



**P. R. P. Association, Inc.**

P.O. Box 98, E. Wakefield, NH 03830

“Dedicated to promoting the welfare  
of Pine River Pond and its environs.”

Founded 1986

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**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

"Welcome back for another fun Summer at the lake! You might recall I made some promises in the Fall newsletter, and a promise made is a promise kept. An extensive membership drive is in full swing and we are asking all eligible property owners and co-owners to each join/re-enroll to give us a bigger voice in the community, apply greater resources for our lake health and put a smaller overall dent in your wallet. We are partnering with local small businesses in our community, each of which will provide our paid members with an exclusive PRP discount. As of this writing, businesses that have joined us are Lakes Region Septic (\$10 off and opportunity for greater discount if you bundle services with your neighbors), Acme Rug/Upholstery Cleaning (10% off) and The Wakefield Inn (10% off dinner for two). The value of provided from these three partners alone will more than return your PRP membership investment -- but we are not stopping there. We have several other potential partners that we are currently negotiating with (restaurants, realtors, contractors, landscapers, marine services, etc) and will be approaching several more as part of our effort. Discount coupons will be emailed to all members that join by June 30th, 2014. So please consider joining the Lake Association to preserve the lake (and your property values), save some money on the services you use and to

support our local small businesses that make this lake community thrive. You'll be seeing more great changes shortly to heighten your membership experience so stay tuned! If you have an idea then we'd love to hear it -- just email me or any officer on the 'contact us' page. And as always.... have fun, be safe and respect others trying to have their days in paradise

**ANNUAL MEETING – Sat., July 12th – 9:30 a.m. :**

This year the meeting will be held in the yard of Bob and Carol Lundgren on 94 Grenier Road off Lord Road. This is next door to the Dunn’s where the PRP “store” is located so shopping will be available! As is custom, please bring your OWN chair and dress for the weather!

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL PROCEDURE:**

Along with this newsletter you'll receive a membership renewal application with return envelope for your convenience (as well as hopefully being an incentive for prompt return to us). With the beginning of our new year (2014-2015) we want to bring to your attention that it's important that you include your email addresses on your membership form. We now purge our email list so that it only includes current paid members. Please don't assume that your address will be carried over from year to year because it won't. The sooner you get your membership to us the sooner you'll be added to the list. Please update information and return with your check for dues and a fireworks donation for this year's show. Why not **DO IT NOW -- discount coupons will be made available for those completed by June 30th.** If you know of anyone who wants to join, applications can be downloaded from our website: [www.pineriverpond.org](http://www.pineriverpond.org)

**PRP "SHIRTS & MORE SHOP"..SAME PLACE**

Deb Dunn, 110 Grenier Rd (off Lord Rd) is our PRP Shop Keeper! **The Season Re-Opening will be Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> (Father's Day.)** Enjoy fresh muffins, coffee and candy for the kids! **Buy \$50.00 or more PRP apparel in the month of June and receive a free PRP mug!** Regular store hours will be Sundays 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM and when the "OPEN" flag is flying. If you come by boat you may use Lundgren's or Orosky docks. These are the two places to the left of Dunn's. If you come by car, Grenier Road is a right about 3/10 of a mile down Lord Road – right fork. If Deb is not available, Linda Orosky (522-8847) can also open the store. Maureen McCarthy's beautiful artwork and cards will be available again!

This will be the final year that Deb will be the PRP Shop Keeper. If you would like to volunteer to be the next Shop Keeper please let us know; Deb is willing to help out with ordering. It's a wonderful way to give back to our lake community.



## ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's hard to believe but this will be the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament! The place will be the Province Lake Golf Club. The date has been set for Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> with a tee time of 8:30AM. Don hopes for a great turnout and the format is always set up to give everyone a fair shot at winning a prize. For more details and to sign up, please call Don directly. He prefers that you call his cell #603-781-4952 but his home # is 603-522-3292. Don't wait until the last minute so he can properly plan.

