



Perkins Pond Protective Association

The Perkins Ponder

Summer 2006

Water Carnival
Sat. July 22, 2006
Commencement Ceremony 10:45
Parade: 11 a.m. Picnic 1 p.m.
At Gary Szalucka's. 77 Piney Point Road
Rain date July 23
See insert for details

Fall Meeting
Sat. Aug 26, 2006
10 a.m.
Hosts: Jim & Jean Fuller
19 North Shore Rd.
763-2825
Come by car.

Spring 2006 PPPA Meeting

It was still raining cats and dogs and everything was soggy the morning of June 10 when more than thirty Perkins Pond homeowners showed up at the Quinlans' for the Spring Meeting. Dick and Helen Quinlan were extremely gracious hosts, inviting all into their home for a warm and dry meeting in comfortable seats and lovely surroundings.

President Gary Szalucka called to order the Perkins Pond Protective Association at 10 am. Attendees observed a moment of silence for the passing of Bob Carruthers who contributed so much to our Association.

The first item of discussion was a large property along Ryder Corner Road that may be on the market for development. Some individuals in town have discussed organizing to attempt to find alternatives that would preserve the land from development. After much discussion, the Association members decided not to take any action regarding the situation at this time.

Andy Chapman of NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) spoke with the group about water quality. DES has been conducting a water quality survey to measure phosphorus loading in the pond. Of the 105 developed lots, eighty surveys were completed. Andy felt that this response rate provided a very adequate set of data for the study.

Andy shared some preliminary results of the survey. The next step in the study will model projected phosphorus loading if all the land in the watershed were to be built out. The study will be published in 2007.

Andy mentioned that the phosphorus load in the pond is currently the lowest in several years. He attributed the low load to the small amount of snowfall this past winter, which caused little influx into the pond.

Tamar Sanders announced that she is stepping down as Weedwatch Coordinator and asked for a volunteer to replace her. Marian Leavitt received loud applause in appreciation when she volunteered to take on the responsibility. Weed watchers survey the pond three times per summer searching for any suspicious weeds.

Holly Leonard gave the Treasurer's report. Of the landowners around the lake, only 36% paid dues to the Association last year.

Claude Leavitt provided updated pond maps with all known residents' names. The members expressed their appreciation to him.

Gary proposed that the Association pay dues to remain a member of the NH Lakes Association. Paul Pratt moved and Claude Leavitt seconded that the Association donate \$100 to the NH Lakes Association. The motion passed unanimously.



**Marian takes over Weedwatch
Coordination from Tamar**



The Spring Meeting Indoors at the Quinlans'. Members spread out in the spacious home and comfortable furniture. The refreshments were also much appreciated.



Gary leading the Spring Meeting.



Thanks to Paul Pratt for the photos of the meeting.



Look But Don't Feed or Encourage Them!

The geese and ducks are cute and fun to watch. But it's best not to feed or encourage them. They foul the water, and if they take up residence on your shore or dock or float, you'll have dirty feet. These young geese were almost grown by the end of June. Ten tiny ducklings have also been spotted following their Mom.

*2006 PPPA Dues
\$25 per family
Use enclosed envelope or Send to
Treasurer Holly or Bring to Carnival.*



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