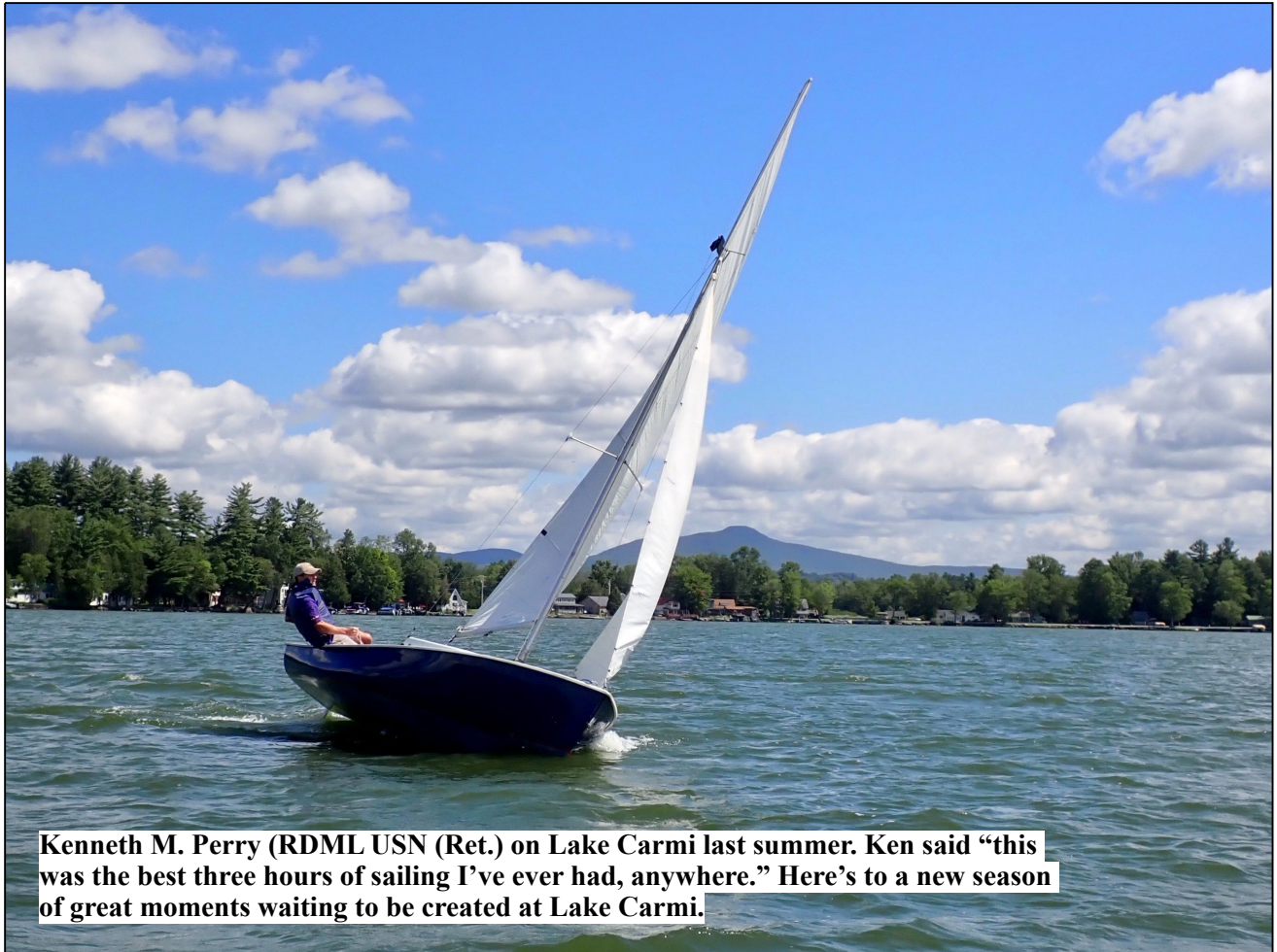


# LAKE CARMi ASSOCIATION NEWS

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*In Loving Memory of Our Late Editor & Dear Friend, Larry Myott*



**Kenneth M. Perry (RDML USN (Ret.) on Lake Carmi last summer. Ken said “this was the best three hours of sailing I’ve ever had, anywhere.” Here’s to a new season of great moments waiting to be created at Lake Carmi.**

## Busy Off-Season Leads to Major Progress for Lake Carmi

### President’s Report



*By Peter Benevento, LCCA President*

The last article I wrote for our newsletter was anything but uplifting. We had just completed one of the most challenging seasons at the lake. I was disappointed, discouraged, and frustrated.

