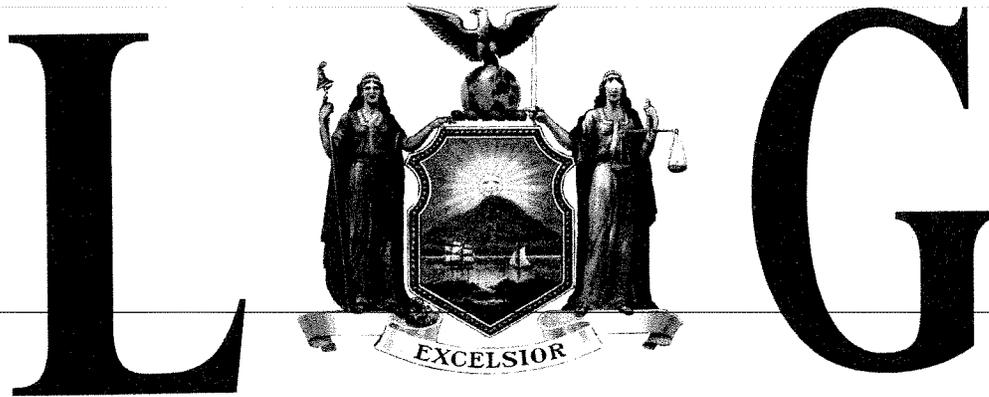


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**Lake George Park Commission
2003
Marine Patrol Report**

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LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION

2003

MARINE PATROL REPORT

The following is the final report of the Lake George Park Commission's Marine Patrol for 2003.

I. INTRODUCTION

Patrolling the waters of Lake George since 1962, the Lake George Park Commission's Marine Patrol unit logged its forty second year of continuous service in 2003.

The primary mission of the Patrol is to promote the safe and enjoyable use of the lake. The Patrol provides a wide array of services to the boating public such as search and rescue, first-aid, vessel and forest fire fighting, public education and information dissemination, emergency towing and courtesy gas service; enforcement of: the New York State Navigation Law (including vessel inspections for compliance with sanitary system requirements), Department of Environmental Conservation campground rules and regulations, and the Lake George Park Commission's rules and regulations.

The Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) Marine Patrol has built a solid record of service to the boating public and protection of the Lake George resource. Over the years, the enforcement duties of the patrol officer have greatly expanded to include many new areas such as vessel speed, vessel registration, sound level limits, boating while intoxicated laws, nuisance aquatics species education inspection and enforcement, enforcement of special restricted use zone regulations, and enforcement of the Commission's Special Navigation Rules such as rules for personal water craft, restricted use areas, and parasailing.

The Patrol constitutes a substantial portion of the Commission's overall enforcement program. Marine patrol boats serve the entire Lake George area including the shoreline of three counties: Warren, Washington, and Essex; eight townships: Lake George, Bolton, Hague, Ticonderoga, Putnam, Dresden, Fort Ann, and Queensbury; and the Village of Lake George.

From the outlet at Ticonderoga to the Lake George Village, lake users are provided with prompt, professional response whenever and wherever needed.

The Patrol consists of eight patrol boats staffed by eight uniformed patrol officers and two sergeants. The Patrol operates seasonally from the middle of May to Columbus Day. Full scale operations occur from early July through Labor Day with a maximum of eight patrol units on duty, day and night.



*LGPC Marine Patrol Boat
at Green Island*

The Patrols are dispatched through 911 by the Warren County Sheriff's Department. The Patrol also monitors marine channel 16 for direct contact with the boating public. The Patrol units are 18 to 23-foot boats equipped with radios, fire pumps, emergency gasoline, and other necessary equipment. The boats are assigned to patrol within zones to minimize response times to any given section of the lake.

The enforcement programs of the Commission are coordinated by its Director of Law Enforcement, a Supervising Environmental Conservation Officer. This position exists through a unique agreement with the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and is intended to provide consistent enforcement of the Commission's regulations throughout the Lake George basin.

II. TRAINING

The Commission's Marine Patrol Officers have significant credentials for education and experience across a wide range of professional disciplines. They come from careers in such areas as education, law enforcement, and recreation management. Patrol members are recruited to provide the group a deep and diversified mix of expertise in such fields as supervision, enforcement, first-aid, rescue, firefighting, and vessel operation.

As certified peace officers, all Marine Patrol Officers are required to successfully complete a basic training course approved by the Division of Criminal Justice Services, Bureau of Municipal Police. Additionally, "in-service" schools are conducted regularly to review subjects of particular interest and importance to our officers.

This year the in-service school was held June 30th through July 2nd. The officers were updated on Commission programs and responsibilities including such things as priorities of the Commission, Eurasian watermilfoil and zebra mussel programs and the stormwater permitting program and process. Subject matters reviewed included the NYS Criminal Procedure Law, NYS Navigation Law, Title 6 of New York Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations. Additional topics covered were community relations, special enforcement problems, young boater's training, vessel noise and boating while intoxicated enforcement.

III. PATROL

The Patrol began the 2003 season on May 15th with three patrol units operating on weekends. The balance of the officers began patrol on June 30th.

Beginning with the July 4th holiday, the Patrol operated seven days a week until Labor Day. On Mondays through Thursdays, there was an average of four patrols and a supervisor in operation on the lake. Seven patrol units and a supervisor were in operation on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. A two-man patrol unit, including a supervisor, operated Fridays, Saturdays and holiday nights.



