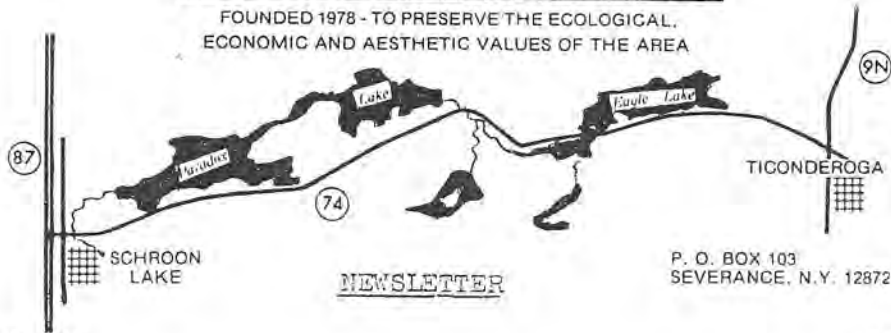


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THE ROUTE 74 ASSOCIATION

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WATER TESTING

Because water quality is a major determinant of lake property's value, primary attention should be given to protecting it. Hence your Association is undertaking a systematic program of sampling the waters of Paradox and Eagle Lakes for bacteriological pollutants.

Association members who have volunteered to perform the water testing are Henry Loges of Paradox and Anthony Spellman of Chilson.

Testing will be done in accordance with a procedure prescribed by the Town of Queensbury Water Department which furnishes the equipment, analyzes the collected samples and delivers a report of findings.

Thus we will know how we rate and whether further more specific testing is indicated. Costs of this project will be covered by the Association.

MILFOIL

Like wildfire, the milfoil weed has been despoiling Lake George while all concerned debate what should be done about it. It was reported last fall to have invaded the Hague section. Our lakes could be next.

Your Association has determined to take action now. First step will be an effort to apprise all area residents and visitors of the insidious nature of this noxious weed and the threat it poses of - so far as we now know - irreversible degradation of our precious water bodies. In conjunction with the Schroon Lake Association we are sharing the cost of producing laminated posters carrying a color picture of milfoil identified as Enemy #1, warning of its dangers, and urging careful inspection of boat hulls, motors, anchors and trailers before they are launched in our waters. These posters will be displayed at launching sites and other places where they will be most effective.

Cathy Carlozzi, our vice president for Paradox, is heading this effort with the assistance of our Severance vice president, Bob Robinson, who serves on the Schroon Lake Association's milfoil committee of which we are a member with the East Shore Association, the Schroon Lake Chamber of Commerce and the Schroon Lake Fish and Game Club.

FISH STOCKING

What kind of fish are being put into our waters, when and how many? Can we improve the stocking procedures? These questions, and others, will be receiving the attention of our member Leslie Forsberg who will serve as our liaison with the State agencies responsible for stocking our waters.

T H E R O A D

Route 74 - the road itself - is a continuing concern of the Association. Current problems, discussed at the July 6 meeting, include drainage, salting, railings damaged by snowplows and lighting. Whit Daniels is consulting with the DOT.

We had written the DOT recommending that it consider using a non-salt substitute that has become available to minimize the polluting run-off into the lake. They say that this is not presently feasible because the cost exceeds 20 times that of salt. However, we are assured that the amount of salt used will be "carefully regulated to the minimum necessary for snow and ice control purposes" and that they "will continue to respect the environmental integrity of this area through a sensible salting program."

B E A V E R S

Beavers are a pesky and persistent problem to some of our members. Their experience in dealing with them may be helpful to others. Ask Bill Spreen who has volunteered to serve as our chairman of the Beaver Patrol

O F F I C E R S

Officers reelected at the July 6th meeting are:

President	Whitman Daniels
Vice President for Severance	Robert Robinson
Vice President for Paradox	Cathy Carlozzi
Vice President for Eagle Lake	Graham Davis
Treasurer	Esther Patti

M E M B E R S H I P

Membership promotion efforts during the winter have been fruitful. B. J. Davis of Eagle Lake merits special commendation for appreciably increasing our membership in that area. Other volunteers are currently aiming for enlistment of new members in Paradox, Severance and North Hudson.

Recognizing that the strength of an Association is gauged by its membership, it was proposed at the July 6 meeting that each member obtain at least one new member before our August 24th meeting. Some took our brochure and applications for that purpose but if you don't have these at hand you can still enlist new members. All it requires is that they send \$5 (current dues for one family), along with their names and local and winter addresses and telephone no's to The Route 74 Association, P.O. Box 103, Severance, NY 12872. Each will receive a membership card.

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OUR NEXT MEETING will be Monday, August 24th at 7:30 P.M. at the Paradox Community Center. Please mark your calendar now.

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