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August/September 2018

VDOT I64 Expansion Update

On Wednesday, June 27th 2018, VDOT held an open house at Bruton High School to present their designs for the forthcoming I-64 expansion in our area. After the previous open house, in 2017, VDOT told us that they have never seen such a high level of community involvement from any of their other projects. This latest meeting was no exception, with over 150 residents attending, to learn more about the project. Community members that attended received an "I [heart] QL" button to proudly wear. In case you were unable to attend, or just want to study the drawings and documents some more, they can be viewed on-line at http://i64widening.org/meetings/ The two primary areas of concern for Queens Lake are storm water management and noise.

For storm water management, VDOT has allocated \$450,000 for "stream restoration" and other storm water repairs in the areas surrounding the headwaters of our lake. This funding is due to a few factors: a budget surplus for the project, our community's pressure and much assistance from Senator Monty Mason. (Please consider sending him a "thank you" email at district01@senate.virginia.gov) A large component of the restoration involves an area on the other side of the Colonial National Parkway, which we have been calling the "Grand Canyon". This has been a major contributing factor for sedimentation in our lake and we hope the restoration work will curb it. The project will not be using the most modern storm water methods, largely due to issues affecting Camp Peary and Colonial Williamsburg, however this should be a tremendous improvement and probably would not have happened at all if it were not for the efforts of the I-64 committee and the neighborhood at large.

As for highway noise, the locations for the proposed sound barriers can be seen on the drawings on the VDOT site (referenced above). Queens Lake is not slated to receive any sound barriers. Meanwhile, other neighborhoods, like Creekside Landing, will. There are specific Federal Highway Administration criteria for determining whether a sound barrier is "feasible" and "reasonable". Barriers for much of Queens Lake are indeed feasible, however they don't meet the criteria for reasonableness. This comes down to a formula which calculates how many square feet of wall that would be required vs. how many residents would benefit from that wall. Because our lots are rather large and spread out, we don't have enough density to satisfy the formula. On the positive side, they will be paving I-64 with asphalt which should be a good bit quieter than the current concrete. They will also be reconstructing the Queen Creek bridges with a "continuous pour" of concrete, meaning there will not be expansion joints which create the noisy "thump-thump" at every joint. Delegate Brenda Pogge has been applying some pressure on VDOT, on our behalf. She can be emailed at DelBPogge@house.virginia.gov. Senator Tommy Norment had also shown some interest in our efforts. He can be reached at district03@senate.virginia.gov.

Our committee is continuing efforts to see what can be done about the sound barriers. However, at this point, it appears political and/or legal pressure is about all that we have left. Thank you for your continued support!

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The QL Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. All members in good standing are welcome to attend. Books and records of the Queens Lake Community Association, including minutes of all Board meetings, are open to members for review.

The next newsletter deadline is September 15, 2018. Inquiries, articles and ads should be submitted to the QLCA office by email QLCA@widomaker.com or to Cherrie Begley

at office 229-0973 or H: 253-0357.

_____ Queens Lake residents and non-residents - Clubhouse

ACBL Duplicate Bridge - Mondays at the Clubhouse 11:30-3:30-\$8.00 per person. Contact Diane Morton 532-3523 Mini Bridge Lesson - Thursdays 10:30 at the Clubhouse Game 11:30 - \$8.00-Separate 99er & stratified pair games. Contact Cathy Hildebrand - childebrand1@me.com Yoga -Thursdays - 6-7:15 pm -\$10.00 a class or \$40 for 5 classes. Classes do not have to be consecutive.-Teacher - Mary K-Joyner Mindfulness Meditation - Thursdays - 7:30-8:30-Mary McGovern donation to help cover rental-maryjmcgovern@cox.net

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug 5 - Swim Team Banguet

Aug 14 - No Board Meeting

Sept 8 and 9 -Pool Bonus Weekend

Sept 11-Board Meeting 7pm - Clubhouse

Oct 19- Seafood Fest - Clubhouse

Oct 27 - Trunk or Treat - In the Field

Nov 10 - Arts and Craft Show - 9 to 3 - Clubhouse

Nov 13 - Annual Meeting 7pm - Clubhouse

Nov 16 - Fun Friday - Clubhouse

Dec 9 - Christmas Brunch - 11am - Clubhouse

SUPPORT GROUP

The Widow/Widower support Group meets and discusses topics of interest, meets for lunch, and participates in varies outings.

