

Newsletter of the COLD STREAM CAMPOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC

Fall 2009

### **Reducing Your Energy Bill**

As energy prices begin their yearly climb during the winter months, most homeowners look for ways to lower their energy bills. Winterizing one's home is common practice and an effective way for households located in colder climates to do so; but, as many homeowners are now finding out, many habits and conveniences of daily life contribute greatly to increased energy bills, even during the warmer months.

A popular topic in today's media is the existence of "phantom loads", electricity used by electrical devices when they are not in use but remain plugged in. Few homeowners are in the habit of unplugging unused items; unknown to most, these idle appliances and electronics continue to draw electricity and contribute to increased electric bills. Some common household items may even draw more energy when off than when being used. According to the Department of Energy, 40% of a home's electrical usage can be attributed to "phantom loads"; costing homeowners upward of \$1000 per year.

So, how can you prevent your bill from being impacted? The easiest solution is to simply unplug items when not in use. Start by taking an audit of electrical devices in your home and unplug any item that isn't used on a daily basis. For items used more often, use a power strip to make cutting off the power more convenient. A power strip is also a convenient solution for devices grouped and used together, such as media centers.

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### **President's Report**

**By Dave Cook** 

The Board of Directors met once since the annual meeting and a lot of the time was spent continuing to develop an organized process for handling road maintenance issues. Tom Quirk, our new Road Commissioner, held three road committee meetings already and also met with past and present contractors to get the best return on our road maintenance investment in protecting the water quality of our lake. Tom also revised the job description for Road Commissioner and prepared a list of duties for Road Contact people.

Unfortunately, the transition from past practices to a more organized and verifiable procedure (as mandated by IRS guidelines) has not been without some discomfort. I'd like to thank Nick Alberding for stepping forward and paying to have the Davis Road graded this summer after two earlier efforts on that road this year were washed away. As a reminder, camp roads are not public and in years past, most of the efforts to maintain a smooth surface were handled by those who use the roads. But for some reason, individual rock raking seems to have become a thing of the past with the exception of Cedar Rest and Lemay Roads. Even simple things like mowing or weed whacking grass on the other side of the road is often ignored or left to others.

As with all volunteer organizations, a limited number of people seem to be doing most of the work. We are very fortunate to have these dedicated individuals. But we can always use more people. The Penobscot County Soil & Water Conservation agency recently received a grant to complete a new watershed survey of Cold Stream Pond and they will not be able to do it all themselves. Volunteers will be needed to help conduct the actual survey and they will need to attend an upcoming training class on how to do that. When you receive their notice, please make every effort to participate and safeguard our lake for future generations.

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Another common culprit of "phantom loads" is computers and computer devices. Though shutting down a computer is fairly common, shutting off the printer and other devices is not. The following guidelines and tips are offered by the U.S Department of Energy for efficient computer usage:

- Shut off the monitor if you are not using the computer within 20 minutes.
- Shut off the CPU, monitor and other devices if not using for more than 2 hours.
- Screen savers are not an efficient means of letting your computer run idle; some screen savers actually consume more energy.
- If purchasing a new computer, look for one that has an Energy Star® rating. These computers have power down or *sleep modes* that utilize far less energy than regular operating modes.

Many homeowners will see a difference in their electrical bill just by simply being aware of phantom loads in their home and taking action to reduce or eliminate them. More energy saving ideas are located throughout the newsletter.

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KNOW

Emergency Numbers	
Enfield, Lincoln or Lowell	911
Lincoln: Ambulance	794-2911
Fire	794-6511
Police	794-2221
Healthcare	
Penobscot Valley Hospital	732-3321
Health Access Network	794-6700
Code Enforcement	
Enfield	732-4270
Lincoln	794-3372
Lowell	732-5177
Animal Control	
Enfield: Bruce Hallett	732-4514
Lowell: Meg Curtis	732-3861 hm
	794-3457 wk
Lincoln: Police	794-8455
Veterinarians	
Timberland Animal Hospital	827-7177
Chester Animal Hospital	794-2706
Other	
Warden Service	941-4440

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### Cold Stream Campowners Association Water Quality Grant

Water quality protection is the most important task of the Cold Stream Campowners Association. Our water quality protection grant program is funded solely by membership dues. That's right, no state funds, no federal funds; just annual membership dues support our water quality protection grant program. Your membership support makes it possible.

