President's Message

Yes, this is the 50th anniversary year of the founding of the Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) in 1973. Our year of celebration is January I-December 31, 2023 (our membership year). There is so much to be said about the wonderful achievement of 50 years as a community-based, non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization that endeavors to preserve and conserve Copake Lake. In fact, our 50th Anniversary Committee is our entire Board of Trustees without whom CLCS could never have made such great strides. The formation of CLCS took the combined effort of many folks around the lake as well as around the Copake Lake watershed, and the greater community. These concerned neighbors came together 50 years ago seeking a pathway to prevent the eutrophication (a word we later learned meant a natural dying process) of Copake Lake. The lake was rapidly developing into an unhealthy body of water where aquatic plant life was out of control and taking away the oxygen from animal life (fish). The odor of decaying aquatic plants and algae was noticeable to all!

The first CLCS officers and Board of Trustees was made up of the presidents of each of the homeowners' associations at that time. A huge round of applause and thank you to all the volunteers who devoted their time over these past 50 years for the benefit of the entire Copake Lake community. Their dedication to the management of our lake has been admirable. Now, the perseverance of CLCS along with the involvement of the lake community is necessary for the future protection of the lake. One of the many goals of this organization is to recruit more supporters to help conserve Copake Lake for generations to come. Currently, only half of those individuals and families on our mailing (and emailing) lists are onboard as members of CLCS and yet all users of the lake reap the benefits. Is that truly fair? CLCS has always graciously counted on its sustaining members, but isn't it time that each of us support the health and well-being of our lake?



Like my parents before me, I, too, am very proud to be a part of CLCS. I am hopeful that my family as well as future generations will continue to be dedicated to the health and well-being of Copake Lake for the next 50 years and beyond. After all it is our legacy to the future! Looking forward to our sharing in a blessed 2023 at Copake Lake. Be on the lookout for special merchandise and special events this season.

Happy 50th anniversary to CLCS.

Debra Ruggieri

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CLCS 2023 Committees

Communications

The Communications Committee serves to design, publish, and monitor various media communications, such as the newsletter, website, email correspondence, and road signs.

ELECTRONIC

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Education

The Education Committee is responsible for the design, writing, and dissemination of educational materials, and the presentation of educational programs for the membership.

Cherie Berk Maria Powers* Debra Ruggieri

Finance

The Finance Committee supports the functions of the treasurer, including the creation of an annual budget, the purchase and review of insurance policies, year end audit, bookkeeping, and filing of tax returns.

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Edward Werfelman*

Fundraising

The Fundraising Committee serves to design, propose and organize activities for the purpose of raising funds for the organization.

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Nominating

The Nominating Committee is responsible for producing a slate of candidates for the election of trustees, and a slate of candidates for the Officers of the Corporation.

Jovce Craw* Jed Luchow

Annabel Nau

*Chairperson **Volunteer

Join any of the committees listed above or consider applying to join the Board of Trustees. It's a great way to meet new people and help your lake community. Go to info@ copakelakecs.org to let us know of your interest.

Lake Management

The Lake Management Committee is responsible for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information regarding the vitality and maintenance of the waters, shoreline, and watershed of Copake Lake. Grants Committee (GC) is a sub-committee of Lake Management Committee.

Alex Almond** Barbara Bunger** Fred Bunger* David Craw GC **Brad Dubler**** John Erensberger Lindsay LeBrecht Jed Luchow Debra Ruggieri

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The Membership Committee maintains a list of membership, addresses, and contribution history; and generates materials that assist in maintaining membership roles.

Debra Ruggieri* Cherie Berk Jackie Bernstein Julie Hochheiser Ilkovich Lindsay LeBrecht Janna Meyrowitz Turner Ilise Zimmerman-Posen

2023 Schedule of Meetings and Events

Note: This calendar reflects the traditional meetings and events at or around the Copake Lake community area. Please consult the CLCS website for up-to-date information (www.copakelakecs.org)

May 2023 Treatment for invasive weeds will be scheduled around this time but advance

notice will be given and restrictions posted. Always check CLCS website

for updates and information.

Saturday, May 6, 2023

9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting

Location to be announced

May 13, 2023

9 a.m. - 12 noon

Town of Copake Clean-Up Day

Town Garage, 47 School Road. No construction or demolition waste.** Four (4) tire limit.