> New group members are welcome. Call Sheila Myers at 220-0965.

9th ANNUAL QUEENS LAKE COMMUNITY **ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW**

Saturday, November 10, 9AM -3PM **Queens Lake Clubhouse**

The show features artisans from OL and the local community with original work for sale.

Call for Artists/Crafters - Watch for the registration form by email this summer

Queens Lake member participants pay \$20 if registered by Aug. 14, then \$25 after that. - please join us!

. **Playground**Submitted by Mary Louise Gerdes: Director

A general inspection of the playground equipment will be done this month. The trash can at the playground has gone missing. The committee has researched a replacement and will replace it with the following - in green with a lid. https://www.uline.com/BL 6786/Wire-Mesh-Trash-Cans

Committee Members: Lana Olson, Bob Gaschen



Dog Waste Station

May 8, 2018 Board Briefs

Full minutes of all meetings are available for review by members in good standing at the office.

Kings Court easement was discussed. There will be a special meeting for shareholders to vote on this.

A notice will go out by email and in the newsletter for at least 3 shareholders for the nominating committee and we will have several positions open on the board for 2019.

BOAT CHECK The committee did a registration check on all lake vessels in the three launch areas.

Clubhouse- new aggregate walkway at the back of the building has been completed.

Pool had plumbing repairs made to the bathhouse following the cold winter.

June 12, 2018 Board Briefs

York County will be permitting the kiosk for commercial use. **Motion was made** and passed to approve a \$5.00 fee for members to come to QL Day and listen to the music, includes a chair.

LAKE - Clarke has given us the go ahead for irrigation from the lake for established lawns only and full irrigation uses in July. Bay Environmental will be removing the oil boom from the spillway later this week and no replacement will be required.

PRINCESS POND -The aerator pumps for the bubblers in Princess Pond have been rebuilt and the system is running.

A motion was made and passed to increase monthly late fee from \$5 to \$25 per month for 2019 dues.

Adult Pool repairs – Electrical repairs were made to the adult pump room and one of the pool's ladders was repaired.

SPEEDING -The York County Sheriff's office is going to place officers on motorcycles in our neighborhood to monitor and remind people.

Motion was made and passed to approve \$200.00 for the I64 committee.

Two no parking signs will be installed on the corner of the road at the dam.

QL DAY ROCK PAINTING





QL Day

Submitted by Emily Edmonds: Chairman

Queens Lake Day 2018 was such a tremendous success with record numbers for the day and the evening events. The Committee and volunteers worked tirelessly to make this weekend long event so memorable for many families in Queens Lake and surrounding neighborhoods. The committee and all the volunteers deserve an enormous amount of gratitude for putting this event together. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to the following: John Robinson and Steve Whitson for pulling together the soccer game, Emily Edmonds for Chairing the event, kickball, pool games, Katie Cole for the Teen Party along with Bryan Cole, Amy Americo and Nichole Loughman, John Blommel Fishing Tournament, Lynn Maltinsky for the Lighted Boat Parade, John Walters Mini Tri, Laura Nanartowich and Leah Duckworth for organizing Breakfast, Peter Schwieitzer for Tennis, Jesse Moser for making the Float with trailer, Kate Helwig for Parade, Opening Ceremony, and committee member, Kristin Schweitzer prepared the Scavenger Hunt, Linda Waldron for Kids Field Games, Bryan Edmonds for his Beer Truck selections and committee member, Chris Hager, Chris Kolloff, Bryan Edmonds and Craig Marcuson for Marina Activities, Steve Alberts for being our DJ, Renny and Beth Parziale for making a delicious lunch with helpers Laurie Hager, Greg and Kia Rippel. and Bruce Keener, Suzanne Maggio for Membership Table, Committee Member, Dinner set up and Decorations, Clean up, Membership Table Volunteers – Bryan Cole, Gale Gutierrez, Susan Adams, Stacy Harris, and Rebecca Cho, Craig Marcuson for Greased Pole, Cherrie Begley and Lana Olson for Lunch collection, Cherrie Begley for Rock Painting, Leah Duckworth for her photography, Gregg Rippel for the CornHole Tournament, clean up. and painting new CornHole Boards for QLCA, Caroline Helwig for Pool Games, Mary and Ted Lynch for Water Polo, Heather Walters for Iron Chef Dessert Contest, Dinner Set up-Suzanne Maggio, Emily Edmonds, Lifeguards, Bryan Edmonds, Kate Helwig, and Luca Alberts, Wonderful Dinner- Ika and Molly Zaken, Hanger 09 Band, Nancy Feigenbaum for organizing recycling, Dinner clean up-Suzanne Maggio, Bryan Cole, Mark Downey, and Gregg Rippel. Bob Gaschen for the Frisbee Golf, Renny Parziale and Emily Edmonds for organizing the appreciation dinner. If your name is not here and you still helped. Thank You!

