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# Fairfield Pond Recreation Association



## Notes From the President

Dear Association Members,

This past July I had the honor of being elected the President at the Association's annual meeting. Other administrative changes enacted at the meeting: Ron Bocash was elected Vice President, Deb Bocash was reelected Secretary/Treasurer, one new board member was elected, Dennis Hendy. To continue the work of those that preceded us of protecting the Pond, will be very challenging with extensive environmental pressures, development pressures, and greater State involvement.

As the Association moves forward, meeting our objectives as stated in our By-Laws, "to preserve and protect the natural beauty of Fairfield Pond and the surrounding area and strive to make Fairfield Pond an ideal and safe place of recreation and cooperate with all State of Vermont agencies to accomplish this end," will continue to be a great challenge. To this end, the board voted to hire a professional to work with Deb Bocash with the Association's State filings required to maintain our non-profit status. Also at the annual meeting, it was voted to continue to support those fighting the wind turbine project with an additional \$1000.00 donation. The board has also voted to continue supporting the loon project with a \$100.00 donation.

I would strongly advise anyone with property on the Pond to familiarize themselves with the new state regulations put in place by "The Vermont Shoreland Protection Act". This Act will affect any future changes anyone wants to make to their property requiring them to "either register or apply for a permit" before any changes can be made. You can Google "The Vermont Shoreland Protection Act" to view the Act and see how the Act will affect your future plans.

At this time, I would like to express my appreciation for the great support of the members. With your support, the mailing list is being updated, the beach has been cleaned weekly all summer, the loon project is ongoing, water quality measurements continue to be taken, milfoil continues to be fought, along with several other individual's efforts to protect the Pond and Association membership is increasing.

Several have asked if the Association's mailing address changed with the administration changes, it has not, you can still mail your \$20.00 yearly due or any other communications to:

Fairfield Pond Recreation Association  
PO Box 12  
St. Albans, VT 05478

Again, thank you for your support and I look forward to working with the Association in the future

Doug Grant

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## Fairfield Pond Beach Committee

We are pleased to have the beach project 90% complete. Next Spring after the water recedes we will add beach sand that will be clean and neat. This will allow children to play in a more safe and beach type environment. The concept is to make Fairfield Pond Beach a family friendly place to swim, relax and picnic or cookout without having to struggle finding a location without parked cars. This should also help eliminate the need for parents to bring their personal rake to assure there is no broken glass or drug paraphernalia under foot. As designed by civil engineer Sam Smith, there will be approximately 22 diagonal parking spots for vehicles to access the beach (parking lines to be painted ASAP). Boats will enter west of the project area at a dedicated location. All trucks and trailers will need to launch their boat and pull alongside the south side of the road so others can launch their boats. There are plans to rake the beach and pick up garbage as needed. The Beach committee has purchased a York Rake that Doug Grant has graciously volunteered to operate when needed.