Call Town Hall 518 329-1234 Ext 2 for more information and updates.

Saturday, June 3, 2023

9 a.m. - 12 noon

Copake Lake Annual Shoreline Clean Up Day

Corner County Route 7 and Lakeview Road. No household trash.

Rain date Sunday, June 4.

Saturday, June 10, 2023

9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting

Location to be announced.

June - July 2023* * Algae treatments will be scheduled only as needed. There will be

advance notice of treatment restrictions or lake use posted around the

lake and on CLCS website.

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

ı p.m.

Annual 4th of July Boat Parade**

Begins at Southwest Colony

Saturday, July 8, 2023

10 a.m.

CLCS Annual Meeting

Format for meeting to be determined

Saturday, July 15, 2023

Annual Summer Bash

The Greens Restaurant. Check website for details.

Saturday, August 5, 2023

9 a.m

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting

Location to be announced

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Copake Falls Day

Check website for details. www.copakefallsday.org or call 518-329-3251

Saturday, August 19, 2023

9 p.m.

Annual Fireworks** at Copake Country Club/The Greens

Not a CLCS Event. Supported by community donations.

Saturday, September 9, 2023

9 a.m.

CLCS Board of Trustees Meeting

Location to be announced

Saturday, September 17, 2023

Roe-Jan Ramble Bike Tour

This ride will go through Copake, Hillsdale and Ancram. For more information go to:

roejanramble.org or call Tom Goldsworthy 347-952-5764.

*Lake treatments will be scheduled as needed. Treatment dates will be made firm based on lake testing results. Notices will be posted around lake prior to treatments. Check our website for dates and more information. www.copakelakecs.org **Not a CLCS event

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! CLCS ANNUAL MEETING

PLAN TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL MEETING/OPEN HOUSE TO LEARN WHAT IS GOING ON WITH COPAKE LAKE!

Saturday, July 8, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Copake Town Hall, Mountain View Road, Copake

Lake Management Committee Report (Plan for 2023)

Summary of Lake Management Committee planning meeting for 2023 (November 22, 2022).

CLCS's Lake Management Committee (LMC) focuses on issues such as minimizing shoreline erosion, monitoring invasive species of aquatic plants and marine animals (zebra mussels), protecting the eco system, deterring algae blooms, and monitoring bacteria levels for safe swimming.

*see this issue pages 14-15 for pictures of native and nonnative aquatic plants

I. Curly Leaf Pondweed (invasive)

Issue and discussion

Curly Leaf needs to be treated as early in the season as possible to kill the plants before turions (seeds) are developed. Diquat is an effective and economical control for Curly Leaf, but its 14 day restriction on outflow from the lake limits its use. In 2022, the rainy spring delayed the treatment several weeks resulting in very heavy growth and restricted lake use. Aquathol K is also an effective control for Curly Leaf, but its high cost has been a barrier to use.

Plan for 2023 Curly Leaf treatment

Solitude Lake Management, Inc. (Solitude) will submit permits for both diquat and Aquathol K for late April or early May (2023). If the lake is sufficiently below the spillway and the forecast does not show major precipitation; proceed with diquat. If the level is up and/or heavy precipitation is forecast. Plan is to use Aquathol K.

II. Eurasian Water Milfoil (invasive)

Issue and discussion

The 2021 whole-lake treatment with fluridone was expected to control Milfoil for 3 years based on the 2018 fluridone treatment that provided control. The amount of milfoil present at the end of 2022 is of some concern. Diquat and/or Aquathol K not likely to have much impact. Consider Procellacor(R), but expensive.

Plan for possible 2023 Milfoil treatment

Solitude will submit a permit for a possible treatment with Procellacor(R) the first week of June to control Milfoil if the early 2023 weed surveys show unacceptable amounts of milfoil.

III. Zebra Mussels

Issue and discussion

The Earthtec QZ was applied June 29 and July 19, 2022 to attempt to control Zebra Mussels. Early indications from test cages showed about 70% mortality. At season end, the situation looked much better. No Zebra Mussels were found on boats and only one 6 feet deep dock showed mature zebra mussels. The treatment was largely successful, but complete eradication was not achieved (cost of treatment \$75,000). Further monitoring and planning needed.

