



Update on Timber Harvests - Albany South and Evergreen Timberlands

by HEINRICH WURM

Yes, we now have two operations of concern: Albany South, which remains in the planning stage for now, and Evergreen Timberlands, an operation already underway east of Hut Road.

Timber harvests within the Kezar Lake watershed concern us deeply. They pose a potential threat to the streams that feed our lake. Even a small sustained rise in stream water temperature due to loss of leaf canopy is worrisome, as are increases in acid load, plus aluminum and phosphorus caused by a combination of soil disturbance and heavy rain falls. Both projects affect major tributaries to the Upper Bay and require close monitoring and ongoing dialogue between KLWA, planners, owners and foresters.

Evergreen Timberlands is an over 1300-acre timber harvest project currently underway on property now owned by the LL Bean family and managed by Stephen Gettle, an experienced forester who contributed significantly to Maine's Best Management Practices for Forestry published in 2004 under the title "Protecting Maine's Water Quality."

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Over the last few months, members of the KLWA board have met with Mr. Gettle twice in the field to assess the operation's progress and scope. We learned that Evergreen Timberlands has a forward-looking agenda, which includes the 30-40% thinning operation currently underway and lasting 2-3 years, and a follow-up harvest 15 years later. We were assured that best management practices would be applied wherever appropriate for stream crossings, buffer strips and other sensitive areas. What we saw and heard on our visits was encouraging, particularly the fact that there is an owner with a long-term commitment and a highly qualified

forester working with a team of loggers he knows and trusts.

With the Albany South project, KLWA mounted a strong effort to submit a comprehensive response to the Forest Service's Environmental Assessment document published in early May outlining five different harvest alternatives. After the comment period closed in June, Jennifer Barnhart was appointed District Ranger at the Androscoggin Ranger Station responsible for this project. To maintain previously established lines of communication and to continue our dialogue, KLWA members met with Jennifer and members of her staff in September to organize a pontoon boat outing on the Upper and Middle Bays to assess the potential visual impact of the proposed area.

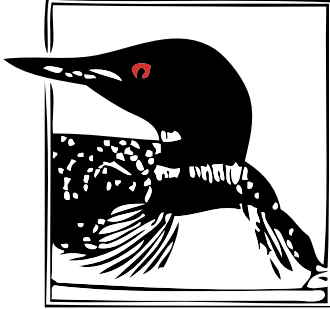
The Mitchelles graciously offered their pontoon boat for this venture and on a blustery day with low-hanging clouds, Fred Mitchell skippered eight of us to explore the visual impact of the—yet to be defined—harvest area. Thankfully, on our return trip the clouds lifted and allowed a good view of the area north of the landing. Comparison with maps showed that the visual impact of the proposed harvest area will be quite limited to anyone boating on the lake. This is partly due to local geography—two hills north of West Stoneham Road will hide most of the harvest area—and, according to the forester interpreting the maps, partly due to the slope and size of individual proposed cuts.

Next steps in the Albany South Project agenda are the release of the Final Environmental Assessment, which is currently scheduled for January 2017, followed by a 45-day period in which objections could be filed for administrative review and adjudication. KLWA will remain vigilant. A meeting with the Forest Service hydrologist is planned to compare notes and to better understand proposed monitoring activity of our streams during project implementation. Updates can be monitored by checking the USFS Web site. ♡



President's Message

by JIM STONE



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Driven by the hard work and initiative of your Board, 2016 has been a very busy and productive year for the KLWA. I want to take this opportunity to summarize our wide range of activities, provide an update on Board appointments, and request your financial support.

In 2016, the KLWA completed the following activities:

- Submitted detailed recommendations to the US Forest Service on their Albany South timber harvesting project
- Met with the US Forest Service at both their station and on the lake to discuss possible impacts of the logging program
- Received a substantial grant to expand our water quality monitoring program
- Created and distributed a flyer promoting shoreline conservation practices
- Replaced a long missing "No Wake" sign on the north side of the bridge at the Narrows
- Hired a new Lake Patrol Boat officer and scheduled a significant increase in hours
- Finished a sedimentation analysis on Kezar Lake with Plymouth State University
- Worked with the US Forest Service and Stantec to conduct a two-day study of Brook Trout in Great and Cold Brooks
- Met with the forest manager of Evergreen Timberlands, a new harvesting program near Great Brook, to affirm KLWA's long-term goals of "preserving and protecting" our watershed

Board Update

In accordance with our By-Laws limiting Board members to two consecutive 3-year terms, Peter Fleming and Lucy

LaCasse stepped down this year. Both of these individuals have contributed enormously to the KLWA. Most recently, Peter helped improve our fundraising initiatives and Board development, while Lucy spearheaded our Albany South position statement, and actively initiated and directed our Brook Trout Study. We genuinely thank them for devoting considerable time and energy to the Association.

