



### KAYUTA LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

PO Box 112 Alder Creek, NY 13301-0112

MISSION STATEMENT: To foster and perpetuate a true spirit of friendship, to promote and administer a responsible approach to water and land management, and, to preserve and conserve our ecology and wildlife. Membership is extended to, but not limited to, those property owners from Crandall Falls on the Black River, to the River Road bridge over the Black River in Forestport and all tributaries.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The year 2020; the year of the COVID Pandemic, is now behind us. We, along with so many others, are now trying to move forward after a year of isolation, shut downs, lock downs, sickness and too many lives lost.

As the cold wet spring ended, the summer of 2020 burst upon the lake giving us one of the hottest and driest summers seen in many years. This weather, combined with people out of work, working from home and kids not in school, resulted in a surge of people on the lake. The increase in boat traffic was visible on weekends and weekdays alike. At times the amount of vessels along with the actions of some of the boat drivers, made for some hazardous conditions. Unfortunately, there were at least two boat accidents on the water that we are aware of both involving jet skis. One accident resulted in injuries to two teenage girls, while the other was a hit and run accident that is still being investigated by the Sheriff 's Marine Patrol.

The Board of Directors met on April 17, 2021 in a virtual meeting. The Board has decided to hold an in-person Annual meeting this year as well as an abbreviated schedule of summer events.

The Annual Meeting will be held on June 12, 2021 in the Forestport Town Hall, NYS Route 28. Coffee and donuts at 9:00 am and the meeting will begin at 9:30am with all COVID 19 precautions required at that time being followed. Masks, social distancing and contact tracing at a minimum. All who are comfortable with these protocols are welcome to attend in person. We will also attempt to live stream the meeting on Facebook for those who choose not to attend.

The Island Fun Day will not be held in 2021. The significant loss of land mass at the island is not conducive to any gathering of that size. It would be impossible to maintain any proper physical distance from others.

The Kayuta Lake Ski Show performed by the X Squad will be held on August 14, across from the Island. The instructional clinic that is traditionally held in the week prior to the show is not yet finalized. If that comes together it will be posted on the KLIA website and Facebook page.

The Poker Paddle will be held on September 11, 2021. The theme of this year's paddle will be to commemorate the 20th anniversary of 9/11. Follow the registration details on our Facebook page. If you do not participate in the paddle, have your presence on the lake known that day and help us commemorate this solemn day. As always be mindful of the many paddlers on the water if you are out boating.

The Board has decided to entertain discussion on another event to replace the Land Picnic. The Board is united in its desire to hold an event that is not held on the water. What would be the theme of this event is wide open for ideas and discussion. The placement on the calendar is also open for ideas and discussion. We are interested in hearing from our members with their ideas. Please forward your thoughts and ideas on holding an event of this type.

2019 - 2020 activities of the Association and the Board of Directors: We did not publish a Newsletter in 2020 due to the rapidly changing status of the moment. Our loyal business supporters were in the middle of their own struggles of shut downs or partial shut downs and attempting to continue in operation. Those very businesses pay for the publishing and mailing of the newsletter. We appreciate their support and their circumstances last year and did not want to burden them with any fund raising efforts on our behalf.

The Board also recognized the financial impact that 2020 had to those who were impacted by job losses or any other reductions in their revenues. There will be no consequences to any members who were unable to pay their 2020 dues.

The Board of Directors held its 2020 Annual Board Meeting on March 7, 2020. The Board reviewed the association's finances and membership along with past year's events. The Board established the dates for the Annual Membership Meeting, the Boater Safety Course, the Island Fun Day, the Ski Show, and the Poker Paddle.

The Board of Directors held another meeting, this time it was a virtual meeting using Webex, on May 7th to discuss the impact of the COVID 19 and NY PAUSE restrictions and guidelines on the summer season here on

the lake. It was decided that we were unable to hold a public meeting on June 6th due to the restrictions of public gatherings of that size. Instead, we held a Webex meeting of the officers, the Directors, the chairman of the Fish and Nominating committees on June 13th. The meeting was recorded and available for viewing via a link that was posted on the website and Facebook. Members had 10 days to comment or ask questions and to vote for the slate of officers that was put forth by the Nominations Committee. With no comments or other nominations, the complete slate of officers and directors were elected to continue into 2021.