We also had several people donate to the event to whom we are grateful. Emily's Donuts donated 12 Dozen Donuts, Kimberly Angels donated two large boxes of candy, Ann Brown-Hailey donated 4 reusable garbage boxes and many decorations and painted signs, Cathy Pattisall donated two large sandwich trays and special sauce from The Cheese Shop, Emily and Bryan Edmonds donated 200 pounds of ice, Ika Zaken donated specialty ham and his time and assistants for dinner, Christine Marcuson donated several bottles of sunscreen, Maribeth Miller donated a filled piñata, and Craig Marcuson for donating money for the top of the greased pole.

A new committee will be formed for 2019. Please consider volunteering your time and talents.

The Queens Lake Day Committee: Emily Edmonds, Bryan Edmonds, Kate Helwig, Bryan Cole, Katie Cole, Molly Zaken, Suzanne Maggio, Renny Parziale





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Communications

Submitted by Leah Duckworth: Director

Website Report:

- A variety of photos of Queens Lake Day 2018 were posted to "Our Community Events Galleries" on the website.
- The parade photos which were unaccountably omitted from those posted on the website were posted on the Queens Lake Facebook page.

Newsletter Report:

Cherrie completed the June/July newsletter, and Jean and Phil Lien labeled and delivered it to the post office. The next newsletter is the Aug/Sept issue.

Committee Members: Cherrie Begley, Jean Lien, Phil Lien, Shelia Myers

Website Members: Claudia Smith, Bob Gaschen, Leah Duckworth, Mike Crawford, Kate Roessler, Cherrie Begley.

Facebook: Heather Walters, Suzanne Maggio, Emily Edmonds

Community Affairs

Submitted By Ashley Hargrove: Director

The repaving of both West Queens and Lakeshead is complete and looks good. The county is also aware of the sinking around water mains especially on Nottingham at the intersections and is working with Aqua Virginia on a solution.

I-64 Committee has been very good about keeping up with and informing the community about the project. Great thanks to Jack Dooley for all of his hard work! Update on the front page!

New Quarter Park has a lot of fun activities, please check out the park website for information and try to visit. We are lucky to have this at our backdoor! Kayaks, movie night!!

Its summer, people are out, kids are out SLOW DOWN!!!!!!!!!! This is a neighborhood, not a racetrack! We have requested the Sheriff's office monitor traffic on East Queens and Nottingham.

Remember to lock up! Cars, garages, out buildings etc. If you are going on vacation have a neighbor or the sheriff's office keep an eye on things.

Committee Members: Ashley Hargrove, Ward Bourn, Mike Indovina, Dave Malmquist, Renny Parziale.

Community Affairs QL I-64 Task Force:

Jack Dooley, Cindy Beacham, Lee Dexter, Doug Ellis, Chris Hager, Renny Parziale, Gary Davis, Brittani Baldwin, Sally McConnell, Bringier McConnell, Bruce Keener, Ashley Hargrove

TENNIS

Submitted by Carlos Tricoche: Director

Thanks Peter and Kristin Schweitzer for organizing the tennis activity for QL Day during my absence. A second round of children Tennis camp and Pickleball classes coming up in Aug, time and dates to be determined.

