it's not just fishing, it's an event. Fishing, strong coffee, a good cigar and great company, it just doesn't get any better than that!



Ol'JB and I ice-fished the pond several times this season, and the action was always fast a furious. On one of our outings we were treated to a batch of Margo Rox's just out of the oven pecan rolls. Can you say, delicious? I know you can. If that wasn't enough Dave Rox managed to ply us with some fine Nate Sherman cigars. Hey, we couldn't say no, that would be un-Perkins Pond like. Dave also brought a friend of his along to share the "ice fishing experience." Dave's friend has taken the experience under advisement.

On yet another trip we met up with Steve and Kathy Priest who happened to be out cross-country skiing. Sometimes it's the only time I get to see some of the neighbors! Don't forget to check out Steve's website www.OutdoorSteve.com He lives for the outdoors, and loves to share his experiences. Well, time to get the fly-fishing gear out. Till next time, keep a tight line.



Transfer Station Hours

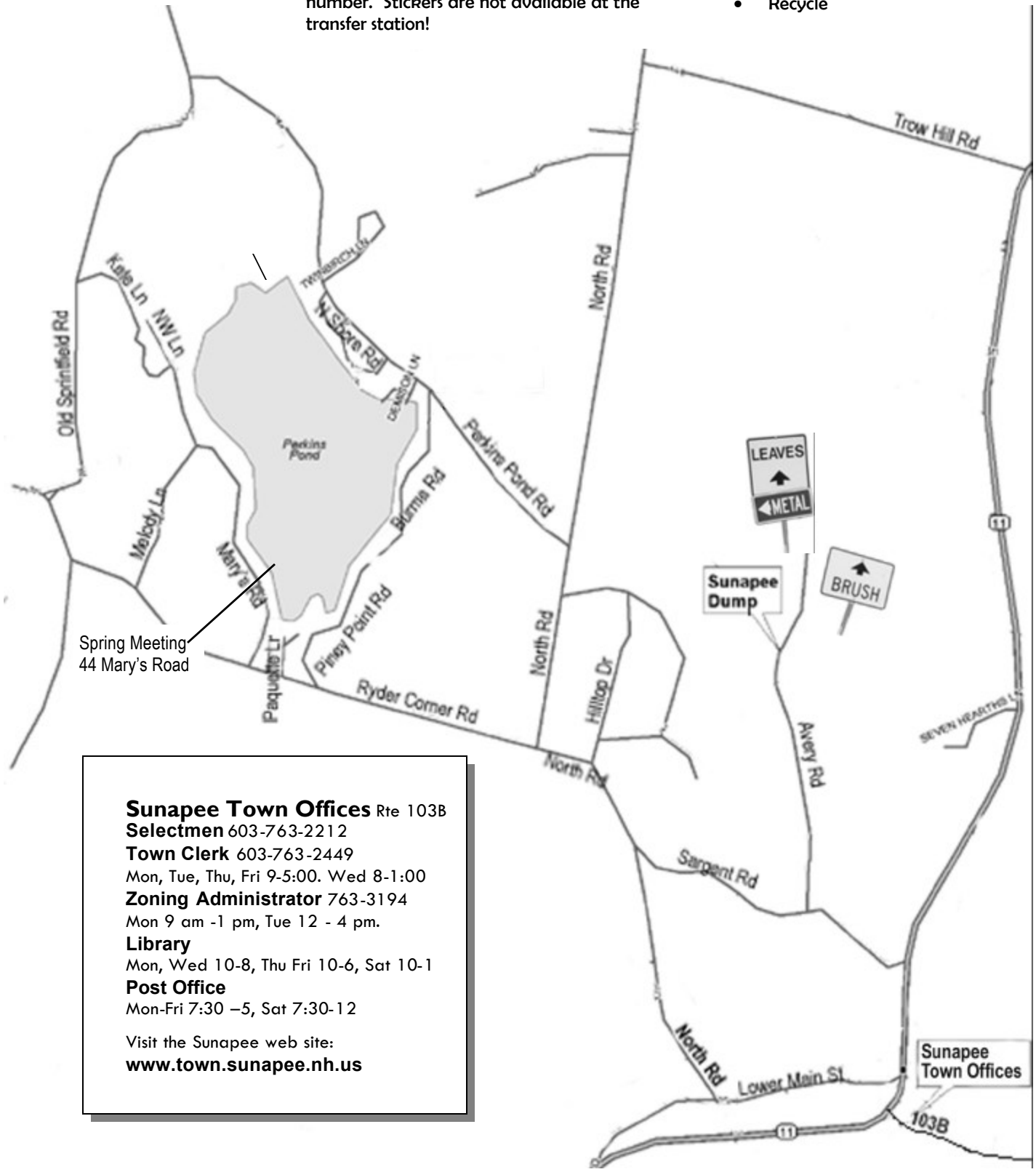
Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8-4:15.
Sun 8-11:45.