They are succeeded by two new trustees, Eric Ernst and Rick Pilsbury. Eric is a retired IBM executive. He bought a home at the Severance Lodge Club in 1979, where he has held numerous leadership positions, including serving as President. Rick, a former advertising executive, has been on the lake since the 1960s and currently serves as President of the Boulder Brook Club. Both of these individuals have a passion for the watershed and have quickly begun contributing to the Board's efforts.

Membership

We would like to thank all of you who generously donated over \$28,000 this year. As of mid-October, we have 211 members compared to 183 last year. Contributions have risen by over \$2,000. We are still short, however, of our budgeted goal of \$39,000. Our annual budget is constructed to break even each year, so we cannot maintain the activities outlined above without your support.

If you have not had the opportunity to renew your Membership this year, we hope you will do so by year-end. A contribution envelope is enclosed in this newsletter for your convenience.

Finally, I want to acknowledge the work and commitment of the Board of Trustees. To accomplish the activities listed above requires hours of communication, discussion, planning and execution. It is a year-round commitment, which this Board has shouldered with enthusiasm and creativity. ♡



JIM STONE

Brook Trout Survey

by LUCY LACASSE

This past summer, KLWA collaborated with the White Mountain National Forest (WMNF) to conduct Brook Trout surveys within the upper reaches of the Kezar Lake Watershed. Four sites (two on Great Brook and two on Beaver Brook) were selected for their mediocrity, being neither the best nor worst stretches of water; but rather average runs that would well-represent the streams as a whole.

One of the Great Brook sites has provided the longest running Brook Trout data set in the WMNF, with twelve surveys generated between 1994 and 2010.

The Electrofishing Surveys were conducted over two days in early August, with KLWA providing seven volunteers for the first day, and six for the second. Huge thanks to our volunteers who included the following: Bear, Jack and Chris Brink; Andy Chakoumakos; Lucy LaCasse; Shelley Pilsbury; Judy Silva; and Sarah and Todd Smith. Everyone really enjoyed the experience, and we actually had to turn volunteers away.

Coordinating the effort and providing equipment were Forest Service (FS) biologists Mark Prout, Jessie Dubuque, and

Erica Roberts. KLWA had also hired Stantec fisheries biologist Jake Riley to assist with the process. And Jennifer Barnhart, the new WMNF Androscoggin District Ranger, even joined us for one day.

Participants met at Bill and Lucy LaCasse's cabin each morning for training and donuts before dividing into groups and hitting the streams. While the days were fairly long, the work was fascinating and provided great scientific engagement for us lay-folk.

Electrofishing is quite a process. Containment nets were placed at either end of the selected 300-foot run to prohibit fish from leaving or entering the catchment area. Then two FS staff donned heavy ghost-buster looking electro-shocking backpacks and worked their way upstream, waving the electric probes through the water. The volunteers followed with nets, scooping the stunned fish into buckets.

A total of three runs were made through each stretch, with descending numbers of fish captured each time. Until weighed and measured, the fish were transferred from buckets to portable laundry-basket fabric pens in the stream. It was essential to keep the fish from different runs separate until they were processed. Done properly, the electrofishing does not hurt the fish and we experienced very little mortality over the course of the two days.

With this summer's drought conditions, the waters were extremely low and we honestly thought that we'd catch very few fish. It was a big surprise, therefore, when we caught over 550 fish between the four sites, with sizes ranging from two to seven



Measuring and weighing the captured fish

inches (sorry anglers: most were small!). These are healthy and productive waters! Besides native Brook Trout, we caught some Black-nosed Dace, a few Spiny Sculpin, and one 6-7" Landlocked Salmon. The latter is interesting because this fish was far upstream from where it was spawned, below the "first impediment" created nearly two years ago. We also saw quite a few crayfish, which was surprising given the high acidity of our waters. A complete data analysis has not been done yet, but at a quick

glance, these numbers are very good compared to previous years, with higher numbers only occurring twice: in 1995 and 2009. It will be interesting to compare 2016 weights with those earlier years. This was a very positive project for many reasons. We added to the existing data set of Brook Trout populations in the upper part of the watershed, which will be useful as we look toward potential impacts on that fishery from climate change, Albany South, and other habitat alterations. It was a great chance to



Suiting up for the electrofishing survey

involve community members in an exciting and important project. And the Survey provided an excellent opportunity to collaborate positively with the FS. Because of this year's success and KLWA's clear commitment to and care of the watershed, along with our capacity to provide volunteers, the FS plans to put this on their schedule for next year. Given that it's best to collect three years of data to account for inter-annual variability in native Brook Trout populations, this is great news! ♡



Native Brook Trout!