## FIREWORKS - SAT, July 12th 9:20 PM

Last year's fireworks program worked out well, so this year will be a repeat where Atlas Fireworks will set off the display from a barge in mid-lake in roughly the same position. Weather consideration (rain or high winds) is at the discretion of Atlas Fireworks. We'll try to notify you of any changes via the website and/or-e-mail. RAIN DATE IS JULY 19 - same time. Don't forget your donation. Thanks to Doug Stewart for being our coordinator.

**IMPORTANT: During the show, boats must remain back about 300 feet or the show will stop!**

REMINDER - 150 FT MARKER BUOYS There are two marker buoys that visually represent a 150' distance which is the minimum "safe passage" from shore, other boats & swimmers, within which headway speed is required. Common places where this rule is often ignored is between Pound of Tea Island and the shore and Hogback Island and the point. Go fast there and you're easy pickin's for the "Man" and his ticket book.

## LIGHTS AND THE NIGHT SKY:

Once again, we ask that you take note of your outdoor lights, especially those that shine out onto the lake. First, light pollution is an increasing problem making it more and more difficult to observe the night sky. If it's your light that's shining it may not be apparent to you but it's different out on the lake. It is often a misconception that having a light shining from your dock out onto the lake will help a resident boater dock safely but typically this hurts one's night vision.

LOON NEWS: The loons returned even before the ice was all gone and at this time are hopefully seeking a nesting site. Last year when the lake was low, a nest was built next to Ramalu Island but was washed away when heavy rain on Memorial Day weekend raised the lake to normal level. Also last year we worked with the Loon Protection Committee (LPC) in installing a floating nest adjacent to the original loon nesting site but it was ignored (except for a mallard duck) in favor of a new and more exposed spot on Long Island. Eggs were laid but high water and boat wakes spoiled the hoped-for outcome. I (Bob Lundgren 603-522-8235) am the point person for the LPC and have been asked to report the status of our

loons, so let me know news about nesting, chicks, etc. I have also been advised that this information should be given to newly appointed Tim Demers at the LPC at the Loon Center...603-476-5666/Cell 702-544-2025 in the event I can't be reached he can be called.

## LAKE WATER TESTING - Seeking New Volunteer:

Barry Fryer has decided to step down as water testing coordinator. Our thanks go to him for his many years of overseeing this service with volunteers. Obviously, we would like someone to step forward to take over this critical role. Dave Lee has stepped up temporarily to assume this role until a more permanent volunteer is found. Dave will be looking for more volunteers to help out. Water testing will be performed on 6/10/14, 7/1/14, 8/5/14 and 9/9/14, all at 9 AM. Typically the process takes 60 to 90 minutes and it is a small amount of time for an important task. If you would like to help, please call Dave at 603-522-6152.

WEED WATCH: Due to lack of participation, we won't have an August "Weed Watch Day". However, in order to remain vigilant, we ask **all kayakers, swimmers & boaters** to be on the lookout for unusual weeds. If you come across something suspicious, carefully note its location, retrieve it and place it in a plastic bag with some water. Then contact an officer of our association.

PUBLIC ACCESS and MILFOIL CAUTION: Nothing new to report - yet. There are many private launching spots on the lake so it is incumbent on all who use them to be SURE trailers and drive systems are **FREE** of ANY weeds. Local lakes with milfoil are: Belleau's, Wentworth, Balch and Winnepesaukee (especially Back Bay). All it takes is a STRAND to infect our lake, create a financial nightmare to resolve and threaten to reduce property values, not to mention spoil recreation.

REMINDER TO BE "LEGAL": Don't forget boat registration stickers, fishing licenses and dump stickers. In addition, seasonal campfire permits are available at the Safety building in Sanbornville as well as Rte 153 Garage (Rhodie's) in East Wakefield. Permits to burn brush are normally issued only when it's raining, except in winter when there's snow on the ground. Dump stickers are now sold right at the dump and be aware that new stickers are required as of January 2014.

