



ALPO NEWSLETTER

September 2023

ALPO Website / Contact Information

Our website is up and running. To date we have received over 2,500 visitors! This combined with our new local phone number will make it easier to stay up to date with everything that is going on in your community.

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Get the most up-to-date details and information thru our website.

Ashe County Bean Count



We've just completed the August tradition of placing a bean in a jar to predict the number of upcoming winter snowfalls.

Here's how it works: for every foggy morning in August, a bean is placed in a jar. A big bean is used for a heavy fog and a small bean for a light fog. The total number at the end of the month is used to predict the total number of snows. A big snow is four inches or more, while a light snow is one where you can "track a rabbit in it" according to folklore. The roots of the tradition are largely based in the Appalachian Mountain region. **Final "bean" count for August 2023 was a total of 10. The breakdown 8 small and 2 big. Hoping this means we will have a mild winter!**

Association Dues

Remember that your dues are what funds our community and pay for road maintenance, snow clearing, tree removal, insurance, and community improvements. Without your cooperation and contributions none of these would have been possible. THANK YOU neighbor for supporting your neighborhood!

Dues and Property Sales

We have noticed some properties for sale in Ashe Lake, and we welcome the opportunity to settle any Association dues in arrears prior to sale. Please direct any inquiries regarding your dues to AsheLakePOA@gmail.com

Community Improvements

Expanded Parking at Ashe Dock



New parking signs along the spillway have been installed. Thank you Joe! Please be courteous to other users while parking.

Road Improvements

The ALPD Board has surveyed the state of all the plated roads within Ashe Lake and formulated a plan of action. We hope the Road Contractor can get started on these ASAP.

If you have specific concerns about the roads, please do not hesitate to contact us and voice them.

Ashe Lake Events



KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

The 2023 Keep Ashe Beautiful Fall litter sweep is coming up fast! This year's sweep will be held on **Saturday, October 21st**. Joe Livingston is spearheading this year's efforts at Ashe Lake. Please reach out to us and join us in keeping our community and Ashe County litter free. KAB will provide us with T-shirts & gloves, trash pickers (grabbers), drive safely signs, trash bags etc.



FULL MOON LAKE PADDLE - Get your canoe, kayak or SUP and join us on Ashe Lake for an evening paddle illuminated by the full moon! Enjoy peaceful waters and fireflies as we loop around the lake taking in the beautiful fauna, birds, and wildlife. **Next Paddle: Friday, September 29th - Harvest Moon.** Meet at Association dock at 8:30 pm.



ASHE LAKE WALKING CLUB - Meeting Saturday Mornings (weather permitting) at **9:00 am at the Association Dock**. We will loop to waterfalls and back to dock.



ASHE LAKE PADDLE CLUB - Meeting Sunday evenings (weather permitting) at **6:00 pm** at **Association Dock**.



IN CASE YOU NOTICED: One of our talented residents hand carved this canoe out of a tree he fell. Unfortunately it was not water worthy, and immediately sank. Before he was able to recover it from the Lake, the current moved the canoe and it was lost to the depths of Ashe Lake. Last week it was recovered and our resident is happy to have it back so can continue to work on it. We hope his second attempt will be successful!

We are working on exciting new events in Ashe Lake!

Ashe Lake Fishing Tournament

Ashe Lake Paddle Club Summer BBQs

Evening Socials Community Clean Up Days

Santa at the Lake Christmas Lights Contest

Ashe Lake Walking Club Community Projects

Ashe Lake Garden Club / Plant Share

If there is a community activity you would like to see - let us know!



Amazing photo of the Milky Way from our very own Monticello Drive. Thank you Mike Britt for this excellent shot!

Join us in wishing Ashe Lake residents Maggie & Eric success in their new business venture.

