

The Loon Preservation Committee



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LPC'S MISSION

LPC's mission is to restore and maintain a healthy population of loons throughout New Hampshire; to monitor the health and productivity of loon populations as sentinels of environmental quality; and to promote a greater understanding of loons and the natural world.

The mournful cry of the loon symbolizes the pristine lakes and natural environment that attract residents and visitors alike to New Hampshire.

The Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) was created in 1975 as a result of alarming declines in loon populations and concerns about loons in New Hampshire. LPC was founded on the belief that loons can thrive in the company of people if we value them and respect their needs. From its humble beginnings, LPC has grown to become a leader among environmental organizations working to preserve threatened and endangered species, a role which was recently recognized by special citations from both the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Wildlife Federation. Our success in more than doubling New Hampshire's loon population has been attributed in large part to the research, management and educational activities of LPC staff, members and volunteers. Still, despite our efforts, the loon remains a threatened species in New Hampshire.



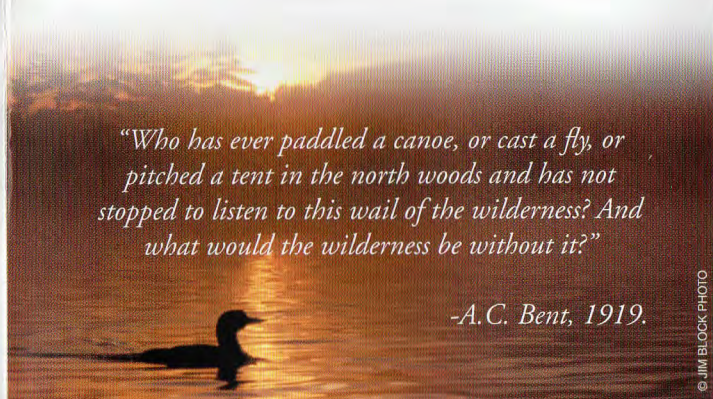
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MEETING THE CHALLENGE

For over 25 years, the Loon Preservation Committee has worked to preserve loons in New Hampshire through research, management and educational activities. The support of our members and volunteers allows us to:

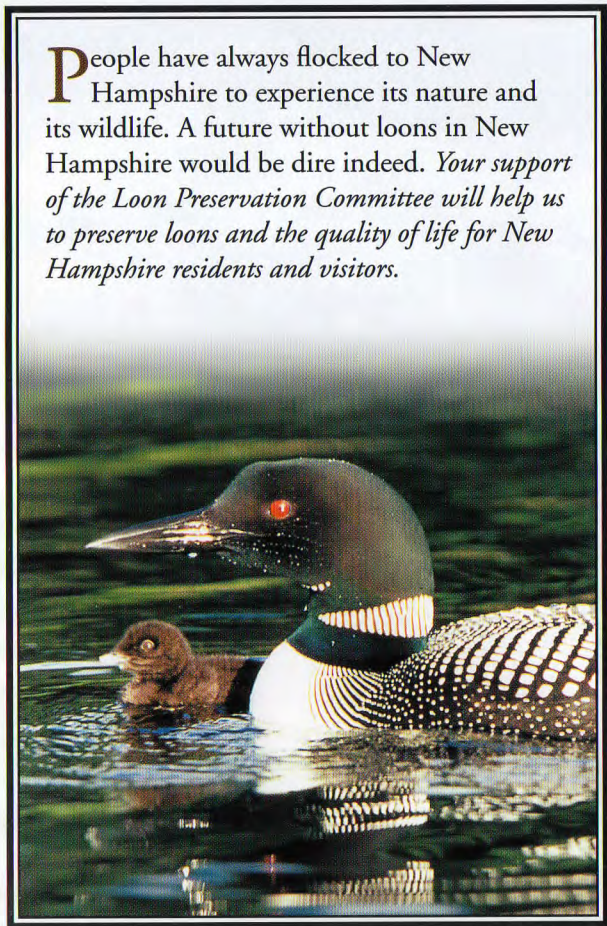
- **Monitor the number and breeding success of loons** to record trends in loon populations and assess the effectiveness of our management efforts;
- **Build and float nesting rafts** and protect nest sites;
- **Band loons** to study their life history and take samples to monitor the health of loons and lakes;
- **Recover dead loons and unviable loon eggs** to determine contaminant levels and causes of death;
- **Digitally map loon nesting and nursery sites** to ensure protective buffers around development and public access points;
- **Educate the public about loons** through Loon Center exhibits, presentations, signs, fact sheets, and our web site www.loon.org;
- **Publish findings** of our research in the *LPC Newsletter* and science journals; and,
- **Create a large grass-roots network of members and volunteers** who help build awareness and appreciation for loons and other wildlife in New Hampshire.



