HENDERSON LAKE NEWSLETTER

August 29, 2018 Mike Kujawa and Bill Olsen, Editors

<u>Loon Report</u>: The Loons successfully nested along the west shoreline in a new spot just north of the "island". Two chicks hatched and survived about three weeks before a probable predator (eagle, snapper, large pike, etc.) got them both. As of this writing the adult loons are still on the lake.

<u>Fish Funding and Fall Planting:</u> To ensure we have money available for a good planting in the spring of 2019, please donate soon as plantings cannot be planned unless the committee knows there is funding available. We currently have about \$1,800 in the bank and would like to spend it on a sizeable fall planting of Crappie, Hybrid Bluegill, Perch and Fat Head Minnows. Availability of fish and their pricing is still being sorted out. We are again asking for a minimum donation of \$30 per family. Many families give much more than the basic donation, and some families who don't fish also contribute for the overall health of the lake. **You can donate with cash, check or PayPal Donate Button at http://www.hendersonlake.org/fishing-club.html. (Note that PayPal charges a 2.9% service fee, so please account for that in your donation.)**

Fish Planting History:

2018	540 Hybrid Bluegills (5-7"), 2 gallons of Fat Head Minnows (not including this fall's planting)
2017	950 Large Mouth Bass (5-8"), 100 Walleye (6-9"), 300 Black Crappie (3-4"), 3 gallons of Fat Head Minnows
2016	25 gallons of Perch
2015	300 Hybrid Bluegills, 500 Bass (very small sized at 2-3")
2014	300 Hybrid Bluegills, 5 gallons of Fat Head Minnows
2013	250 Bass (4-6"), 200 Sunfish, 8x5 gallon buckets of Perch and Minnows. The Perch should spawn Spring 2013
2012	500 Perch
2010	300 Black Crappie (4-6"), 300 Hybrid Bluegill (4-6"), 200 Walleye (4-6") and 300 Perch
2008	500 Large Mouth Bass (5-7"), 200 Black Crappie (4-6"), 200 Hybrid Bluegill (4-6"), and 100 Walleye (4-6").
2006	500 Bass (5-7"), 160 Black Crappie (4-6"), 160 Hybrid Bluegills (4-6").

<u>Lake Health Management:</u> This is the fourth of our five-year Special Assessment District which provides funding for overall health management of our lake. Anticipating the renewal of our SAD, the Milfoil Committee has been working closely with the Townships (Cumming & Hill) in which Henderson Lake resides. The renewal requires re-petitioning per Public Act 188. **Special Assessment Petitions will be mailed, with postage-paid addressed return envelopes, to all waterfront owners and backlot owners with deeded lake access during the first quarter of 2019.** Managing the overall health of our lake is vital and requires funding, so please sign and mail the petition.

Invasive species of weeds (Eurasian Water Milfoil, Starry Stonewort, Curly Leaf Pondweed, etc.) found anywhere in the lake, and nuisance weeds only along the developed shoreline out to five feet of water depth are being treated. **Please see HendersonLake.org for downloadable copies of all the various reports and studies.**

Henderson Lake Fishing Club Volunteers:

North End	Ron Chapman, Dave Attenberger, Mike Kujawa	50
Allen Sub	Bryan Pepper	25
Henderson Heights	Dave & Adam Skornia, Brad Belleville	30
South End	George & Barb Losee, Bill Olsen	85 = 190

Please mail your generous donation, or use PayPal from http://www.hendersonlake.org/fishing-club.html

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Make all checks payable to **HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB**.

Basic Family Donation \$ 30.00 (More is always welcome!)

- Practice CATCH AND RELEASE! Please do not keep all that you catch.
- Keep a <u>rake-by-the-lake</u> to remove / clean-up weeds washed ashore. Milfoil spreads by fragmentation, so get those weed fragments out of the water.