We had just completed almost an entire season of uninterrupted aeration, yet the blue green algae persisted. We needed to start thinking of other options and over the fall and winter we did just that. I think I attended more Zoom meetings over the last six months than there are perch and walleye in the lake.

It has, however, made a big difference.


In the fall we petitioned the Clean Water Board to allocate funds for Lake Carmi. Thanks to all who attended the Zoom Clean Water Board Budget meetings and helped us through the process. Through testimony and the submission of documents, the board heard our pleas. The final budget included an allocation for an Alum Feasibility Study, as well as continued funding for our research platform on the lake.

This is HUGE! Alum is deemed to be our best option to arrest the algae blooms.

On May 1, VT DEC issued a Request for Proposal (RFP). The RFP solicited qualified firms to submit bids for conducting the alum feasibility study. The RFP

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allocates up to \$100,000 to complete the study. The proposals are due May 30. The study will commence sometime after July 1, with the final report due Dec. 31, 2023. The intent of the timeline is to put the process in the position to secure funding for an alum treatment in 2024.

This is major progress in the journey to improve the water quality of our lake. We are a ways off from the checkered flag, but we have started our engines!

We also secured continued funding for the UVM research platform. The platform collects real time data and transmits the same to the scientists at UVM three times daily. The data includes the measure of dissolved oxygen at various depths in the lake. This data has been essential to evaluating the performance of the aeration system.

At this point, the aeration system has been a big disappointment, but the system was turned on in mid-May. Annual maintenance will be performed, and diffusers will be re-positioned in hopes that this will improve outcomes and prevent algae blooms. If the condition of the lake does not improve, this may be the last season for the Aeration System. This makes the completion of the feasibility study and the application of an alum treatment in 2024 even more crucial. We will keep you updated as the process progresses.

None of the actions occurring on our lake would happen without the support of VT DEC and our other partners. This includes the Agency of Agriculture, UVM Extension, the Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District and the Northwest Regional Planning Commission. These partners are essential to working in the watershed to reduce the runoff of sediment and phosphorus into Lake Carmi.

An alum treatment will only be effective if we reduce phosphorus loading to the lake. The VT Agency of Agriculture and the UVM Extension Service have been working with farmers to minimize the impact of manure fertilization by applying it with injection as opposed to the broadcast method. They have also increased the amount of cover cropping to keep the soil on the fields.

The NRPC has evaluated the condition of our roads around the lake and have made recommendations to improve drainage and prevent runoff. They have also funded road improvement projects. One was completed in Black Woods last year, and additional projects are anticipated this year on Patton Shore and possibly other roads around the lake.

The FCNRCD has evaluated the tributaries to the lake and conducted Lake Wise assessments. Again, all this work is essential to reducing runoff and phosphorus, thereby making it possible for an effective alum treatment.

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We thank all these partners for their work and efforts. We will endeavor to ensure their presence continues at the lake.

All the work around the lake is coordinated through Julia Crocker and the Franklin Watershed Committee (FWC). Julia is the FWC Coordinator and will be very active around the lake this summer, working on Lake Wise activities. Working with the FCNRC, Julia will be holding workshops on Lake Wise. Ways to improve your property and shoreline to reduce runoff into the lake is the primary objective of the Lake Wise program. I strongly encourage all shoreline owners to have their property evaluated for Lake Wise recommendations. Please note that Lake Wise is non-regulatory. No one is going to tell you to do this or do that. They only make suggestions and recommendations to make your property more lake friendly.

