



SILVER LAKE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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The committee is excited to roll out the first Quarterly newsletter for residents of Silver Lake.

ANNUAL MEETING

June 26th the board members and the residents of Silver Lake met to vote on new incoming Officers and Board members and discuss questions/issues from residents that they would like addressed in the coming year. This year's turnout for the meeting was one of the largest in years.

These are your officers for the Silver Lake Association:

Terry Threlfall, President
Jim Brown, Vice President

Juliette Paquin, Treasurer
Sabina Foote, Secretary

Directors for the Silver Lake Association are:

Pauline Tessier (Chairperson)
Mark Evans
Karen Griffin

Bill Naughton
Dawn Marie Godin
Paul O'Connell

At that meeting, a very hot issue surrounding Milfoil weeds. For the new residents on the lake, Milfoil weeds can spread rapidly forming mats of vegetation on the lake. It can interfere with recreational activities such as swimming, boating, and fishing as well. Our board member Mark is actively seeking help from UNH student volunteers to map our Milfoil infestation.

Resignation of the President of Silver Lake Association, Terry Threlfall

We were notified on August 13th that Terry would be resigning as president, effective immediately. He has a very demanding workload with more to come and with the best interest of the Association he felt he needed to step down. The Association has taken on multiple activities this year to help permanently resolve the

constant fluctuations of water levels that have plagued the lake for decades. He felt he could not maintain the same level of involvement with the Association needed at this time.

We would like to thank Terry for all his hard work over the 3 plus years. During his time as President, he was able to help change the direction of milfoil efforts by eliminating our dependence on volunteer picking by obtaining grants from the state and the towns of Belmont and Tilton. He also assisted in initiating the fund-raising efforts with our SLA Gear Store which has been a huge success.

We are sorry to see Terry step down as President but truly understand that his commitment must be to his family and work first.

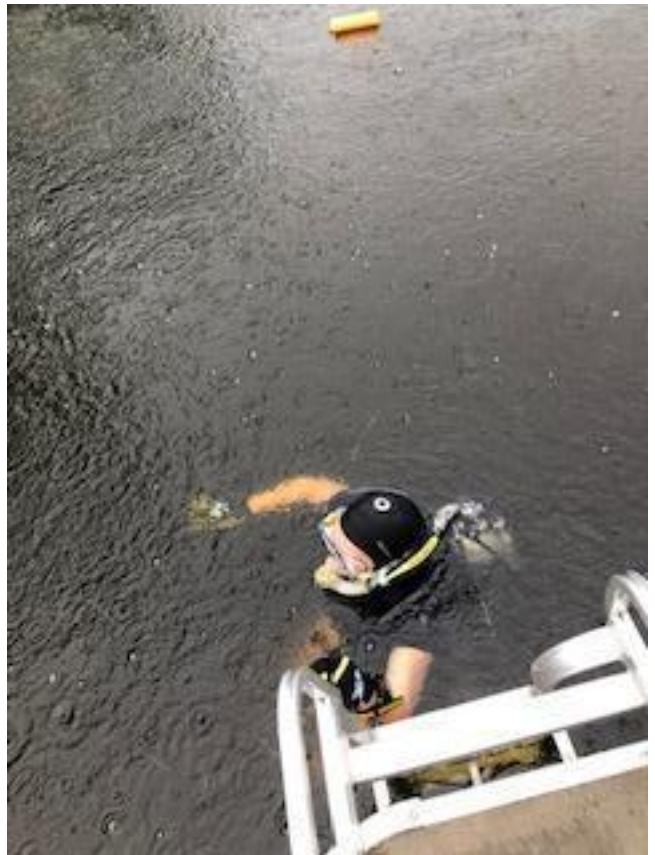
Thank you, Terry, for all you have done for the Association and our lake. Per the by-laws, upon Terry's resignation, our Vice President, Jim Brown becomes President for the remainder of Terry's term. We all offer Jim our support and wish him the best.



Milfoil Mitigation 2021/2022

The Silver Lake Association will be applying for State Funding in which these funds if granted can help mitigate the Milfoil weeds. The application process provides the state to conduct mapping of the lake. The mapping of the lake was completed on August 10th. It is good to also hear that Winnisquam is having great efforts in leading the effort on Milfoil removal which indicates that our lake should be in good shape. Aqualogic will be on the lake to pick milfoil and curly leaf pondweed the end of August.

There has been a concerted effort from our board member Dawn Marie to fight the Milfoil problem. She has worked with the University of New Hampshire and 2021 AmeriCorps Participants to use Silver Lake as their training site to become “Weed Control Diver” certified. The 12 AmeriCorps students harvested a total of 32 gallons in June of 2021. In July students (5 participants from 3 different lakes) took 12.5 gallons of milfoil from our lake on a VERY rainy Sunday. There are currently two more groups scheduled in August. Both their productivity and any additional harvesting will be reported to the board. The photos below represent the harvesting efforts in July.



35th Annual Silver Lake 4th of July Boat Parade



On July 4 even with the weather, residents of Silver Lake did participate in the boat parade. Residents dressed up their boats in costume. There was such a great turnout. If anyone is new to Silver Lake, there is an annual contest on July 4th in which boat owners dress up their boat in a theme. This year's First place winner was Juliette Paquin (also an officer/board member) Her boat was dressed up as a popcorn boat, second place was the Rutkowski's Fruit Cup boat, and third place was the McPhillip's Bubble Bath Boat. We would like to thank David and Tom Foote for all years they organized and led our 4th of July Boat Parade.



SLA Gear Store

For those who are interested in purchasing items which are tee shirts, sweatshirts and other items that have Silver Lake Logo on them. The store will be open again this fall. The SLA gear would make great Christmas gifts. This has been a great fundraiser for the Association. We raised a little over \$900.00 for our summer sale. Watch for announcements for our fall sale.

1st Annual Silver Lake Association of Belmont/Tilton Neighborhood Block Celebration

There will be a get together hosted by Jim Brown for Labor Day (an open house theme) for those who want to see your neighbors, meet new people on the lake and make new friends. Saturday September 4, 2021, with a rain date of Sunday, September 5, 2021.



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We look forward to sharing news, if you have any information that you would like to put into the newsletter (please email: karengriffin67@gmail.com.)

Enjoy the Lake and have fun.