Sergeants DeLappa and Rooney

The Marine Patrol's priorities are as follows:

1. Safety - Protect the Health and Safety of the Public
 - a. Rescue and Assistance
 - b. Marine Fire Fighting
 - c. Marine Safety (PFD's, etc.)
 - d. Removal of Hazards

2. Lake Protection/NYS Navigation Law and LGPC Regulations Enforcement
 - a. NYS Navigation Law
 - b. Special Navigational Rules

- c. Sound Limits
- d. Speed
- e. Vessel Sanitation/Protection of the Lake
- f. Restricted Use Zones
- g. Regulated Recreational Activities
- h. NYS Vessel Registration
- i. LGPC Vessel Registration

3. Assist Other Agencies as Needed (type of assistance dictating level of priority)

The Commission's emphasis is focused on ensuring the safety of and providing assistance to the public, as well as the protection of the Lake George resource.



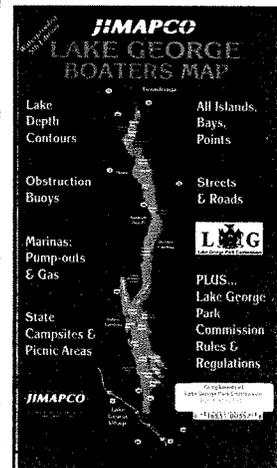
Marine Patrol Officer Greg Dunn explaining vessel noise test

This mission is accomplished through ensuring compliance with the laws and regulations on Lake George, and through promoting education and awareness. A total of 4,500 officer hours were logged including all patrol and non-patrol hours. During this period, the officers documented nearly 4,000 official contacts with the public. These contacts include, among other things, 105 complaints, 1,550 assists to boaters, 640 cruiser sanitary and safety inspections, and 167 appearance tickets issued.

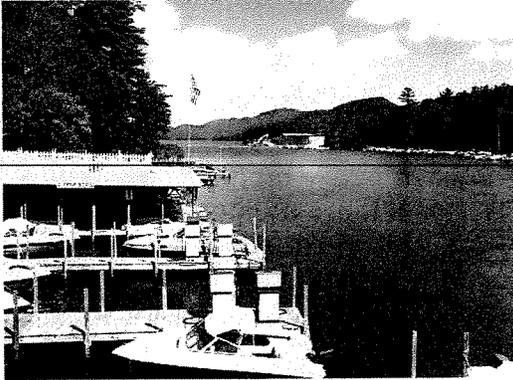
These figures are represented on the attached compilation of "Patrol Officers Daily Activity Statistics" (**ATTACHMENT "A"**). Also attached is a graphical representation of appearance tickets issued in 2003, as compared to those issued in 2002 and 2001 (**ATTACHMENT "B"**).

Public education is, and always will be, a priority for the Commission. Vessel Informational stickers, PWC regulation stickers, Lake George Boaters Maps, posters and regulation information are distributed by the Marine Patrol and the Commission's vendors who are a great asset in these efforts.

Officers continue to dispense the Commission's full color and laminated informational posters which were designed to be displayed at public locations across the lake basin. They are intended to inform lake users as to the laws, rules and regulations, common navigational aids, and necessary vessel equipment and operational information which apply on Lake George. Copies of the posters can be obtained via any Marine Patrol Officer or by contacting the Commission office.



The Commission places a high priority on responding to the needs of the boating community with education, high visibility and availability. Many hours of assistance and responding to these needs do not get captured in any statistical analysis of the patrol's activity, yet have a profound effect on public safety, public perception, cooperation, and overall protection of our lake.



DEC Headquarters in far background looking north from Green Island Bridge

Statistical information recorded by the patrol is quantified geographically, as well as by type of service (i.e., assistance, enforcement, warnings, etc.). This information enables us to chart the number and types of patrol responses and plot them on a map of the lake. This information is helpful in plotting patrol activities and assists in determining areas of special or unique concern on the lake.

IV. ACCIDENTS AND UNUSUAL INCIDENTS

The Patrol investigated a total of 12 vessel accidents this season and a wide variety of calls, these are some of the more unique ones:

- On July 15, 2003 MPO VanNess was dispatched to a report of a subject choking at one of the state owned campsites. Upon arriving at the scene, the officer interviewed the conscious and alert victim who reported that she had drank the metal circular tab from her soda and the sharp edged tab was stuck in her throat! The panicking women was stabilized and transported by Bolton EMS.
- On July 28, 2003 a local band was playing at an annual "free concert" given in Log Bay each year. The large crowd associated with this event was a concern for Patrol Officers throughout the day. A Channel 16 call was received by Office Van Ness and Sgt. Rooney reporting that a female subject, apparently intoxicated, was being carried into the woods by two male subjects. Officers responded to the scene along with NYS Forest Ranger Schroder. The female subject was located. The male subjects were apparently trying to make sure the female did not drown due to her inebriated condition. A short while later the Patrol was dispatched again to Log Bay for a report of a large fight and assault. This annual "event" is being reviewed.