As I have described above, there are many people and agencies and a lot of money being invested in our lake. We must do our part. Please contact Julia at jcrocker5@une.edu to have your property evaluated for Lake Wise. Also, please read Julia's column in this newsletter for complete details of all the FWC activities this summer.

Another partner I failed to mention earlier is the Town of Franklin. Over the past four years, the town has assisted in funding the operation of the Aeration system and will do the same this year. One of the other projects we are working on with the town this summer is funding a radar

speed sign to slow down traffic on Lake Road. More details will follow.

I spoke with Sheriff Grismore of the Franklin County Sheriff Office. Their patrols of the lake this winter detected no incidents. We have been very fortunate over the last few years with few, if any, break-ins or vandalism reported during the winter. The Sheriff's patrols have certainly been a big help, and we will continue to contract with them next winter.

The LCCA was also active politically this past winter. House Bill 31 was introduced with a provision that a moratorium be placed on all chemical treatments to lakes in Vermont. If passed as introduced, the bill would have prevented alum treatment. LCCA directors and others provided both verbal and written testimony before both the House and Senate committees that were evaluating the bill. At this writing, the moratorium provision has been eliminated. We thank all who participated in the process. Strength is in numbers, and our voices were heard.

The LCCA hosted an Ice Cream Social at the State House in March. We dished out ice cream and engaged with our elected officials, thanking them for caring about Lake Carmi. No better way than ice cream to lighten the moment. It was a delightful afternoon in Montpelier.

That's it for now. We have two more newsletters forthcoming this summer, so please stay tuned for updates on projects, events, and activities. We will also be updating our website at lakecarmiVT.com. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at President@LakeCarmiVT.com.

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# FWC Has Busy Summer Ahead



I hope you all had a good winter. I am so excited for another camp season to kick off! The Franklin Watershed Committee has been working all year to prepare for the summer season and what a busy season it will be.

We are very excited to announce that we have secured a Vermont Youth Conservation Corps team to implement some Best Management Practices projects around the lake. We have been working with the VYCC and the Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District to compile a list of potential projects to be done, based on the Lake Wise evaluations that we performed last summer. The crew will be installing drip-line infiltration trenches and planting vegetation along shorelines at the end of June.

The Boat Launch Steward program is back! This summer, we will have two boat launch stewards: one stationed at the North Shore boat launch and the other at the Lake Carmi State Park boat launch. They will be responsible for surveying water crafts for aquatic invasive species while entering and leaving the lake, and educating boaters about the harm that they cause to local ecosystems. Even if there is no steward on duty, always remember to clear your watercraft of any living organisms before launch and after retrieval. We are thankful for the Lake Champlain Basin Program for funding this program.

In other exciting news, tributary sampling for the 2023 season has begun! We have been working with the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation for many years to collect water samples from the tributaries that feed into Lake Carmi. The samples we collect are tested for the level of phosphorus present. So far we have collected three rounds of samples and will continue biweekly through September. These samples are vital for tracking the progress being made throughout the watershed to minimize sediment runoff and nutrient loading into our waters. We will be sharing sampling data periodically during the summer so keep an eye out for updates and a photo journal at [www.franklinwatershed.org](http://www.franklinwatershed.org).

The FWC will participate in the new Stream Wise program funded by the Lake Champlain Basin Program. This is the first year that this program will be conducted. It is similar to the Lake Wise program that you all know and love, but it focuses on properties located on streams and rivers. We will

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soon be looking for folks to participate and volunteer their properties for evaluation throughout the watershed. If you or anyone you know lives by a stream and would like an evaluation, please reach out to me at jcrocker5@une.edu. Our goal for the summer is to perform eight Stream Wise evaluations!

Last but certainly not least, we are excited to announce that we are once again working with the Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District to put together a series of educational workshops through another grant from the Lake Champlain Basin Program. We'll be holding four "Watershed Workshops" throughout summer 2023 to provide education about protecting Lake Carmi's water with stream and lake shore best management practices. Each workshop will feature a presentation and session with an expert speaker, followed by a facilitated discussion. Workshop topics may include how to plant and maintain a beautiful shoreline buffer, simple solutions for managing stormwater at your camp, and techniques for restoring stream health.

Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District and Franklin Watershed Committee will also be offering Lake Wise evaluations for shoreline properties again this summer. Please reach out to info@FranklinCountyNRCD.org if you'd like a FREE visit from our staff to learn about how to manage your camp to improve lake health!



**Families from both sides of the border gather at homes on Lake Carmi for a Canadian Thanksgiving.**

## Hands Across the Border

Modern technology has provided us with many benefits.

It allows us to communicate with family and friends, both near and far. We can even watch their faces on Facetime or Zoom as we chat, even though we often don't recognize our neighbors who live right next door. Unfortunately technology deprives us of one very important element of the human need – a hug.

But there is a bright side to this observation.

There is a small community at Kings Court on Lake Carmi, VT, where friends can enjoy that hug. The seasonal residents here are Americans and Canadians who have homes in Arizona, Florida, Vermont, and Quebec. As they meet each summer at their vacation homes, they celebrate each other's birthdays, rejoice in the birth of grandchildren, and console one another in times of sorrow.

The bond that has developed between these neighbors from both sides of the border was evident at an October 2022 gathering at the lake to celebrate the Canadian Thanksgiving holiday.

Hosted by an American couple, the feast was catered by all of the residents. There was turkey, ham, vegetables, stuffing, gravy, and all the fixings, as well as sumptuous desserts.

A fellow resident provided T-Shirts for the 18 diners to wear as they sat at a long table in the hosts' beautiful home. The American hostess, an avid quilter, added a special touch to the evening by making a beautiful Canada wall hanging.

Friendly ribbing and stories of various antics enlivened the dinner conversation and the enjoyment that everyone experienced was exuberant.

This gesture of friendship between people of two different countries is a poignant reminder of how we can be true neighbors, regardless of our nationality, politics, language or religion. Let us hope that this example of community spirit spreads and blossoms throughout both our beautiful countries.

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## A Happy Lake In a Small World

**By Suzi Hull-Casavant**

Spring at the lake ... a time for inspiration and hopefulness.

That changed momentarily as warm weather turned to snow falling! However, just a moment in time and ever moving forward - a new day. The sun is out, and plans have begun for the summer.

The rodents were good to us this year. The camp was relatively clean, but boy, outside the wind wreaked havoc. I don't know about you, but there was a lot of wood to be picked up, I see lots of campfires in the future.

The water was high, the eagles are back, and things look busier and busier each time I travel down that camp road. Snowbirds arrive everyday, happily greeting neighbors we only see during these summer months.

Hoping as you turn to your own thoughts of the summer you might share with us Lake Carmi stories of past, present and future generations. Histories of your cottage always seem to spark the memories of others and then additional stories to tell. This newsletter is for all of you, and it is nice to hear those personal pieces, along with the important events and news shared.

Here is an anecdotal story.

We have dear friends – the Everett’s – that would come up for two weeks every summer. Dave Everett worked with Robert Everest at the Delaware Water Gap. As you may know, Robert Everest had a camp on Wescott Mullen shore and had been coming up since a child. Dave Everett and his family of two sons would come up every year, bringing friends and girlfriends to make the most of their time at the lake. Boating, fishing, attending local events, just really jumping in and having fun. At least one year and maybe more, they organized their local Hamilton Square, NJ, Boy Scout troop to come up and spend some time at the state Park.

A little while back, I was chatting with a couple, as people do, asking them where they were from. This man, Jim, said he was from New Jersey. I said I wasn't that familiar with New Jersey. I conveyed that I had some close friends who lived in New Jersey, a small town you wouldn't have heard of called Hamilton Square. "Well," Jim said, "I'm from Hamilton Square! I came up here with the Boy Scout troop to Lake Carmi. Dave Everett was my scout leader, and that's how I fell in love with the area."

It's a small world, and Lake Carmi is even smaller, but it's our Happy Lake. Cheers!!!



