

Lake Arrowhead Community Newsletter

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We're on the Web!

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Aug 28 - Blood Drive (4-8pm)
- ◆ Sept 2 - Labor Day, softball game and cookout
- ◆ Sept 6 - Annual Beach BBQ
- ◆ Oct 4 - Hub Lakes Dinner Dance

Board Update

The late spring and summer are fun and busy times at Lake Arrowhead. Since our last newsletter members and guests have enjoyed Memorial Day festivities; the annual Lobster Bash; the almost last day of school Tie Dye and Ice Cream party; July 4th festivities; the Butterfly Field campout; and sailing on Sunday afternoons.

Hub Lakes sports are in full swing with Lake Arrowhead participation in swimming, volleyball, track, bowling, ping pong, golf and horseshoes. Plan to attend the Hub Lakes Dinner Dance on Oct 4. The more, the merrier.

Thank you to all members who have already joined (102 and counting) and to the households who included an extra donation with their annual membership dues. If you haven't sent in your membership, please do so. **Every membership counts!**

Welcome new members: Pete & Joann Hunt, Hunt & Susan Jones, Fred & Janet Mapletoft, Vito & Denise Salvatore, and Kim Vogt. **Welcome back returning members:** Iola Hitt and David & Fran Wien. If you haven't met our new members, please take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome them to Lake Arrowhead.

The clubhouse is open many Saturdays if there is not a rental. Stop by the clubhouse for some cheer and camaraderie. A sign is typically posted Friday if the clubhouse will be open on Saturday. Volunteer bartenders are always welcome.

Don't forget to purchase Lake Arrowhead logo wear. The deadline has been extended until 7/28.

Recently...

Memorial Day

Memorial Day weekend traditionally kicks off the summer season. We have a community garage sale on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend, and a softball game and cookout on Memorial Day. The Garage sale is an annual event, so start collecting your garage sale items so you are ready next year. You may also want to consider donating a few items to the club for sale. Auxiliary proceeds are used for improving the clubhouse (last year we purchased new curtains), and for funding some events (such as tie-dye party and bi-annual Oktoberfest).

Thanks to Mary Ellen Stanton for organizing the garage sale, Beth

Stein for organizing the cookout and the William's for shopping for the cookout.

Lobster Bash

The 7th Annual Beach Bash aka Lobster Fest was held on Saturday June 14. Special thanks to Lyn and Pete Rand for once again organizing the Lobster Bash.

This year there were record breaking crowds of 180 adults and children dining on delicious crustaceans, boiled on the beach by head chef Pete Rand and guest chef Rich Kemner. 130 lobster dinners were served this year! Some folks opted for the grilled chicken, also grilled on the beach

Recreation - Still time to get involved with Hub Lakes this summer!

Bowling - Jerry Brown 586-4867

Men's Golf - PJ Webb 627-1908

Men's Horseshoes - Friday evenings- Pete Franchi 784-3726

Swim Team (joint PARTIE team) - come out and support the PARTIE swimmers at the Hub Lakes Championships at Indian Lake Aug 2nd and 3rd.

Table Tennis - Wednesday evenings - ages 14+ - Lynford Hackman 625-4093

Men's Volleyball- Tuesday & Thursday evenings - Scott Todd 627-8344

Women's Volleyball - Tuesday & Thursday evenings - Alex Todd 627-8344

Come out and join a team or just come and cheer on your neighbors!

Hub Lakes Track Meet

On June 21st, Lake Arrowhead had some families participate in the annual Track & Field Day event, a battle of the lakes. Some of the events included: the mile, sprints, softball throw, shot put, long jump, and more! With the best showing we have had in years, Lake Arrowhead's children placed fifth overall while the adults placed eighth. **Congratulations** to the amazing 2008 participants: **The Baumann Family, Paul Dean, Shorn Purnell, the Rand Family, the Scornavacca Family, Megan Stanton & Brianne Lacey**. Next year we hope to have everyone show up for this fun filled day. More participants equal more medals, fun, cheering and lake camaraderie!

Beach


The summer season is well under way. Please keep in mind that the beach belongs to us all. To keep it safe and enjoyable for everyone, please pick up sand toys, garbage and chairs when leaving for the day and remember to fill in holes. Also, the lifeguards are sometimes unable to replace the goose deterrent dog at the end of their shift because many people are still enjoying the beach when the guards leave for the day. It would benefit us all, if any lake member who leaves at the end of the day could replace the dog.

Lifeguards are on duty from 12 -5 each day. Steve from Sat -Tues: and Collin from Wed-Fri. Subs you may see this summer are Carlos and Cate. Please introduce yourself to the lifeguards and bring your beach tags.