- On July 29, 2003 the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Ticonderoga Dive team, NYS Environmental Conservation Police and MPO Mitchell all responded to the scene of a possible drowning at the Roger's Rock Campsite. A 47-year-old male subject had returned to the lake for one last swim before leaving the campsite at the end of their stay. The subject never returned to the site and was later spotted on the bottom of the lake a short distance from shore. Despite the efforts of all involved, the subject was not able to be revived.
- On August 8, 2003 MPO Muscatello was called to the scene of a possible sinking vessel. Arriving at the scene a short time later, the officer encountered a 48-year-old subject and five family members who had been plucked from the lake by a passerby. The subject stated that they had been anchored and were fishing for several hours when the vessel started to list and than "sank quickly". The recovered vessel had sustained hull damage somewhere during the day's outing which apparently led to the "slow" sinking of the craft!
- On August 12, 2003 MPO Johns and Sgt. Rooney responded to a call of an out-of-control vessel circling south of Green Island. At the scene they encountered a small Boston Whaler operating in circles at a high speed, with no operator. The operator had been thrown from the boat and safely pulled from the lake by a passerby. After pushing back spectators, the officers attempted to stop the boat using ropes, old life jackets, etc. to snag the propeller and stall the engine, all to no avail. The Bolton Fire Boat approached the vessel attempting to snag the throttle with a long boat hook, from the relative safety of their large boat, but again to no avail. The fireboat finally came into contact with the Whaler causing it to flip over and stall!
- August 17, 2003 MPO Fontana and Sgt. DeLappa responded to a possible drowning call off the Sagamore Resort. They found a male victim hanging over the transom of a vessel. The officers helped the man into the vessel and he explained (after several minutes to catch his breath), that he had jumped from his rental boat to retrieve a shirt which had blown out and was unable to swim back to the craft as it drifted away. He said that his wife and child who were on board had no knowledge of how to start the boat. The subject was very near drowning when a Good Samaritan happened by and held onto him until the Patrol arrived.



- On August 28, 2003 MPO Johns responded to a trespass call at Temple Knoll Island. It seems that a camper from one of the nearby state run islands had decided to swim her way back to the mainland by trespassing across Temple Knoll. When the property owners requested that she leave the island, her non verbal “one handed” response was the final straw for the owners who immediately called for Patrol.
- September 20th was a pleasant and busy Saturday on Lake George. At 4:30 pm Sgt. Rooney was contacted via VHF radio by the Captain of the vessel *Mohican*. The Captain was reporting “diminished steering control” on the *Mohican* and requesting assistance. The Patrol boats responded and were able to escort the tour boat safely back to her berth.
- On October 11, 2003 the Patrol was, for the second time of the season, summoned to a call of a runaway vessel. This time Sgt DeLappa, MPO Muscatello and Sgt. Rooney arrived to find another small open craft circling at a high rate of speed without benefit of an operator! The officers attempted once again to slow/stop the craft through use of lines, fire hoses etc. Ultimately the vessel was stopped and towed safely back to shore. Apparently the operator and another subject had been ejected when they struck a large wave at a high rate of speed. The victims reported that the vessel was “corkscrewing” toward them until they were pulled to safety. During the preseason in-service training for all patrol officers, the subject of runaways was reviewed. Since no one can recall the last time we have had two such incidents in the same season, the Patrol Officers have respectfully requested that the subject not be brought up at the 2004 training session!



*Bolton Landing Fire Rescue Boat
at Green Island*

V. 2003 BOAT COUNT

The Boat Count section of this report outlines the general trend in vessel numbers in 2003 and comparatively over the last decade.

The annual boat count was, as always, taken during the month of August.

Although the Patrol endeavors to conduct the count at the same time, on the same kind of a day, and in the same manner each year, this count should not be mistaken for an absolute census of the number of boats on the lake, instead, the boat count should be seen as an indicator of the general trend of lake usage. (ATTACHMENT C).

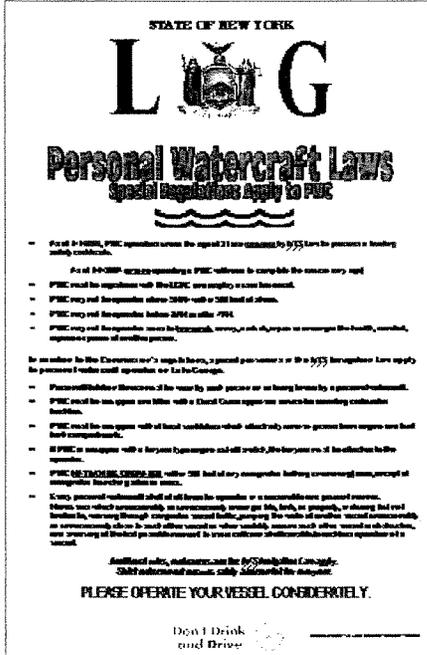


Norowal Marina, Bolton Landing

VI. RECREATIONAL QUALITY

PWC REGULATION ENFORCEMENT : Lake George Park Commission administers Special Navigation Regulations which pertain to the operation of PWC's on Lake George.

They apply only on Lake George and are above and beyond the requirements of the NYS Navigation Law. These lake-wide regulations set operational requirements such as limiting the hours of operation of PWC's to between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. (dawn to dusk elsewhere in the state), prohibiting the operation of a PWC within 500 feet of a designated swimming or mooring area, and most notably, prohibit the operation of a PWC in excess of 5 m.p.h. within 500 feet of shore (100 feet elsewhere in the state). The presence of "additional regulations" on Lake George requires constant education and enforcement with an ever-changing lake user population.



2001 to provide a simple checkoff system for PWC warnings and PWC related tickets issued, these statistics have been accumulated to provide a snapshot of PWC warning and ticket distribution all around Lake George.

The 2003 boat count indicates a **decrease** in the number of PWC's on Lake George from 770 last season to 668 this season, a decrease of 13%. This means that in 2003, PWC's made up approximately 6% of the total vessels on the lake (668/11517).

In 2003, out of a total of 167 tickets issued by the Patrol, 92 tickets were issued for offenses which involved a PWC, (this includes all violations involving PWC's, i.e; no LGPC User fee sticker, no NYS Registration, Operational violations, etc.) (See Chart A). These offenses are further broken down to indicate the type of offense in Chart B .