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Our Services:

 <p>Local Deliveries & Curbside Pickups</p> <p>MONDAY - FRIDAY: 10am-8pm SATURDAY: 11am - 8pm SUNDAY CLOSED</p> <p><i>We provide curbside pickups from your favorite local restaurants and supermarkets. You place the order and we will pick it up and deliver straight to your front door!</i></p> <p>1st 6 Miles: \$6.95 Each Additional Mile: \$0.75</p>	 <p>Errands & Courier Services</p> <p>MONDAY - FRIDAY: 10am - 5pm SATURDAY: 11am-5pm SUNDAY CLOSED</p> <p><i>We offer local and town to town delivery of packages, products, and documents, as well as hauling a variety of goods to make your errands easier!</i></p> <p>Base rate: \$45.00/hour Saturday Premium: \$55/hour One Hour Minimum</p> <p><small>Local Deliveries, Errands & Courier Services: 15% Driver Support Fee Curbside Pickup: \$5.00 Driver Support Fee \$2.00 Fuel Surcharge</small></p> <p style="color: red;"><i>We accept all major credit cards and cash!</i></p> <p><small>On all deliveries, please check your ordered items carefully before the delivery driver leaves, to avoid any additional charges. If there are missing items, please call the restaurant or the store that you placed the order with. (Our prices are subject to change.)</small></p>
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Gardening

Ashe County is within USDA hardiness zones 6a and 6b. You probably won't find many starter vegetables; however, many cool-season vegetables seeds can be

planted directly in the garden. The goal is to get the seedlings planted outdoors in time to take advantage of the last days of summer warmth. Here are a few hardy vegetables that can tolerate frosty temperatures as low as 25 to 28 F.

Spinach, Leeks, Radishes, Mustard greens, Turnips, Collard greens

Some vegetables, considered semi-hardy, can tolerate temperatures of 29 to 32 F. These should be planted a bit earlier than the hardy vegetables listed above.

Beets, Lettuce, Carrots, Swiss chard, Celery, Chinese cabbage, Endive, Rutabaga, Irish potatoes

Our first Fall Frost date is October 1.

Ashe County & Surrounds Events

PICKIN' ON THE PORCH - On the front porch of Mount Jefferson Presbyterian Church. Bring your musical instrument to join in the pickin' or simply stop by to hear some Mountain Music. Every Tuesday in August from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm at Mount Jefferson Presbyterian Church 201 South Jefferson Ave. WJ.



11th Annual
 Save the Date!
 West Jefferson's
 Olde Time
ANTIQUES
 Fair
 Friday, Sept. 15 - 1-8pm
 Saturday, Sept. 16 - 8am-5pm
 Antiques & Collectible Vendors • Food Vendors
 2023 Visit us online:
wjjeffersonantiquesfair.com

WEST JEFFERSON OLD TIME ANTIQUES FAIR 2023
 Celebrating Old Town History and Heritage, this fourth annual event will be held in a festival-like setting in Historic West Jefferson Friday & Saturday, **September 15-16**, featuring booths from locals and the region alike selling antiques and collectibles. Various businesses, restaurants and Farmers Market in downtown will be participating in this event as well. Bring the whole family for a fun retrospective trip back to the "good ole days" while enjoying all that West Jefferson has to offer. You won't be disappointed!



NEW RIVER CORN MAZE - Enjoy nature on the historic Brown Family Farm in Deep Gap, NC. Get lost in the maze, stroll along the New River, bring a picnic and enjoy the beautiful fall colors and crisp mountain air. Take a tram ride around the farm. Select your perfect pumpkins to decorate for fall or bake the perfect pumpkin pie! Play a game of corn hole or simply soak in the changing season and colors!! Opening Day - September 16th.



ON THE SAME PAGE
 Ashe County's Literary Festival
 SEPTEMBER 12-16, 2023

Book covers displayed include: *Those We Thought We Knew*, *Symphony of Secrets*, *Decent People*, *Indigo*, *Fatal Scores*, *While Noted*, *Saving the Wild South*, *The Girl from the Red Rose Motel*, *Indigo Field*, *South Heaven*, *Philip Gerard*, *Murder*.