This year, two applications were received and evaluated by the Grant Committee. After a review of each project, the grant was awarded to the Upper Webb Cove Drive Homeowners Association. The approved project included replacement of a culvert located near Hazards Cove. Upon completion of all work, the Committee inspected and approved the project for reimbursement of \$1464.00.

As a reminder, a \$1500 Grant is awarded annually by the Cold Stream Campowners Association for projects that address water quality issues on the camp roads. Qualified projects may include: ditching, culverts, storm water management, and tree removal. All those living on a Cold Stream Pond camp road are eligible. Anyone looking to complete projects that will help improve a current water shed issue is encouraged to apply. All applications are reviewed by the Grant Committee, Code Enforcement, and Penobscot County Soil & Water Conservation. The project(s) having the greatest impact on watershed, as determined by PCS&W, will be awarded all or a portion of the grant money. For an application and more information, please visit <a href="https://www.coldstreampond.com">www.coldstreampond.com</a>. Application deadline is June 15th of each year.

### **Board Briefs**

by Ellen Woolley

The Cold Stream Campowners Association is proud to announce that our membership rolls have reached 163 for this year. This is a result of several initiatives which provided outreach to potential members. Volunteers manned boats on a beautiful Sunday in July and went dock-to-dock to hand out membership information and gift bags to property owners. In addition, non-renewals from years past were contacted by mail bringing many previous members back to the fold. As a reminder, our annual Call of the Loon is now only sent to current members as of the date it is printed, so keeping membership current is very important. As always, the Call of the Loon will remain on-line.

Membership enables us to provide both fun and educational opportunities for members and property owners. Some events currently in the works are a Watershed Steward's Educational Program, an Audubon Society talk on loons, a seminar on ATV/PWC safety, the annual food sale, a watershed survey and our annual Water Quality Grant. Dates and more information for these programs will be announced.

Other topics and issues discussed by the Board of Directors included:

- Updating the Association's lake map
- Re-organizing the Road Committee
- 319 Grant in cooperation with the Penobscot County Soil and Water Conservation Commission.

More information on these topics is provided throughout the newsletter.



### **Bald Eagle Sighting**

On September 7, 2009, Sargent Way residents got a close up view of a Bald Eagle as it landed in a large pine tree at the former Dow camp. Jim Sargent was able to take several photos (shown below), while Steve Greenleaf conducted a nature lesson for those gathered.



The eagle spent quite a while in the area, giving those interested several opportunities for viewing.



### 2009 Loon Count

0 Chicks 22 Adults

Though the count for chicks was zero on the day the loon count was held, several reports of chick sightings did occur throughout the summer.

Thank you to Sue Harvey and her team of volunteers for conducting the count on Cold Stream Pond.

The Loon Count is conducted yearly through the Maine Audubon Society. Results of the statewide count can be found on their website at www.maineaudubon.org.

### **Inventory Sales**

Association merchandise will be available for purchase from 9am - Noon on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday following Thanksgiving at Dave Cook's office at 109 Abbott Drive.

**NEW ITEM!** Polo shirts with the Association logo are now available for purchase. Both men's and ladies styles are available. Pricing is \$26 for sizes small through x-large. Men's XXL is \$27.

A full list of merchandise, including prices and sizes, is available for viewing at <a href="www.coldstreampond.com">www.coldstreampond.com</a>. As always, merchandise will also be available for purchase at the Annual Food Sale and Annual Meeting. Special purchases of \$100 or more will be accommodated upon request.

#### **Lake Trout**

This beautiful lake trout was caught by Dick Blanchard in July. It was landed using a shiner and while trolling the bottom in a deep hole. The fish weighed in at 6 lbs, and measured 27 inches according to neighbor, Dave Cook.