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### Franklin History Corner

# Putting Franklin High School Molecules Under the Microscope

**LAWRENCE MYOTT**

Larry is the most traveled of the class, having covered quite a section of the eastern U. S. He is well known for getting on the good side of all the teachers. He is the busy body of the class, participating in each and every activity. Whenever anything is going on, there he is in the midst, speaking his opinion.

Larry has been active in all student affairs. His interest in sports, however, has been that of management type rather than actually taking part in the games.

He is planning to attend UVM this fall to study Agricultural Education. Best of luck - - Sonny!

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 Wildcat Willie Gets Girl Trouble 1  
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Basketball Manager 1, 2, 3, 4

Honors:  
 Boys State 3  
 United Nations Trip 4  
 All-State Chorus 4

Music 1, 2, 3, 4

Magazine Drive High Salesman 3, 4



People who are not well acquainted with Franklin High School may ask, "What is a Franklin High School Molecule?"

The Franklin High School Molecules was a magazine published by Franklin High School students. The first issue, published May 12, 1937, states: "Published by the members of the Senior and Junior English Class," and contains Editorials, Poetry, Stories, News, Sports, Alumni news, and Humor. A new issue was published each spring.

In 1942 December, issues were added. In 1952, a Senior Class picture was included, and in 1953, individual photos and profiles of the seniors were added. In 1950, advertisements for local businesses were added.

One such Senior profile is the one for Larry Myott, seen here. This and other profiles like it give us a look into high school life as it was 60 years ago.

The "molecules" began in 1937 and continued until "Relections-1970" and the last class to graduate from Franklin High School. Missisquoi Valley Union High School opened in September of 1970.

PDFs of all issues of the Franklin High School Molecules can be downloaded at [www.franklinvthistorical.com/Schools.html](http://www.franklinvthistorical.com/Schools.html).

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**Monday, May 29**

*Memorial Day  
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10:30 a.m., Franklin. BBQ sponsored by Franklin 5th graders.

*Haston Library Book Sale*  
9 a.m., Franklin Town Hall lawn, Main St. By donation. (802) 285-6505.

**Saturday, June 17**

*LCCA Membership Day*  
9 a.m.-12 p.m., Franklin United Church, Main Street. Coffee & donuts.

**Sunday, June 18**

*Father's Day Brunch*  
9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., St. Mary's Church, Square Road, Franklin. All you can eat.

**Wednesday, June 21**

*Senior Boat Tour*  
Lake Carmi, 11 a.m. Sponsored by LCCA.

**Saturday, June 24**

*Chase Around  
The Lake Triathlon*  
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**Friday, June 30**

*Nashville Singers*  
Abbey Restaurant, Rt. 105, Sheldon.

**Saturday, July 1**

*Anniversary Open House*  
6-8:30 p.m., Abbey restaurant, Sheldon. 20th Pastoral Anniversary of Jason McConnell. Sponsored by the Franklin churches.

**Monday, July 3**

*Concert on the Lake*  
Abbott Camp, Hammond Shore, Franklin. Come by boat.

**Tuesday, July 4**

*Fireworks*  
Magnant camp, Hammond Shore, Lake Carmi.

**Thursday, July 6**

*Modern Times Theater*  
3 p.m., Franklin Town Hall., 3 p.m. Puppet/variety show. Sponsored by Haston Library. (802) 285-6505.

*Ice Cream Social*

5:30 p.m., Franklin United Church, Main St. Sponsored by LCCA & Franklin churches.

*40th Army Band*

6-7 p.m., Franklin town green, Main St. Sponsored by LCCA.

**Saturday, July 8**

*Chicken BBQ*  
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State Park Rd. (Rt. 236). (802) 933-8383, vtstateparks.com/carmi.html.

*Marsh Park*

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*Enosburg Falls Town Band*

Beginning Tue, June 13, 7 p.m., Lincoln Park, Enosburg Falls.

*St. Albans Bay Farmers Market*

Thursdays, 4:30-7:30 p.m., St. Albans Bay Town Park, St. Albans Bay.