The Boater Safety Course, the Island Family Fun Day, the Water Ski clinic and Ski Show were all cancelled due to NY PAUSE.

The Poker Paddle has become a signature event for our season. Once again we had close to 100 paddlers in 2019. We held the 2020 Poker Paddle on September 12th with some adjustments in order to comply with the proper guidelines for safe distancing. The committee was very creative. Our board member and co-chair of the event, Aaron LaBella developed a software application for cell phones that allowed for contactless recording of a paddler's presence at all of the official stops. No poker chips were exchanged and no one had to go onto shore for any person-to-person contact. There was no mass gathering at the end. All participants were notified of the winning hands and individual winners through the phone app. All registration was in advance and tee shirts were picked up in advance prior to the day. It was a huge success with 105 paddlers on that day. After all expenses were paid, the profits were donated to the Remsen and Forestport Volunteer Fire Departments respectively. Congratulations to the committee of Aaron, Sarah and Cam Teachout for their hard work and creativity.

#### A Look Back at the 2019 Season:

As we look back at 2019 we have memories of a good year on the lake. It was a slow and wet start to Spring but when Summer finally arrived we all made the best of it. The Annual Meeting was held on June 8th and was attended by over 60 members. It has been a long standing practice to hold the meetings at the Forestport Town Hall on Woodhull Rd.

The Town of Forestport has purchased the recently closed Forestport Elementary School on Route 28. In November the Town moved and opened their offices into that building. All of our future meetings and Boater Safety Courses will be held in this new location. All who do business with the Town of Forestport should make note of the new address: 10275 State Route 28 PO Box 137 Forestport, NY 13338.

After a one year hiatus the Land Picnic was held on September 21st at the Kayuta Lake Campground Pavilion. Karen Brinkerhoff had graciously volunteered to chair the committee that had come forth to continue this event. Food and games were provided along with a

bounce house. Unfortunately, the picnic was only attended by a small group of people. We thank Karen and her committee for their efforts in planning and putting on the picnic.

#### **Halloween Flood:**

Halloween 2019 brought more fright than the ghosts and goblins usually create. A Fall storm brought inches of rain to the Mohawk Valley region and dumped inches of rain on our lake resulting in the highest water level ever seen by many longtime residents of Kayuta Lake. Some estimate that the water level was 4 to 5 feet above the level that it was prior to the storm. This caused flooding of the low lying properties and created havoc with canoes, kayaks, and docks that are usually brought up on shore for winter storage. If these items were not secured, they were washed away. Many of these items washed up on the shoreline of the lake when the water receded. But some, were washed over the dam. On the worst day of the rapid rise of the water and the speedy flow toward the dam, a resident posted on our Facebook page that she saw a shed rushing by her house on its way to the dam.

Some of the low lying properties with camps close to the water experienced flooding that threatened the buildings. And some of the bank erosion that resulted is visible today as you boat around the lake. Lumber and logs that were washed away still litter the shoreline today.

There is a valuable lesson to be learned from this flood. The Mohawk Valley has experienced more than three 100 year floods in the last 10 years. Rivers, creeks and streams can have rapid rise in their water levels in a matter of hours in these torrential rains. The flooding is not restricted to the low lying areas of the valley. Flooding occurs along bodies of water, regardless of the location. Our lake is a damned up river. Flooding can and will occur during these storms that have inches of rainfall within an hour or two.

When you tend to the seasonal chores at the end of summer and ready your shoreline for the upcoming winter, always secure your canoes, kayaks, paddle boats and most of all docks. Many had believed that they had pulled their docks far enough on the shore only to have them be washed away. Securely lash all of these loose items to prepare for the off season months. Do not leave it up to chance—the chance that the water level will never get that far.

If there was a big news story of 2019 for Kayuta Lake, it would have been the Halloween Flood.