IV. Filamentous Algae

Issue and discussion

In 2022, copper sulfate was needed in May to control filamentous algae. The EarthtecQZ (copper based) treatments for Zebra Mussels in July also knocked back Filamentous and a second copper sulfate treatment was made in August.

Plan for 2023 Algae control

Four (4) algae control treatments in 2023: May, June, July and August at the maximum copper sulfate rate. By treating at maximum copper rate, it is hoped to slow down the return of Zebra Mussels as well as control Filamentous Algae.

V. Lake Drawdown and Dam

Issue and discussion

Keith Schaefer reported that the lake has not been drawn down because we are still waiting for approval of our drawdown permit from NYS DEC Division of Environmental Permits. (Permit approved in January 2023).

VI. 2023 LMC Budget

The cost of additional treatments and possible change in herbicide will be provided in early December 2022. The LMC budget will grow considerably to maintain lake quality in the changing conditions we are experiencing.

The LMC has appointed a sub-committee to develop a format for seeking competitive bids for the next lake treatment program from 2024-2026. This contract will be announced in August 2023.

Fred Bunger

Chairperson, Lake Management Committee



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SUMMER BASH 2023

at The Greens

Saturday, JULY 15, 2023

Cocktails at 6:30pm. / Dinner at 7:30pm

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2023 Membership Drive – Our Goal \$115,000

It's that time of year to renew your CLCS annual membership.

Every dollar raised goes directly back into preserving Copake Lake.

Show how much you love Copake Lake and consider increasing last year's membership donation.

Last year we received just over \$100,000 in membership,

short \$30,000 needed for our operating budget.

Our annual membership goal is \$115,000 - please help us reach our goal.

If you've already renewed your membership – thank you, if you have not please visit CopakeLakeCS.org to renew today!

DONATE TODAY!!

Copake Lake Shoreline Clean-Up Day (June 3, 2023)

Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) Shoreline Clean-Up Day is scheduled for June 3, 2023 (Saturday following Memorial Day Weekend), with rain date of Sunday, June 4, 2023) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This event is sponsored by the Copake Lake Conservation Society for the express purpose of removing debris that has accumulated over the winter from Copake Lake and from its shoreline.

Copake Lake neighbors are asked to remove debris from the lake and shoreline and place it along Lakeview Road and County Rte. 7 up to Juliana/Jefferson Drives. Jon Urban of The Greens/Copake Country Club will donate the services of a pick-up truck and maintenance workers, who will drive along the shoreline beginning at 10:00 a.m., pick up the debris, and dispose of it in the dumpster at The Triangle at County Route 7 and Lakeview Road (where we also have the CLCS Information/Merchandise Booth and the Community bulletin board). This truck will make ONE (I) trip, starting at 10:00 a.m., from Lakeview Road to County Route 7 ending at Juliana/Jefferson Drives. We encourage residents to bring your own lake debris directly to the dumpster, if possible.

The Town of Copake contributes the tipping fee for the dumpster. Please respect this donation and do not bring any household rubbish to this dumpster. CLCS Board of Trustees members will monitor the dumpster from 9:00 am-12:00 noon.

CLCS 2023 merchandise will be available for sale during these hours at the CLCS Information Booth at The Triangle at Lakeview Road and County Route 7. CLCS 50th Anniversary tee shirts will be \$20, baseball caps \$25, safety vests \$25 (cash and checks only).

Jed Luchow

Event Coordinator, Lake Management Committee



Photo by Cherie Berk Caption: Volunteers Corey Brosseau, Brian Elliott, Jed Luchow, Donald Matteson, Ed Werfelman.

