



Friends of Lake Glenville

Summer Newsletter

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4th Annual Sundowner huge success.....

July 5,2000-The Landings at Trillium Over 150 Friends of Lake Glenville members and guests gathered for the annual lake social event which was chaired by Joy Hooper; and catered by Trillium's Chef Long .Pictured are Bill and Sue Cassidy helping another member select FLG clothing from our exclusive line. Over \$800. of clothing was sold at this year's event. Clothing sales help fund many of FLG's worthwhile projects.(More on Page 3)



FLG conducts Water Safety courses for young and old.....



This spring Friends of Lake Glenville sponsored two water education classes for all ages to review the new North Carolina state boating laws.

May 13th, Dan Kelly of the U.S. Power Squadron conducted a three hour session and on June 26th, Brent Hyatt, local North Carolina Wildlife Officer, conducted an all-day class with a certification test for those 12 to 16 years of age.

Friends of Lake Glenville is pleased with the safety course response and is fortunate to have Officer Hyatt working to provide a safe boating environment on Lake Glenville. Officer Hyatt is currently patrolling Lake Glenville to assure boating safety, and to make certain that the personal watercraft law and all boat requirements are in compliance

with the operation of craft on the lake. He is our representative for safely operating boats on our lake, so if you have any questions, fell free to call him at 293 3417, or stop him if you see him on the lake.

The primary problems Officer Hyatt is currently trying to enforce are: lack of proper number of life jackets; proper night lights, and operation of personal watercraft within 100 feet of fishing boats, docks, swimmers, and other boats' wakes.

Friends of Lake Glenville look forward to sponsoring more safety and certification classes in the future. To volunteer to help with future classes, contact Jim Anderson, 743- 9476, or zoom. bloom@worldnet.att.net/

**Next Water Safety Certification Class
August 1, 2000
Cullowhee Fire Station
Call 293-3417**

Annual Meeting Notice...August 5,2000...9:30 AM...Glenville Community Center

Member Breakfasts..come meet your neighbors!!



We have reconfirmed reservations at Happ’s restaurant for a series of Saturday “dutch treat” breakfast socials and meetings designed to informally discuss issues about the lake as they develop through the year. Anyone is welcome! Put these dates on your millennium calendar now!
 July 22, August 19, and Sept 16.

Water Quality

Our Water Quality Program has been expanded to include professional laboratory testing of water samples. A supporting grant was signed with the UNC-Ashville Water Quality Institute. Seven locations will be sampled each month for a year.

FLG volunteers will collect the samples and transport them to UNC-A. Laboratory measurements will include eleven parameters encompassing nutrients phosphorous and nitrogen, heavy metals, sediment, and content indicators. The labor portion of the lab costs are matched 55% by UNC-A, or approximately \$1000. The first samples were collected and delivered in late June. Test results have not been received in time for this newsletter, but will be published at a later date. Volunteers will be trained for collecting samples. This laboratory testing will be done in addition to our macro invertebrate sampling.
TO VOLUNTEER CONTACT
DOUG ODELL- 743 5079.

2000 Sponsors– These members contributed \$100 or more to The Friends of Lake Glenville-Thank You for Support!!

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Sundowner 2000!!!.....Fun with neighbors!!!



Continued from page one: This year members may choose from golf shirts, caps, sweatshirts, denim shirts and great looking forest green wind shirts, all sporting the FLG logo. In the photo above left Skip Cochrane is pictured in a FLG golf shirt. For info on the complete inventory or to place orders contact Bill or Sue Cassidy, 743-9952; or email at Bcassi@aol.com

Lake Level Chart

the NEW LAW

The NC General Assembly enacted a new personal watercraft law that took effect Dec. 1, 1999. Below are the major provisions of the new law.

Who can operate a PWC?

No one under 12 years old can operate a PWC in North Carolina waters.

A person between 12 and 16 years old can operate a PWC if: they are riding with a person who is at least 18; or the youth has first successfully completed an approved boating safety education course (proof of age and safety course completion must be carried by the youth during operation of the PWC).

PWC Operation

PWCs must be operated at all times in a reasonable and prudent manner. Maneuvers that endanger people or property constitute reckless operation including:

Unreasonable or unnecessary weaving through congested boat traffic.