Transfer Station Stickers

It's easy and free to get your transfer station sticker from Sunapee Selectmen Office (763-2212). Call to ask them to mail it or go in person. They need your license plate number. Stickers are not available at the transfer station!

Transfer Station Items

- Spring cleanup
- Leaves and brush
- Charcoal and ashes
- Trash
- Recycle



Sunapee Town Offices Rte 103B

Selectmen 603-763-2212

Town Clerk 603-763-2449

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9-5:00. Wed 8-1:00

Zoning Administrator 763-3194

Mon 9 am -1 pm, Tue 12 - 4 pm.

Library

Mon, Wed 10-8, Thu Fri 10-6, Sat 10-1

Post Office

Mon-Fri 7:30 -5, Sat 7:30-12

Visit the Sunapee web site:

www.town.sunapee.nh.us

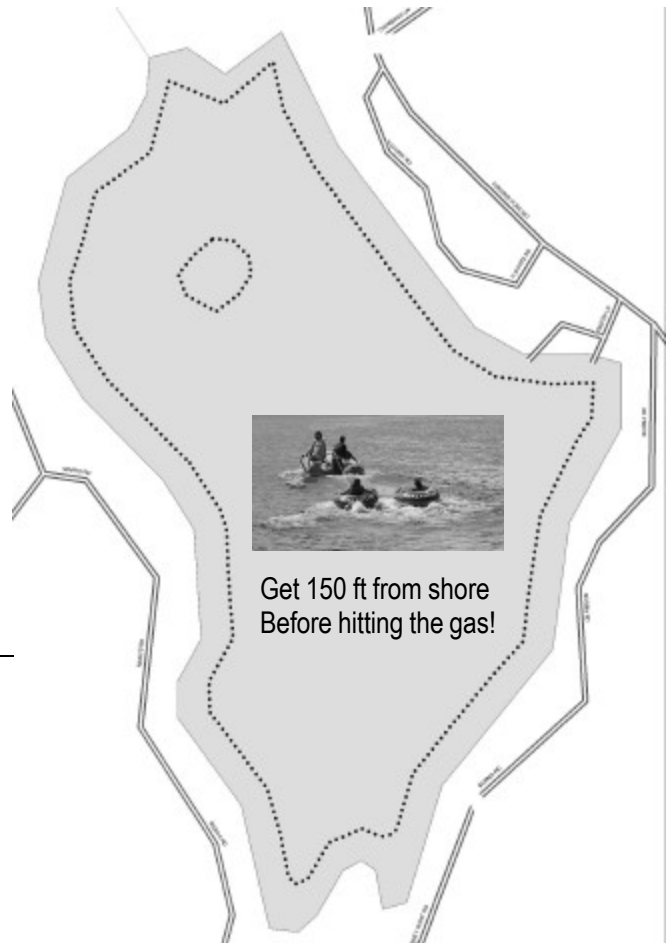
"No Wake" Areas

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.

From the **Handbook of NH Boating Laws**
<http://boat-ed.com/nh/handbook>



Ice-Out

The winter ice left Lake Sunapee on April 3 this year, one of the earliest dates recorded. Recent dates have been:

2005: Apr 19	2002: Apr 12
2004: Apr 18	2001: May 3
2003: Apr 28	2000: Apr 9

Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition (SAWC)

Looking for a Perkins Pond Representative

They meet once a month, the first Thursday of the month, at the Ivy center at Colby Sawyer College, New London. More information at their web site:

home.earthlink.net/~sunapeewatershed/

NH Boater Education Law

To operate a boat with over 25 hp this year, anyone born after Jan. 1, 1963 is required to have a "Safe Boater Education Certificate." Those under age 16 may not operate with over 25 hp unless accompanied by an adult with a certificate.

The certificate is awarded for completion of the Safe Boating course. More information at 888-254-2125 and www.state.nh.us/safety/ss/links.html

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Perkins Pond Reminders

- Boat speed must be at “No Wake” within 150 feet of shore, docks, rafts, other boats, and swimmers. It’s NH law, it’s safe, and it protects the shoreline.
- If your boat has been in other waters, wash it thoroughly before launching into Perkins Pond. Let’s keep the alien weeds out.
- Power boats travel in a clockwise direction on Perkins Pond.
- There are many rocks in the pond. Stay East and North of black/white markers and West and South of red/white markers.
- Do not feed the ducks or geese. It’s bad for the water and bad for the birds.
- Don’t use lawn fertilizers. They cause phosphorus to enter the pond, producing plant growth that clogs the waterways and harms water quality.
- Be courteous to your neighbors. Continually barking dogs echoing across the pond can really disturb a peaceful summer day.
- Take it easy on night lighting: it hides the stars and disturbs the wildlife.

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