

FF&BC Newsletter - January 2020 Brief Edition



Fallsburg Fishing & Boating Club

Happy New Year!



Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 15th is the Pleasure Lake Off-Season Ice Party! Join us all for ice skating, ice fishing and other high jinx on the lake. A Chili Cook Off Competition will be held at Ken's Cabin (Lot 19) ... cornbread, bowls, and beers provided ... just bring your chili-filled crockpot to enter. A trophy will be awarded for the best chili!

The fun continues on Sunday, February 16th with skiing at Holiday Mountain.



Boating Safety News

- New York now has a mandatory education law for all boaters which will require every boater in the state to have a boating license by the year 2025. As of January 1st, under the new law known as Brianna's Law, all motor boat operators born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will now need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020. Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022. Those born on or after Jan. 1,

Who's in?



Pleasure Lake Land Preservation Update

- The FF&BC has purchased an important 'buffer' piece of land along the west shore which will add additional protection to our precious lake environment. The property is adjacent to the Sackman property along Heiden Road and runs behind the West shore cabins from Lot 33 below the hill to around Lot 18; the Sackman property ran from Lot 18 to Lot 1. Thank you to the membership for your efforts to keep our lake protected!

1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023. Those born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024, and ALL motor boat operators (regardless of age) will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2025 to be in compliance with NYS law. Under the law, children under 10 may not operate a motor boat. Anyone who is interested in complying with the law need to successfully complete an approved boating safety course (offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Power Squadrons and other educators, or through BoatUS Foundation's Free Online Boating Safety Course.

- In addition, New York State law requires children in boats to wear life vests, and from Nov. 1 to May 1, all people in a boat (regardless of age) must wear a personal flotation device (PFD). "This includes canoes, kayaks, rowboats & motorboats" NYS Nav. Law Section 40.1(e).

Highlighted This Month



The FF&BC Board of Directors would like to start highlighting our members, especially since we have had many new members join the Club in the past few years. In each newsletter, we will highlight a few of our members -- long-time and new members alike -- so that we can get to know each other a bit better.

Please click on the link below and briefly tell us a bit about yourself and your family. Eventually we hope to be able to introduce everyone to each other through this email newsletter. Click on the following link to take our brief Member Survey. Thank you!

[Click here for Member Survey](#)

Winter Reminders

Please remember that road conditions are difficult in the off-season and members should consider parking at the Clubhouse or at the Yellow gate parking areas and walk in to the lake and cabins. All members are reminded that winter weather conditions make staying at cabins overnight difficult, and members should not remain at the lake cabins during winter storm events. Road closures are particularly likely at those times, and members who remain at a cabin through a storm event should not expect roads to be plowed for a period of up to three days (& perhaps longer depending upon the conditions). Members should not assume that roads will be cleared enough to drive to every cabin, and roads may be icy even if they were previously plowed. Please use caution & discretion.

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