



BIG MOOSE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Founded in 1928

Promoting informed stewardship of our environment, appreciation for and preservation of our natural and cultural legacy within the Adirondack Park, water safety for children and adults, and enjoyable social interaction among individuals, families and all members of the community-at-large.

The summer season of 2025 is here! We look forward to another busy and exciting summer. Please read on for information regarding our lake and our plans for the season.

<p>July 5 – Jolly Moosers “Great ADK Bake Sale” 9-12 at the Fire Hall</p> <p>July 5 – Capital Campaign and Pavilion Dedication Celebration 5:30 to 10:30</p>	<p>July 30 – Jolly Moosers Summer Dinner</p>
<p>July 8 – August 26 Euchre, BMPOA Center. Tuesdays, 6:30 learn to play, 7-9pm play</p>	<p>Aug 2 – Big Moose Community Chapel Bazaar</p>

July 12– Sunfish Funfish Sailboat Race – Returns this year! 2 PM; Higby Bay/Main Lake	Aug 7 – Family Night Bingo at the BMPOA Center, hosted by the Big Moose Community Chapel. 6:30 – 9:30 PM
July 13 - July 14 First Aid/CPR training 6-9PM. Limited class size, sign up sheet in Center beginning July 4th	Aug 10 – Big Moose Fish and Game Club cookout 12 PM until sold out. Club property.
July 19 – Lake Swim 7 am July 19 – White Metal Day 8am – 4pm Higby T. <i>Change in date from originally published calendar</i>	Aug 30 – Labor Day Boat Parade and Farewell to Summer Bonfire
July 26 – Annual Meeting and Chicken BBQ. Annual meeting: 9:00, donuts 8:30. The chicken BBQ fundraiser follows at 12PM. Picnic Tables will be set up to enjoy your chicken in the new pavilion! Bring your own place settings and beverage of choice.	

Water Safety:

All Operators of motorized vessels, regardless of age, are now required to have a boating safety certificate. Certificates are required for recreational boaters using motorized vessels, including personal watercraft. Operators of non-motorized boats, such as kayaks and canoes, are not required to have a boating safety certificate at this time.

If you haven't completed a certificate course, you can find links to in-person courses given throughout the state, and online courses offered by several outfits at this link: [Boating Course Info](#)

Other things to know about Boating Safety Certificates

- New York recognizes the boating safety certificate issued by your home state.
- Persons may rent and operate a motorboat from a livery without first obtaining a boating safety certificate. Staff at the livery must provide basic instruction and safety information before you depart the dock.
- Operators of non-motorized boats are encouraged to take a safe boating course

New York State Adventure License

If you have a lifetime recreation certificate or sporting license, your New York State Driver License can now become an [all-purpose ID card \(click for more info\)](#).

Water Safety and Water Quality Flyer

We have created a flyer with information on both water safety and water quality to keep these important topics top of mind. [Click Here to View the Flyer](#)

Please:

- Share it with your family
- Post in your home and/or boathouse
- Make sure any renters have reviewed this important information



Capital Campaign and Pavilion Dedication Celebration July 5, 2025!

Enjoy a catered BBQ dinner including grilled chicken, salmon and pulled pork along with specialty cocktails and your favorite beer and wine.

5:30pm Cocktails and games

6:45pm Catered BBQ dinner

8:00pm Concert - Patrick Fitzsimmons and The Turnpike Two

All BMPOA members, associate members and their houseguests are invited!

Adults \$20, Children 12 and under \$15

All expenses for this event are being generously underwritten.

100% of all ticket sales will be donated to the Recreation Program.

We are targeting 250 people for the event which we believe will accommodate everyone but get your RSVPs in asap to secure your spot...**by June 10th would be appreciated.**

[Click Here to RSVP!](#)

If you'd still like to make a donation to the campaign, **[Click Here to Donate!](#)**

Garbage Collection:

As was recently announced, there will no longer be a stationary trash collection. All residents will need to either use trash cans placed at the curb or at the end of private roads, or carry out trash to the transfer station or home. We understand this is a significant change. Let's come together as a community and work to keep our areas neat by following the below guidance:

Logistics to make this as pleasant as possible:

- Use quality cans and label both the can and the lid with name and camp number
- Bring trash out Monday morning by 9 AM, not the night before, to minimize wildlife issues
- **No uncontained plastic bags! If you can't use the trash service with cans, please take your garbage to the transfer station or take it home for disposal – Carry in/Carry out!**
- Place cans at the end of each private road so not all cans end up at the Higby Point/Crag Point intersection
- South Bay Road should place the cans at the Higby Rd end
- North Shore Residents should use the shoulders beyond the PO Dock parking areas
- Retrieve cans after collection, timely on the same day

- Respect our members and do not place cans directly in front of residences
- Do not block mailboxes
- If you have renters please communicate these guidelines to them.

