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Fallsburg Fishing & Boating Club

December 2020 Newsletter Edition



HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

COVID-19 Message: The Board of Directors wants to thank everyone for their patience during the long Covid emergency. It continues to be a difficult and sad time for many of our members and their families. We would like to send a message of peace and hope during these very trying times and throughout this holiday season. Until we can meet again in times that will be more safe than they are now, we are still committed to all groups gathering responsibly.

There is one Wintertime Weekend Lake event listed below

Please note that all event details are subject to change and that we will continue to practice protective measures necessary in order to remain safe and responsible (with masks, social distancing & other safety measures). *Most events are listed on FF&BC website, and, for a more timely status, updated on the Pleasure Lake facebook page.

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PRESIDENT'S UPDATE:

Dear Pleasure Lake Members,

We hope this message finds you and your family well and staying safe during these difficult and uncertain times.

Several months ago, the FF&BC Board of Directors had begun to negotiate a land purchase of property along the west shore on the southern end behind the dam running along the road to the large hill (known as "the Elliott purchase").

We were so proud of our members who once again stepped up immediately to contribute funds through an assessment to make the purchase possible and reduce the amount the Club might need to borrow to conclude the transaction. At that time, a \$4,000 total assessment was requested (\$1,000 previously approved by the membership to continue our payments to replenish amounts utilized for last year's Genna Trust purchase along with \$3,000 toward this new Elliott purchase). Several options were offered to our members to pay this assessment, but many members paid the full \$4,000 while others sent various installments toward that amount. These efforts were nothing short of incredible and we thank you all!

Unfortunately, we were disappointed to learn several weeks ago that the owner decided to sell the property to another entity. While we did not have any knowledge of that new buyer nor did the seller notify us or our attorney of that new buyer while we were negotiating a contract, we have researched the new buyer and have

attempted to contact them through their attorney in an effort to purchase a buffer along our property lines. To date, we have not had any response.

Accordingly, the Board of Directors has discussed our options and have decided to return all assessment contribution funds that were paid in excess of the \$1,000 assessment previously approved by the membership in September 2019 to continue paying down the Genna Trust purchase.

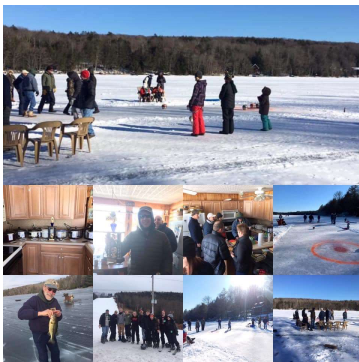
While the Board recognizes the possibility that a new purchase opportunity could arise in the near or distant future, we feel it is best to return the excess funds now at this difficult time for your discretionary use rather than hold it and await a new purchase opportunity. It is very possible that we will need to ask for land purchase funds again (particularly if a beneficial sale can be negotiated to protect critical areas around Pleasure Lake), but the Board wants to honor your good faith and trust in the Board; we know that our membership will be there and will step up again if needed to continue protecting the interests of the lake membership.

Again, we thank you for your trust and understanding, and wish you and your families a very happy, safe and relaxing holiday season.

We look forward to seeing everyone in 2021,

Jim

James Creighton, FF&BC President



Upcoming events

Saturday, February 13th

OFF SEASON ICE PARTY - Join us for the winter season's Pleasure Lake gathering.

Ice skating, ice fishing, and other hijinx on the lake, with a chili cook-off at Camp 19.

Cornbread, bowls, and beer provided. Trophy for best chili. Bring your crockpot!

Sunday, February 14th

The next day on Sunday, Feb. 14th, our Club will be skiing at Holiday Mountain together! ... Who's in?

More event details will be posted on our website www.pleasurelake.org and our Facebook Group Page as the dates approach.

Pleasure Lake Facebook Group



Important Member Reminders

Lake rules and courtesies are in place so that each of us can enjoy our time here. Taking care of our beautiful lake and being mindful of our neighbors while enjoying our time here at Pleasure Lake are always the goal (and please remind family and all guests as well). Thank you!

- **All GATES should be closed at all times (even when you feel like you are just leaving for a quick errand). Please mention this to all guests and contractors that you may have assisting you at your cabin throughout the Winter and Springtime (and any time!) Keeping others from trespassing on our property is all of our responsibility.**
- **ROADS at times are plowed throughout the Winter when a few inches of snow accumulates on our Lake roads. Often it takes a few days before the roads are plowed after a snow, and we do not budget for unlimited snowplowing. Remember that we are a “seasonal” community, and that safety is our main concern if members choose to venture on these roads to spend the day at their cabin during Winter months.**

Parking is always available at the Clubhouse and the Yellow Gate parking area for those who prefer to park and walk in to the lake. Please stay safe!

- **Speed limits around the lake cannot be stressed enough. The road maximum around most of the perimeter is 10 mph, but there are a few spots, especially on the West shore, where the maximum speed is only 5 mph! Please remember to slow down, and always remind all guests that they must not speed. Safety is our number one concern!**
- **Kindly note that trespassers have been seen with a bit more frequency of late, and in several new areas this season. It is perfectly fine to address and ask all unfamiliar faces if they are guests here. But, it is also fine, and encouraged, to firmly remind trespassers that this is private property and they cannot access our roads or lake if they are not members! Keeping others from trespassing on our property is all of our responsibility.**

*****Please make sure that your EMAILS and phone numbers are current and up-to-date with the Board's records. This is very important if we have to notify you or the general membership quickly about any matter. We can also easily share our newsletters, meeting agendas, notices and documents with you. If you have any changes, give a Board member your new info promptly. Thank you!**

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Don't forget to share your Member information



with us - it only takes a few minutes!

It really is so nice to hear from our members about their history and connections to the Lake. Don't forget to fill out the brief survey so that we can continue to get to know and share a bit more about ourselves. Here is the google link to complete your survey:

Pleasure Lake Member Survey Form

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If there are items you would like us to highlight and share in our newsletter, please let us know.

Questions? Contact us today - Reply here or email President Jim Creighton at jc@pleasurelake.org

**or contact our caretaker Jim Reynolds via email at caretaker@pleasurelake.org or by telephone at (845) 434-5782 [home], (914) 799-1416 [cell].
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