Treasurer's Report PROFIT & LOSS

January - September 2022

Income:

 Ads
 1,930.00

 CONTRIBUTIONS Income
 119,634.43

 FUNDRAISING
 11,873.73

 Interest Income
 69.56

 Total Income
 \$133,507.72

Expenses

ADMINISTRATION 5,904.37
COMMUNICATIONS I1,068.09
LAKE MANAGEMENT 99,094.00
Fraudulent Activity (recouped in 2022) (2,229.59)

 Total Expenses
 \$113,836.87

 NET OPERATING INCOME
 \$19,670.85

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 \$19,670.85

MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2023

This year is Copake Lake Conservation Society's 50th year anniversary (1973 to 2023). Each year the entire Board of Trustees (see page 2) works to communicate the importance of being a member of the Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS). We would love for the entire lake community to become members of CLCS to help support the preservation of Copake Lake. Unfortunately, during the past 50 years, CLCS membership has included only about 50% of potential members. We mail out and hand distribute nearly 1,200 newsletters each spring/summer and 1,000 newsletters in the fall/winter. We have never had more than 250-300 dues paying members. Our goal for the next 50 years is to achieve 100% membership. Membership begins at \$150 and has only increased once (last year) over the past 50 years from the original \$100. Only members-in-good standing can elect the trustees at our annual meeting each July. Our trustees are responsible for the running of CLCS.

Those folks and families in our Copake Lake community should not take our beautiful lake for granted. It takes a group effort to care for Copake Lake and thousands of dollars in expenses yearly. These expenditures would not be able to be met in the upkeep of the lake if not for the generous yearly donations of several families, friends, and businesses. Our thanks to all who give each year to CLCS. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. Individually, we need to promote the importance of lake preservation to each of our neighbors. While each family shares a part of the equation for the betterment of the lake, we need all of our families to be part of the solution. Become a CLCS member to help achieve preserving our beloved Copake Lake. Yearly expenditures are always on the rise and membership/donations are needed to cover these expenses. It is crucial that we all help to maintain our glistening water. Please take some time to reach out to CLCS, ask questions, and gain the knowledge of what it takes to care for a living lake. Engage yourself in the preservation of Copake Lake for another 50 years or more. Contact us at the CLCS website at info@copakelakecs.org. Become a member---make a donation---support CLCS---keep Copake Lake healthy and beautiful. Your membership is needed and appreciated.

Debbie Ruggieri

Chairperson, Membership Committee

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Zebra Mussels Update

CLCS treated for zebra mussels last summer. One application was done in two parts using the herbicide EarthtechQZ (cost \$75,000). The application was 70% successful based on observations of mortality in the traps set around Copake Lake. Few if any zebra mussels were observed at the end of last season when watercraft and docks were being removed for winter storage.

How should I prepare my watercraft to be put back in Copake Lake this spring/summer?

Watercraft that has been stored outside for an extended period over the winter so that it has been drying and/ or freezing does not need to be cleaned, drained, and dried in the spring (see NY Boater's Guide to Cleaning, Draining, and Drying Procedures) . The zebra mussels will have died over the winter. Watercraft stored indoors should be checked more carefully. Be sure to remove any zebra mussel shells from your boat before launching in the spring/summer. Zebra mussel shells can still cut the skin of people or pets.

Attention Wake Surfers!

Our Lake Management Committee has learned that the fun of wake surfing has a downside for our lake's ecology: wake surfing waves have been shown to have 10x the power of wakeboards and skiing. Therefore, we ask that you please stay at least 500 feet from the shore, and avoid busy times and areas of the lake. This is to ensure the peace and safety of bathers, kayakers, and other water sports, as well as to protect big wave breaks from causing bottom scouring, dock damage, and shoreline erosion in the long term. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Maria Powers,

Chairperson, Education Committee

Celebrate CLCS 50th Anniversary with Special Merchandise and Special Events

That's right! The Copake Lake Conservation Society (CLCS) is 50 years old (1973-2023).

In the summer of 1973 an overflow crowd gathered at the old Craryville Firehouse at County Route 7 and State Route 23 next to the old Post Office across from Bert's Inn. Copake Lake was dying! Weeds (now known as aquatic plants) were choking the oxygen level in the water, fish were dying, the algae in the water was out of control, and the odor from the decaying weeds was unbearable. Many lake residents went to swim at Lake Taghkanic State Park or the Ore Pit. Could anything be done?

Fifty years later we can answer this question:YES!

Will Copake Lake continue to be a viable, healthy, enjoyable natural resource for all of us, residents, neighbors, and friends, for at least another 50 years? That depends on you!