Climate Change Observatory in Action

by DON GRIGGS

Now in its third year of activity, KLWA's Climate Change Observatory (CCO) had a busy and productive summer, focusing on outreach to the community regarding the impact of climate change on people, wildlife and watershed quality. Once again, the CCO hired a summer intern from the Environment Sciences graduate program of Plymouth State University. This year's Fellow, Carrie Greenough, measured various water quality parameters in the lake, ponds and streams; researched web-based data for climate change trend lines; developed content for CCO Web pages; and assisted with outreach such as Old Home Days.

Analyzing Kezar Lake Core Samples

The latest results of the CCO's 2015 sediment core sampling of Kezar Lake were analyzed in labs at Plymouth State University and the University of Maine Orono. They date from 1020 AD to the present, so we have data from a thousand years of sediment deposits.

Below are the highlighted key points shown in the sediment analysis to date:

Our data shows that for at least 800 years the rate of sediment deposits was steady at about 1 inch every 50 years. This rate started increasing when the Europeans arrived. They cut the forests, plowed fields, raised farm animals, trapped beavers, and built roads resulting in significant changes in watershed erosion processes. In the last 35 years, however, the rate increased dramatically to about 1 inch every 5 years.

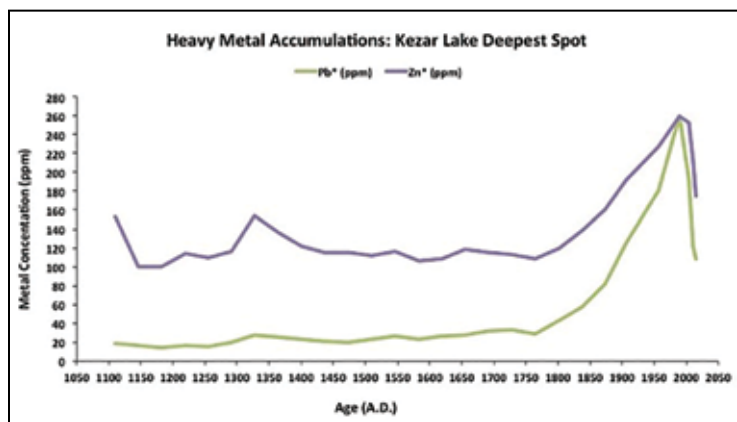
While runoff brings some beneficial nutrients to the lake, it also brings very undesirable things such as unbuffered acids and excess phosphorus. The Industrial Age added stresses and pollutants such as acid rain, heavy metals from combustion/jet engines, chemicals from fertilizers and other uses, and high-powered boats.

The synergistic impact of erosion and pollutants coupled with the rising temperatures and more violent storms due to climate change is increasing run-off and starting to have an effect on water quality and wildlife around our waters.

In spite of these threats and pressures, our lake is still in relatively excellent condition. But, the upward trends in acidity and phosphorus levels and the emergence of some algae blooms—are worrisome.

Reaching Out and Educating the Community

Several CCO actions in recent months targeted raising com-



This chart shows the heavy metal accumulations in Kezar Lake at our primary core site. Concentrations of lead and zinc were constant for about 800 years before rising at the start of the Industrial Age, and then even more when we began using lead-based fuels. Note that these metals declined sharply following legislation that prohibited the use of lead in fuels.



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munity awareness of the impact of climate change on our watershed, as well as how we might mitigate or adapt to these changes. Perhaps the most visible result was an 8 x 14-inch laminated flyer demonstrating “Ways We Can Help Protect Our Lake, Ponds, and Streams.” It illustrates twenty-six actions that range from maintaining a buffer with native vegetation to avoiding use of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides within 150 feet of all streams, ponds and the lake. Flyers were distributed to local vendors, town offices and individual homeowners this summer. Significantly, the flyer was formally endorsed by the Selectmen of Lovell, Stoneham and Stow.

