## ALTON-BARNSTEAD HALF MOON LAKE ASSOCIATION SECRETARY'S REPORT AUGUST 20, 1995

The August 20, 1995 Annual Meeting of the Alton-Barnstead Half Moon Lake Association was called to order in the Recreation Hall of YMCA Camp Mi Ti Na by President Larry Holt at 11:15 a.m. There were 28 names on the sign-up sheet but many more were present.

President Holt welcomed all, expressed his pleasure at seeing so many new members, and thanked the staff of Camp Mi Te Na for hosting the meeting, giving a short account of the Camp's busy schedule.

The Secretary's Report of the July 9, 1995 meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer reported that 66 members had paid their dues and that Association expenses averaged \$375.00 a year (mostly for mailings and water testing), making it imperative that more members be contacted for payment. Treasurer Gordon Headley stated that copies of "LAKESIDE, publication of the New Hampshire Lakes Association of which our Association is a member, would continue to be sent to our members with meeting notices and newsletters. He also described the book, published by the Lake Winnepesaukee Association, entitled "A SPECIAL PLACE" and how it could be obtained. Mr. Headley stated that the officers, headed by out-going President Larry Holt, would attempt to reach the owners of the approximately 200 cottages on the lake to be sure they were members and paying their dues. He announced that the Association would be starting a checking account rather than continuing with just a savings account as it had in the past. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

President Holt introduced new members Clint Rand and Barbara Morris and Graham and Naomi Chedd, owners of property at the former Girls' Camp.

President Holt reported that due to serious cutbacks in the Marine Patrol, our officer was now responsible for 42 lakes and stressed the importance of our policing our own actions on the lake, strictly adhering to the counterclockwise direction when boating or pulling skiers. Members were urged to report any boats not traveling safely and whose owners will not listen to a warning when approached.

Members were warned against feeding ducks for fear of the bacteria they would spread, and reminded about not shampooing in the lake.

George Fitzpatrick reported on the most recent Water Testing of the lake and with the exception of a reading of 30 near the public ramp and beach area, readings were good and had not changed much. Another testing was set for the up-coming week

and volunteers were invited to go along and learn how the samples are taken.

Clint Rand asked if there were regulations about drawing water from the lake and was told that there were none. He also asked if there were mooring restrictions and was informed that there are five New Hampshire lakes with restrictions, but not Half Moon Lake. Owners have been spoken to, however, when boats were too far out into the lake.

Concern was expressed over the mobile home camps in the field area near the Parish cottage and Larry Holt promised to follow up on this concern, looking into the rules for such housing and testing the water in that area.

The Election of Officers was held by a show of hands vote. Gordon Headley, the only candidate for Treasurer, was elected. Kevin Drum, the only candidate for Vice President, was elected. Elvia Hetu, the only candidate for Secretary, was also elected.

Candidates for President were Michael Akstin, John Chilicki, and Carl Johnson and Carl Johnson was elected. The officers will served for a two-year term. Thanked for his many years of service, out-going president Larry Holt promised to continue to actively work for the Association.

Clint Rand stated that the Association was not very visible on the lake and newcomers did not know how to join. The officers agreed to see what could be done to remedy this situation.

Mike Jette of Camp Mi Te Na offered to show members around the grounds as President Larry Holt made a motion, seconded by Michael Akstin, to adjourn at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elvia Hetu, Secretary