#### **Responsible Boating:**

This message never gets old and always needs repeating. With the burst of warm weather and sunshine for Memorial Day, the boating activity always increases. As in recent years any Law Enforcement on the lake will be random. It is up to each of us to adhere to the rules of the water. Common sense and courtesy will also go a long way to increase safety. Speeding under the bridges is just

unsafe! Keep to the RIGHT!!!! There is no thrill in a head -on collision or swamping an oncoming vessel. Cutting off another boat or a jet ski jumping a wake is also just unsafe. And when there is a good amount of boat traffic, everyone needs to be on watch for other vessels.

This has always been a great lake for kayaks and canoes. Boats and even jet skis must pay attention and be on the lookout for these non-motorized boaters. They sit low in the water and they don't offer a large and visible profile. The wake that is produced by your boat has a great impact on these smaller crafts.

You kayakers and canoeists also play a part in your own safety. Be aware of the challenges that you present to boaters. If your boat is not painted in bright colors, you should wear highly visible colors. During busy times you should avoid the middle of the lake where boat traffic is heavy. And be aware of light conditions. Dusk can turn into night time darkness before you reach your destination. You cannot be seen by boaters in the dark. If you are inclined to paddle in the evening hours you should be equipped with a white light for your own safety.

#### **Boat Launch:**

The repairs to the State Dam Road boat launch that were scheduled to take place in 2019 were never completed. Some minor work was done to add crushed stone at the waters edge and a couple of feet into the water. As always, the KLIA will continue to press the dam operator about the importance to address the deterioration of the concrete ramp and the need for repair.

#### **Corporate Members:**

Once again it is through our Corporate Members advertisement in this publication that allows this Newsletter to be printed and mailed to all of our active members. Each year we give thanks to those members and we ask for our lake members to patronize these supporters of our KLIA. The past year COVID 19 has impacted our Corporate Members as it has with so many in our communities.

The past year has been devastating for so many small businesses. We enjoy their support and they have always answered our requests for donations and merchandise. It is time for us to support them, now more than ever. Most of our restaurants had survived with Take Out Only for many months. Many of our restaurants did their best to hang on with the much reduced indoor seating capacity. These restrictions are changing almost weekly now. We all hope that these establishments will make a healthy recovering in 2021.

Shop local.....buy local.....stay local....never needed as much as now.

#### Thank you!

Thank you to every member for your involvement and interest in making our lake a better place for all to enjoy.

Any organization is only as strong as its members. Thank you to all volunteers who help out on committees and at our events. Thank you to our members who serve as officers and board members. Stay safe and healthy this summer and we all look forward to what the future holds for all of our communities.

Al Candido President

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The audited KLIA balance for 2021 is \$12,673.54. The current account balance is \$12,711.78 reflecting some recent membership deposits for 2021. The audit committee reviewed the Adirondack Bank Account, Pay-Pal Transactions/deposits/transfers, and account registers.

As we did not do a newsletter last year due to COVID we had no revenue from business advertisements or newsletter related expenses. We had a total of \$597.05 (less PayPal fees) in paid memberships in 2020. We did not require members to pay dues given the pandemic. A majority of our membership continues to take advantage of paying dues online via the website. We received \$65 in general donations (\$25 fish stocking, \$10 ski show, and \$30 misc). When we send out newsletters this year, I plan to merge paid memberships from 2019 to current to make sure that everyone who has paid since 2019 receives a newsletter and can renew their membership.

We paid website fees for 7/2018 to 5/2020 totaling \$851.68. We recently renewed our domain name kayutalake.org for another 3 years. The poker paddle had a net revenue of \$486.67. We received \$3699.05 and expenses totaled \$3212.38. Thank you.

Dave Wallace Treasurer

#### THE KLIA SPRING MEETING

The Spring meeting will be held Saturday June 12th at 9:30am at the Forestport Town Hall in its new home and the former elementary school located on Route 28. We will start with a cup of coffee or juice and sweets at 9:00 followed by the meeting. Like every annual meeting, there will be many topics on the agenda to discuss so don't miss it. New business items are welcome from the floor. In addition to the in-person meeting, we will attempt to do a live stream through Facebook Live. If attending in person, please bring/wear the PPE you are comfortable with and respect the choice of others. We will abide by the rules in place at the time of the meeting.