In addition, the CCO has continued to update the Climate Change section of KLWA's Web site, including adding several decades of major trends in the watershed plus more information regarding effects on wildlife and plant species. By mid-November, the CCO annual report for 2016 will be added to the site. This report, like the 2015 report, will also be formally presented to the Lovell Selectmen and Planning Board.

An important part of outreach is informing youngsters in our community about climate change. This summer, meetings were held with science educators at Fryeburg Academy and Molly Ockett Middle School. We expect to continue collaborating with both schools in an ongoing phenology project (i.e., the study of seasonal changes in plants and animals from year to year as they relate to climate change). In addition, we plan to assist the middle school in classroom activities related to our sediment core sampling and our Kezar Lake ice-out data.

Finally, summer programs in Lovell brought climate change to the fore. As part of the KLWA's presence at the July Old Home Days, the CCO offered information on climate change generally and in our own watershed. And with the GLLT, we co-sponsored a movie presentation, entitled “The Messenger,” highlighting the impact of both modern development and climate change on the rapid decline of songbirds in the U.S. Volunteering with CCO

While the CCO offers many opportunities for those who love the outdoors and value our watershed, we are especially looking for individuals to work with the local schools on the phenology program.

To learn more and see how you can participate in the Climate Change Observatory activities, contact Don Griggs (griggsd@aol.com), Lucy LaCasse (wnder@aol.com) or Heinrich Wurm (whwurm@gmail.com). ♡

Water Quality, Grant Funding and our Stream

by HEINRICH WURM

Living on the Lower Bay, I was a bit worried this year: an early ice-out in March followed by an extreme lack of rain through most of the summer raised the threat of an algae bloom in shallow water bodies like the Lower Bay, Farrington and Bradley Ponds. None of it materialized and we were able to enjoy a glorious summer in and out of the water.

The lack of a serious heat wave and the always present current flushing in the Lower Bay were likely responsible for this outcome. The full report of our water quality measurements will be available next spring. At that time, we will also have a more detailed update on our plans to transition from manual to electronic measurements of some of the parameters we track.

Starting with the Upper and Lower Bays, we will track temperature and dissolved oxygen using stationary measuring buoys with sensors attached at various depths. As reported at the Annual Meeting, funding for this monitoring project is part of a successful grant application that the KLWA submitted last winter.

Under the heading "A Comprehensive Health Plan for the Kezar Lake Watershed," we will be able fund a research project as



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Carrie Greenough and Andy Chakoumakos at Sucker Brook recording dissolved oxygen measurements.

well as an educational outreach initiative. We are currently in the planning stage for the buoys with our scientific partners from FB Environmental and hope to work the Maine Lakes Society and local schools on some of the educational aspects.

Our research project on pH and aluminum levels in eight of our tributary streams during weather events is well under way. Acidity in our waters has long been a concern, mainly for our fisheries. Aluminum concentration serves as an indicator of soil disturbance under acid conditions created by heavy rains or snow melts upstream. With the help of our interns, Carrie Greenough and Andy Chakoumakos, as well as my trusted wife Linda, we have completed our summer and fall measurements and will continue next spring. If possible, we will conduct some form of stream monitoring during current and future timber harvests for years to come.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with water testing, whether driving boats or lending us canoes to access our ponds, this season. The Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) in Auburn conducts courses each spring to train volunteers in lake monitoring techniques. Our lofty goal remains to have at least one trained volunteer with a Secchi disk on each lake basin and each pond. It's a worthwhile commitment! ♡

2016 Annual Membership Meeting

by BOB WINSHIP

This year's membership meeting was held on July 9 at the Lovell VFW Hall and was opened with welcoming remarks by President Jim Stone. Treasurer Marti Kinsel provided a brief membership and financial review.

Dan Ouellette described the Lake Patrol program. He then introduced Tyler Wilson, who will man the KLWA patrol launch for the summer. Tyler is a graduate of the Environmental Policy program at UMaine Farmington and passes much of his free time in the outdoors with activities that include fly fishing

and serving as a ski instructor. Dan also noted that there will be increased patrol activity by the Maine Warden Service in cooperation with the Town.

Ed Poliquin reported on the fishing conditions in the lake and said that smallmouth bass beds are declining rapidly. He also summarized the loon restoration program and noted that the loon nesting platforms are not yet being used. Ed also reported that crayfish have been seen in Cushman Pond for the first time in years.

Heinrich Wurm provided an extensive illustrated report on water quality and outlined a plan for educating the public on the subject with a special goal of improving runoff management on the dirt roads controlled by various road associations. Heinrich also described the need for a

point person on each of the ponds to help in monitoring the various water quality parameters which are recorded regularly. He noted that a foundation grant has been received to help underwrite the cost of this activity.