Parents please remind your children that they need to be dry and sand free before going into the clubhouse (if they even need to go in the clubhouse).

Everyone, please remember that beach snacks are paid for on the honor system, snacks and drinks are \$0.50 each (Airheads are \$0.10 each).

Enjoy!!



PLEASE!!

Don't feed the geese!

Adopt a garden - help maintain the garden by the clubhouse. Contact Eileen to volunteer 973-627-8169.

Send in old photos - If you have any old photos of neighborhood houses, contact John Stanton (our unofficial Lake Historian)

Remove unused boats from the dock areas to improve access for cleanup and for others to put in a boat.

Pick up after your pets!

Membership

Thank you to David & Fran Wien (35 Laurelwood) for hosting a meeting at their home for the residents of Bay of Deep Waters. At this meeting, Dave Hobart, Lakes Chairperson, gave an overview of how we are currently treating this lake, and by now working together and supporting Club efforts, we hope to improve the quality of this lake and all our lakes.

Bob and Kathy Anderson have graciously offered to host a meeting at their home for the residents of Great Bay.

Our Membership is currently at 102. If you have not sent your Membership check in, please do.

EVERY MEMBERSHIP COUNTS!!



Kenmore HE2t 3.7 cu. ft. King Size Capacity Front Load Washer (White). Available due to house move in mid August. The washing machine is in excellent condition purchased from Sears on 7 November 2006 with a Master Protection Agreement which expires 11/9/09 (totally transferable). Call 201 213 2866.

Asking Price \$650.00



Thank you to all who contributed to the contents of this newsletter. If you have something you'd like included in the next newsletter (Sept/Oct edition) please email rehana.flessner@verizon.net by mid September.

Rentals

Book early for your fall events such as birthdays and anniversaries. The Clubhouse is available for rentals to all Lake Arrowhead members. You may even sponsor an outside rental.

Contact Mark Stein to schedule a rental. Check www.lakearrowheadclub.com for current rental rates. Note the Beach, Lakes and Butterfly Field are not included in the rental.

Blood Drive - Aug 28

Save the date and save a live: plan to give blood on Thursday, August 28 between 4 - 8 pm.

Invite a friend, bring your neighbors. More information will be coming closer to the date and you will be able to schedule your donation time. This year our give away is a t-shirt.



July 28 - Logo Sale Deadline
(get your orders in to Robin Bachman)

Aug 28 - Blood Drive (4-8pm at the clubhouse)

Sept 1 - Labor Day Festivities
(help needed - contact Robin Bachman)

Sept 6 - Annual Beach BBQ

Oct 4 - HUB Lakes Dinner/Dance

Healthy Lakes - How Can You Help?

At essentially the half way point in the season, the lakes seem to be in moderately good condition. The blue dye in Lake Arrowhead has been renewed, and should last until September. As you may recall, this serves to lessen the amount of light available to algae, so it will not be able to grow as quickly.

So far this year, more than \$6000 has been spent on lake treatments, and we anticipate spending at least another \$4500 for the rest of the year. And we still have not done all that we should do for these lakes, because of lack of funds. A review of the LAC budget will show that nearly 70% of it goes directly (lakes treatments and care) or indirectly (primarily taxes and insurance) to the care of the lakes. The other 30% goes to the beach, utilities & facilities upkeep, hub lakes sports and membership. Our lakes are a benefit of living in this neighborhood and add tremendously to the value of our homes. Everyone should be contributing to their care, and the best and easiest way to do that is to become an LAC member. Please speak with your non-member neighbors about joining, and helping to care for our lakes.

The lakes have had a few not-unexpected outbreaks of algae. Since we are at the very beginning of the long process of trying to restore the lakes' ecosystems (which will take years), we should expect some algae blooms at the start of the process, and even some in later years, no matter what we do. We have applied algaecide several times to Great Bay and to Bay of Deep Waters, but so far, not to Lake Arrowhead - thanks to the blue dye!

PLEASE DON'T FEED THE WATERFOWL that sometimes are in the lake. Not only is it illegal - see Denville ordinance 3-12.24 and Mountain Lakes ordinance 239-3 on each town's website - and it carries substantial penalties, but is bad for the waterfowl, dangerous to you and your guests, and disastrous to the lakes!! It trains the birds to rely on the feeding, which is a change in their diet, causes overfeeding and overpopulation. If they are regularly fed, they will then become aggressive to people to protect their food supply - you could be liable for injury to other people because "your" geese attacked and injured someone. And, finally, their excrement adds a *tremendous* amount of nutrients to the lakes, which will feed major algae blooms. In addition, waterfowl serve as a vector to the shistosomes that cause swimmer's itch!