Photo by Dave Cook

### **Local Area Transfer Station Hours**

Enfield: (effective Nov 1)

Transfer Station – Wed & Sat 8-4 Trash Pickup – Every Monday Recyclables Pickup – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

### Lincoln:

Transfer Station – Daily 9-4 Closed Thursday

#### Lowell:

Wed 12-4, Sat 8-4, Sun 12-4



### Food Sale 2009

The Board of Directors would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time and/or goodies to this year's food sale. As always, all the homemade goodies were a big hit and raised \$423 for the Association.

Thank you to the Town of Enfield and the Senior Center for donating the space. Hope to see you next year!

### Map Update

During the annual meeting, a vote was made in support of updating the Association's lake map. In addition, it was agreed upon that all Association members will receive one map with their paid membership. Additional copies will be available for purchase.

The new maps will be updated throughout the winter and made available at the Annual Food Sale held in June. If you are interested in a copy of the old, 2005 version, there are still several copies available. They are free for members and can be picked up during the inventory sale over Thanksgiving weekend.

Please note: property ownership on the map will reflect what is currently on file at the local town office.

### **WANTED: Road Contact Person**

Each camp road in Enfield needs a ROAD CONTACT PERSON to represent their road. Without a contact person your road may not receive any or only a limited amount of maintenance. If interested please contact Tom Quirk at 947-8747 or <a href="mailto:TQUIRK@QUIRKAUTO.COM">TQUIRK@QUIRKAUTO.COM</a>

Currently, the following roads **ARE** represented: Webb Cove Rd, Cedar Rest Rd, Holiday Lane, Lemay Rd, Dudley Rd, Abbot Dr, Sargent Way, Camp Road, Cole Alley, Page Rd, and West Rd. **If your road is not listed, it may not get appropriate representation, so please consider volunteering as a Road Contact.** 

### IF & W: New Building

Congratulations to the Enfield IF & W on the opening of their new Regional Headquarters' building. The new office was unveiled to the public at an open house on Sept 18.



### \*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*\* CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Effective, November 1, 2009, the Cold Stream Campowners Association's address will be as follows:

COLD STREAM CAMPOWNERS
ASSOCIATION INC.
109 ABBOTT DRIVE
ENFIELD, ME 04493

### **Dam Report**

By Steve Greenleaf

As of October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the water level is about 10" lower than this time last year. August and September were far below average in rain fall.

This picture shows the new safe passage way to cross the dam. It was constructed by IF&W workers in early August. Have a safe winter.



### **Sand Barrels**

Sand barrels, with stands, are still available for placement on any of the camp roads. Anyone interested in obtaining one should contact Dave Cook at 732-4650 or <a href="mailto:clssurveying@midmaine.com">clssurveying@midmaine.com</a>.

#### **Lost and Found Paddleboat**

Grateful resident, Belinda, would like the women who located her lost paddleboat last summer to please contact her at 949-1899.

### **Fisheries Report**

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Northern pike are on everybody's mind these days, but I often think back to the day that I took a phone call from a campowner on the Little Narrows (Upper Cold Stream Pond). It was 1997, and what was said immediately made my hackles rise. The caller brought the un-welcome news that he had that very morning, caught a 10" smallmouth bass. I asked that if he were to catch another one, could he please kill it and bring it to the Fisheries Office. The very next afternoon, there he was on the office doorstep with not one bass, but two!

The results of that incident still haunt me today. Whoever the person was that put those bass in the Narrows might not have realized the future damage that they would cause, but maybe they did and didn't really care. It wasn't but a mere five years later that we confirmed their presence in the upper basin of Cold Stream Pond. This past summer, calls came into the office weekly from campowners stating that someone has caught a bass off their dock.

Lately, we've been talking a lot about Northern pike and our hope is that they will never find their way into Cold Stream Pond, but we need to be aware that bass can be very devastating to a cold-water fishery in their own right. Bass will consume small trout and salmon, and can also compete for food with those species. Observations by fisheries biologists over the years has indicated that after a very few years after introduction, bass can do a very efficient job of cleaning up the shoreline of many minnow species.