PWC TICKETS VS. OTHER VESSELS

YEAR	PWC	OTHER VESSELS	TOTAL	PWC %
1997	71	64	135	52.59%
1998	31	46	77	40.26%
1999	73	99	172	42.44%
2000	90	111	201	44.77%
2001	109	51	160	68.13%
2002	119	106	225	52.88%
2003	92	76	167	55.08%

PWC TICKET STATISTICS - 2003

VIOLATION CHARGED	NUMBER WRITTEN
Excess of 5 m.p.h. within 500 feet (LGPC Reg)	25
Operation after 7 p.m. (LGPC Reg)	19
Vessel Exceed 5 m.p.h. (Local Ord.-No Wake Zones)	12
Operate without required certificate (NYS Nav. Law)	11
No LGPC sticker or NYS Reg.(LGPC & V&T Law)	10
No Personal Floatation Device (NYS Nav. Law)	8
Permitting Underage Operation (NYS Nav. Law)	4
Towing with no observer (NYS Nav. Law)	3
<u>TOTAL PWC TICKETS ISSUED:</u>	<u>92</u>

The Commission will continue to work closely with the towns around the lake and in addition to providing enforcement and educational materials, can provide data and statistics regarding patrol activities within their bays which will hopefully provide valuable information to them in their deliberation of personal watercraft issues in their jurisdictions.

VESSEL EXHAUST NOISE ENFORCEMENT:

The Commission continues to fairly and actively enforce the NYS Navigation Law state wide standards for Vessel Exhaust Noise. Officers are trained and certified in Vessel Exhaust Noise measurement. The most common test performed is the "stationary test" which NYS Law requires boats to be no louder than 90 dB(a) at idle, measured at a distance of one meter from the exhaust outlet. Unfortunately many vessels which are capable of passing this Stationary Test, produce significantly more noise when being operated by someone who is not concerned about the noise the vessel produces. The operators of thru-hull exhaust and "performance boats" are the best insurers of the peace on the vessel noise issue, since even boats that do pass the Stationary Test standard are capable of producing significantly louder decibels when operated with disregard for the impact the vessels exhaust noise has on other lake users. Few users of Lake George during the summer have not experienced the "thunder" that inconsiderate operators can produce. In addition to the Stationary Test, a shoreline requirement of no more than 75 dB(a) is also in force on the Lake. This test can be used on any vessel, from any distance, and at any location on the lake and is most often targeted at vessels which complaints have been received about.

VESSEL SPEED ENFORCEMENT:

In addition to designated no wake zones all across the Lake, Lake George has a daytime speed limit of 45 MPH and a night time limit of 25 MPH. Back in the days when this law was put into effect there were not many vessels that could exceed 45 MPH. In this day and age however, 45 MPH is half throttle for many modern day fast boats. On lake conditions always dictates what safe and prudent operating speeds are and maximum limits may be completely inappropriate for conditions such as heavy congestion, heavy wakes, fog, storms etc. Operation at a speed not reasonable for conditions is Reckless Operation under the Navigation Law regardless of speed limits.

It is not uncommon for a vessel being operated at excessive speed to also produce excessive noise. Several speed enforcement details during the course of the 2003 season were very effective in eliminating some of these problems and continued speed enforcement details will be utilized in future seasons to help curb unsafe operation and excessive noise.

VII. DANGEROUS INVADERS-NUISANCE AQUATIC SPECIES

ZEBRA MUSSELS & EURASIAN WATER MILFOIL:

Zebra mussels have not successfully colonized Lake George and the Commission is participating in efforts to ensure they don't. At the annual in-service training, officers were supplied with information kits which contained: documentation regarding zebra mussels and what to do if you suspect you have found them in Lake George; trailer and boat cleansing tips and requirements for Lake George; contact numbers for questions regarding zebra mussels and sample containers for submitting suspected zebra mussels.



You may be transporting ZEBRA MUSSELS to Lake George if your boat or trailer has been in other infested lakes or waterways

PLEASE take the time to

- Thoroughly clean boats and equipment before entering Lake George (includes hull, transom, live wells, bilge, and lower units).
- Check all water from your boat and trailer for drifting algae, seaweed, shells, and other aquatic organisms.
- Drain 2 inches from your boat's bilge and lower units; switch the water, including your boat's fuel.
- Do not use water from other sources and that you don't put any on your boat or gear in Lake George.
- Dry boat and equipment to be in sunny location for several days before returning your boat to its previous storage.
- If you want, transfer your boat to an area body of water that is not infested with zebra mussels. If that's not possible, please contact the Commission for more information.

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Have a valid bill of sale or other proof of ownership for the boat.

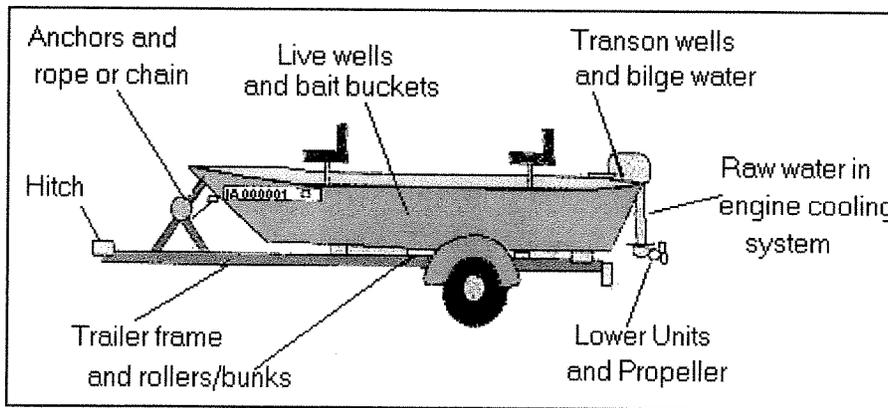
Make sure you are following all rules and regulations for Lake George. If you have any questions, please contact the Commission for more information.