*Richford Farmers Market*

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*Montgomery Farmers*

*Market*  
Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.-1:30, Pratt Hall, Montgomery.

*Northwest Farmers Market*

Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Taylor Park, St. Albans City.

## Lots of LCCA Events, Activities Planned for 2023

**By John Costa, LCCA Events Coordinator**

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2023. By the time you read this, I'm hoping you have returned to the lake and are already making new memories. I know that's the plan for Carol and me.

To help you create those lasting memories, our board has been working diligently throughout the winter to bring events and activities that all can enjoy. Here we go!

The event season started early with our annual Ice Out Contest winner, Daryl Robtoy, with his winning time of 4:30 p.m. on April 9. The official timekeeper clocked the ice out at 5:56 p.m. that day.

We kick off the summer season Saturday, May 27, with our annual fishing contest, which runs until Sept. 4. So get

those rods and reels off the walleye hook and start fishing! Don't be left out on a perch.

On Wednesday, June 21 (rain date June 22), we kick off our second annual senior luncheon and boat ride with guests from the Franklin Carriage House and Homestead. Anyone who wishes to help is welcome.

Now, onto July.

Our annual fireworks are no longer in our repertoire for a number of reasons; cost being the largest. With that said, some of your/our neighbors have picked up the slack and will again light up the lake to help celebrate our country's independence.

*See EVENTS, pg. 15*



# 2022 Lake Carmi Fishing Contest Results

The 2022 Lake Carmi Fishing Contest had 30 entries, which was a nice increase over last year. Here are the winners!

### YOUTH

#### Perch

1st Place: Archie Domino-Gero, 0.56 lb, 11 in.  
2nd Place: Wes Bailey, 0.52 lb., 10.5 in.  
Honorable Mention: Will Bailey, 0.49 lb., 10 in.

#### Smallmouth Bass

1st Place: David Garrant, 2.09 lb., 17 in.  
2nd Place: Will Bailey, 1.59 lb., 14.5 in.  
Honorable Mention: William Fogg, 1.23 lb., 14 in.

#### Walleye

1st Place: William Fogg, 2.95 lb., 21 in.  
2nd Place: David Garrant, 2.42 lb., 20 in.

Honorable Mention: Jade Shows, 2.06 lb., 20 in.

#### Northern Pike

No entries

#### Largemouth Bass

No entries

### ADULT

#### Perch

1st Place: David Bessette, 0.98 lb., 12.75 in.

2nd Place: Jerry Clark, 0.92 lb., 12.50 in.

Honorable Mention: Frank Read, 0.90 lb., 12.75 in.

#### Smallmouth Bass

1st Place: Joseph Burke, 3.15 lb., 18 in.

2nd Place: David Bessette, 3.04 lb., 18 in.

Honorable Mention: Reiss Watters, 2.90 lb., 18 in.

#### Walleye

1st Place: Ben Loscalzo, 5.58 lb., 28 in.

2nd Place: Bill Preis, 3.04 lb., 20 in.  
Honorable Mention: No entry

#### Northern Pike

1st Place: George Robson, 11.94 lb., 37 in.

2nd Place: Richard Hall, 5.39 lb., 29 in.

Honorable Mention: No entry

#### Largemouth Bass

1st Place: Wendy Peyrat, 2.89 lb., 19.5 in.

2nd Place: No entry  
Honorable Mention: No entry

## Time for 2023 Lake Carmi Fishing Contest

It's time once again to get out on Lake Carmi (or stand at the shore), cast a line, and see what's biting. The 2023 Lake Carmi Fishing Contest is now underway! The contest is open to anyone catching a fish in Lake Carmi.

This contest awards 1st and 2nd place trophies, along with honorable mention certificates for 3rd place entries. Categories are largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, walleye, northern pike, and perch.

There are two divisions for the trophies. The adult category is for age 16 and up, while youth is for anyone under 16. A total of 20 trophies for each division are available to be won, along with five honorable mention certificates.

Last year's winners are listed with this article.

Winners will be notified and can pick up their trophies and certificates at the Franklin Town Clerk's office. All entries must conform to the State of Vermont fishing regulations.