Bass are also very efficient predators on smelt. I can't emphasize enough the importance of smelt to the well being of lake trout and salmon in Cold Stream Pond. All of the growth issues associated with these important and popular species are related to insufficient densities of smelt. Although bass are usually associated with the more shallow parts of lakes, we have taken bass in water as deep as 65' with experimental gillnets in some lakes with established populations. Those bass were there for one reason. That's where the smelt were, and bass learn to love smelts.

Presently, the most often asked question we receive from local anglers is "What can be done about the bass in Cold Stream Pond?" Unfortunately, NOTHING! I hate to be pessimistic, but once bass are established in a large lake or pond there is nothing that anybody can do. The damage is done and while we will generally institute a "No size or bag limit on bass" regulation, that will not eliminate bass from the ecosystem. Period!

I still encourage folks to kill (and eat) all the bass that they catch, but if someone chooses to release any bass that they happen to catch, there is really no harm at all. The harm occurred over a dozen years ago at Cold Stream and anglers shouldn't be maligned because they, or their kids or grandkids, enjoy catching bass at Cold Stream Pond.

The crime at Cold Stream was done 13 or more years ago when some person, ignorant of the damage it would cause, ignored the law and common decency and put those first smallmouth bass into the Narrows. If anybody has information about that incident or other similar incidents, they are encouraged to contact the Fishery Office or the Warden Service and share that information with us. Please be vigilant of the law, and help us prevent Northern Pike from making a home in our water!



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### REGION F: WILDLIFE REPORT Working Alongside Landowners for the Benefit of our Deer Wintering Areas

The second hard winter in as many years is behind us and another winter is on the horizon. The Enfield wildlife office was busy again over the last year working alongside several landowners developing timber harvest prescriptions to provide long-term management for some of the hundreds of acres of deer wintering areas (DWAs) found within the Region. These DWAs are essential to the survival of deer during the winter months, offering relief from cold, wind, and deep snows. Lower snow depths in these softwood-dominated areas also allow deer to create and maintain a trail network that enhances both their energy conservation and their ability to avoid predation.

Over the course of the last year, Region F wildlife biologists accompanied a wildlife biologist and forester with Huber Resource Corporation to a DWA located in T7 R7 WELS. This 955-acre DWA, is one of several DWAs that IFW works alongside Huber to manage on their holdings. A harvest prescription covering approximately 60 acres was developed and focused on the use of several different methods to harvest timber for the benefit of the landowner and the DWA. Similarly

Region F wildlife biologists and a forester from Wagner Forest Management conducted a site visit to a DWA located in Herseytown Twp. to develop a harvest prescription for a 15-acre hardwood inclusion area that was not adding any winter shelter benefits for deer within this 437-acre DWA. It is important to note that both landowners were also managing similar softwood dominated habitat adjacent to the mapped DWA for the benefit of wintering deer. The extra effort on the part of these landowners does not go unnoticed! MDIFW also worked alongside H.C. Haynes to develop a harvest plan for a 140 acre DWA located in Kingman. No management had occurred within this DWA for several years so the focus was to "release" established softwood regeneration (future deer shelter) and to harvest mature or overmature softwood species. And finally, MDIFW and the Bureau of Parks & Lands (BPL) began to develop harvest prescriptions for the Mitchell Brook DWA located within BPL's Scraggly lake Unit located in T7 R8 WELS. MDIFW & BPL will continue to develop these harvest prescriptions for a future harvest operation.



The Maine Department Inland Fisheries & Wildlife (MDIFW) has also been working alongside landowners to develop long-term cooperative agreements that incorporate hundreds or thousands of acres for the management of winter shelter for deer while providing for the harvest of timber on a continuous basis. Region F is involved in two such initiatives. These include the 6,200 acre Rockabema DWA owned and managed by Katahdin Forest Management; and with Prentiss & Carlisle who represent their client's 37,300 acre Agreement area located both within this Region and MDIFW's Region to the north and headquartered out of Ashland. Deer wintering area management and timber operations continued in both areas this past winter. Katahdin Forest Management and MDIFW biologists developed harvest prescriptions for several areas within the Rockabema Area. Likewise, MIDFW worked alongside Prentiss & Carlisle to develop a harvest plan for one of the management areas located within their client's Agreement area. Harvest plans were also developed over the course of the year that will be implemented this coming winter.