Interesting Notes: Pickleball was invented in 1965 on Bainbridge Island, a short ferry ride from Seattle, Washington. Three dads – Joel Pritchard, Bill Bell, and Barney McCallum — whose kids were bored with their usual summertime activities — are credited for creating the game. Pickleball has evolved from original handmade equipment and simple rules into a popular sport throughout the US and Canada. The game is growing internationally as well, with many European and Asian countries adding courts.

Committee Members: Burt James, Peter Schwetzer, Elizabeth Duncan

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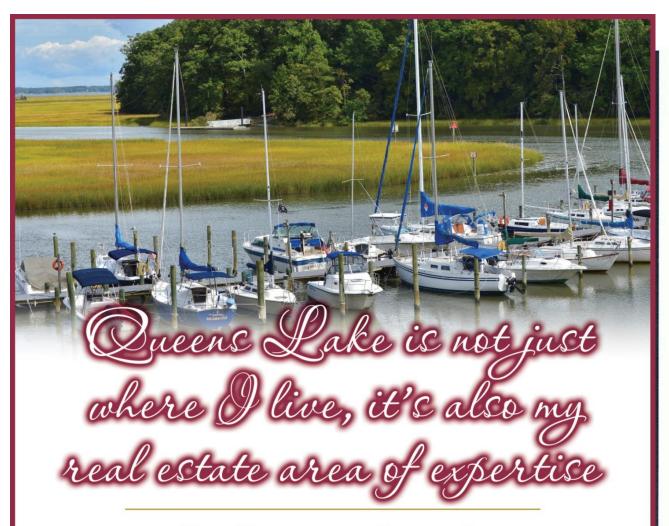
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Lake

Submitted by Lynn Maltinsky: Director

LAKE Dissolved oxygen levels are back to normal after being dangerously low last month because of decaying vegetation from Aprils lake treatment.

DAM/SPILLWAY Now that the water level in the lake is low and the spillway is dry the committee will be filling the cracks in the concrete with special epoxy. Red's Tree Service will be clearing the banks around the spillway within the next two weeks.

BOAT SALE The boat sale will be held in August and the date and details will be available soon.

QL DAY Turnout for the fishing tournament was great and the pedestrian bridge was the hot spot, many thanks to John Blommel. The inaugural Lighted Boat Parade was a hit and many residents remarked that they plan to participate next year. Start making your plans for next year.

Committee members: Rick Toth, Richard McCluney, Bruce Keener, Craig Marcusion, John Blommel, Sally McConnell, and Carlos Tricoche.

Kings Court Drainage

In February QLCA was contacted by York County regarding a drainage issue they wished to correct between 263 and 265 Kings Court. QLCA was contacted and included in the county's initial request due to an easement on 263 Kings Court dating back to February 21st, 1961. The County's request was reviewed by our attorney and his opinion was that "Mr. and Mrs. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Grafton could grant the requested easement to the County without QLCA being made a party to the Deed of Easement or signing off on it". He also stated that he believes "the County's purpose for including QLCA is to acknowledge that the County's drainage easement may interfere with the pedestrian easement granted to QLCA and to establish that the County's rights are superior to QLCA's". York County's attorney concurred with that assessment. Our attorney further recommended to hold a shareholder vote in accordance with Article IX, Section 9. Following that recommendation the board set a date for a shareholder meeting and notified membership.

QLCA received 56 proxy votes and 3 members attended the meeting on 5/23. That number fell short of the number needed for a quorum. The County was notified the following day that QLCA was unable to reach a quorum. Based on that information, York County decided to remove QLCA from the deed of easement and move forward with the repairs. York County notified QLCA June 13th that the deed between the Gibsons, the Graftons and York County had been filed.

MARINA

Submitted by Chris Ferguson: Director

 The marina committee emailed 12 marine contractors the boathouse demo RFP to remove the walls and roof along with the roof support structure. We have received three bids on time as per the deadline we set for: \$185,250 - \$188,437 - \$78,475

By comparison, in early 2017 we received on file, bids from 3 additional contractors in the amounts of \$56,000, \$57,500, \$63,365 and \$70,000. Moreover, three of these bids included the removal of the entire boathouse facility; pilings and decking with only the gas dock to remain intact. Unfortunately all but one of these firms would participate in this latest bidding process. As a side note, the marina committee based our capital reserve request to fund this project on these earlier estimates we were receiving.