Jumping the wake of a vessel within 100 ft. of the vessel or when visibility is obstructed.

Intentionally approaching a vessel in order to swerve at the last moment.

Operating at faster than no-wake speed within 100 ft. of an anchored or moored vessel, the shoreline, a dock, pier, swim float, swimming area, swimmers, surfers, anglers or manually propelled boat.

Following a vessel, including another PWC, too closely.

No one can operate a PWC on state waters between sunset and sunrise.

Safety Courses

For information on approved boating safety courses contact:

N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, 919 733 7192 U. S. Coast Guard, 800 336 2628, www.uscgaux.org

U. S. Power Squadron, 888 367 8777, www.usps.org Boat/U.S. free online course, www.boatus.com

Local Area-Cullowhee Fire Station-August 1, 2000-call 293-3417

FLG representatives Keith Dixon, Roy Morris, and Doug Odell met with Sheriff James Cruzan, Captain Gallardo and Chief Deputy Ash on June 26. The purpose of the meeting was to clarify the Sheriff Department's plans for patrolling Lake Glenville and other lakes in Jackson County.

The proposed program and tentative schedule to place Department paid Deputies on the lakes will be a large step forward in improving water safety for boaters, swim

mers, and skiers, and all users of our county's lakes.

Lake Glenville is by far the busiest of the lakes and is in great need of the Department's trained patrol.

A list of tentative patrol dates which are subject to change due to weather or other immediate priority issues will soon be available.

In the mean time, we congratulate Sheriff Cruzan on his forward thinking and offer any assistance possible to the department.



Bulletin!!!!
Sheriff Dept. boat blows engine on initial patrol. FLG to try and help!!



Member Classified Ads

Free classifieds for non commercial members added in this spring issue!! Submit any classified you wish for the Fall issue. Send to FLG by September 15,2000 . Limit 40 words....include phone number.....Subject to FLG editing. FLG Board of Directors have the right to review and edit all entries.

For Sale –Antique Fir Lumber from Pa. Silo. 2” x 6” T&G Approx. 900 linear feet at \$1.00 per lf. Lengths vary from 8’-20’. Can deliver locally. 743-4123

For Sale-Poulan Chain Saw with two extra chains. 2 years old. \$50.00 743-5084

For Sale– Water Skis. 2 reg. And 1 slalom. \$50.00 . 743-5084

For Sale– 20’ Harris Pontoon Boat – 1974 with 40 HP Evinrude, Depth Finder, Seat Covers, Runs good. \$ 4200-743-5079

For Sale– 6,500 acres located in Pololey Mts. All wooded. \$209.98 per acre. Call Ray Jay at 984-923-2399

Wanted– Volunteers to work on FLG committees...no pay....but fun working with neighbors with common cause.

Wanted– Historian to maintain Friends of Lake Glenville scrapbook. Little time and effort 743-5079

For sale-1993 Dodge caravan LE, 6cyl. AT, AC, Power Seat..Good tires...87K miles...good condition\$ 5200 743-5084

For Sale-Wood Stove-”Glassview” Firebrick lined-Has fan forced air circulation with front glass to see fire. \$300-743-5084

For Sale: Stratos Boat and Trailer. 1990; 15.5 ft.,Separate oil/gas reservoirs.Rated for 75 hp engine; Good Condition. Boat cover.ABOS Blue Book \$2157 to \$3303. Will sell for \$ 1800. 743-3728

We’ve finally talked Bobby Knight into retiring! FLG needs a newsletter editor. A little time, PC experience, and a taste of desktop publishing skill is all you need. You correlate, and design the letter. Others mail, sell advertising and provide content. If you need a brush up in desktop publishing, we can help here too! 743-5084

Presidents Letter.....Doug Odell



We are into the summer season and some of our activities: lake clean-up, the first Happ’s breakfast, the first owner association meeting, and two Water Safety Courses (see article) are already history. The trash from the lake clean-up was much less than last year. A large amount was picked up from around the park area. Thanks to all that participated. The clean-up has helped to keep the lake beautiful.