Concern for both the quantity and quality of winter shelter continues to be addressed by MDIFW and groups such as the Maine Forest Products Council and the Small Woodlot Owners Association (SWOAM). However, the public should also be aware that MDIFW has been and will continue to partner with landowners and land managers to balance timber management goals with the need for winter shelter for the benefit of our deer herd.

### Anyone for Disc Golf?

In 2005 students, teachers and volunteers held fundraisers, cleared trails, dug holes and erected baskets for a disc golf course around Enfield Station School (ESS). Past students helped build the course and current students still help to maintain it. Since the fall of 2005 this course has been the first and only FREE 18-hole disc golf course in the state of Maine. Some students have even participated in the yearly Maine Disc Golf tournament.



Jacob Richard and Aaron Thibodeau try their luck on hole 16.

The sport of disc golf is a family friendly, enjoyable, inexpensive, outdoor game for all ages making it perfect for our community. All you need is a disc (similar to a frisbee) and you're ready to have some fun.

Unfortunately, the fun was cut short during April vacation this year when students learned that three of the baskets had been stolen. Since students use the course for a unique brand of physical education as well as during a recess league and after school program, the loss of the baskets was quite demoralizing.

As most members know, Laura Cook, principal of Enfield Station School has allowed the Cold Stream Campowners to use the cafeteria for all of our past dozen or so annual meetings. We have never been charged the cost of having maintenance people set up tables & chairs and then clean and sanitize them after our meetings. Over the years, that has saved the Association over a thousand dollars by us not having to rent a hall. With that in mind, the CSCOA Board of Directors voted in September to donate \$794.72 from the general fund to cover the cost of replacing the three baskets.

Physical Education teacher, Adam Boyington, said his ambitious team of student helpers is continually

trying to make the course better for those who use it by cleaning the trails of loose sticks or garbage.

Adam said all members and their families are welcome to come and play. He is even willing to show you how to get a hole in one! CSCOA will post a score card and course layout on our website soon.

After school volunteers set one of the basket support posts in concrete.



Jacob Richard, Nick Farley, Eric Batchelder, Reyanna Harper



### **Ice Safety and Rescue**

Would you know what to do if you witnessed someone falling through the ice? Anyone living or participating in activities on frozen bodies of water should be aware of the following rescue techniques as recommended by the Maine Warden Service.

- First, call 911 for help. There is a good chance someone near you may be carrying a cell phone.
- Resist the urge to run up to the edge of the hole. This would most likely result in two victims in the water. Also, do not risk your life to attempt to save a pet or other animal.
- Preach, Reach, Throw, Row, Go
- PREACH Shout to the victim to encourage them to fight to survive and reassure them that help is on the way.
- REACH If you can safely reach the victim from shore, extend an object such as a rope, ladder, or jumper cables to the victim. If the person starts to pull you in, release your grip on the object and start over.
- THROW Toss one end of a rope or something that will float to the victim. Have them tie the rope around themselves before they are too weakened by the cold to grasp it.
- ROW Find a light boat to push across the ice ahead of you. Push it to the edge of the hole, get into the boat and pull the victim in over the bow. It's not a bad idea to attach some rope to the boat, so others can help pull you and the victim to safety.
- **GO** A non-professional should not go out on the ice to perform a rescue unless all other basic rescue techniques have been ruled out.

For more information on ice safety and rescue, please visit <a href="https://www.maine.gov/ifw/warden\_service.com">www.maine.gov/ifw/warden\_service.com</a>

# Judging Ice Thickness The American Pulpwood Association provides the following guidelines to help gauge the conditions of lake ice.