Fishing licenses can be purchased on line and printed on your own printer. NH residents 68 yrs and over can get a free license though these have to be purchased through an agent. There is a new salt water license requirement (even for those 68 and over). However this is not required for fishing from a party boat.

LOST AND FOUND, "FOR SALE" & TIMELY LAKE RELATED UPDATES: Contact Dave Lee Sr. (prpassociation@roadrunner.com) and he will "broadcast" information to our on-line group as necessary. This valuable, time-sensitive service is only for lake-related



matters and for MEMBERS only. The PRP Assn reserves the right to decide what is appropriate.

**PRP WEB PAGE: [www.pineriverpond.org](http://www.pineriverpond.org)**

Maintained by Dave Lee Jr. If you have pictures you wish to have Dave review for the photo gallery, please e-mail him through the website. Those members who get the newsletter by e-mail will now be informed by e-mail of its availability on the web page. The newsletter is now formatted for 8x11" paper for those that like to print. We look forward to more members choosing this option as it will save finances for us all.

**ACTON WAKEFIELD WATERSHEDS ALLIANCE (AWWA):** Submitted by Rosemary Stewart

Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance (AWWA) is a non-profit charitable organization established in 2005. It is dedicated to protecting and restoring the water quality of the lakes, ponds, rivers and streams of Wakefield, New Hampshire and the border region of Acton, Maine. For more information, visit their website at: [www.AWwatersheds.org](http://www.AWwatersheds.org).

Rosemary Stewart is the representative from PRP, serving on the board of the AWWA.

AWWA has published a colorful 24 page booklet containing local information regarding our lakes including PRP. It is for adults and children, owners and renters of lakeside properties. Lake and town contacts are listed along with local businesses. This is a must have for each property on PRP. The cost is \$2.00.

It will be for sale at the Annual PRP Meeting and at the PRP Store.

**NEW NEIGHBORS?** If you have new neighbors, they may be interested in the PRP Association. When you have the chance, introduce yourself and mention the PRP Assn. and our web site. If you have an address (snail-mail or e-mail), let an officer know so we can welcome them too.

**ICE OUT CONTEST**

Ice out this year was more normal with an ice-out date of Saturday, April 19. Actually it's hard to define what "normal" is any more. Two years ago ice-out was March 23 and last year it was April 14<sup>th</sup>. This year the last bits of ice left in the vicinity of Dog Leg Island and Virginia Lane. We have one winner of the \$100 prize. FYI, my definition of "ice-out" is when the lake is *essentially* free of ice. This provides some needed flexibility. The winner will be announced and prize awarded at the annual meeting.

**LAKE HOST PROGRAM:**

The Lake Host program has begun it's 4th year and is dedicated to keeping our beautiful lake free of invasive species! This program will be posting two hosts at the ramp off Lord Rd and will be checking all boats and trailers entering and leaving the lake for any invasive species. The hosts will be at their post every Saturday, Sunday and holidays through September 21 from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. We welcome Sinead Gaynor to the program this year and she will be joining Mike Wons, a returning host from last year. We would like to take this opportunity to send out a special thanks to Shirley and Jack Dunham! Over the last four years they have unselfishly kept a protective eye on our hosts and given them the first tasting of Shirley's baked wares. Talk about a warm welcome!

The program is looking for volunteers to expand our hours and help educate others of this invaluable program. For more information call Jim Fitzpatrick at 522 8404.

**CITIZENS OF THE YEAR:**

We are pleased to report that PRP residents Dave and Ginny Schweitzer were named Wakefield Citizens of the Year. They were presented with their awards at the recent Pride Day event. Congratulations to them both!

**PASSAGES – Heartfelt Sympathy to families of:**

**Ray Chalifour (89)**, husband of Jeanette, of Salem, MA and Olde Pine Road, passed unexpectedly on May 22.

Please have a safe and healthy Summer!

*Bob Lundgren, Editor*