Members turned out for the Happ’s Breakfast meetings. The dates, time and place has been reconfirmed for July, August, and September. Check dates on the back page and mark your calendars. It’s a time for getting to meet others from around the Lake and to hear the latest news. No reservations are necessary and we’ll look forward to meeting you there.

We are still identifying representatives of additional Owner Associations from around the lake will be meeting to discuss mutual problems and concerns. Some great contacts have been made and better

communications established. Association officers should check the meeting dates on the back page. Those with questions should contact Doug Odell.

It has been almost a year since your Board of Directors set our program direction: membership-communication-program expansion. Our membership mailings have been successful. Thanks to our many sponsors we have funds for program expansion. Newsletters, email lists, breakfast meetings, and Owner Association meetings have enhanced our communications. Our Water Safety, Water Quality, and Law Enforcement programs have been expanded. Come to the Annual Meeting for details. In addition, the Logo and Clothing as well as the advertising program, created by Roy Morris, are well established. Bill and Sue Cassidy have volunteered to spearhead the clothing program, while Russ “Skip” Cochrane will take on the advertising sales. He needs additional volunteers to make advertising contacts. The advertising program is financially important for expansion of all our programs. Please be sure to tell our advertisers thank you, and that you have seen their ads.

Recently I was invited to speak at a Cashiers Rotary Breakfast. It was a great opportunity to tell the community about our history, purpose, organization, and programs. I believe the information was well received

NP&L held the first Public Comment meeting which formally started the re-licensing process. Comments stating our position were made at the meeting and then followed by a letter. These issues are of prime importance to us as the final results will be in place for the next 50 years.

These issues will probably consume most of our time and efforts for the next few years with attendance at many meetings, contacting county, state, and federal agencies, and elected representatives, extracting facts and figures, and writing letters. If you have had experience dealing with these types of procedures, we can use your help. The primary issue will be “By-Pass Water Releases” which is the release of lake water for uses other than power generation.

For those of you who attended the Sundowner, it was great to see you and we hope you enjoyed the evening.

Here's the FERC story.....this is a very critical issue

It is imperative that owners on and around Lake Glenville stay aware of the Re-licensing activity of Nantahala Power and Light by the Federal Energy Commission (FERC). This re-licensing is for the next 50 year period. The future management of Lake Glenville depends on the comments, requested studies, and requested actions placed on NP&L and approved by FERC. In the current relicensing process, these requests may be placed by any person or organization.

The re-licensing activity will provide several Public Comment Periods to be held over the next several years. This will be a "long haul" project.

The first such meeting was held May 22, and the comment period ended June 25. FLG representatives attended this first meeting. Through a mass email, breakfast meeting, and Owners' Assoc. meeting we asked members to send letters to FERC. A number of members

responded and we thank you. Your letters have already made a difference.

An initial check on the number and general content of the public comments received by NP&L from this first Public Comment Period was eye opening! There are a dozen requests for Lake Glenville "BY-PASS" WATER from government agencies and national recreation associations. These requests are for major volumes of water. We have our work cut out for us to attempt to counter all of these requests and to prevent "By-Pass" from being approved and seriously impacting Lake Glenville.

Your Board of Directors is already addressing this crisis. But your ideas, support, and action is necessary. Contact any of the Board of Directors on this issue. Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting to hear the program to be presented

by NP&L outlining the re-licensing process, the first public comments, and their plan to address these comments. Should "By-Pass" water become a reality lower lake levels will severely restrict recreational activity on our lake not only for property owners, but for public use as well. Currently Jackson County has over 150 miles of state managed Trout streams; it is difficult to justify the need for a few more miles remote access trout streams.

To enhance rafting, kayaking, and canoeing below the dam would take a tremendous amount of "By-Pass" water.

FLG members should be aware that lower lake levels will directly and negatively effect property values both to shore owners, and nearby property owners.

Please see the information below in order to assist you in writing your letter. We encourage all members to send A letter to FERC covering these points and/or others.

FERC

Attn: Secretary CC: Mr. John Wishon
888 First Street NE 301 NP&L Loop
Washington, DC 20426 Franklin, NC 27734

Subject: Nantahala Power and Light
West Fork Hydroelectric Project
FERC Project No. 2686-NC

General notes to help you understand the issue:

Currently all water released is being used for power generation. The Use of water for purposes other than power generation is referred to as "minimum by-pass flow".