Ice Thickness (in inches)	Permissible Load (clear, blue lake ice)
2	One person on foot
	Group of people walking
3	single file
7.5	Passenger Car (2 ton gross)
8	Light truck (2 1/2 ton gross)
	Medium truck (3 1/2 ton
10	gross)
12	Heavy truck (7-8 ton gross)
15	Heavy truck (10 ton gross)
20	25 tons
25	45 tons
30	70 tons
36	110 tons

**Special Note:** The Maine DEP recommends at least 5" of ice before it is safe to operate a snowmobile or ATV on it.

### COLD STREAM POND WINTER 2010 ICE FISHING REGULATIONS

- Open January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Daily Bag Limit on Salmon 1 fish
   Minimum Length Limit on Salmon 14 inches
- Daily Bag Limit on Togue 5 fish Minimum Length Limit on Togue – 14 inches
- Daily Bag Limit on Trout 2 fish
   Minimum Length Limit on Trout 6 inches
- 8 Fish aggregate (1 salmon, 5 togue, 2 trout).
- No size or bag limit on Bass.
- Closed to night fishing (from ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise).
- It is illegal to dump unused baitfish into any water body.
- It is illegal to deposit any meat, bones, dead fish or other food material for the purpose of luring fish.
- It is illegal to place any ice shack on the lake more than 3 days before the season opens (December 29<sup>th</sup>)
- All ice shacks will be removed from the parking lot by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April. Those that remain will be destroyed or sold at the discretion of the Town of Enfield.

For more information on Ice Fishing Regulations, please visit: http://www.maine.gov/ifw/laws\_rules/fishing/



### WEBSITETIP

Visit the following websites for local winter activities for the whole family.

www.whofish.org www.maine.info www.visitmaine.com www.mainerec.com

#### **Did You Know?**

Schools of fish or flocks of waterfowl can also adversely affect the relative safety of ice. The movement of fish can bring warm water up from the bottom of the lake.

Source: Maine Warden Service

#### **Winter on Cold Stream Pond**

As temperatures continue to drop and the fall foliage passes its peak, a lull of activity transcends on the lake. Gone are the bustling activities of summer that bring an increase in visitors to the cool, clear waters of Cold Stream Pond. Nestled between August and January are the solitary fall months, void of most outdoor enthusiast, other than lake residents. When the lake becomes a thick sheet of ice and the winter months settle on us, the lake will again be host to a variety of recreational activities.

During a recent walk, CSCOA Board Member and Webb Cove Road resident, Ellen Woolley, met up with a few of her neighbors and discussed the change in season. Below are what a few had to say about living on Cold Stream Pond during the winter, and what they most like about it.



"Towing my Grandchildren in a canoe with my ATV across the lake" Ricky Michaud



"Cross-country skiing on the lake"
Diane Michaud and Peggy Smith



"*Quiet"* Brian McDormand



### **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Penobscot County Soil & Water Conservation District**

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### Penobscot County SWCD Received Grant Funding to Help Cold Stream Pond

The Penobscot County Soil and Water Conservation District has received grant funding from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection to conduct the "Cold Stream Pond Non-point Source (NPS) Watershed Survey." The District has partnered with the Cold Stream Campowners Association and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension for this effort. The survey will identify and prioritize NPS sources that may be affecting Cold Stream Pond's water quality. The goal of this project is to protect and maintain Cold Stream Pond's excellent water quality.

The grant project is scheduled to begin in February of 2010. The UMaine Cooperative Extension will start the project by offering their "Watershed Stewards Program." The Stewards program is a series of workshops and discussions designed to teach you about current threats to Maine lakes. Each program is specifically tailored to bring the best information to the people who need it the most – those taking care of the land around those lakes. Topics covered include; Lakes 101 – How Lakes Work, Lakeside Landscapes and Buffers, Shoreland Zoning and Other Regulations, Camp Road Maintenance, and Cold Stream Pond's Water Quality Data and What The Data Tells Us. If you would like more information on Watershed Stewards or would like to sign up please contact Laura Wilson at 581-2971.

