

Recap of 2020 Annual Meeting:

If you missed Friends of the Kayaderosseras 16th Annual Meeting, this year we held a round-table discussion with representatives from our neighboring conservation groups. Bill Bashant and Wes Devoe represented the Ballston Lake Improvement Association, Pat Dowd from the Lake George Association, and John Cashin and Eliot Cresswell from Saratoga Lake Association were in attendance. All of our waterways are ultimately connected and this was a great start to hear about the good work that local conservation groups are doing around us.

Saratoga Lake Association shared some of the ways that they are able to engage the public to sponsor and support the lake, and hope to host a “State of the Lake” Community Forum this September/October. Lake George Association was established over 135 years ago and shared their history, involvement and progress in current and past projects with a highlighted video. Ballston Lake Improvement Association spoke about their Association being a neighborhood organization and their project to convince the town to develop approved funding for the sewer system.

All groups agreed that sewer problems and protecting our water are continuing issues. The Associations also agreed that collecting data is important and attending town meetings is valuable.

Saratoga Boy Scout Troop #11 was in attendance and received the “Kay D Ross” award for their efforts at cleanups and work at Axe Factory Preserve.

In addition, the membership voted in a slate of board members including two new members; vice president Eric Andersen and communications director Kate Gawrys. Welcome! Also, we all would like to extend a big thank you to Dave Stern (7 years) and Christine Fitzpatrick (2 years) for their service on the board and the many contributions they have made to FoK..

Our future directions discussion included many great ideas and we are excited to get started. If you missed the meeting but have something to share, please contact us at info@kayadeross.org.