The marina committee has chosen Water's Edge Construction (wecmarine.com) to handle this project in the amount of \$78,475. We fully expect to have a contract signed with this firm by late July 2018 with work to start sometime after Labor Day. In the next month or so, the boathouse will be emptied of any valuables. The items belonging to the marina will be moved to the sheds and the marina community will be notified should there be any items they own and want to collect.

- The gas pump isn't currently operational. Phillips Energy has been contacted and we are expecting one of their subcontractors to come today and hopefully repair it.
- We have received 2 bids from Mid-Atlantic Entry System to: 1) to repair the current system for \$1,563.70 or 2) replace the old system with a much simpler one for \$4,244.67. The current system has been described to the marina committee as a "traffic arm" designed to control or regulate the flow of traffic. This machine when operational is easily bypassed and so therefore, doesn't provide security to the marina whatsoever. The marina committee fully intends to investigate other options/firms that will provide the facility with the security the current system fails to do.
- Chris Kolloff with some assistance from Van Dobson and Jeff Otterstein has been looking into upgrading the electrical services on B/C dock. Chris Kolloff will be in attendance tonight to brief the board on his research.
- Easton Outdoors will now be handling the weed control at the marina once per month. They'll also be removing any loose gravel that has accumulated on the tarred roadway/ramp area at that time.
- The Marina Committee's last meeting was on Sunday July 8th at the marina.

Committee Members: Bryan Edmonds, Chris Kolloff, Chris Eckols, Danny Sumerlin, John Robinson, Carlos Tricoche, Luther Blair, Bringier McConnell, Van Dobson, Craig Marcuson

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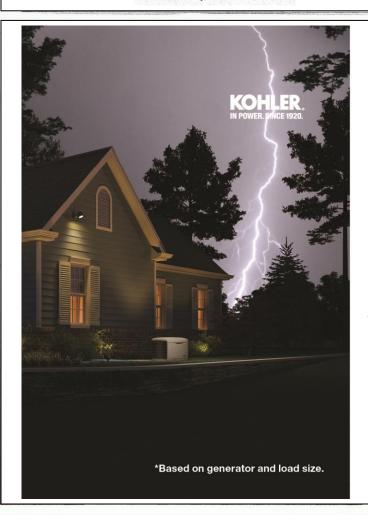
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Beautification/Maintenance

Submitted by Laura Nanartowich: Director

A special shout out to Easton Outdoors for the exceptional clean-up and mulching of the common areas just in time for Queens Lake Day.

Phan's Landscaping has cut the hill behind the pool for \$650. Thank you to committee members who work tirelessly to maintain the sign beds and the area around the clubhouse. You all help make Queens Lake beautiful!

FALL LAWN CARE TIPS

- Weed and fertilize your yard and garden.
- Mulch to protect trees and plants from the cold weather.
 Use hardware cloth around tree trunks and plants to protect from rodents.
- Plant trees, shrubs and spring-blooming bulbs.
- Trim trees, shrubs and plants. Divide perennials.

Committee Members:

Judy McCormack, Susan Sims, Cherrie Begley, Jean Lien, Matt Hogg, Carolyn Campbell, Roslyn Fernow, Libbey Oliver, Julie Dooley, Marian Taliaferro

Finance

Submitted By: Gordon Angles, Director

We reviewed the year to date performance vs budget. Two areas of concern are the pool and swim team. Both are projected to be short of budgeted revenue. The pool has a reserve sufficient to cover the short fall although once the shortfall in revenue is covered the reserve account will be depleted.

The bid for the demolition of the boat house came in a little over the amount that had been set aside from the Capital reserve account and the excess will be covered out of the budgeted repair and maintenance account.

We scheduled a meeting for September 5 to review budgets for 2019. We would ask that each area have their budgets completed by the August 21 date. It would appear at this point that we may need to request a dues increase to avoid continually depending upon the Association reserve account to cover our deficits.