CLCS is made up of volunteers who put in countless hours of effort at no cost. **The 50th Anniversary Committee** is our entire Board of Trustees. But, getting advice from professionals, using New York State approved vendors, purchasing New York State approved products, these cost money---lots of money. You remember that last summer's treatment to deal with zebra mussels cost \$75,000 for a single treatment.



How about you, your family, your friends stepping up?

- 1) Become a member of CLCS.
- 2) Purchase our 50th Anniversary Celebration tee shirts. All tee shirts will be \$20 (men's with rounded necks, women's with v-necks). Baseball caps will be \$25. There will be a limited supply of drinking cups and safety vests.

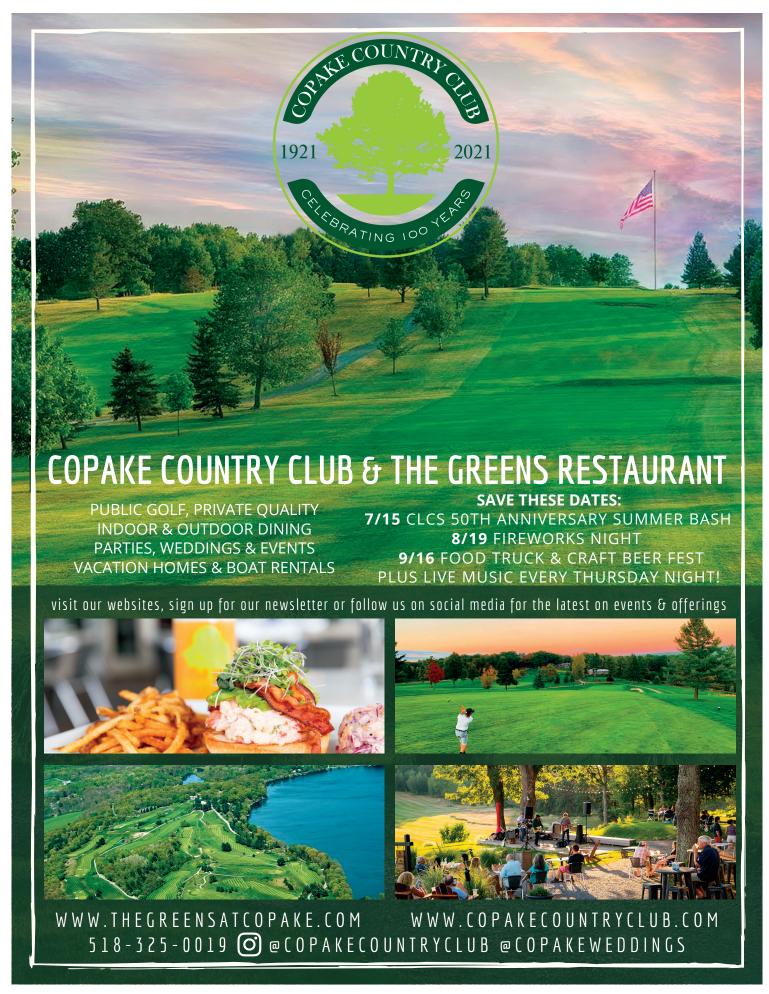
VERY IMPORTANT: CLCS VOLUNTEERS WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO ACCEPT CASH OR CHECKS, ALL SALES WILL BE IN_PERSON. TAKE YOUR PURCHASES WITH YOU. THERE IS NO ONLINE SHOPPING FOR THESE 50th Anniversary TEE SHIRTS OR BASEBALL CAPS.

3) All merchandise will be available at the CLCS Information Booth/Merchandise at The Triangle parking area at the intersection of County Route 7 and Lakeview Road from 10 am-12 noon on Memorial Day Weekend (May 27), Shoreline Clean Up Day (June 3), and most Saturdays through and including Labor Day Weekend (September 2). This special merchandise will also be sold at the CLCS Annual Meeting at Copake Town on Saturday, July 8 and at the Bash at The Greens Restaurant/Copake Country Club from 6:30-7:30 pm. CLCS Volunteers can only take cash or checks for this merchandise while supply lasts.

Wear your CLCS 50th Anniversary apparel and promote the beauty and well-being of Copake Lake all season long!