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Officers are issued "Zebra Mussel Aware" informational stickers and are instructed to distribute them to boaters on the lake whom they have briefed on the zebra mussel problem. It is hoped that other boaters who see the stickers will inquire about them and thus become aware of the problem themselves! The stickers continue to be a very popular item.



Marine Patrol Officers endeavor to disseminate as much information as possible regarding the threats that these invaders pose to the ecosystem of Lake George, and how not to be a part of the problem.



Zebra Mussel 'living' areas

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS 2003- PATROL SEASON

SPECIAL DETAILS:

The Patrol Officers participated in a number of special details this season. Officers provided security and assistance at the Queen's Great Boat Race in May, patrolled the Fourth of July fireworks in both Bolton Landing and in Lake George Village, and along with the Warren County Sheriff's Patrol, provided security at the offshore racing demonstration in the Village of Lake George.

RECOVERED PROPERTY:

The Patrol recovered personal property valued at more than \$21,000. Throughout the season an assortment of vessels, boats, canoes, PWC's, etc. are routinely found adrift on the Lake. In addition, numerous smaller items such as knee boards, waterskis, PFD's, tubes, etc. were also retrieved. Any lake user who loses any item on the lake should check with a patrol officer to see if the item has been found or turned in. The vast majority of recovered property is claimed and returned to the rightful owner representing a valuable savings to many of the users of Lake George.

NEW YORK STATE YOUNG BOAT OPERATOR'S TRAINING PROGRAM:

The Lake George Park Commission maintained its leading role in young operator certification in the Lake George Basin.

Young boater certification classes were scheduled and published from May to September. Due to the dedicated efforts of MPO Thomas Muscatello the Marine Patrol succeeded in educating and training scores of boat operators in the Lake George Basin.

New York State Navigation Law mandates certification for all PWC operators by the year 2004. Demand continues to increase for training from boaters, both young and old, meaning an increasing demand on Commission resources to provide this important training.



*An Adirondack Style Boathouse
located in Cleverdale*

MARINE PATROL EQUIPMENT:

The Commission has purchased/implemented the following equipment necessary to equip the Patrol and to protect the public and the officers:

- The Commission entered into a radio repair/maintenance contract to limit radio repair costs.
- A purchase request has been approved to replace Boat 105 a 1988 Grady White. Although not suitable for enforcement work any longer, the still serviceable Grady will be used as a utility vessel in the Milfoil Program which will save the Commission approximately \$4000 per year in rental expense.
- The failure of the Commissions radio repeater will necessitate the replacement of the unit before the 2004 season. The solar powered unit will cost approximately \$6000 to replace.

IX. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

2003 was the 42nd continuous patrol season for the Lake George Park Commission's Marine Patrol! The dedicated men and women of the Commission's Marine Patrol are directly responsible for this long standing success in providing assistance, education and enforcement to the Lakes users.

Sadly this year, the Marine Patrol must say goodbye to one of it's veterans! Officer Greg Dunn will be starting a new career as a Warren County Patrol Officer, good luck Greg and we hope to see you back on the lake soon!

Thanks as always to the Department of Environmental Conservation's staff at the Green Island Maintenance Facility. The long standing leader of these efforts Mr. Leroy Ryder took a well deserved retirement from the State at the end of the season after a nearly 40 year career. The Marine Patrol wishes the best to Leroy and also welcomes his replacement Tim Hendricks to Green Island.

The support of the Department of Environmental Conservation's Commissioner Erin Crotty and NYSDEC Division of Law Enforcement's Director, Lawrence Johnson are critical to enabling the Marine Patrol to function, both thru the cooperative agreement that provides for a Supervising Environmental Conservation Officer to run the Commission's enforcement program and for the support of Regional Law Enforcement personnel. ECO's and M.O.R.E. (Marine and Off Road Enforcement) Team members patrolled with Commission Officers routinely throughout the season.

Thanks also to Sgt. Jim White and Officer Gil Howse of the Bolton Police Department for all their efforts during the season.

Thanks go out to Sheriff Larry Cleveland and the Warren County Sheriff's Office for their continued support on the Lake. Two new day shift additions to the Sheriff's patrol this season Officer Pete Leone and Officer Scott Rawson have been great additions to Officers Webster and Cuomo on the afternoon shift. The Sheriff's Office dispatches all the complaints on Lake George, and provides the Patrol with land transportation for arrests, etc. when needed. Their assistance and their professionalism is vital and greatly appreciated.

The Patrol also works closely with the New York State Police in Bolton Landing. Troopers Rich Kober and Scott Baldwin are regulars at our Patrol meetings and briefings and their presence is always welcome.

**MEET THE 2003
LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION MARINE PATROL**



Sergeant
Gavin Rooney
14th Year of Service



Sergeant
Cynthia De Lappa
13th Year of Service



Officer
Thomas Muscatello
11th Year of Service



Officer
Gregory Dunn
7th Year of Service



Officer
Frank Fontana
3rd Year of Service



Officer
Robert Rajeski
4th Year of Service



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Todd Mitchell
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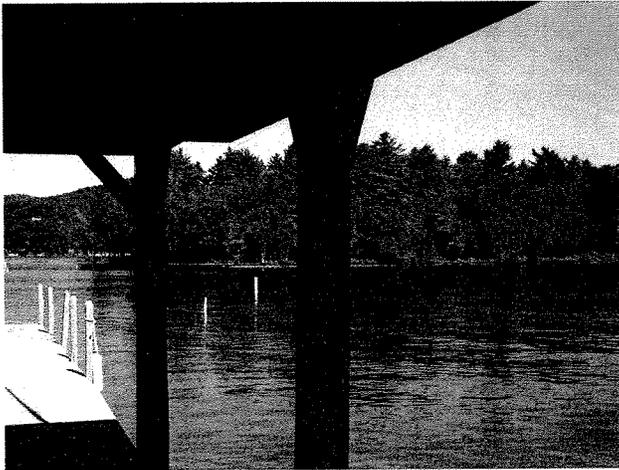


Officer
William Van Ness
2nd Year of Service

IX. CONCLUSION

Lake George is one of the busiest lakes in the state and every season presents its own special challenges to members of the Marine Patrol. 2003 was no exception.