From the Town of Webb:

- Clear bags must be used for garbage. Bags that cannot be seen through will not be picked up
- You must separate your recyclables from your garbage. Recycling for pickup should be bag-less in a recycling bin with a decal; decals are available at the Information Center. Cardboard must be cut into pieces smaller than 3' X 3'.

Summer Town of Webb Transfer Station Hours

- Mon-Fri: 8 am - 12 PM, Closed Wednesday
- Sat-Sun: 8 am - 4PM, Closed 12-1PM

White metal day will be July 19th from 8-4 at the Higby T.

2025 Recreation Program Information:

Kurt Pardue and Anne Dew have put together another exciting summer youth rec program. The program starts Monday June 30th and concludes Friday August 8th. Thank you in advance to Faith and Dick Shore for hosting swim lessons at their dock. Click the following links to see what we have planned and how to register:

[Calendar](#)

[Cover Letter and Registration](#)

Youth Protection Training: Youth Protection training continues to be a vitally important part of our culture and mindset. We strongly encourage our membership, regardless of whether they have kids participating in programs, to take the training. It is very informative and relevant to our home lives and well as our lives here in Big Moose. The training can be found and <http://my.scouting.org> Follow the prompts to create an account and begin the course.

Emergency Services and CPR/First Aid Training:

We continue to be serviced by the Big Moose Volunteer Fire Department and its new boat, as well as the Old Forge Volunteer Ambulance.

We all know that even with the best of response times, we are in a remote area, and it takes time for the ambulance to arrive. Our best offense is a good defense – learning CPR and First Aid to help should an issue arise. To that end, Steve Baker will be teaching the American Heart Association's CPR and First Aid course. The course will be held over 2 evenings, Sunday, July 13th and Monday July 14th from 6-9 PM both nights. There is a small cost for materials. The class size is small, with 9-12 people. A sign up sheet will be in the Association Center beginning the 4th of July weekend.

Water Quality:

Dye testing: The Town of Webb Dye Testing of septic systems will continue. There is no cost to you for these tests. The BMPOA covers the cost. The goal is to test properties approximately every 3 years to assure properly functioning septic systems.

ALAP Update: The Adirondack Lake Assessment Program is conducted annually, testing for approximately 15 water quality variables (e.g., Chloride, Alkalinity etc.). The results are typically available after the new year. Our results have been consistent year over year, however we are still waiting for the new results.

Additionally, coliform testing, with sampling twice a summer across 20 different locations in the lake, yielded good results.

Invasive Species:

Prevention remains the #1 Priority

Continued diligence by each of us by inspecting our own and our guests' watercraft (including boats, jetskis, canoes, kayaks, sailboats, etc.) is critical in helping us maintain an invasive free lake. Special thanks to Dunn's for providing inspection services. Dunn's will inspect all boats not from this lake upon entry, regardless of whether it has been inspected/tagged at one of State boat washing centers. If you have renters, please educate them on this important topic.

After Prevention, Early Detection is the most Critical Goal

Kurt Pardue continues to conduct an annual lake swim to look for invasives. The lake swim has been the foundation of our ongoing invasives prevention strategy for many years.

In addition, this year the BMPOA will engage Adirondack Research to perform a professional, comprehensive invasives survey of Big Moose Lake. The lake was last surveyed by this group in 2022.

Surveys are done in a zig-zag pattern, searching for **aquatic plant beds** using visual and sonar detection from shoreline to a depth of about 15 feet. For **aquatic invasive animal detection**, sediment sieves are used to search for invasive mollusks. Plankton tows are done on each lake to search for invasive planktonic crustaceans, such as the spiny waterflea. Maps are then produced, outlining findings. This survey is an important part of BMPOA's strategy of early detection of invasive species.

Another way to detect invasives is the **Lake Protector** program -where participants can be citizen scientists and help monitor the lake for invasive species. The Lake Protectors program involves attending online training, adopting and monitoring a section of the lake at least once a summer and reporting your findings back to APIPP.

The more people we can activate to monitor protect our lake, the more likely it is that we can quickly eradicate any invasives found. Follow this link for additional [Lake Protector Information](#)

We often think of invasives in the aquatic sense, but **terrestrial invasives**, like Knotweed, are an issue too. APIPP can help remediate this, free of charge. [Read more about knotweed management here.](#)

Contact Paul Powers at pkpowers@gmail.com for more information on our water quality programs

Loon news:

One of the requirements to continue our loon friendly lake certification is lake cleanups. If your family or friends conduct a beach clean -up please send that information to Barry Levin barrvelevin@gmail.com If anyone would like to coordinate a "Maintain the Chain" effort and link it to this program, please let me know! <https://www.maintainthechain.net/>

Reminders:

Association Center:

In deference to those living nearby, please refrain from using the association center past 10pm.

The AED is now onsite through Columbus Day.

It has become practice for some members who are unable to have packages delivered directly to their camp to use the center for package delivery. Please recognize that BMPOA has no responsibility for these packages, with the recipient assuming the risk for any lost packages



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