Jed Luchow, Chairperson
50th Anniversary Committee









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2023 Copake Lake Boating Rules And Regulations

Source, New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historical Preservation (www.nysparks.com/recreation/boating)

AGE: Motorized boat operators must be 18 or over. Or, between the ages of 10 and 18 must have completed certified boating safety (NYS Law).

AGE: As of May 1, 2014, operators born after May 1, 1996 must have a NYS approved Safe Boating Course and be at least 10 years of age in order to operate a motorboat in New York State.

BOATING HOURS: Watercraft must not exceed 6 mph between 8 p.m. and 9 a.m. (Town Ordinance).

NOISE: All watercraft must have effective mufflers (Town Ordinance). Watercraft noise must not exceed 75 decibels (NYS Law).

SPEED: All watercraft must slow down to 5 mph when less than 100 ft from shore, dock, or other vessel, or in "no wake" zones (NYS Law).

RIGHT OF WAY: Motorized watercraft must yield to swimmers and non-motorized watercraft (NYS Law).

SAFETY:

- a. Personal Flotation Devices (PFD): Children under the age of 12 must wear approved PFD while in a watercraft. Approved flotation devices are required for each person on board (NYS Law).
- b. Water Skiing: Water skiers must have a "look-out" over the age of 10 (NYS Law).
- c. BWI: Boating while impaired or intoxicated subject to fines or imprisonment (NYS Law).
- d. Fire extinguisher, distress signal and anchor are required on ALL motorized watercraft.

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (NYS Law):

- a. Operators must wear an approved PFD.
- b. Operator must be attached with a cut-off device.
- c. Can only be operated between sunrise and sundown and the town ordinance speed limit on the lake is less than 6 mph between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. for any motorized vessel.
- d. May not be operated within 500 ft of a designated swimming area.
- e. Reckless operation prohibited (wake jumping, weaving through traffic, or other maneuvers that jeopardize safety).

REGISTRATION: All motorized watercraft must be registered and display the registration numbers (NYS Law).

ENVIRONMENT:

- a. Help keep unwanted aquatic plants and zebra mussels out of the lake. Thoroughly wash your vessel and flush the cooling system at a location away from the shoreline.
- b. Avoid spilling gasoline or oil. Repair leaks immediately.
- c. Dispose of litter properly in bins on shore.
- d. Do not use soaps or cleansers in or near the lake.

Common sense and respect for others are the way to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone using the lake. CLCS is not



Photo by Debra Ruggieri

a law-enforcement agency and leaves such duties to the Columbia County Sheriff's Department, The CLCS has posted rules and regulations and distributes these excerpts to encourage lake users to know the rules and observe them.

Concerns about speed, noise, or safe handling of any motorized watercraft on the lake should be directed to: COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 518-828-3344.

Copake Lake Aquatic Plants

Native (desirable) Plants



Slender naiad Najas flexilis



Water stargrass Zosterella dubia



Waterweed Elodea nuttallii



Large leaf pondweed (Potamogeton amplifolius)



Large leaf pondweed - underwater (Potamogeton amplifolius)



Long-leaf Pondweed Potamogeton nodosus



Common elodea Elodea canadensis



Tape Grass Vallisneria americana

Copake Lake Aquatic Plants

Non-Native (invasive) Plants



Curly-leaf pondweed Potamageton crispus



Eurasian water milfoil Myriophyllum spicatum

Be on the lookout for these invasive plants!



Brittle Naiad Brittle waternymph najas minor

NYS Rules and Regulations for Non-Motorized Watercraft (Kayaks, Paddleboards, etc.)

ersonal Flotation Devices (PFDs) must be worn year-round by all children under 12 years of age on any boat less than 65 feet in length, unless within a fully enclosed cabin; by anyone engaging in towed activities, such as water-skiers or wake-boarders; and while on board a personal watercraft. Otherwise, a wearable life jacket must be available for every passenger on board every vessel, including non-motorized watercraft such as canoes and kayaks." New York State Boating Laws and Regulations, 2010, see www.nysparks.com/recreation/boating.

Along with rowboats, kayaks, canoes, and sailboats, paddle boards are considered boats and must have a U.S. Coast Guard approved, properly sized, serviceable, and readily accessible life jacket on board for each person, just like any other boat, mechanized or not. From May 2 through October 31 such persons are not required to wear a life jacket, though it is highly suggested (but they must have one on board and readily accessible).