The seasonal officers of the Marine Patrol have adapted to many changes and additional duties over the years and met those challenges and changes with an enthusiasm and professional dedication which would be the envy of any full time police supervisor. These challenges continue to grow and evolve and the continuing evolution of the Marine Patrol will best ensure a responsive and effective enforcement program for the Commission.



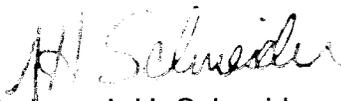
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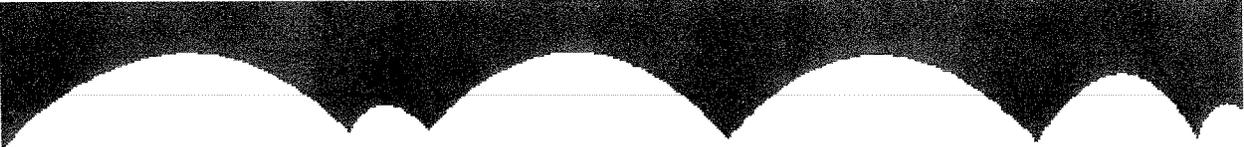
2004 will see the state wide requirement for all persons operating PWC's to be certified and carry proof of certification, in addition exemptions for rental businesses which have been in place since the law was enacted five years ago, will expire. Both these occurrences will create additional enforcement burdens for all the patrols on the Lake.

Vessel noise enforcement continues to be a priority for the Marine Patrol. Increasing complaints regarding loud vessels will require additional patrol time if the trend continues. The creation of local ordinances which effect the lake can also increase the demands put on a finite patrol resource.

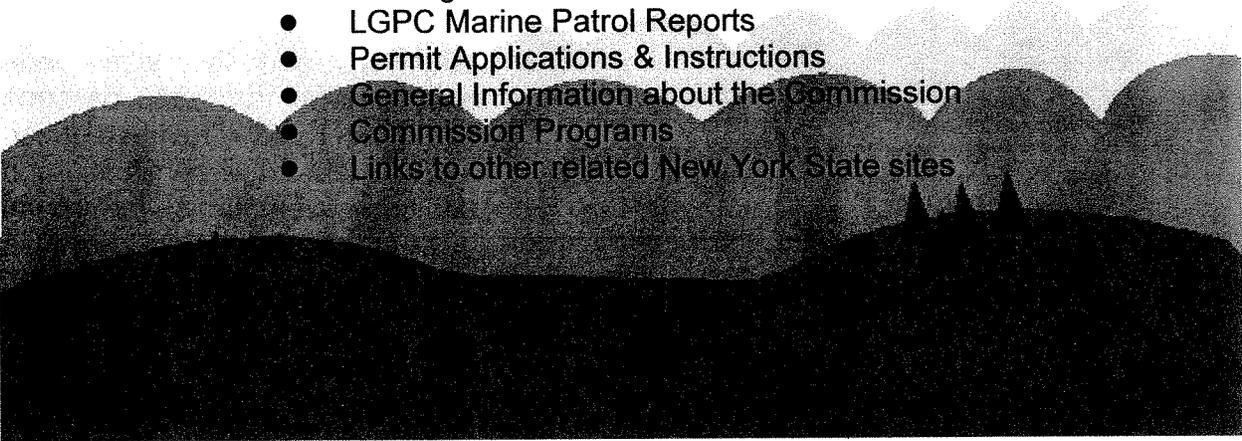
The Marine Patrol will continue to address these on-lake issues through efficient deployment of officers, effective use of existing resources and continuing cooperation with other agencies on the lake.

Respectfully submitted,


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Director of Law Enforcement



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On Lake **EMERGENCIES**: Dial **911**
Marine Radio Channel 16 (request "any LGPC Boat")

Marine Patrol (during business hours): 668-9347

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**DAILY LOG SUMMARY
PATROL OFFICER'S ACTIVITY STATISTICS
2003 PATROL SEASON**

		2002	2003
ASSISTANCE:	Courtesy Gas	29	20
	Stranded Boater	125	95
	Vessel Tows	24	20
	First Aid	86	51
	Assist Other Agency	76	69
	Other Boater Assist	1415	1220
	Searches	20	11
	Fires	10	6
	Ambulance/Rescue Called	36	25
	Reported Drowning	4	2
	ACCIDENTS:	Investigate	14
Investigate Fatal (with WCSD)		4	1
PROPERTY:	Stolen/Lost Vessel	3	1
	Stolen/Lost Motor	0	0
	Stolen/Lost Miscellaneous Property	9	4
	Property Recovered \$ Value	15 (\$31,000)	10 (\$21,000)
VESSEL INSPECTIONS:	On Water	125	227
	At Launch	85	66
	At Marina	350	347
ENFORCEMENT:	Complaints	180	105
	Vessel Contacts	1666	1555
	Warnings	526	505
	Arrest/Summons – Navigation Law	79	46
	Arrest/Summons – Other	146	121
	BWI Arrest	2	1
REGATTAS PATROLLED		87	45