ON THE SAME PAGE LITERARY FESTIVAL - Enjoy a Celebration of Reading and Writing. Tuesday, September 12 to Saturday, September 16th. Hear authors read from recent works and answer your questions about books and writing. ■ Meet fellow readers and talk about your favorite books and authors. ■ Hone your creative writing skills in author-led workshops. ■ Join our Festival supporters, the Page Turners, for the opportunity to attend an exclusive reception with authors and the Festival planning committee. ■ And much more!

41ST ANNUAL
NEW RIVER
CANOE RACE

SEPTMBER 23
8:00 AM REGISTER
9:00 AM RACE

ZALOO'S CANOES
5 MILES TO
WAGONER ACCESS

Protect Preserve
Renew Restore

CANOE RACE
REGISTER TODAY

Presented by:

New River Brewing Ashe County Chamber of Commerce SkyLine SkyBest

Sponsored by:

FOOTSLLOGGERS A DESIGNER'S TOUCH by LAUREN Gamekeeper
Carolina Timberworks
RIVER GIRL NORTH CAROLINA WAYSIDE ZALOO'S CANOES

41ST NEW RIVER CANOE RACE - The 41st Annual New River Canoe Race and Family Float will be held Saturday, September 23, in Jefferson, NC. Whether you compete, float for fun, or just spectate, come enjoy a beautiful day on the banks of the New River!



5th Annual Craft Beer, Wine & Cider Tasting Festival
Saturday, October 7, 2023

The 5th Annual Stomp and Brew Craft Beer, Wine, Cider, Mead, and Spirits Festival in downtown West Jefferson, NC. This event celebrates the talented brewers, vintners, and distillers in the northwest North Carolina region with a focus on the process of creating craft beer, wine, and ciders. Proceeds go to support "Shoes for Kids" a local organization that provides shoes for children in need here in Ashe County, NC. Enjoy live music, food trucks, local craft vendors, and a classic car show. This event is pet-friendly and 21 or older.
www.StompandBrew.com.



Check out our website for a more comprehensive/updated list of local events.

<https://myashelake.com/high-country-events>

Ongoing Ashe County Events

ASHE COUNTY FARMER'S MARKET - Saturdays 8am - 1pm Thru October 28.

GALLERY CRAWL - Gallery Crawls are back! Crawls will continue July-October every second Friday of the month from 5pm to 7pm in Downtown West Jefferson.

WEST JEFFERSON'S ARTS DISTRICT
Gallery Crawl
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN

Galleries,
Unique Shops

SECOND FRIDAYS
5-7 PM
PARTICIPATING
GALLERIES

ASHE ARTS CENTER
ASHE CUSTOM
FRAMING & GALLERY
CATCHLIGHT GALLERY
FLORENCE THOMAS ART
SCHOOL
NAMED CREEK
FARMACY
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ORIGINALS ONLY
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MASTER
CRAFTS
Paintings
Pottery
Photography
Stained
Glass
Quilts
Fiber Arts
Jewelry
Weavings
Barn Quilts



LANSING FARMERS MARKET - Fridays 3pm - 7pm April through October at the Creeper Trail in Lansing.

KOOL NIGHTS & HOT RODS CRUISE-IN - Blue Ridge Midnight Runners announce their 2023 Kool Nites and Hot Rods Cruise-In dated for 2023. July 15, Aug 19, Sept 23, and Oct 21. 4pm - 8pm Downtown W. Jefferson. For more info call (336) 977-1989.

August Highlight - Full Moon Floats - August provided us with 2 opportunities to enjoy the full moon! Next one is Friday, September 29th at 8:30pm.



We try to keep up with local events and festivals but there may be something we have missed. If there is an upcoming event or festival you would like to see included, please reach out and let us know.
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ALPD is operated by Ashe Lake owners for Ashe Lake owners. We welcome the opportunity to hear your feedback, concerns, and issues to improve our community.

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Cover Art by Scott Ballard (Ashe Lake Resident): I feel that water, in all forms, calls to us just like the mountains...the proceeds from this painting "The Lake Effect" 14.5x20 oil on wood panel will go to support the New River Conservancy, it's \$170 and available at the Conservancy's office above Footslogger's in downtown WJ...Listen for what part of nature is calling to you this weekend!