



SLA Newsletter

STAFFORDVILLE LAKE ASSOCIATION



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Spring

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President's Message

Memorial Day weekend has come and gone and that means summer is just around the corner. It's been a very long and tough winter, but we're hoping the lake has benefitted from the frigid temperatures on our exposed shorelines. The *Town of Stafford Dam & Lake Management Advisory Committee* is in it's second year. Progress has been steady and new members have been appointed. Valerie Muszynski continues to serve as the committee chair.

My three agenda items as president remain simple and straight forward:

- Preserve Staffordville Lake
- Increase membership in the Staffordville Lake Association
- Increase awareness of erosion and contamination possibilities in Staffordville Lake

If you have any questions or concerns about the lake or the association ... please email me any time or telephone me (after 8:00 am and before 8:00 pm).



SLA Website Update

Our website looks great. We are continually updating the data in an attempt to maintain it's integrity. The new look is upbeat and user-friendly. Topics include:

- *Invasive Weeds, Dam Safety, Water Quality and Weed Control*
- *Membership, Executive Board, Directors and Contact Information*
- *Documents, Informational Materials and Links to Other Websites*

Many thanks to Valerie Muszynski for the time, energy and effort she puts in to keeping our website current. Try it out at: www.staffordvillelake.com

Schedule of Events



- **Saturday, June 13, 2015**
10:00 am Kick-Off Meeting at Stafford Town House (across from Mill Pond on Route 19)
- **Saturday, July 4, 2015**
2:00 pm Boat Parade (starting location will be at Fenton's dock)
- **Monday, July 13, 2015**
6:30 pm Business Meeting and Potluck Picnic at the Pavilion on the Town Beach (rain location is Stafford Town House)
- **Thursday, August 13, 2015**
6:30 pm Business Meeting and Ice Cream Social at Stafford Town House (meeting to include election of officers)

JUNE 2015

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Membership: Please Join Us

Come to the June meeting — see your neighbors, share your opinions and enjoy some coffee and donuts.

Agenda topics for June include:

- * Fall and winter draw-downs
- * Water quality
- * Email notifications

We have meetings in June, July and August. Hope to see you there!

Mail the annual family membership form along with \$25 by June 10, 2015. Our address is found on page 4 of this newsletter and on the form. Make checks payable to **Staffordville Lake Association, Inc.** Save yourself a stamp and bring your payment to the June meeting.

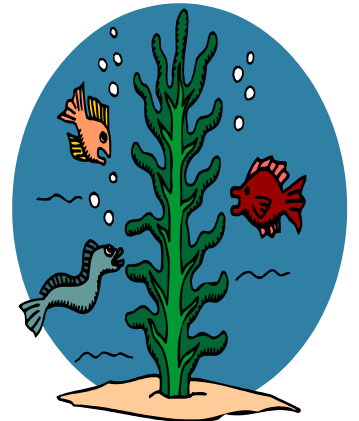
The form is also downloadable from our website.



Environmental Issues

Please keep our water clean:

- ◆ Only use fertilizers, herbicides and insecticides when absolutely necessary and never if rain is coming or within 12 feet of the water's edge.
- ◆ When boating, bring back what you take out.
- ◆ If you move your boat from lake to lake — dry out your boat for at least two days or wash down the hull with tap water before launching again. Flush the engine cooling system, bilge areas and live wells with tap water.
- ◆ For addition information go to: www.staffordvillelake.com



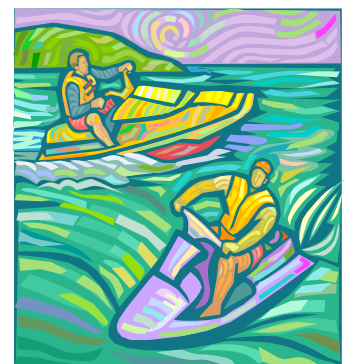
Rules for PWCs on Staffordville Lake

PWCs (jet skis, etc.) must operate at least 200' from any shoreline or dock (per Connecticut Boating Regulations, 2003, pp. 44-45). Copies of the latest boating regulations are available from the DEEP or from the Stafford Town Clerk's Office.

Staffordville Lake has many areas that measure less than 450' from

side to side. The two exceptions are: the wide part of the north end and the wide part of the south end.

Therefore, PWCs may only legally be operated in the very middle of the lake. Please observe these state regulations — be responsible, be safe and be respectful of your neighbors.





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**We're all about
preserving
Staffordville Lake.**

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2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	-	Donna Vail
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Director	-	Kathy Bartholomew
Director	-	Mark Price
Director	-	Joyce Arthur
Director	-	Pat Fenton

SLA has a hard working and dedicated Board of Directors who are committed to preserving the beauty and benefits Staffordville Lake has to offer us now and in the future!

A Fond Farewell to Dennis Waslenchuk

It is with a heavy heart and tears in my eyes that I am letting you know Dennis Waslenchuk lost his battle with cancer on May 9, 2015. We say good-bye to a wonderful friend and colleague. Dennis was a dedicated member of the Staffordville Lake Association for many years. He served on the Board of Directors and as Chairperson of the Environment Committee. Staffordville Lake has lost one of its most passionate and devoted allies. Dennis worked tirelessly (giving his time, energy and expertise) developing Stafford's *Dam & Lake Management Advisory Committee*. SLA was always tapping into his extensive background with environmental issues and he was always willing to step up and help out. He created a unified voice for the residents of Staffordville Lake to promote and maintain the integrity of our lake. We will remember him fondly, always making friends, testing the water and driving around the lake in his pontoon boat with his beloved Basenjis.

On behalf of everyone in the Staffordville Lake Association, I would like to extend our sympathy and support to all of his family members; especially, his wife Lorraine Waslenchuk.