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"Who has ever paddled a canoe, or cast a fly, or pitched a tent in the north woods and has not stopped to listen to this wail of the wilderness? And what would the wilderness be without it?"

-A.C. Bent, 1919.



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People have always flocked to New Hampshire to experience its nature and its wildlife. A future without loons in New Hampshire would be dire indeed. *Your support of the Loon Preservation Committee will help us to preserve loons and the quality of life for New Hampshire residents and visitors.*

An integrated and cooperative approach to environmental problem-solving is at the core of the Loon Preservation Committee's philosophy. LPC's research represents the most complete study of a loon population anywhere in the world. Results of this research have facilitated informed discussion of a wide range of issues affecting loons and other wildlife. Loons were first listed as a state-threatened species in 1979 based on LPC's data; more recently, results of our research prompted a first-in-the-nation ban on the use of lead fishing tackle in lakes and ponds in New Hampshire. In the future, LPC's data will continue to promote sound conservation policies to preserve loons and our quality of life in New Hampshire.

Yes, I/we would like to become a Business/Association Member of the LOON PRESERVATION COMMITTEE and be a vital part of the loon recovery program in New Hampshire. Enclosed is a tax-deductible membership contribution:

- \$ 50.00 Loon Watcher
- \$100.00 Loon Protector
- \$250.00 Loon Supporter
- \$500.00 Loon Guardian

Business/Association Name _____

Address: Permanent _____

Summer _____

phone _____

email _____

Lake on which you visit or live: _____

Please make checks payable to the
LOON PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
OR

Please charge my Visa or MasterCard #

Expiration date _____

Signature _____

Please mail to:

Loon Preservation Committee,
PO Box 604, Moultonborough, NH 03254
476-LOON (5666)/ www.loon.org

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WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?

The Loon Preservation Committee's greatest strength is its large grass-roots network of members and volunteers. LPC was one of the first organizations anywhere to prove that coordinated and thoughtful human actions could reverse the decline of a threatened or endangered species.

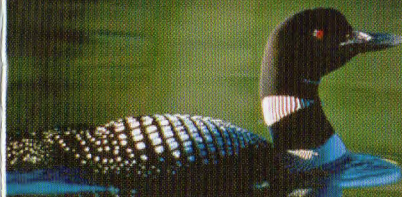
LPC's mission of loon protection would not be possible without the involvement and support of our members. Please take a moment to join and become part of this state-wide effort. Business/Association Membership benefits include recognition of your support at The Loon Center, on the LPC web site, and in the *Loon Preservation Committee Newsletter*; a business membership decal to post at your business or organization; and invitations to LPC special events and programs.

The greatest benefit of becoming a Business/Association Member of the Loon Preservation Committee is the satisfaction of knowing that you and your constituents are helping to preserve the loon, the most extraordinary natural attraction New Hampshire has to offer!



*"It is the personal concern by human neighbors
of the loons that makes protection possible
and survival a reasonable hope."*

- Rawson Wood, LPC founder



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LPC Annual Benefit Raffle: Take a Chance for Loons!



\$5.00 each or 3/\$10.00

40th Anniversary

Drawing - Nov. 28th, 2015



Log Cabin Quilt with Loon Center Block: This stunning Queen/King quilt is an original design by Winnie O'Shaughnessy (center loon block), Linda Monasky (wild geese border and machine quilting, Bear Paw Gallery) and Sarah Silk (log cabin squares; paper pieced dragonflies, cat-nine-tails, and water lilies). The quilt captures the loon's natural environment of swirling ripples on the lake, lush green shoreline vegetation, water lilies, and cat-nine-tails. Dragonflies dance overhead.

Loon Decoys by Dux' Dekes: The exquisite details of the loons' plumage are fine-tuned, and custom-made stains allow the beautiful wood grain to show through.



Quilted Loon Wall Hanging by Friends of Keepsake Quilting: Libby Morrill, Bonnie Knott and Winnie O'Shaughnessy generously donated their quilting expertise to create this lovely loon wall hanging. Materials donated by Keepsake Quilting and The Country Forge.



Old Town, Venus 10 Ocean Kayak donated by Irwin Marine: Weighing only 37 pounds, this 9' 10" ocean kayak is extremely light and outfitted with the car-topping handle system that makes independent carrying a breeze.



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