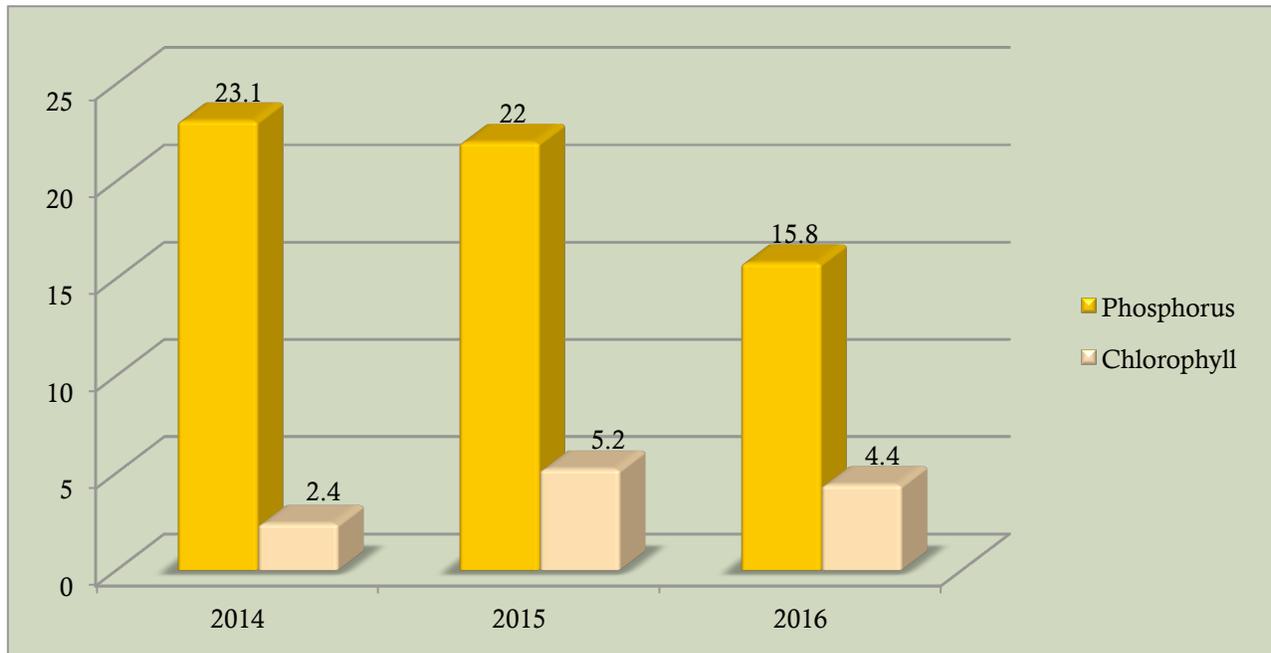
The Fairfield Pond Recreation Association has signed up a number of volunteers to keep the beach area clean and neat. We thank all volunteers for their hard work efforts. If interested to volunteer please email Doug Grant. There will be a new signup sheet in the spring for this purpose. We want to thank the Town of Fairfield maintenance crew for doing an excellent job; this crew has completed a lot of work. Thanks to the Town of Fairfield select board for being extremely supportive. We also need to thank the beach committee that has worked to make this happen. Special thanks to Amanda Forbes and Joanna Jerose who have acquired a grant for this project and managed finances.

Sincerely ~ Beach Committee Members  
 Ronald Bocash, Joanna Jerose, Shayne Bocash,  
 Debra Hastings, Amanda Forbes, Norman  
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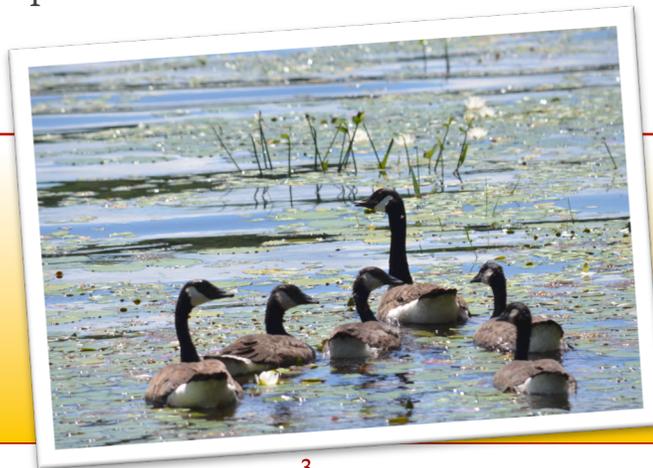


# Water Quality Report

Submitted by John Hancock



The phosphorus levels in 2016 are presumed to be significantly lower due to lower rainfall in 2016 due to it being one of the hottest and driest summers on record and lack of surface runoff. It also appears when phosphorus is down the chlorophyll is up but as can be seen it is a lower level than previous years. Secchi clarity levels varied this year to being between 6.5 meters and 7.5 meters and dropping to 5.5 meters after rainfall. The clarity of the water has been great this year, but it has also been a heavy vegetation year with increased milfoil throughout the pond, as well as increased general seaweed. Milfoil presence is the worst it has been in the last 4 or 5 year.