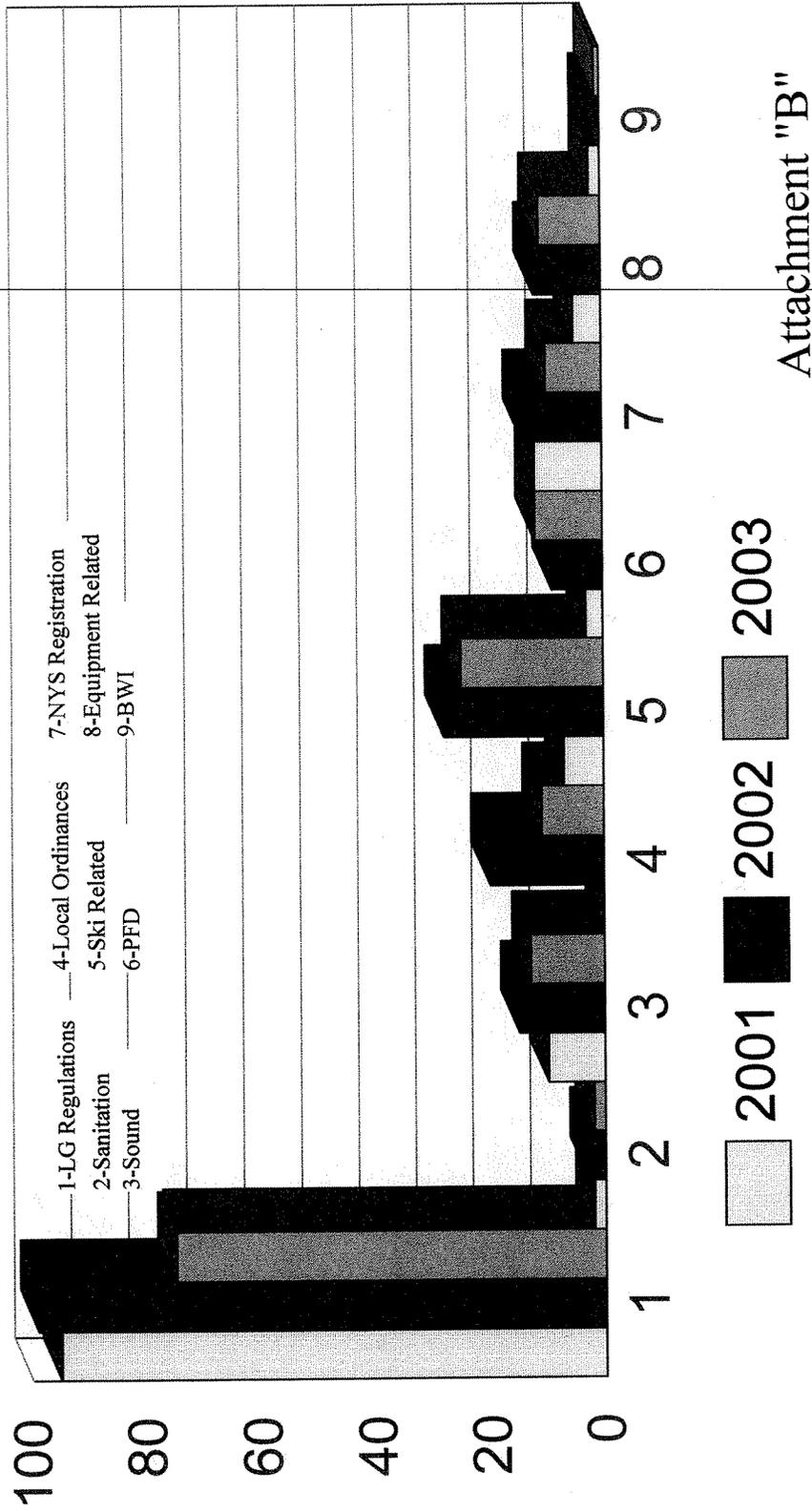
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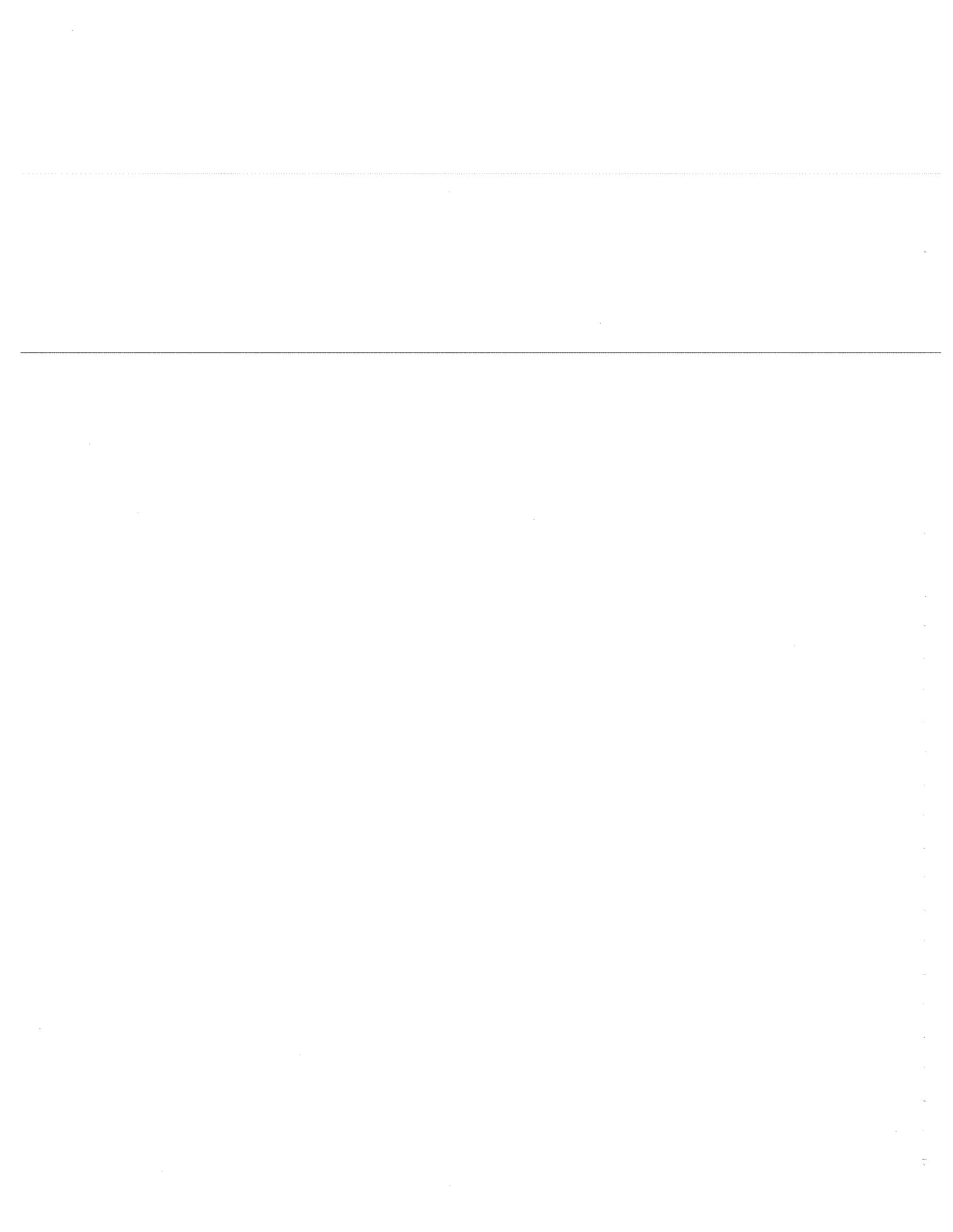
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A.T.'s By Type of Offense

