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# LAKE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Publication provided by and for  
Cedar Lake Owner's  
Association (CLOA) members.



*Bristol-Wolcott, CT*

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## ATTENTION CLOA MEMBERS: 2021 MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATE

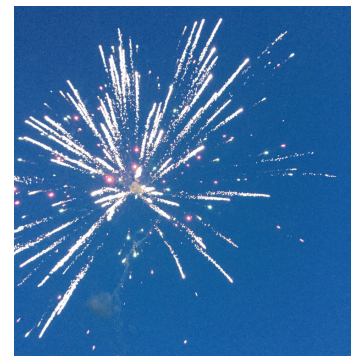
**Due to Covid concerns, our  
Annual 2021 Membership  
Meeting has been  
rescheduled for 7pm on  
Monday, September 13th at  
Indian Rock Nature  
Preserve, 501 Wolcott Road,  
Bristol.**



## *New Neighbors!*

**Deborah Lombardi & James Pinto**  
20 Edgewater Dr., Bristol  
**Matthew & Karolyn Glatt**  
73 Cove Rd., Bristol  
**Jill Koehler & Ricard Flagg**  
15 Averyll Ave., Wolcott  
**Deborah Lombardi**  
20 Edgewater Dr., Bristol  
**Michael Skelskey & Janice Piluso**  
19 Donovan Ct., Bristol  
**Georgi Turer & Dave Schnitzler**  
40 Merrill Ct., Bristol

**2021 CLOA  
FIREWORKS  
SCHEDULED FOR  
SATURDAY, JUNE 26  
RAINDATE: SUNDAY,  
JUNE 27**



## 2021 CLOA Boat Sticker Registration Form

CLOA policies and procedures require members to register their boats according to the laws of their respective State and to maintain liability insurance for all boats to be used on Cedar Lake. In addition to current state registration as applicable, the association requirements are as follows:

- Boats **over 25 HP** must maintain a minimum of **\$300,000** Liability insurance coverage
- Boats **25 HP and under** must maintain a minimum of **\$100,000** Liability insurance coverage: This includes non-powered boats such as sailboats, rowboats, kayaks and canoes
- **All powered boats must be registered** to the homeowner/lake association member
- A Connecticut Safe Boating Certificate is required for each operator
- Each household is allowed a **maximum of 3 powered boats** as follows:
  - No more than one powered boat over 25 HP
  - No more than one powered boat 25 HP and under
  - One Pontoon Boat (no HP limit).
  - Each member is limited to three powered boats; the Pontoon Boat may be substituted for one of the above powered boats over 10 HP
  - No more than one powered boat 10 hp and under
  - Each household is allowed a **maximum of 5 non-powered watercraft** such as: Rowboats, canoes, kayaks, sailboats, etc.
- All watercraft must display the yellow CLOA background sticker on the starboard (right) rear side of the boat. Once the association receives the proper documentation (copies of in-force insurance and current registration), a 2021 sticker will be issued to adhere over the 2020 on the existing yellow background sticker.

**All 2021 documentation must be submitted before June 1st if your boat is in the lake before that date.** Documentation received after June 1st will be considered late, and may be subject to a fine, per association bylaws.

Have a safe and happy boating season!

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

CLOA Lake Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

Lake address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Watercraft Description	Copy of Registration (yes for powered boats, no for non-powered)	Copy of Insurance policy (check if endorsed)	Yellow Background Sticker Needed (yes new boats only)

Connecticut Safe Boating Certificate (copy for each licensed operator): \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Mail to: CLOA Boat Sticker Committee, P.O. Box 2152, Bristol, CT, 06011

## **CEDAR LAKE OWNERS ASSOCIATION (CLOA) BOATING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. All powerboats and non-powered watercraft operated on Cedar Lake must: a) be registered with CLOA and display a current CLOA identification sticker; b) be owned by the CLOA member; c) have the required liability insurance coverage; and d) display a current state registration (powerboats).

Powerboats and non-powered watercraft not meeting these conditions are not permitted on Cedar Lake unless pre-approved by the Board of Directors. (This would apply to environmental contractors' boats, public safety rescue craft, fireworks watercraft or other unique situations.)

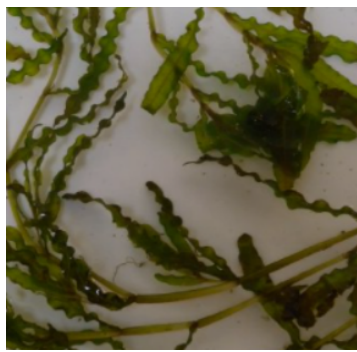
2. CLOA identification stickers must be placed on the right-hand side of boats at the rear. All boats (powerboats, canoes, rowboats, sailboats, sailboards, pontoon boats and paddleboats) are required to visibly display CLOA stickers.
3. All boat traffic shall operate in a counter clockwise direction.
4. Strict enforcement of "no wake" and marked speed limit areas shall be maintained.
5. All boats operating after dark shall maintain a 6-mile per hour or less speed limit.
6. Fire extinguishers are required on all boats with gas motors.
7. The operation of jet-skis on the waters of Cedar Lake is prohibited.
8. All swimmers must be within 75 ft. of shore unless accompanied by a boat. This also applies to swimmers using any type of floatation device (tubes, rubber rafts, etc).
9. All powerboats and other watercraft must be operated in a safe manner and in accordance with all CLOA Rules and Regulations and State of Connecticut Boating Regulations (some listed below).
10. There must be a wearable life jacket on board for each person aboard every vessel. All vessels 16' and over (except kayaks and canoes) must also have a "throwable" personal flotation device readily available, in addition to the required number of wearable life jackets (state law).
11. Each child under 13 years of age must wear a life jacket while the boat is underway. All persons in a manually propelled vessel must wear a life jacket between October 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup> (state law).
12. Life jackets must be worn by anyone being towed behind a boat under power, such as water skiers, tubers, wakeboarders, etc. (special rules apply to barefoot or trick skiers) (state law).
13. Boat operators must have a responsible observer in the boat when towing water skiers, tubers, wakeboarders, etc.; observers must be at least 12 years of age and facing the person(s) being towed at all times (state law).
14. No water skiing, tubing or wakeboarding is allowed from 1/2 hour after sunset to sunrise (state law).
15. All boats (powered and non-powered) must display their required navigation lights at all times between sunset and sunrise (state law).
16. Any person operating a boat with a motor must have their Safe Boating Certificate or Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation on board at all times (state law).
17. Wake or Wakeboard Boats that are specifically designed for wakeboarding, which employ mechanical systems that redirect water flow in order for the boat to create a large, shaped wave for wakeboarding or wake-surfing or other related activities are prohibited from use on Cedar Lake. Boats using ballast systems for wakeboarding are allowed, but comply with the wakeboarding regulation stated below.
18. All wakeboarding / wake surfing activities must not occur within 200 feet of shore. Additionally, wakeboarding / wake surfing is limited to the main body of the lake, preferably in the middle of the lake, staying at least 100 feet away from other boaters and non-powered watercraft.

# ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

CLOA has contracted with a new company called *The Pond and Lake Connection* for treatment of the invasive lake weeds in 2021. *The Pond and Lake Connection* is a full service Aquatic Management Company located in Brookfield, Connecticut and has been in business for over 25 years. The services are performed by highly trained, experienced and licensed experts. We are optimistic for an improved result this year!

Planned treatments include early spring treatment for curly leaf pondweed, and early summer treatment for tape grass (vallisneria) and American pond weed. In fall of 2021, the cattails and phragmites will be treated. Please be aware of scheduled treatments and follow the guidelines provided on the yellow safety posters put up around the lake as well as the related email notice.

Additionally, water quality testing is performed on a weekly basis in several locations around the lake from June to September. Results are posted to the CLOA website's Environmental page: <https://cloa.org/environmental/>.



Curly Leaf Pondweed



Tape Grass



American Pondweed



# LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please consider becoming a CLOA Board member, non-Board member, volunteer or committee member! Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at Indian Rock Nature Preserve (right across the way)! The benefit is that you can positively impact the well-being of our lake and its member families! \*Secretary needed!\*

Please contact Matt Smith, of the Nominating Committee, if you are interested in helping CLOA out in 2021-2022:

Matt Smith: [matts@yarde.com](mailto:matts@yarde.com)



## NEW MEMBERS:

New members should be familiar with current CLOA bylaws and regulations including:

- Before purchasing a powerboat, please be sure that it will be permitted on our lake
- CLOA approval process is followed for the construction of any new dock or shoreline retaining wall.



## CLOA CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2020-2021

DAN HOULIHAN, President, Docks/Walls  
[dnmar97@comcast.net](mailto:dnmar97@comcast.net)

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*Thank You*

The CLOA Board would like to thank Andre Dorval for his years of service and time on the CLOA Board. Andre will be missed.

# Did You Know?

**Runoff from fertilizing your lawn increases growth of weeds and algae in the lake?**



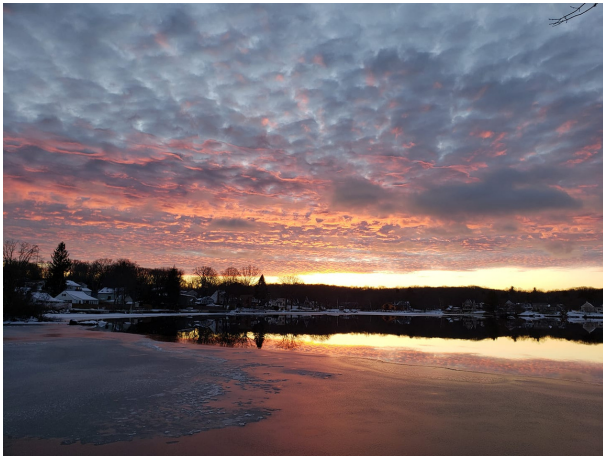
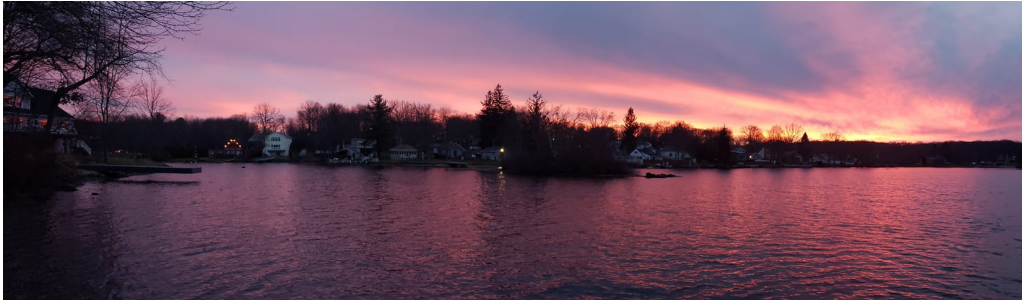
All of these will help control nutrition for invasive aquatic weeds and algae. Please do your part to help! THANK YOU!



**You should be diligent about septic system operation and have it pumped regularly?**

**Planting a buffer along the water's edge will help with runoff?**





**CEDAR LAKE  
2021!**