From November I to May I, everyone on all pleasure vessels which include paddleboards, rowboats, kayaks, canoes, sailboats, and motorboats must be wearing a life jacket while underway, which means as long as the boat is not anchored

or tied to a dock. Drifting counts as underway.

Life jackets are the most important piece of equipment on a boat and can save your life; we recommend that they be worn at all times.

Thank you to Ro Woodard, Education Specialist, NYS Parks, Marine Service Bureau for helping to gather this information.

Education Committee





Sofia Powers

Sean Powers

PFD must be worn (depending on age) or carried on paddleboards
Photos by Jodi Disch





ARE YOU AWARE OF THE NEW NYS BOATING LAW AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020?

new boating law, known as Brianna's Law, went into effect on January I, 2020. By January I, 2025, the new law requires ALL operators of ALL power boats, including electric motors, to take an approved NYS boating safety course. A 5-year phase-in period applies to all operators of all motorized watercraft, including electric motors.

Under this new law, the phase-in period for all motor boat operators will be as follows:

- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.
- All motor boat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning on January 1, 2025.

Fines of between \$100 and \$250 will be imposed for failure to comply under the new law that took effect as of Jan. I, 2020. The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, which administers the law, estimates that there are nearly one million boaters who will have to take the boating safety course before the completion of the phasing in on Jan. I, 2025. Further information on this law and classes can be found on the following website: https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/education.aspx.

As a reminder, Personal Floatation Devices (PFD's) are required to be worn by, and securely fastened to, any youth under the age of 12 on boats 65 feet or less in length (NYS Nav. Law Section 40.1(d)). PFD's are also required on every pleasure vessel including canoes, kayaks, paddle boards, and rowboats operated upon the waters of NYS. You must have on board one U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable PFD for each person on the watercraft. In addition, vessels 16 feet and greater in length must also carry a type IV throwable PFD.

Additional information on the use of PFD's can be found at https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/boating/documents/PFDLawsofNewYork.pdf.

Maria Powers and Debra Ruggieri

Education Committee



Safety on Copake Lake takes each one of us.
Photo by Debra Ruggieri

2023 Annual July 4th Copake Lake Boat Parade

Mark your calendar for Copake Lake's annual July 4th (Tuesday) boat parade. The boat parade, led by Cort Wright and his crew, starts promptly at 1:00 p.m. from Southwest Colony docks traveling around the entire perimeter of Copake Lake! We are all looking forward to another great showing of America's spirit in 2023.

Come rain or come shine, your vessel can display one flag or multiple flags; you may have one person or many people on your vessel; you may dress in costumes or come as you are; and, you may cheer from your deck or your dock or simply along the shoreline. The July 4th boat parade is a tradition around Copake Lake that everyone enjoys! Don't miss out as our community celebrates America's 247th birthday.

Last year's trophy winning boat, with its theme "Pirates of Copake Lake," was captained by Tom Fay and crew. Their names are now engraved on the July 4th Boat Parade trophy. Tom and crew will be the judges for the 2023 boat parade! Be on the lookout for the 2023 Judges Station. Start planning your theme and decorations now for 2023. All watercraft are welcome!

Come celebrate July 4th as a lake community!

Steven Chickery

Event Coordinator

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	(local NY + MA)	July 6 th	
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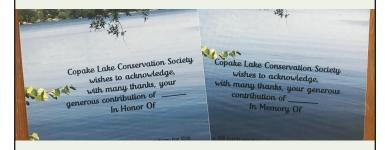
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We are thrilled to share with the community that our **2022 GivingTuesday** was another successful fundraising event. We raised over \$9,500 in donations and **memberships** during this event (exceeding our goal of \$7,500).

As you know, every penny raised supports Copake Lake conservation and lake safety efforts – so thank you, together we continue to preserve our beautiful lake.



Thanks to our business sponsors Copake Lake Realty Corp, Great **Dog Literary**, and **ProPrinters** we were able send our 2023 Copake Lake Calendar to everyone who donated \$50 or more as a thank you. Also, congratulations to all the winners of our photography contest, featured in this beautiful calendar!

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Copake Lake Sunset

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