Don't forget to send in your membership application or bring it to the meeting along with your dues to renew your KLIA membership. Secure online memberships are also available for your convenience.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There were no vacancies on the board again this year but if anyone is interested in serving on the KLIA board, please contact any of the current board members or the nominating committee—Frank Marfone (Chairman), Bill Miller, Justin Wilcox, and Debbie Belmont. Those wishing to join the board can also be nominated from the floor during the annual meeting on June 8th and elections will then proceed.

The Nominating Committee of the KLIA unanimously recommends the following as officers for 2021:

President—Al Candido
Vice-president—Bill Miller
Treasurer—Dave Wallace
Secretary—Cameron Teachout
And as board members:
Carrie Kifner

Aaron LaBella Sarah Teachout Mark Murphy Bill Smith John Rosky

Thank you! Frank Marfone, Chairman

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Contact information for board members and officers that are elected at the Spring meeting (if any) will be available on the KLIA webpage. If you have any suggestions, questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact any of us!

#### **FUN THINGS ON KAYUTA LAKE**

Each year, the KLIA tries to bring the people of Kayuta Lake together. Member volunteers try to accomplish this through a variety of fun family oriented events that allow you to get to know your lake neighbors and to help you have a summer that you and your family will remember for years to come. This year's festivities will include some of our traditional events which everyone enjoys but will exclude some past favorites due to changing

conditions on the lake as well as some residual COVID safety concerns.

#### 1. Island Family Fun Day: (Cancelled for 2021)

Due to the diminishing sand bar between the islands, we feel that any event there would be difficult to organize and execute especially if it is a very busy day on the lake.

Many wish that KLIA could do something to bring this popular gathering spot back but it would be impossible and fruitless to fight the will of Mother Nature. Many do not realize that the sand bar is a very recent thing and it was never there in the distant past. It is leaving now much the way it came to be—on its own.

#### 2. Water Ski School on Kayuta Lake: (A Definite Maybe)

This is one of the events we're just not sure of yet for a few different reasons. If we are able, we will post information as it becomes available on the KLIA website and Facebook page.

#### 3. Water Ski Show: (Full Speed Ahaead)

We will continue this very popular tradition during 2021 season with the annual Camp Mohawk Valley Exhibition Squad Water Ski Show! The X-Squad show is set for Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup> (rain date in August 15th) at 2pm with the Ski School show beginning at 1:00pm. This is the most widely attended event sponsored by KLIA so if you've never seen the show, you will not be disappointed. The show will take place at the same spot as usual on the north side of Dustin Bridge in front of the Corrigan home. The show space will be buoyed off and spectators are expected to anchor on the outside of the buoys for the safety of the skiers. The X-Squad is looking forward to yet another fantastic year showing off their skills on Kayuta Lake and entertaining residents and visitors.

#### 4. Land Picnic (Cancelled but...)

Attendance for the 2019 Land Picnic was very light but there seems to be some growing interest in some of form of land-based event. We hope to have a good discussion at the Annual Spring Meeting to entertain ideas for a new event. Please bring any ideas you may have and volunteer if you are able.

#### 5. Kavuta Lake Poker Paddle

The COVID edition of the Annual Poker Paddle was one of the few events we were able to hold during 2020. It was a great success due to the hard work of the committee and volunteers and it came at a time when everyone needed a bit relief from COVID fatigue with creative and safe socializing.

The date for this years event is Saturday September 11th, 2021, rain or shine. The registration fee of \$25 will cover the cost of an event t-shirt and prizes. All remaining funds from the event will once again be donated to the Remsen and Forestport Fire Departments to commemorate the losses on this date 20 years ago. A T-

Shirt design contest was already conducted for this years logo, and the winner will receive a free registration for the event.

For any questions, please contact the following board members:

Aaron LaBella – aaronlabella@hotmail.com Cameron Teachout – cteachout@cscos.com

We are very excited for the 5th Annual Kayuta Lake Poker Paddle... let's make this one the biggest turnout yet!

