

THE LAKER

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Questionnaire Results

Included with this year's issue of 'The Laker' was a questionnaire. Fifty-seven homeowners sent back their responses to the questions. The following is a short summary of the results. A more complete summary will be published with the next 'Laker' or will be available at the next annual meeting.

It is worth noting some general observations. The location on the lake was reflected in the response. East enders were very concerned about weeds that are blown to their shore. West enders were concerned about the status of the Burt Shurly Camp. Specific interests were also reflected. Those who own power boats were not in favor of speed restrictions. Other similar patterns were evident. There did not, however, seem to be any discernable difference between year-round residents and part-time residents.

The average length of time that residents have owned their property was 20.6 years. 29 were year-round residents, 27 were part-timers. The average number of people staying at the household was 2.9.

Fifty-four of the 57 who responded were boat owners. The average number of boats per household was 2.4.

Thirty-five people were against limiting activities to certain parts of the lake or by specific hours. Thirteen were in favor.

Thirty people were in favor of limiting speeds on the lake and 24 were opposed.

There was a strong interest in a sewer system for all or part of the lake; 43 in favor, 14 opposed. The Lake Development Task Force is following up on this item to see what might be possible.

Twenty-nine responded that they have an aquatic weed problem, 23 did not. Because of the high minimum charges of harvesting firms, it would take a large percentage of those with weed problems to make harvesting feasible. It would also have to be an organized, lake-wide project. Before we can begin a project of this kind we must first locate any Eurasian Milfoil in the lake so we are sure not to harvest in those areas.

There was a great deal of support for a lake study that could give us specific answers and a plan for the future. Ginny and Jerry Backman are continuing to investigate the cost of such a study and will report back to the membership.

The area of greatest concern was by far water quality, followed by development around the lake. These two items were followed by lake level (which may have been somewhat a reflection of the severe drought conditions this past summer) and then congestion on the lake.

This response supports the need for a lake study and for sewer system investigations.

The above is a brief summary of the questionnaire. If you have specific questions regarding certain responses, please feel free to call me at 475-3480.

Task Force Formed

The North Lake Development Task Force has now been officially formed under the leadership of Sheridan Springer.

This group will be monitoring development that affects the lake or its watershed. It will be looking into long range solutions to problems - such as studying the feasibility of a sewer system around the lake and monitoring any possible changes in the use of the camp property.

If you would like to be a part of this group or have knowledge of development, zoning changes or variances that may affect the lake, please contact Sheridan at 475-8794.

The NLPA expresses its thanks to those who have offered to serve on this important committee. The committee members are Sheridan Springer, Walter Hamilton, Brent Bills, Henry Alvarez, Dave Pruess, Charles Gleason, Lorraine Perkins and Mary Lou Frenndt.

Missing Person

The NLPA is trying to locate the person who came forward following the annual meeting and stated that they had a copy of the lake study done by Humphreys in 1977. At the time we thought we would be receiving a copy of the report directly from Humphreys, but we were unable to obtain one.

If you have a copy of the report or if you are the 'missing person' would you please call Ginny Bachman at 475-1817.

NLPA Membership

This issue of 'The Laker' is being published for members only. The NLPA board wishes to thank all of you for your support this past year.

Our membership this year has risen from 24 dues paying members to 72 dues paying members!

The Board is still trying to find someone willing to fill the position of Vice President for next year. This position automatically rolls over to become President the following year. If anyone is interest please contact Mary Lou Frenedt at 475-3480.

The following is a list of the membership families for 1988.

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Many Thanks

As president of the NLPA, I want to thank the 1988 NLPA Board of Directors and members for their help and support.

As of January 1, 1989, the NLPA will be under the leadership of our president-elect Dan Kruse. I'm sure that 1989 will be another successful year under his leadership.

Mary Lou Frenedt

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Michigan Riparian

'The Michigan Riparian' is a magazine devoted exclusively to the protection, preservation and improvement of Michigan waters and to the rights of riparian owners to enjoy their waterfront property. It is published quarterly during February, May, August and November.

There were several of you who signed a sheet following the annual meeting expressing an interest in a subscription to 'The Michigan Riparian' at the group rate of \$4.00 per year. It is now time for us to collect the subscription monies and send the publishers a list of those to receive the magazine.

If you have not already sent a \$4.00 check, please send one as soon as possible to Mary Lou Frenedt, 7837 Stonehedge Valley, Gregory, MI 48107. Be sure to include the address where you would like the magazine sent.

Any NLPA member is welcome to subscribe to the magazine at the \$4.00 price. We must receive payment no later than December 1st.

We hope that many NLPA members will take advantage of this special rate.

Lake Water Testing

Did you know that you can have a sample of lake water tested for bacterial and fecal counts through the Washtenaw County Health Department?

You purchase a bottle for \$6.00 at the health department, fill it with your water sample and return it to the health department by 2:00 p.m. the same day. The results will be available in several days.

You can also have other tests run on water samples - such as the levels of various chemicals. These tests are done through private testing labs and the cost depends on the extent of the testing you request. The names of these labs can be found in the yellow pages under testing laboratories.

ML&S Annual Meeting

Michigan Lakes and Streams holds its annual meeting each year in the fall. This year the meeting will be held October 7, 8 and 9th at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, Michigan.

This year the meeting will have seminars on 10 different subjects that are of interest to lake associations and riparian owners - including 'Sewers and Lake Water Quality' and 'Water Quality and Weed Control'.

The announcement of the annual meeting appears each year in 'The Michigan Riparian' magazine, which also includes a registration form.

There will be several people from North Lake attending this meeting, but we hope that more people will become aware of the meeting and attend it in the future.

NLPA Sticker

Every dues paying member of the NLPA should have received a NLPA 1988 sticker (like the one shown below). You should have received it at the annual meeting or by mail. If you have not received yours, please write or phone Mary Lou Frendt at 475-3480 to receive one.

