



# LONG LAKE NEWS

Spring 2021

## Association Member Meeting

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Please join us for our annual member meeting on Saturday, May 29 at 9:00 a.m. We will meet outside rain or shine at Mark and Jill Michel's cabin. The address is 30009 N Des Moines Lake Road.

Our guest speaker may be Steve Johnson with the Burnett County Lakes & Rivers Association.

### Meeting Agenda:

- Review 2020 meeting minutes
- Treasurer's report
- Des Moines Lake Association Update
- Clean Boats, Clean Waters (CBCW)
- Boat landing cameras
- Loon platforms
- Purple loosestrife and beetles
- Possible Ice Cream Social
- Possible shoreline clean-up day
- Tour of beetle rearing station

## Boat Parade and Ice Cream Social

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This year's boat parade will be held on Saturday, July 3, starting at 1:00 p.m. We will decide on having the Ice Cream Social if members at the annual meeting want to have one.

## 2021 Member Dues

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Annual member dues for 2021 is once again \$35. A member directory update form is included and can be cut out and mailed with payment or emailed to [timtamlyn@outlook.com](mailto:timtamlyn@outlook.com). Please make checks out to Long Lake Association and mail to Tim Tamlyn, 6220 Arbor Ln, Excelsior, MN 55331. Payment can also be made with the Venmo App. Tim's username is timtamlyn. Please indicate it is for Long Lake Association dues.

## Long Lake Association Pontoon Trailer

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Don't forget you can rent the association pontoon trailer for a \$25 donation for use ONLY in Long Lake. You can contact Mark Michel at 715-281-8953 to schedule a time block.

The trailer uses a 2-inch ball. There is a box at the landing that contains a form that should be filled out. Checks can be made out to Long Lake Association. Donations can also be made using the Venmo app. The Venmo username is timtamlyn. Please indicate the payment is for the LLA trailer.

## Loon Nesting Platforms

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Our three loon nesting platforms were put in the lake on May 1. A big thanks to Dave Foote, Mark Michel, and John McMahon for their work getting the platforms prepared and floated.

## Purple Loosestrife Beetles

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Purple Loosestrife is an invasive species that is common in our lakes and wetland areas in Wisconsin. The plant has a very pretty, purple, spiked flower. The problem with loosestrife is that the root system is very massive and it tends to crowd out native plant species.

Purple loosestrife started out as a plant that was sold in nurseries. It produces a huge number of seeds and can be transported by birds and wind.

Control measures include pulling plants, cutting flowers, spraying with glyphosate or imazapyr, and biocontrol. Pulling purple loosestrife is difficult when the plant is big, and it is hard to get all of the roots. Spraying is tricky too, due to the fact that the plants are usually in or near water. Aquatic use formulas should be used and a permit might be necessary. Cutting the flowers and destroying only stops the spread of seeds and does not get rid of the plant. Biocontrol utilizes the Galerucella Beetle. The beetles eat the loosestrife plant.



The beetles can be raised in pens. Last year, we received beetles from Burnett County. They were placed at both Long and Des Moines Lakes. The beetles were effective. Mark Michel saw evidence of them eating the loosestrife. This year, Mark and Jill Michel will be raising their own beetles. In a joint effort with Long Lake Association, Des Moines Lake Association, and Burnett County a pen will be erected on their property which is on both lakes. Mark expects to have the pen up and running in time for the annual member meeting on the Saturday of Memorial weekend. If you come to the member meeting, you can see the operation. Property owners on both lakes are welcome to come see the pen if interested.

## Calling All Volunteers

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Your lake association is always looking for members who want to get involved and lend a helping hand. You can help with one of our social functions, loon platforms, lake monitoring and clean-up, serve on a committee, and especially volunteering to help with boat inspections at the boat landing. You can contact any board member if you're interested.

# Webb Lake Boating Ordinance

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The Town of Webb Lake approved a boating ordinance on June 3, 1996. The ordinance applies to Deer, Big Bear, Little Bear, Webb, Des Moines, Long, Lucerne, Prinel, Nicaboyne, and Lost Lakes.

Section IV pertains to No Wake Areas: No person shall operate a boat in the following area at a speed faster than "Slow - No Wake," as defined in 30.50(12), Wisconsin Statutes 1988, as "that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steering control." Said "No Wake" areas are:

- (1) All the lakes as listed above between the hours of 5:00 PM to 10:00 AM.

# Wake Boats

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Wake boats can release sediment from the lake bottom in areas too shallow. When sediment is agitated nutrients such as phosphorous are released into the water column. Excess phosphorous can lead to green water caused by algae blooms and promote excessive plant growth. In addition to affecting the lake bottom, the large waves could cause significant shoreline erosion over time.

If you operate a wake boat, please consider staying in the middle of the lake to minimize stirring up the lake bottom and the waves can lose some energy before hitting the shore.

Current regulations require boaters to stay at least 100 feet from the shoreline when going above slow-no-wake speed, and it is recommended that wake boats stay well beyond this minimum.

# Association Board of Directors

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Below is contact information for all your board members:

- Steve Hunnicutt, President: 651-380-0782, [hunnicutts17@gmail.com](mailto:hunnicutts17@gmail.com)
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