



LACC Members:

I did not think it was possible.... Last year we raised \$4,161 at the yard sale. This year, we raised \$5,278.87 between the yard sale, bake sale, donations and LACC gear. In addition to the \$5,278.87, we raised \$3,700 from the 50/50 raffle for a grand total of **\$8,978.87** for the day. I still can't believe it!!

It was a great day all around. The weather was wonderful and we had over 30 volunteers for the day who worked so well together. As a result, we logged 281 volunteer hours in one day. I would like to personally thank all of the volunteers who worked so hard and they are as follows: the Wakefields, the Hawkes, the Fitzpatricks, the Sanfasons, the Zegers, Kate Howard, the Oretos, the Juffres, the Shaughnessys, Mark Harris, the Francis', Diane Galvin & Steve Herman, the Harts, Pauline Vezina, Shannon Doyle, the Burkes, Mary Singelais and Louanne Romanek. Without these wonderful volunteers, the day would not have been such a success. Thank you for the great team work. I have never seen a group of people work so well together.

I would also like to thank all of our members, their families and friends who were so generous and donated many wonderful items for the yard sale. Without those donations, there would have been no yard sale. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

A thank you also goes out to all of our members who baked goodies for the bake sale and to the members who allowed us to use their trailers to transport the items to and from the yard sale. I would also like to thank LAC for allowing us to borrow some tables from the clubhouse.

I believe that two things really made this year such a great success. The first is that we had a generous non-LACC gentleman donate several Christmas trees and a bowflex machine in the fall of 2010. These items were sold on craigs list before Christmas. There were also several items sold a week or two before the yard sale. Therefore, going into the yard sale, we had already raised \$805. The second is that Scott Sanfason donated a 14 foot Meyers aluminum boat with a trailer that was sold at the yard sale for \$400. Thank you Scott for your generosity. Your donation really helped make our day such a great success.

A special thanks goes out to Diane Gray who made arrangements with Josh Jakan a real estate broker from the Maine Real Estate Network in East Waterboro to allow us to use their property to host the yard sale. I truly believe that the location helps make this event such a great success. So, thank you Diane Gray and Josh Jakan.

Finally, I would like to personally thank the Gilchrests and the Harts who worked just as hard as I did gathering, tagging and storing items for the yard sale. Your kindness and dedication to LACC is greatly appreciated. Without Kathy Hart's leadership, encouragement and direction, there would have been no yard sale this year. After last year's event, I swore that I would not do it again and that it was way too much work. With a "little" prompting from Kathy Hart, she convinced me to do it all over again, and I am grateful to her for that. Without her encouragement, we would not have raised \$8,978.87 to help save the lake we all love. So, Kathy..thank you. You are truly a wonderful person!

Before I disclose the results of the big raffle, I would just like to mention that the Romanecks were extremely generous and donated a large bin of great diving equipment including wet suits, vests, lights, knives etc. for sale at the yard sale. Unfortunately, these items did not sell, but they will be offered to our divers for spare equipment and they will be put to good use, and it will save LACC and our divers money on spare parts.

As you all know, we also had the drawing for the BIG 50/50 cash raffle at the close of the yard sale. Unfortunately, we did not sell all 500 tickets. Since this was the first year for our big raffle, the Board of Directors voted to payout the full prizes instead of a percentage of the ticket sales. Going into the yard sale, we sold 389 tickets, and at the yard sale, we sold another 46 tickets for a total of 435 tickets sold. Therefore, LACC paid out \$5,000 in prizes and raised \$3,700 to help fight milfoil. The winners of the big raffle were:

1st prize – \$3,000 - Bob Carriere
2nd prize – \$1,500 - Clyde Tripp
3rd prize - \$500 – Tanya Lombard

Congratulations to our winners!!!! That was the best \$20 they ever spent.

I would like to send out one final thank you to Mary Singelais who prepared a wonderful and delicious meal for all of the volunteers at the end of the day. Not only did Mary feed all of us, but she volunteered most of the day at the yard sale as well. Thank you, Mary, the food was delicious and your kindness and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for making the day such a HUGE success. I will see you all at the next fundraising event. Please consider participating in the golf tournament and the fishing tournament. All of these events help support the DASH boat operations, the benthic barrier program and the courtesy boat inspection program. Also, don't forget to fill out a volunteer sheet for all of your volunteer time before the yard sale.

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