Winners for each species are determined by the weight of the fish, with the length being used to break a tie. The official weighing and measuring will be done at the Franklin General Store. Fish being weighed and measured must be dead and in a plastic bag. Each angler must fill out the official entry form at the store. Anyone is eligible to enter their catch as long as it comes from Lake Carmi.

You can pick up a copy of the 2023 Vermont Fishing Guide at the Franklin General Store or the Town Clerk's office. Make sure you know the rules and can identify the species. A fishing license is required for anyone 15 and older.

Please call Ernie Englehardt, 223-5529, if you have any questions about the contest.

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**Top left: A budding fisherman showing his catch.**

**Above: William Bailey holding his trophy winning smallmouth bass.**

**William Fogg of Concord New Hampshire on his first day of fishing EVER. He is holding his trophy winning smallmouth bass. Besides this fish, he caught a walleye which earned him another trophy. Fishermen know this will be a hard day to match!**

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Light Up Lake Carmi runs from July 1-6, with judging taking place under the darkness of night on July 6 by an intrepid group of volunteers who shine as they endeavor to select winners in a variety of categories. The categories are: Most Creative, Most Inviting, and Most Patriotic. So get those lights ready if you want bragging rights for the rest of the year. Just don't be left out in the dark.

On Sunday, July 2, IT'S BACK!!! The world's only pontoon boat relay race returns to the lake for another chance to beat the dreaded Blue team. As I write this, we are still looking for boats to fill the Green team. Let us know if you'd like to take a shot at making the Blue team sing the Blues.

On Thursday, July 13, we can all head downtown to the common, where the 40th Army Band will entertain us once again. And, if they aren't enough to march you off the lake, maybe the ice cream social that accompanies it will get your taste buds marching to the beat of their drum.

Now it's time to put your thinking caps on. Our goal this year is to have Ice Out tickets ready for sale by Tuesday, Aug. 1. They will be available on your shoreline soon thereafter. Avoid the rush and buy early!

On Thursday, Aug. 3, we invite you back to the common in Franklin when Citizen's Band returns to entertain us again. We may have some additional surprises in addition to the band but have yet to finalize them. Check future newsletters and our website – [www.lakecarmivt.com](http://www.lakecarmivt.com) – for updates.

The LCCA annual meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 12, and we're hoping to bring back the potluck supper that COVID took from us. If you have never attended, you're missing out on the culinary dishes of the finest chefs from the Lake Carmi community.

Lastly, if you'd like to contribute an article for the newsletter, the deadlines are May 15th (sorry, you missed this one), June 15, and Aug. 1.

We are still looking at other opportunities for your memories, so keep checking the website and future newsletters for updates. Also, let us know if you have any ideas to help everyone make new memories.

**Lake It Easy & Light Up the Lake**

Lake it easy and light up your camp for the July 4th holiday week.

The contest runs from July 1-6. Judging will be the evening of July 6.

There is no central theme this year, so this is a "free wheeling" event.

Certificates will be awarded for the Most Creative, Most Inviting and Most Patriotic.

So get festive, have fun, and light 'em up!





