

BEAR POND CURRENTS

July 2007

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Committee Chairs

- ◆ Dam - Carl Burden & Dale Twitchell
- ◆ Dam Fundraiser - Goddards
- ◆ Loon Nest - The Pilsburys
- ◆ Membership - Tim Verrill
- ◆ Monitors - R. Bray, K. Holt, K. Mitchell

Other Important Numbers

Hartford Town Office 388-2674
Turner Office 225-3414
Game Warden - 657-2345

New Dam Completed in September 2006

The Bear Pond Association now has a new dam thanks to Project Directors Dick Bray and Pete Pilsbury, the over 30 volunteers whose names are listed below, and the generous people who contributed to the dam fund raiser.

To briefly review some history, about 15 years ago, \$5.00 of our \$25.00 dues was placed in a special fund and small fund raisers such as Tee shirts, caps, etc. were sold to effect minor repairs at the dam. Then in 2004, Marjorie Pettingill donated \$2000.00 in memory of her husband Lee, thus launching a major drive to replace the wood structure with a steel one. To date over 70 families have contributed.

Last summer association members with special skills, talent, training and connections began to plan under the leadership of Pete and Dick. Engineers Burt Landry and Jim Driscoll designed the new steel gates and Tommy Constantine of Auburn Metal fabrications built them to design.

Friday, September 29, the land between Camp Berea and the Irish property was sandbagged to hold back the water for the next day's construction. With the permission of Wayne Farrington of Camp Berea, the volunteers crossed Camp Berea to set in place the 250 pound sandbags that Turner Town Manager Jim Caitlin donated and delivered.

Early Saturday morning the work began. Kurt Youland donated Bear Pond Village Club House and workers were pro-

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2007 Schedule Of Activities

2007 BPIA MEETINGS

July 29, August 26

At Boofy Quimby Hall at 9:00 AM

Pot Luck Supper & Auction - Saturday August 4th at 6:00 PM

For those of you who may be new to the lake, the pot luck supper is a social and fund raiser for the dam. There is no admission ticket or cost. You are asked to bring a hot dish, a cold dish and a dessert to feed the people you bring and a few others. The Association provides the drinks, rolls and butter. It is a wonderful way to celebrate the Association and to meet new friends around the pond.

After the meal we have a fun auction. You are asked to bring homemade, handmade, or very slightly used items in very good condition and antiques, which we auction off for the dam. We also have a children's auction for those under 10 so items for children are desirable. We always have such a good time with so many laughs and such good food that we hope many more of you will bring the family over for a good cause.

Remember To Pay 2007 Dues

Please Send \$25.00 To: BPIA, P.O. Box 4, North Turner, ME 04266

Name:

Pond Address & Phone #:

If Applicable,

Permanent Address & Phone #:

New Dam Completed in Sept. 2006

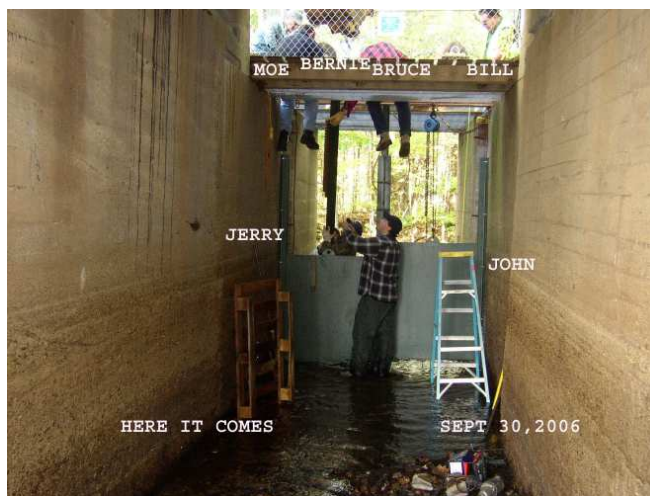
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vided breakfast, lunch and dinner prepared and served by a volunteer committee. Bill Weeks donated equipment and the expertise of his company, Risbara Brothers of Scarborough. Parking for vehicles was provided by Burt Fisher. Legal papers were prepared by Association attorney Rob Hoy.

Work went on through the day, round the clock. In previous years, the volunteers have worked in torrential downpours, but the dam gods were with them and the weather was glorious. Some workers took turns directing and controlling traffic as the dam abuts Bean Street. There is no way to adequately describe or appropriately express gratitude all the volunteers that made the new dam possible. Suffice it to say that the Canton Lake Dam will take \$300,000 to replace. We spent approximately \$8,500 for the weekend work.

All the work is not done. There will be some minor repairs this September or October. The fence around the dam will be raised 4 additional feet with barbed wire atop to discourage vandals. The first stage of the dam fund is complete and a plaque may be placed as early as August or by June of 2008 which by the way is the 50th anniversary of the Bear Pond Association. We owe an incalculable debt to Project Managers Dick Bray and Pete Pilsbury and all their crew.

Jim Adams	Arnie and Roberta Burgess	Moe LeClerc
Bruce Goddard	John and Allison Sabine	Peggie Poskus
Lorraine Fournier	Dick and Claire Bray	Bill Weeks
Cal Burdin	Connie and Norm Bilodeau	Dale Twitchell
Burt Landry	Bernie and Anne McAllister	Don and Kathy Turgeon
Bede Wellford	Pete and Nat Pilsbury	Jim Driscoll
Rob Hoy	Ken and Mona Gardner	Kurt Youland
Burt Fisher	Jim Caitlin - Town of Turner	Wayne Farrington
Kevin Irish	Pat and Jerry Samson	Larry and Cindy Giroux



Highlights of June '07 Meeting

40 members in attendance.