#### **NYS DEC – Required Permits**

As an annual reminder, DEC permits are required for any work that causes a disturbance to the bed or the bank of our waterways. A permit is also required for any excavation or fill that is below the mean high water level, such as rip rap or dredging. (Article 15). Permits are also required for any work within a wetland or within 100'. (Article 24). Permits may also be required by other agencies, such as NYS Canals or the US Army Corps of Engineers. Even if you don't think you require a permit from DEC or other agencies – check check check.

Written determinations can be provided by sending a written request along with the location (tax parcel number), written description of project and photos of the project area. If DEC concurs that no permit is required, they will respond in writing and you will have a permanent record if the project is ever questioned down the road. Oneida and Herkimer County projects are generally handled in the Utica Office.

NYS DEC Room 1404 Utica State Office Building 207 Genesee St. Utica, NY 13501 (315) 793-2554

Permit applications are available online at <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov">www.dec.ny.gov</a> and at many Town Offices or by calling the Utica DEC office. You may check basic maps by using the "Enviromapper" link on the DEC webpage.

#### FISH UPDATE

Hello everyone, Stocking of tiger muskies was skipped last year due to COVID concerns. We are hopeful the free stocking program will resume this year. There are still a few swimming in the lake if you are lucky enough to catch one. The tiger muskies primarily feed on pickerel and are helping to level out our lakes populations.

Large and smallmouth bass are thriving. If you choose to keep some to eat, please keep the smaller 1-2lb size fish and release any large fish to reproduce and make more fish for us to catch. A few 6 and 7lb largemouth were caught and released last year.

A few pike have also been caught. Please release any pike that are caught, you can tell the difference between pike and pickerel easily as pike have spots instead of a chain pattern, and they have a stripe design through their tail. A quick google search can show you a comparison if you are unsure. The head from a pike and a pickerel look almost the same.

I caught several large perch and sunfish last year. I am also happy to report that we have had several large schools of shiners living in our lake again last year. If you see constant feeding at the water surface look into the water as you drive by and you will get to see some of these large schools of fish. They are averaging about 4 to 5 inches in length. Their continued presence shows our lake is doing well.

Please watch out for the fishermen and kayaks as you enjoy the lake this summer they travel at slow speeds. Have a great summer, and stay safe.

Ira Smith

#### **BOATER SAFETY COURSE**

The Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation provides the public with a safe and enjoyable environment for recreational boating. Their goal is to assist the boater in developing safe boating habits and maintaining a strong law enforcement presence on our waters. Everyone can be a safer boater by following three simple suggestions:

- Take a boating safety course
- Wear your life jacket
- Don't drink alcohol while boating

Under a new law, known as Brianna's Law, all motor boat operators:

- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023.
- Born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.
- All motor boat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2025.

Approved courses include those offered by NYS Parks, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary or the U.S. Power Squadrons. Individuals less than 10 years of age may not take this course of instruction. Certain allowances to this law have been made for visitors to New York, persons renting a boat and persons purchasing a new boat for the first time. Courses may be completed and certificates obtained through the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, U.S. Power Squadron, or the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. A list of approved courses is available on the State Parks website http://nysparks.com/recreation/boating/education.aspx. The state has also approved additional online courses this year that are offered through boaterexam.com, boat-ed.com, boatus.org and americasboatingcourse.com. Regardless of age, all

personal watercraft (PWC) operators still need a Boating Safety Certificate.

State Parks encourages everyone, regardless of age, to consider taking a boater education class to sharpen their nautical knowledge. Please be mindful of the rules and regulations and considerate of property owners by abiding by no-wake areas. As always, remain vigilant and take extra care while passing through confined and congested areas.

For New Yorkers who have earned a Boating Safety Certificate, keeping track of it is even easier thanks to New York's new Adventure License. New Yorkers who have taken an approved safe boating course and received a Boating Safety Certificate, with just a few easy steps, can have the certification reflected as an anchor icon on their NYS Driver License, Non-Driver ID or Learner Permit. The personalized Adventure License eliminates the need to carry a separate certificate. For more information on the other benefits of getting an Adventure License, visit licensecenter.ny.gov.