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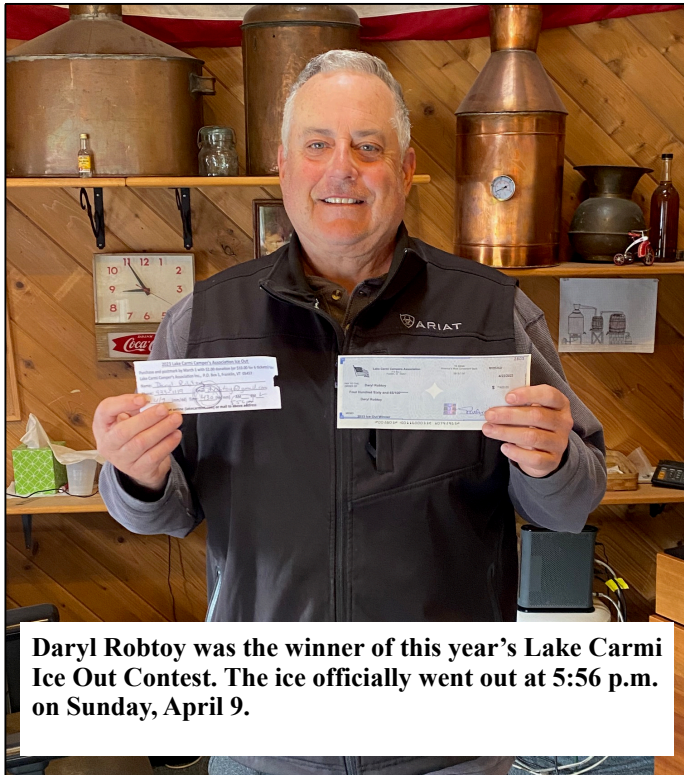
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**Daryl Robtoy was the winner of this year's Lake Carmi Ice Out Contest. The ice officially went out at 5:56 p.m. on Sunday, April 9.**

## 2023 Ice Out Winner Announced

By Rhonda Fletcher

Folks have been talking about the weather since the beginning of time! Add the Lake Carmi Ice Out Contest to the mix, and it sure makes for some interesting conversation.

“What did you guess?” “What was the date and time for the past five years?” “Who won and how much was the pot?”

Well, this year was no exception. The dates most chosen were March 30 (33 times), April 1 (32 times), March 29 (29 times), and April 10 (28 times).

Thank you to each person that purchased a ticket and to our local businesses who willingly obliged, took the time and effort, and encouraged their patrons to support the LCCA’s mission of improving water quality.

Thank you and congratulations to Tyler and Dennis Sheridan and staff from the Phoenix House for selling the most tickets!

Thank you, Joe and Linda Craig, for placement and monitoring of the high-tech system.

Fourteen people successfully picked Sunday, April 9, 2023, as the date the ice went out on Lake Carmi. However, with 5:56 p.m. being the exact recorded time that the ice went out, congratulations goes to our closest guess of 4:30 p.m., picked by Daryl Robtoy of Cold Hollow Computing, Main Street, Enosburg. After expenses, Daryl was awarded 50% of the proceeds and presented a check for \$460.65.

The 2024 Ice Out tickets have gone to print and will be distributed, ready for purchase along your shoreline, this coming Spring and Summer. It’s never too early or too late to support the mission for our ONE HAPPY LAKE! Cheers!



**Shane Ryan James Mullen**  
(June 15, 1989-June 12, 2022)  
Shane Mullen of Mullen Shore died June 12, 2022. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).



**Elizabeth “Betty” Dewing**  
(April 19, 1930-Dec. 19, 2022)  
Elizabeth “Betty” Dewing of Dewing Shore died December 19, 2022. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).



**Gilbert A. Dewing**  
(Nov. 8, 1930-Feb. 14, 2023)  
Gilbert A. Dewing of Dewing Shore died February 14, 2023. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).



**Norma King**  
(June 28, 1933-March 4, 2023)  
Norma King of Hammond Shore died March 4, 2023. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).



**Marc Mullen**  
(Nov. 14, 1955-April 14, 2023)  
Marc Mullen of Mullen Shore died April 14, 2023. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).



**Marian C. Wetherbee**  
(June 24, 1925-May 9, 2023)  
Marian Wetherbee of Hammond Shore died May 9, 2023. For a complete obituary please visit [gossfs.com/obituaries](http://gossfs.com/obituaries).





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**This past fall, families from Canada and the U.S. joined together to celebrate Canadian Thanksgiving. They all vacation at King's Court on Lake Carmi, where the feast was held. See story, page 7.**

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The Lake Carmi Campers Association, Inc., is dedicated to conserving our unique natural resources, improving and enhancing the quality of life and the environment, for all Lake Carmi residents and visitors. In cooperation with local and state authorities, the association shall provide educational, cultural, and recreational activities, as well as water quality management and safety education initiatives. Further, the association will provide a medium through which information and educational programs and materials may be distributed throughout the community.



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