2001/2002/2003



Attachment "B"



BOAT COUNT - 2003

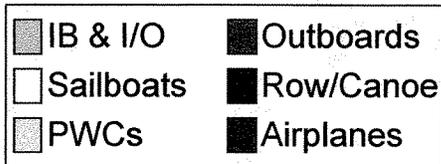
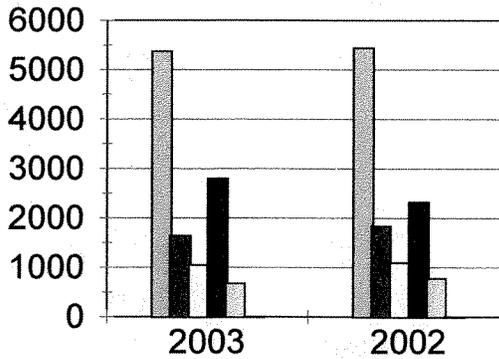
Area	Inboards & I/O's	Outboards	Sailboats	Rowboats Canoes	PWC's	Airplanes	Totals
North of Sabbath Day Pt. to Ticonderoga Bridge	467	200	210	482	84	0	1443
Ticonderoga Bridge East Shore to Bluff Head	346	145	90	307	55	0	943
North of Veteran's Beach to Montcalm Point	273	89	72	178	52	1	665
Bluff Head East Shore to 14 Mile Island	213	95	75	193	16	0	592
North of Montcalm Point to Sabbath Day Point	43	20	24	64	8	0	159
The Narrows	35	21	5	20	5	0	86
Mother Bunch Islands	14	17	1	20	5	0	57
14 Mile Channel to Harris Bay Yacht Club	855	165	180	586	96	0	1882
Harris Bay Yacht Club to Million Dollar Beach	432	56	81	290	81	0	940
Million Dollar Beach to Fish Point	957	249	132	371	172	0	1881
North of Fish Point to Veteran's Beach	348	198	44	153	38	0	781
Sagamore Docks (Green Island)	92	17	13	46	3	0	171
Long Island, Speaker Heck & Diamond Island	12	7	2	3	0	0	24
Marinas	1285	355	121	79	53	0	1893
Totals	5372	1634	1050	2792	668	1	11517

Boat Count Total 1987 thru 2003

Year	IB & I/O	Outboards	Sailboats	Rowboats Row/Canoe	PWCs	Airplanes	Totals
2003	5,372	1,634	1,050	2,792	668	1	11,517
2002	5,442	1,833	1,095	2,317	770	0	11,457
2001	5,381	1,680	1,172	2,685	807	1	11,726
2000	5,797	1,685	1,138	2,784	755	1	12,160
1999	5,313	1,614	1,060	2,268	631	1	10,887
1998	5,061	1,691	1,056	2,561	645	3	11,017
1997	4,998	1,608	1,145	2,283	746	3	10,783
1996	4,417	1,465	990	2,314	556	4	9,746
1995	4,482	1,461	816	1,967	388	4	9,118
1994	4,630	1,855	847	1,922	331	3	9,588
1993	3,799	1,460	629	2,202	232	1	8,323
1992	4,322	1,601	759	2,285	298	5	9,270
1991	4,300	1,963	974	2,449	306	6	9,998
1990	3,997	1,550	912	3,244	229	3	9,935
1989	4,305	1,732	950	2,498	178	4	9,667
1988	4,396	1,714	1,260	3,054	105	5	10,534

Lake George Boat Count

2003 vs 2002 by Type of Vessel



Lake George Boat Count

8 Year Trend

