1994-95 Annual Meeting was held in June 1994



The DAM CONSTRUCTION was completed and the gate closed on April 10th. It was almost finished 2 months earlier, but with only about 7 days left to completion, Mother Nature stepped in and shut the project down with some of the worst winter weather we've seen in years. Since April however, the waterlevel has continued to rise at a steady I to 2 inches per day. The best guesses say that water should be passing over the spillway sometime in July. The gate has been opened about I inch (per DEP) to allow water to flow downstream and will remain this way until the lake is full.

Many property owners took the opportunity of the lake being dry to improve their waterfronts. The LWBA was no different. Beach Committee Chairman Mike Panekarranged the reconstruction of 2nd and 3rd beach, while Zane Mercier volunteered his time and skills in straightening up 1st beach. At this writing, 2nd beach has been reconditioned into a servicable boat launch and parking area once again. Ist beach is usable, but will be even better after more sand, and 3rd beach only needs a little more work and some sand to make it viable for this summer.

We know that Lake Williams is a great bass breeding area, and given time, it will return to the super fishing spot it once was. Recolonization of largemouth bass normally takes 5 to 6 years before an adequate population of bass has been restored for fishing. In order to accelerate the process, Lee Rider, with the aid of donations from residents, campers, and the "Save Lake Williams" PAC, has purchased over 300 small bass and 30 large breeders. These were introduced into the lake in late April and should help reduce the time for recolonization by 2 or 3 years. In order to minimize the time necessary to provide a bass population suitable for fishing, it's IMPERATIVE that anyone catching a bass of any size PLEASE RELEASE IT BACK INTO THE LAKE. Let's give them time to breed and grow. Lee has been receiving additional donations and will purchase additional fish as it becomes possible. You can contact him at Rider's Campground.

On May 7th The Lake Williams Regulations Committee held a meeting to discuss tentative swimming and boating rules with residents. Tom Manning, Committee Chairman, went over the suggested regulations sent out to lake people in December. Step by step, each item was discussed. Evidently the Committee had done a great job on their proposal because there were only a few minor changes made to their original recommendations. These proposed regulations will be submitted to the Town of Lebanon expecting that they will be made into ordinances. Once they've passed a Town Meeting, which I hope we'll all attend, the proposed ordinances will be submitted to the State DEP for expected final approval.

The COST OF REBUILDING the dam actually came in . UNDER the \$380,000 that we expected. Consequently, the 80 Mills that we had expected as a Special Assessment will probably be closer to 78. Congratulations are due the Flood and Erosion Control Board for keeping a close rein on expenses, even with the unexpected severity of this last winter. Thanks are also due Troy Kyaw, Project Engineer and now LWBA Member and property owner, for his concern and effectiveness in completion of this unique project.

The PROPOSED BUDGET for the LWBA '94-'95 Fiscal Year will include a ONE-TIME additional tax of \$28 for each member to pay the assessment on LWBA properties. We'll discuss it at the ANNUAL MEETING at the ACRE on June 5th at 1:30 PM. Also to be discussed will be beach use, property maintenance, liability insurance, and of course, election of officers.

Gilbert A Koss President, LWBA

Lake Williams Beach Association

Governmental District Established 1953

63 LAKE SHORE DR LEBANON, CT 06249

Tax Collector Philip Godeck

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TAX COLLECTOR ANNUAL REPORT YEAR 1993 - 1994

1. This report covers the period of May 6th 1993 to May 2nd 1994 of the Lake Williams Beach Association tax collector, Closeing of the books at an early date instead of the end of the fiscal year which is June 30, leaves no time to finalize all figures for the annual report and meeting of the association. These figures are based on the rate of \$45.00 per property owner as voted June 7th 1993 and 117 property owners.

2.	89 payments received 9 overdue payments added interest	\$4005.00 405.00 27.54 Total received	\$4437.54

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4. The year 1993 there are 13 non-payment for a total of \$585.00 not figureing the interest. Liens have been filed.

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Submitted by, Submitted by, Philip J. Godeck Sr Tax Collector L. W. B. A.

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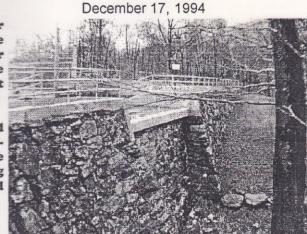
Thanks for saving Lake Williams

Editor:

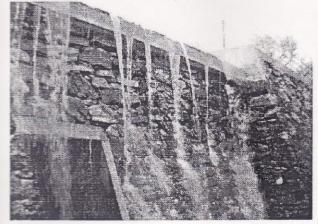
I am writing in behalf of my husband, myself and my campers. We are so elated that the problems of Lake Williams have been finally solved. This summer and camping season is going to be wonderful for our campers and, of course, for Lee and I. We have to give credit and many warm hearted thanks to Gil Koss and to Troy Kyaw. These two men are priceless. They both worked wery hard on this project. Koss has put many long, hard hours into saving our lake.

Lake Williams Campground Lebanon Apr 27, 1994 The Kirby Mill is a Corcarele For 16 years we have waited for the day that water would once again flow over the top of our dam. To the right, we see the rising water covering all but the last few inches of the cap.

It was a beautiful day. And even though the sun was shinning, the brooks feeding Lake Williams were running strong and pushing the water level steadily upward.



December 23, 1994



Early in the morning on Friday, December 23rd, the first trickle began to push its way over the top. It was an overcast day with relatively mild temperatures considering the time of the year.

A few people driving by happened to stop to witness this historic event with a certain air of satisfaction and triumph. The day we had all waited for was finally here.

On the eve of Christmas day, we were in the middle of a Nor'easter, and who knows how many inches of rain fell that day. Over the course of a few hours, our waterfall transformed from a trickle into something short of Niagara Falls. It was quite a treat.