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE AQUATIC PLANTS FROM THE LAKES. Water lilies, arrowhead, spatterdock and other plants use the nutrients in the water as well, and if they use the nutrients, the algae can't. So the more water lilies, etc. the less algae. Now if those plants are interfering with use of your dock, it's OK to remove some of them to re-establish convenient use - but please remove as few as you can.

If you are doing any major renovation work on your lakeside house or back yard, **PLEASE USE A SILT FENCE OR HAY BALES TO PREVENT SOIL WASHOUT INTO THE LAKE.** This will prevent the addition of unnecessary soil and nutrients to the lakes. If you are planting a buffer zone, please disturb the soil as little as possible and use the root systems of the existing plants to hold the soil in place when planting new plants. Please do not clear cut the yard first and then plant. You lose topsoil and nutrients that your new plants could use, and wash them into the lakes. Remember, you cannot use any fertilizer AT ALL within 10 feet of any water body. And you must use phosphate free fertilizer elsewhere on your yard. Of course, it would be best NOT to use fertilizer at all!

The Lakes Committee is moving ahead with plans to build a rain garden on the stream next to Ironwood Trail that runs from the storm drain on Route 46 to Great Bay. A rain garden there will filter and remove the nutrients that are washed into our lakes from the roads whenever it rains. We will be looking for volunteers to help with the excavations and plantings in the not too distant future. Additional rain gardens will also be planned for other storm drains.

Our meetings are the second Wednesday of every month at 8 pm in the LAC clubhouse and are open to all. If you want to help, voice your concerns or just listen in, please stop by. In nice weather, we may meet on the deck. Come on down!!!

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by chefs Reh, Penkrat, Thomas among others.

The music was once again provided by Party Busters, who got the crowd rocking and led activities for the kids as the thunder started and the grownups were eating. Mother Nature was on our side and held off on the rain until the last lobster came out of the pot. A good time was had by all.

Lyn and Pete Rand would like to extend their thanks to the tent crew of Baresh, Hunt, Reh, Dean, Seijas, Flessner and Williams. However without the continued generosity of the Williams family for allowing us to use the tent each year, we would not be able to hide from the sun or the rain! Thanks to everyone who volunteered to bake potatoes (Atkinson, Baumann, Flessner, Franchi, Johnson, Bernadette & Penkrat). Thanks to our salad heads the dynamic duo of Brandy Johnson and Carol Thomas. Also special thanks to our clean up crew: Bill & Karen Condon, Anne Seijas and Rehana Flessner along with Barb Kane and Omar Rivera for helping with clean up and set up.

Mark your calendars for next year, this event is always held the second Saturday of June.

Tie Dye/Ice Cream

On June 19th (almost the last day of school), we had the annual Tie Dye and Ice Cream party. Over 60 items were tie-dyed. Special thanks to Brandy Johnson and Rehana Flessner for leading the event, Karen Scornavacca for helping set up and purchase ice cream and Kristen Dean for helping the children make their tie dyes. Many kids wore their tie dye to the Hub Lakes Track & Field event which helped foster team spirit.

July 4th

It was a quiet 4th of July in Lake Arrowhead due to the fact that many of our residents were on vacation, but that didn't stop the fun from continuing! We started the day with our traditional softball game followed by a patriotic bike parade around the neighborhood. A special thanks to those of you that camped out waiting for us to go by and cheer the crew on! After that we had beach games, complete with a

floating bulls eye target and sponge tag. Next was the pot luck dinner where about 15 families or so were in attendance. Lots of delectable treats were enjoyed by all! A huge thank you: to Mary Ellen Stanton for helping with the shopping and during the pot luck, to Shannon Penkrat for helping set up the pot luck and to Shannon & Vlad Penkrat, Mike Baresh and Mark & Beth Stein for clean up. Much, much appreciated!! And thanks to Elizabeth Baresh for organizing the event.

Butterfly Field Campout

The Butterfly Field Campout was a fantastic night under the stars! 24 adults and 29 kids gathered to roast marshmallows, eat s'mores, play games, tell stories, sleep in tents and munch on breakfast in the morning. We had perfect weather for the campout and a great time was had by all who attended.

Several years have passed since the last campout. Thanks for Hope Ritchie for reviving the long awaited Butterfly Field campout.

Logo Sale Deadline Extended



For the first time in several years, the LAC Auxiliary is selling clothing and accessories with the Lake Arrowhead logo. You can select from sport shirts, T-shirts, sweatshirts, golf towels, hats and other items. We were very pleased to find a reasonable vendor and we are actually able to offer these items at lower prices than in 2002!! **Don't miss out** - get your orders into Robin Bachman by July 28th.

Think ahead - logo wear would make a great holiday gift!



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