The KLIA sponsored a Boater Safety Course which was held on April 8th at the Forestport Town Hall. This was an eight hour class that was presented by the Oneida County Sheriff's Office.

For additional classes, you may call Robert Snider at 315-765-2222 or go to <a href="www.nysparks.state.ny.us/recreation/boating/safety-courses.aspx">www.nysparks.state.ny.us/recreation/boating/safety-courses.aspx</a> to register for any class and for information on other courses being offered.

#### ISLAND ETIQUETTE

The KLIA is asking anyone that utilizes the lake, as well as the island and sandbars, to enjoy it as much as you can but would also like to remind everyone of the following:

- Carry-in / Carry out, no garbage or debris should be left on the island or sandbars. Do not use your lake as a garbage can.
- Please be courteous to others- this is state property and all are welcome.
- The islands are utilized by all ages, please be aware of the language you use including any profanity.
- If your favorite beverage comes in a glass container, please make sure it leaves in one piece with you. We all are bare foot in the sand and no one wants to step on broken glass.

Please leave the island and lake the way you found it, but better – if you see trash, pick it up. We all love the lake—lets show everyone just how much!

#### **NYS CANALS**

Anyone looking for information regarding the permitting procedures or applications can access their website at <a href="https://www.canals.ny.gov">www.canals.ny.gov</a>. Search under tab "Doing Business" then "Real Property".

Hard copies of the permit applications and instructions are available for those who do not have Internet access. These documents along with a hard copy set of maps of Kayuta Lake and the Black River are located in the Assessor's Office at the Town of Forestport Town Hall, Woodhull Rd., Forestport.

The NYS Canals' contact person for Kayuta Lake is: Kevin Lamphere – Permit Engineer NYS Canal Corporation (315) 733-9530 Kevin.lamphere@canals.ny.gov

There is a lot of other information also available on this website. Did you know that the Canal Corp has rules and guidelines for the design and construction of docks? Of course they do... The KLIA does not make or enforce these rules but we try to make everyone out there aware of the requirements and regulations that govern our unique lake. Better to know and plan before you build to avoid any unintended surprises. The guidelines can be found at http://www.canals.ny.gov/business/realproperty.

#### **KLIA MERCHANDISE**

We've moved into the 21st century and have done away with keeping an inventory of merchandise and hauling it to events. This process was very onerous, provided limited availability, was hard to track and difficult to store. All KLIA supporters are now welcome to conveniently shop our online store from the comfort of your recliners now located at www.kayutalake.org. There is a much bigger selection of items, variety of designs and colors available than we could ever stock. We hope you enjoy this benefit and proudly display your KLIA items.

#### **KLIA Dot Com**

The newsletter is still very popular but we are only able to print it once each year. Please make use of the other methods that KLIA communicates with its membership all year round. The Facebook page is always gaining in popularity as it can reach many people very quickly. No worries about hacking here... just communication and information regarding Kayuta Lake. Any possible trolls will be promptly removed from the group.

Our internet page (www.kayutalake.org) continues its popularity. Members can pay dues online, purchase items as available via the online store, and deliver send secure messages to KLIA board members.

As always, if you have any suggestions, questions, or comments please don't hesitate to contact me at wmm315@aol.com or 315-831-2205. Facebook messages will work too.

#### KAYUTA LAKE CRITTERS

Moose are the unicorns of the Adirondacks. They are awe -inspiring and highly sought after, but rarely seen. Unlike their mystical counterparts, however, moose are very real and do live throughout the region. In fact, the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation estimates that approximately 400 moose live in the Adirondacks. That means a sighting might not be as rare as you think – you just need to know where to look!

While location is important, there are some other factors to take into account when planning your moose "hunt" (actual hunting for moose is illegal in N.Y.). The greater your knowledge of moose, the better chances you have of spotting one in the wild. Keep these helpful facts in mind to increase your chances of a sighting.