Don Griggs reported on the activities of the Climate Change Observatory and the preliminary results of core sampling of the lake bottom in the Upper Bay. This work is being done in cooperation with Plymouth State University and the University of Maine. Don also described the Lake Smart program of the Maine Lakes Society and the plan to cooperate with them in an effort to make lakefront property owners more aware of what they can do to maintain water quality.

Peter Fleming introduced

two new members of the Board of Trustees, Eric Ernst and Rick Pilsbury. Sue Lanser presented the annual Joan Irish award to Hannah Rousey, a recent graduate of Fryeburg Academy.

Lucy LaCasse reviewed the status of the Albany South project and noted that there are about 140 species of birds and other wildlife in the watershed needing protection from the logging activity. KLWA comments on the project supporting option three have been submitted to the Forest Service. Heinrich commented on the GLLT submission, which emphasized the importance of the execution of the project in a manner consistent with the Maine Best Management Practices. ♡

Lake Patrol

by DAN OUELLETTE

A quite lovely Labor Day weekend marked the end of active Lake Patrol for this year. Although the official on-the-water schedule lasts only twelve weeks, this season's program began in April when we started the process of recruiting for a Lake Patrol Officer. We were fortunate to find a number of interested and qualified applicants, and several members of our Board interviewed the candidates. In May, we had selected Tyler Wilson for the position and by the end of the month, he was working with Lee Conary on lake orientation and boat handling.

Tyler was formally introduced to our members at the annual meeting in July, but many of you may have had the opportunity to meet him personally during the season. By all accounts, he was a terrific representative of KLWA on the water and we hope that he will be with us again next season.

This summer's consistent stretch of fine weather was a great benefit to boaters and other recreational users of the lake. It seemed the only true rain-out weekend day occurred

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during KLWA's annual meeting in July. As a result, Tyler was on active patrol for 252 hours this season, most of that time concentrated on the heaviest user days on the lake. This compares to considerably lower presence last year when both weather and scheduling conflicts impacted our seasonal plan. An informal log of activities for this season reveals that much of the time was devoted to routine reminders about boating protocols and safety, and the occasional tow for a disabled craft. It also noted the increased presence of paddle boarders and the importance of boater awareness of their presence on the water.

In August, we completed the installation of a new No Wake Zone sign on the marina side of the Narrows Bridge. There has long been a sign on the opposite side of the bridge reminding boaters of the No Wake restrictions as they head north through the Narrows, but some members had commented on the need for a companion sign on the southbound-side. That need has now been fulfilled.

The last formal activity for the Lake Patrol program this season will be a meeting with Town of Lovell Selectman and the Maine Warden Service later this fall. This was the second year in which KLWA made a supplemental contribution to the Town's effort to expand Warden presence on the lake. We continue to see a balance of Warden Service and Lake Patrol as being highly beneficial to Kezar Lake and the current plan is to continue to review this experience on an annual basis. ♡

Fisheries Report 2016

by ED POLIQUIN

The smallmouth bass population continues to decline in Kezar Lake. I found fewer beds than in 2015, which was the previous worst year I had observed since I began tracking them in 2009. I have also observed almost no crayfish on the lake; they are a food source for the smallmouth bass. Largemouth bass fishing has been good this year and I feel they may be replacing the smallmouth, especially in the Lower Bay.

Both baby eagles survived in the Lower Bay and fledged.

I have observed them catching fish. There was one surviving loon chick on Kezar, also in Lower Bay; the bird is almost adult size now.

The lake is at its lowest level I have seen in 34 years, but water clarity is phenomenal. This may not be the best thing as that sometimes indicates acidic water. Acidic water is bad for crayfish as they need calcium to make their shell. Calcium buffers acidity and is found in limestone; we have no buffering in Kezar.

There was a tremendous



amount of fishing activity in Kezar this year. Thankfully, most people practiced catch and release. Every bass in the lake has probably been caught a dozen times over the season. ♡

We were sad to receive news in August of Jerry Littlefield's passing. Jerry served as the KLWA Lake Patrol officer for 2014 and 2015, and conducted boat safety training courses for residents and boaters, ably supporting KLWA and the Town of Lovell.

Jerry loved the outdoors, being on the water and helping people. He was dedicated to his family. He leaves behind his loving wife Linda, two sons and their families.