Committee members: Bob Evans, Beth Parziale, Lana Olson, John Kueser, Bob Gaschen and Ted Lynch.

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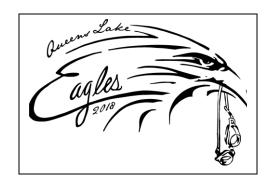
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115 Swimmers This Summer!



The 2018 Queens Lake Eagles swim season will finish up on August 4th. There has been lots of fast swimming, lots of fun, lots of team spirit, and lots of great competition. 115 swimmers joined the team this summer, with over 30 qualifying for the VPSU Championship Meet as of July 16th.

A huge thanks to Head Coach SANDI WILLARD for her 15th Season with our Team and her crew of coaches:

Lead Assistant Coach Megan Davis
Assistant Coaches: Elena Evans; Jenny Schuster;
Noah Fields, Christy Hutto, Sophia Rooks and RJ Willard

AND a big thank you to all of the parent volunteers!!

From the Team Coordinators: Felicia Brown-Anderson,

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CLUBHOUSE

Submitted by Emily Edmonds: Director

Several rentals have kept the Clubhouse full this summer. Cherrie Begley manages the facility to make sure its left clean and the utilities are working properly. 32 new chairs were purchased to replace many of the ones that have been breaking. Budgets are due soon and the committee will be looking into purchasing a new TV.

Committee Members: Cherrie Begley, Susan Adams, Ann Brown-Hailey, Judy Angles, Joan Swanson, Renny Parziale, Suzanne Maggio, Lana Olson, Heather Walters, Stephanie Moser, Bryan Edmonds

POOL

Submitted by Bob Gaschen: Director

General – The committee met Wednesday, July 11th 2018 at the clubhouse and discussed plans for the bonus weekend, reviewed the 2018 budgets, and began preliminary work 2018 pool and swim team budgets and capital requests and repairs. **Bonus Weekend** – The bonus weekend will be Saturday 9/8 (11:00 AM to 8:00 PM) and Sunday 9/9 (11:00 AM to 6:00 PM). The pool will close out the 2018 season with a "Drool in the Pool" event before covering the pools. We invite QL dog owners to bring their dogs for a dip. Further details will be sent to the community.

2018 Budget Review – The 2018 pool income is trending along similar lines as last year. We are down slightly in limited members owing to a slight decrease in swim team numbers. We've spent a little more than budgeted for pool repairs this season.

2019 Budget Planning – The committee began work on 2019's budget. We are exploring areas where we can economize expenses to balance the slight reduction in limited membership income this year.

This past month: On June 19th the hot water heater failed and needed to be replaced. A new unit was installed the following Monday. The committee would like to thank Jeff Otterstein and the other volunteers who helped rebuild the swing set.

Upcoming events: Meeting (8/8), Bonus Weekend (9/8 – 9/9) **Committee Members:** Andy McNeil, Tom Rooks, Jessie Moser, Mark Downey, Kate Helwig, Marie Homer, Chris Homer, Ted Lynch, Mary Louise Gerdes, and Bob Gaschen

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Membership

Submitted by Suzanne Maggio: Director Membership has had a busy June with Membership social, Queens Lake Day and welcoming many new neighbors. We have welcomed 12 new neighbors YTD and 3 more to visit that just moved in. We have had 2 new traditional members, one previous traditional that rejoined with \$1000 fee and another new neighbor. We also had 4 new neighbors that decided to become QLCA members and deed their property.... a big win for us!!

We have had 3 traditional and 4 deeded that have not paid dues in 2018. Two of the traditional will likely not pay....homes for sale, but hopeful the other will stay in membership. Certified letters have gone out for the traditional and deeded members Not in Good standing with payment expected by 8/15/18.

The membership committee had a very busy booth at Queens Lake Day. The ladies certainly earned their stripes this year and appreciated all of the help getting folks to check in. We had a record number of guests this year and many needed to be directed to the Membership tent to sign a release and pay.

Committee Members: Rebecca Cho, Brittani Baldwin, Julie Dooley, Marty Taylor, Emily Edmonds, Leah Duckworth, Kate Helwig, Stacy Harris

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