#### **Facts About Adirondack Moose**

- Moose are more active at dawn and dusk.
- They are most active in the fall during their mating season, or "rut."
- Water plants, such as pond lilies, contain significant amounts of sodium essential to a moose's diet. Moose can often be seen partially or entirely submerged in water grazing on these plants. Wetlands that contain an abundance of these plants are ideal for spotting a moose.
- Despite their enormous size, moose actually move very quietly and gracefully through forests, and camouflage well into surrounding trees. That said, they do still favor wide trails, access roads, and wild fields where they have more freedom to move around. These locations also make it easier for you to spot them!

#### What to Do if You See a Moose

Encountering a moose is, for many, a once in a lifetime experience. They are as mysterious as they are majestic, which makes them incredibly intriguing. It is important to remember though, that these gentle giants are wild animals and they command respect. If you encounter a moose, be sure to follow these guidelines to ensure a positive experience for both you and the animal:

 Don't approach the moose – keep a respectful distance. If the moose appears to be nervous, back further away. As big as they are, moose still scare easily.

- Should the moose charge, don't stand your ground. They want distance, so give it to them by running away quickly. Once it no longer feels danger, the moose will stop charging. It doesn't want to hurt you, it just wants to be left alone.
- Soak in the moment! While grabbing tons of pictures and video is very tempting, this may be your only chance to witness this incredible creature. Snap a quick shot, but then put the camera down and just appreciate the moment.
- Share your experience. Whether you take to social media or spread the news via word of mouth, share your Adirondack moose sighting spot so others can increase their chances of seeing one too!

The top spots within the Adirondacks to see a moose are:

- Vermontville (Route 3)
- Meacham Lake (Route 30)
- Saranac Lake
- The Limekiln Lake-Cedar River Road
- Lake Lila







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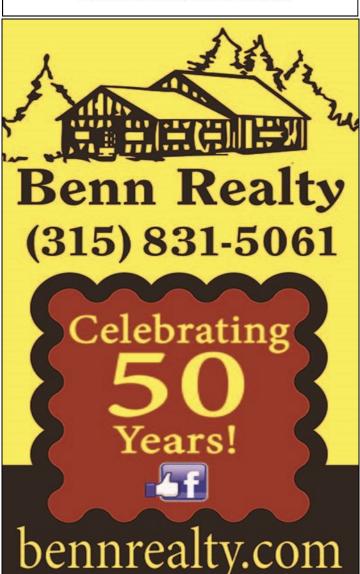
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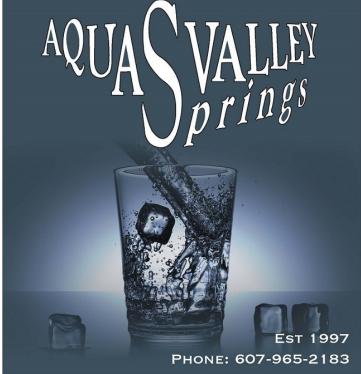
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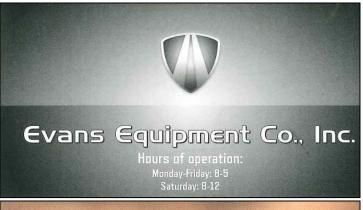


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#### May 2021

Su	M	T	W	T	Fr	Sat
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• Annual Spring Meeting: Saturday, June 12, 9:30am at the Forestport Town Hall - Come at 9:00am and have a cup of coffee or juice and a dan-

#### **July 2021**

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- Ski School: To be determined... fingers crossed!
- **Ski Show:** Saturday, August 14 starting at 1:00pm (rain date Sunday, August 15).

#### September 2021

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• **Memorial Day:** Monday May 31. Thanks to all who have served and are currently serving. You have our sincerest gratitude.

#### **June 2021**

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• Fourth of July: Happy Birthday America!

#### August 2021

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- Labor Day: Monday, September 6.
- **Kayuta Poker Paddle:** Saturday September 11 (rain or shine). Details will be available on the KLIA website and Facebook page. Don't miss your chance to gamble!

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