Treasurer's report:

Checking Account: \$1,833.16

Savings Account: \$255.73

Dam Fund: \$2,992.71

140 families joined last year.

Loon Committee: - We have one baby.

Membership: If you know of any people who have recently taken over a camp, please call Mary Wallace, so the membership committee, Beth Jarrell, Elizabeth Hoy, Gloria Goddard and Barbara Beedy can approach that person to join BPIA.

Refreshment Committee: The Sabine family has volunteered.

Fundraiser: Bruce Goddard has T-shirts and available. We will investigate a new fundraiser for next year.

Gate Keepers: All is well.

Watershed: Dick Bray, chair, will contact Oxford Soil and Conservation to address a viable and affordable plan to repair Beach Street.

Old Business: BPIA will sponsor a petition to the state to lower the speed limit on Rt. 219 to 35 mph. Bede Wellford has begun the process with all documentation.

Water Testing: Rich Bray and John Sabine were trained in a one day workshop by the Maine Center for Invasive Aquatic Plants.

Boat Parade Winners - the Walker Family - Lost World



Stage 1 of Dam Fund Wraps Up

Below are the names as they will appear on the first plaque placed at the dam. The association will continue to accept donations and in the future another plaque will be added.

New Contributions

Emily and Gene Tompkins - \$300
 in memory of Mary Jane Dunn, Daniel Labriola,
 for Chuck and Meg Olivo

Emma and Ernestine Grant - \$200.00
 in memory of Roger W.T. and Wesley N. Grant

Jody and Ike Goodman - \$100.00

Robert and Margot Siekman - \$100.00

Henry and Patti Pelletier - \$100.00
 in memory of Laura "Red" Gowell

Lorraine A. Fisher - \$100.00
 in memory of Robert J. Fisher

Jeannine and Bert Ayotte - \$100.00

Homer Hinkley - \$100.00
 in memory of Barbara Hinkley

Kipp and Barbara Arnold - \$100.00
 in memory of Eugene and Rose Decoster

Norm and Connie Bilodeau - \$100.00
 in memory of Bilodeau/Lacombe Family

Brian and Kathleen Stanton - \$100.00

Bede Wellford and Leigh Breidonbach - \$100.00

Mary Wallace - \$200.00

As we draw closer to the preparation of the plaque please call Mary Wallace 224-7198 if the name below is NOT exactly the way you wanted:

Platinum Circle

Pilsbury Family
 Ron Scammon
 Wallace/Monahan Family
 Camp Weekela

Gold Circle

Dick and Claire Bray
 Barbara and Howard Frost

Silver Circle

Jeannine and Bert Ayotte
 Roberta and Arnold Burgess
 Bob and Vicki Calawa
 Beth Carver
 Mary Robinson Entrekina and
 Janice Robinson Buckley

Marstaller Family
 Bob and Doreen Maxwell
 Larry Merrill
 Chuck and Meg Olivo
 Robert and Gloria Polson
 Bruce and Sheila Ray

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Don Frechette
Leigh Breidonbach and Bede Wellford
Ken and Mona Gardiner
Larry and Cindy Giroux
Jody and Ike Goodman
Roland and Martha Jordon
Beverly and Paul Johnson
Bill and Kathie Kretzer
William and Barbara Lamb
Moe and Doris LeClerc
George and Jeanne Lovett

Gerard and Yvette Samson, Sr.
Paul and Connie Shaw
Dale and Anna Twitchell
Robert and Margot Siekman
Brian and Kathleen Stanton

In Memory of:

Bilodeau/Lacombe Family
Vernine Burdin
Leo and Cecile Cloutier
Eugene and Rose Decoster
Mary Jane Dunn
Robert J. Fisher
Don A. Goddard
Laura "Red" Gowell
Barbara Hinkley
Harry E. Holt
Arthur and Evelyn Hutchinson
Kathryn E. Kretzer
William and Sadie Libby
Rene and Arie Therrien
Bertha T. Timberlake
Don and Ellie Wakefield

Norm and Amy Bray
Gordon and Sally Carver
Terri Lynne Curtis
Edwin J. Dewling
Richard J. Dwyer
Maurice Fournier
Bob and Marilyn Gordon
Roger W.T. and Wesley N. Grant

Jean Hutchins
Michael Lee Jackson
Daniel Labriola
Sam Mac Gregor
Ronald and Dorothy Therrien
Tuttle Family
Reginald Walker

Guy Timberlake Dam

Lee and Marjorie Pettingill Restoration Project

As you recall, in 2004 we launched this drive to repair the dam and secure its future. Contributions of \$100 or more will entitle the contributor to place a name on a plaque that will be set at the dam at the completion of the drive. All contributors will have their names published in the newsletter. The fund will be permanently established to take care of all maintenance and insurance on the dam.

If anyone thinks his or her name has been left out of the newsletter, please contact Mary Wallace at 224-7198

Contribution Levels

Boosters	\$10
Patrons	\$25
Silver Circle	\$100 +
Gold Circle	\$250 +
Platinum Circle	\$500 +

Lee & Marjorie Pettingill Restoration Fund For The Guy Timberlake Dam

Name of contributors _____ Amount \$ _____

Bear Pond Address _____

Name to appear on plaque (if applicable) _____

Make check payable to BPIA Dam Fund Send to: Mary Wallace, President BPIA Dam Restoration, 202 Bear Pond Road, Turner, Maine 04282