FLG sides with NP&L in requesting that things be left as they are on this issue. Item # 6 covers this issue and is of critical importance to us.

We must address the impact of releasing water for other uses other than generating power, such as improving fishing between the dam and powerhouse and other possible uses such as rafting and kayaking. In your correspondence to FERC the following topics are pertinent. There is no excess water for "minimum by-pass" uses; all of the water is currently used for power generation; the current amount and growth of recreational use and impact of having less water; the existing and growing high priced residential properties that will be impacted by low lake water; the potential economic and growth impact to the area with low lake water; and the forced increase in power rates.

Jackson County already has 150 miles of trout waters. Plus many additional miles in Swain and Macon counties. Access to the by pass channel is difficult. Part of the channel is very difficult and even dangerous to traverse.

Your letter should contain at least these six comments that we have submitted.

1. Requested a stronger statement in the documentation of the lake name from Thorpe Res. To Lake Glenville, change to show on all maps.

2. Timed water releases for better use of the water by the downstream users; Kayak, rafting and canoeing does not impact the lake users as long as the water is first used for power generation.

3. Requested that info be provided in a timely manner so that lake users can better manage their boats and docks.

4. Requested that a stronger program of water quality testing of water coming into the lake be implemented and a stronger position be taken relative to siltation of water coming into the lake.

5. Requested that a study of the shoreline erosion be made; and that a plan to stop the erosion on to private property be established.

6. Requested that all water released from the lake go through the generators before being used for other purposes. (The same process as the current operation.) And that no "minimum water by-pass" requests be implemented.

FLG Board of Directors Meetings

July 31
Aug 12
Sept 9



9:30 AM Doug Odell's home.

Bridge Re -construction

Bridge rebuilding construction over the dam has been delayed until at least Fall 2001

Lake Level Chart

For your convenience, you will find a chart on page 4 to help you plan dock adjustments and beach refurbishment.

Owner Association Committee Dates

July 22
Aug 24

Doug Odell's home at 10AM

Lake Clean-up completed week of June 10th. Thanks!!

**Newsletter Editor Needed !!
See classifieds for detail.**

Important Web Sites

Nantahala Power- www.nantahalapower.com

NC Wildlife- www.state.nc.us/Wildlife/

Boat US Foundation- www.boatus.com/foundation

PWC Law-www.wildlife.state.nc.us/Boating/law/

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“Boat Friendly”



- ♥ *Be aware of, and obey, the North Carolina laws of boating.*
- ♥ *Personal watercraft (jet skis) should observe the rules like any other watercraft.*
- ♥ *Slow to 5 mph if within 200ft. of boats, swimmers, fisherman, or docks. When “in doubt”, slow down!*
- ♥ *YOU are responsible for the wake that your boat is throwing and should consider the consequences to others.(i.e. dock damage, capsizing small craft, and bank soil erosion)*
- ♥ *Always “give way” to (pass behind) non-powered boats such as sailboats, kayaks, canoes, and rowing craft. (200 ft. a good gesture).*
- ♥ *Ski and raft towing boats should never go beyond 100ft. of their disabled skiers and have an observer aboard as well as a driver.*
- ♥ *Keep noise within its proper perspective. Sound carries a long distance on water. Keep radios and recorders at a low volume.*
- ♥ *Pick up any “man-made” trash or litter you see floating in the water.*
- ♥ *Always stop and offer assistance to stranded boaters.*



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Additional Important Contacts

County Sheriff-Cashiers 743-3333-Sylva 586-4355
 Rescue Squad-743-3655
 Corp of Engineers-271-4856
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 NC Wildlife-Brent Hyatt-293-3417
 Jackson County Planning-Tamera Crisp 586-7575
 NP&L-Richard Conley-369-4551
 John Wishon(Relicensing) 369-4604

August 5th's Annual Meeting Program will feature Lake Re-licensing information by speaker, John Wishon of NP&L. Mr. Wishon will explain the re-licensing process and its impact on Lake Glenville. This is the most important issue currently before the FLG; Several requests by national recreation associations for “by-pass water” could significantly change the Lake Glenville water levels if NP&L is required to honor such requests through the re-licensing process.