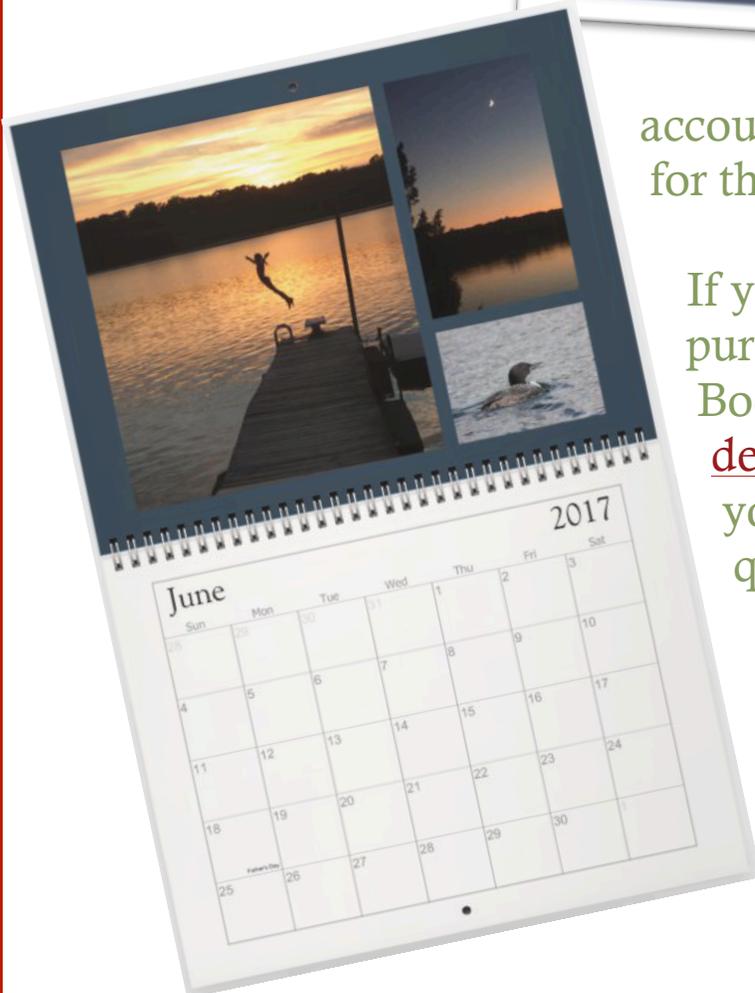
## 2017 Fairfield Pond Calendars

Thank you to all that submitted photos for the 2017 calendar! They \$20 each and that will cover the cost of the calendar and shipping. Any remaining funds will be deposited into the Association's



account to help fund future projects for the Pond.

If you are interested in purchasing, please contact Deb Bocash at [debbyann2011@gmail.com](mailto:debbyann2011@gmail.com) with your shipping address and quantity.



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# Get Your Fairfield Pond Gear!



The Association is pleased to announce the debut of our logo!

With help from the professionals at Main Street Graphics in St. Albans, VT, we now have a website where you can order your Fairfield Pond gear! Currently offering a variety of apparel and even a blanket, we encourage you to take advantage of this user-friendly website. There is a choice to have the items shipped directly to your front door or in-store pick up. Please order soon as the site will close on December 3<sup>rd</sup> to complete the order!!

**Fairfield Pond Fall 2016**

You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

1. Go to the online store at <https://fairfieldpondfall2016.itemorder.com>
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card

Online Store Deadline: December 3rd, 2016 (11:59pm)

<p>Richardson Adult Twill Mesh Snapback</p> <p>1 Colors \$18.75</p>	<p>Richardson Mesh Back Flexfit Cap</p> <p>18 Colors \$15.00</p>	<p>Sport-Tek Pom Pom Team Beanie</p> <p>4 Colors \$17.00</p>	<p>Port &amp; Company Fleece-Lined Beanie Cap</p> <p>4 Colors \$13.25</p>	<p>Gildan Adult Heavy Cotton 100% Cotton T-Shirt</p> <p>1 Colors \$8.75</p>	<p>District Made Mens Perfect Tri Crew Tee</p> <p>1 Colors \$11.25</p>
<p>Sanmar Ladies District Made® Perfect Tri™ Crew Tee</p> <p>1 Colors \$11.25</p>	<p>G2400</p> <p>\$12.50</p>	<p>Port &amp; Company - Ultimate Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt (with EMB Left Chest Logo)</p> <p>6 Colors \$30.00</p>	<p>Port &amp; Company - Ultimate Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt (with Full Front Print)</p> <p>4 Colors \$25.25</p>	<p>Port Authority® Active Soft Shell Jacket (Left Chest EMB)</p> <p>3 Colors \$40.00</p>	<p>Port Authority® Ladies Active Soft Shell Jacket (Left Chest EMB)</p> <p>1 Colors \$40.00</p>
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