During the spring and summer of 2010 the watershed survey will take place. During the watershed survey volunteers from your community will walk the camp roads and look at properties to document sources of erosion. This information will then be reviewed by the District and a report will be compiled that will be used as a basis for attempting to obtain more grant funding. All information gathered will be kept confidential and will never be used for enforcement purposes. If a second grant is received the District will then be able to work with road associations and property owners to address high to medium priority sights with cost-share assistance to install corrective conservation practices.

For more information on this grant opportunity of if you have any questions you may contact the Penobscot County SWCD at (207) 990-3676 X 3.



### Winter Tip

Looking for a way to safely walk on the icy roads and lake this winters? Look no further than "Kahtoohla MICROspikes". These spikes come highly recommended by several lake residents, many who have tried numerous other brands. For more information, please visit www.basegear.com.



Photo courtesy of Ellen Woolley

### **ATV and PWC Safety Classes**

Calling all kids between the ages of 10 and 16 – To legally operate an ATV and/or PWC in the State of Maine, you must pass an All-Terrain Vehicle and/or Personal Watercraft safety class.

The Campowners Association plans to sponsor these classes, in Enfield, if there is enough interest. Participants must be between the ages of 10 and 16 and able to take a written test. Children, ages 10–12, must be accompanied by an adult. Each class is approximately 6 hours long and is taught by a certified instructor. The PWC class will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on a Saturday in May; the ATV class will be on a Saturday in September. If there is enough interest, the ATV class may be offered in the spring.

There is no charge for children or relatives of Association members! Non-member children will be asked to pay \$5 which will cover the cost of lunch, drinks and snacks during the class.

Please e-mail Rene Lindsay at <a href="mailto:rtlindsay@midmaine.com">rtlindsay@midmaine.com</a> if you are interested. Please include your name, phone number, e-mail, number of children to attend and their ages, and which class you are interested in. You will be contacted at a later date with more details.

### **ROAD NEWS**

### **WINTER SANDING**

At the last road committee meeting, the Enfield Road Committee recommended and the Board of Directors approved an agreement with King Brothers to sand the Enfield camp roads. All agreed that if the roads are plowed before 5:00 AM there should not be any issue of a road not getting sanded. As part of these arrangements, it was also decided that unplowed roads would not be sanded; doing so would not improve the road's condition and only cause increased costs since that sand would later be plowed up. So, to ensure that your road gets sanded in a timely fashion, please make sure it is plowed. Also, King Brother's policy is to sand the areas that they feel are needed first and then return to other areas as needed. If you think your road needs extra attention, you must notify your ROAD CONTACT who will then contact King Brothers. Anyone calling King Brothers for sanding will be billed directly by King Brothers; the Association will only be responsible for sanding requested by an authorized Road Contact. This is one reason it is very important that every camp road in Enfield has a ROAD CONTACT PERSON.

### **ROAD MAINTENANCE**

If you feel your road needs maintenance contact your Road Contact person, explain what the problem is and how it should be corrected. A ROAD/PRIVATE PROPERTY WORK AUTHORIZATION FORM must be filled out for all work. A diagram of what is to be done must be included and all property owners affected by the work must sign the WORK AUTHORIZATION FORM. Then your ROAD CONTACT person must get an estimate and submit the request. Remember that the complaint, cause, and proposed correction must be on the form. Pictures are very helpful in evaluating requests for work. The requested work will then be reviewed by the Road Committee and submitted to the Board for approval.

### **Energy Meters**

Individuals looking to increase their awareness of energy consumption in their homes can be aided by the use of an energy meter. This device measures the amount of electricity used by an item, both when the item is in use and off. This will allow homeowners to pinpoint areas where energy consumption and costs are highest and locate where improvements can be made. In some cases, purchasing a newer, energy-efficient model may be the best solution.

These meters are available for loan at many public libraries. The Lincoln Library has several on hand for loan by area residents. Residents from the surrounding communities are welcome to borrow a meter, simply bring a valid Maine driver's license or ID when checking one out. Please call the Lincoln Library at 794-2765 for more information.