The KLWA sends our best to his family and heartfelt thanks for Jerry's dedicated service.

News From LIPPC

by DIANE CARACCHIOLA, CHAIR

As I write, the 2016 CBI season has just come to an end. With your donations, grants and the Town's support, we were able to have inspections at both Kezar Lake ramps seven days a week for eleven hours a day and offered roving inspections at the ponds. This community support allows our program to open at the beginning of May and extend, weather permitting, through the majority of October, when most programs close down after Labor Day.

This past summer, our education committee, headed by Sue Hamlin, did a fantastic job increasing awareness of invasive plants to all ages of the community at Lovell Old Home

Days, Lovell Recreation swim lessons and at a plant paddle on Farrington Pond.

Wes Huntress and the shoreline stewards also did a tremendous job searching the shoreline for any changes in plant life. The Stewards Program has been so successful that it is used as a model around the state. This year, three shoreline stewards alerted our rapid response team with suspicious finds. One find was a large snail discovered in Lower Bay. Experts identified it as a Chinese Mystery Snail. The stewards were alerted to watch for snails on their portions of the shoreline and no additional snails were found.

Each year, LIPPC contracts

Lakes and Watershed Resource Management Associates (LWRMA) to perform a professional survey of 1/3 of the watershed. This year the survey included Heald and Bradley Ponds, Lower Bay, both Kezar Lake ramps and the ramp at Horseshoe Pond. LWRMA was also alerted to our steward snail finding and I am happy to report no invasive plants or snails were found during their surveys. We will continue to monitor for both next year.

Primarily through State grant money, LIPPC contracted NE Milfoil to survey Cushman Pond. Four days of diving produced no plant finds. That was great news and keeps the Cushman Pond team's goal of

complete eradication by 2019 on track. Thank you to all those volunteers who have been relentlessly fighting milfoil for many years!

LIPPC is also in the process of putting together our own team of Plant Patrollers who will perform higher level surveys of different portions of the watershed.

In summary, I would like to thank everyone who supported our mission with volunteer hours, donations or just keeping your eyes on the water. This past year is evidence that our community has truly joined together in this mission! ♡

News From GLLT

by TOM HENDERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I hope you all had the opportunity to attend one of the many interesting programs offered by the volunteers and speakers through the Land Trust's Environmental Education Program. This signature program continues to expand its offerings due to the enthusiastic leadership of our Education Director, Leigh Hayes, and her dedicated and knowledgeable team

of docents, a team that has now grown to twenty individuals who share her enthusiasm for imparting their love of the natural world. If you missed out, know that guided walks are offered throughout the year and you can learn about these events through our Web site, www.gllt.org, or from the fall newsletter soon to arrive in your mailbox.

The mission of the Land Trust is "to protect the ecosystem of the Kezar Lake, Kezar River and Cold River watersheds in perpetuity for the benefit of the region's natural and human communities. Meeting community needs is a big part of the Land Trust's tradition and is an ever evolving mission based upon emerging needs and opportunity. The Board of Directors is currently revising its Long Range Strategic Plan. In so doing, it is looking 10-25 years into the future to prepare for the Trusts role in serving the people of our community.

In recent years, three opportunities have arisen to more directly serve the youth of this region. Our Environmental Education program just completed its second summer partnering with the Lovell Summer Recreation Department to offer "nature days" as part of their curriculum. Each week the kids hiked a different Land Trust property and enjoyed guided discoveries in nature. In addition, we are in our third year of partnering with the staff and students in the Maine Environmental Science Academy at Molly Ockett Middle School, where we develop and deliver environmental science curriculum in the field to complement their studies. This reaches over thirty students each year. And finally, we offer a Summer Internship program with paid employment to two of our local youth who learn about the work we do and the potential conservation careers they may wish to pursue. We look forward to continuing each next year and beyond.

Our land protection program has been active throughout the year and we also look forward to announcing new properties in our fall and spring newsletters. Recently, we purchased a 98-acre parcel at Long Meadow Brook in Stow, which is featured in the fall newsletter. Stay tuned, stay in touch and may you get to enjoy our properties and programs. ♡



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Some of the GLLT volunteer docents on a Tuesday Tramp along Ron's Loop at the Back Pond Reserve

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The KLWA has enjoyed a long tradition of partnership with local business. Each of these Corporate Sponsors has made a much-valued contribution to the financial stability of our organization and to the programs that we support. We are most grateful for their continued commitment and for their recognition of the many benefits that a vibrant and sustainable watershed brings to our community.

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