Did you know?
Most automobiles do
not require extended
periods of time to
"warm up" in colder
weather. According
to Be Green Now, only
30 seconds of idling is
needed by most
vehicles. For best
results, check your
owner's manual, most
include recommended
idling times.

**Phantom Load:** Don't forget to unplug these items!

Cell phone chargers; coffee pots, toasters and other small appliances; unused refrigerators and freezers; garage items such as power tool chargers & radios; chargers for portable games and music devices; guest room items; rechargeable razors and toothbrushes.

### **Energy Saving Tips for Fall and Winter**

The Bangor Hydro offers the following tips for reducing your energy costs:

- **Lower thermostats to 68 to 65 degrees** when you're awake at home and 60 degrees when sleeping or away. Most homes will save approximately 15% heating energy by turning down the thermostats.
- Don't add another flue to your chimney without checking with your local fire department. If not in use, plug off the fireplace flue and enjoy up to a 30% savings by keeping the heat in your home.
- Service your heating system at the beginning of each heating season. When using wood fuel for heating, have your chimney cleaned also at the beginning of each heating season.
- **Reduce lighting** by concentrating lighting for work, reading and other areas where it's really needed. Keep draperies and shades open when the sun is shining and closed when it is not.
- Cover or remove window air conditioners.
- Adjust outdoor light timers for length of day and/or daylight savings.

Additional information and energy tools, such as the "Energy Manager", can be found at www.bangorhydro.com.

### Cold Stream Campowners Association Current Membership - 163

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Clukey, Wayne & Ethel	Jackson, Wayne & Brenda	Pelletier,Leonard & Rena	Tozer, John & Laura
Cole,Peter & Jane	Jenkins,Charlie & Ida	Pelletier,Roger & Linda	Tozier, Mark & Michelle
Cole, Vaughn & Gloria	Johnson, Robert & Katie	Persson,Peter & Sandra	Wermer,John
Collins,Susan	Johnston, David & Glenda	Poulin, Jean Claude & Gisele	West, Alison
Cook,David & Laura	Jordan, Scott	Powell, Mike & Gayle	West,John & Delma
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Davenport, P.Clyde	Keller, John & Betty	Proctor, David & Jackie	Weymouth Pines Limited
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Farrell, Gregg & Angela	Landry, Jackie	Rullo,Jenny	Woolley,Ed & Ellen
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Furman,Rocky & Becky	Lemay,Pete	Sargent, Shane & Lee	
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Note: If you have paid your FY 2010 dues and your name doesn't appear above, please email Rene at: rtlindsay@midmaine.com.

### Membership Demographics (based on 163 members):

- 80% are from Maine.
- 26% are year-round residents.
- 15 states, besides Maine, represented.
- Camp Roads boasting the most members:
  - Davis Road 33
  - Webb Cove Drive 25
  - Cedar Rest Rd 19

Thank you for your continued support of the Cold Stream Campowners Association.
Together, we can help ensure our lakes beauty for future generations.

### For more information on topics impacting Maine's lakes and streams, please refer to the following organizations and websites.

### **Online Resources**

Cold Stream Campowners Association – <a href="https://www.coldstreampond.com">www.coldstreampond.com</a>

PEARL (Public Educational Access to Resources on Lakes – www.pearl.maine.edu

VLMP (Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program) – www.mainevolunteerlakemonitors.org

EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) - www.epa.gov

Maine DEP - www.maine.gov/dep

MCLA (Maine Congress of Lake Associations) – www.mainecola.org

Maine Audubon Society – www.maineaudubon.org

Maine State Planning Office – www.state.me.us/spo

Maine DEP Land and Water - www.state.me.us/dep/blwq/index.htm

Lake Environmental Association – www.mainelakes.org

Maine Lakes Conservancy Institute - www.mlci.org

UMaine Cooperative Extension – <a href="www.umext.maine.edu">www.umext.maine.edu</a>

Maine Alliance of Road Associations - www.maineroads.org

Natural Resources Council of Maine - www.nrcm.org

Take it Outside – <u>www.take-it-outside.com</u>

Penobscot Soil and Water Conservation - www.penobscotswcd.org

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