# HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB

May 2010 Alan Johnston Editor
President

**Fund Raising** When I last wrote to you in August last year I was very optimistic about our fund raising for the year. We had already received about \$1,100 and I thought with a good Fall season we could do great. Well the Fall donations were down and our total fund rasing for the year was \$1289.13 which included 4.13 of interest. When compared to \$1571 in 2008 and 985 in 2007 it was an average year. We are once again asking a minimum of a \$25.00 donation from each family. Please remember that many individuals give much more than the basic donation and some families that don't even fish contribute because they believe it is the right thing to do.

<u>Fish Plantings</u> There were no fish plantings in 2009 due to alack of funds. Remember that a good planting like the one we had in 2008 cost us about \$2900 and there has been 2 years of price increases since then. As you can see if fund raising does not improve plantings will have to be on a 2 to 3 year schedule. The 2008 planting consisted of 500 Large Mouth Bass (5 to 7) 200 Black Crappie (4 to 6) 200 Hybrid Bluegill (4 to 6) and 100 Walleye (4 to 6) and 20 gallons of minnows.

**Loon Report** . The Loons returned at first ice out and have been hanging around the South end of the lake. I do not believe they are nesting yet but I bet they will be at their historical site at the south west corner of the lake. The protective buoys should be in before the holiday. Everybody is requested to respect the nesting area and this includes the wake from your watercraft.

<u>The 4<sup>th</sup> of July</u> The annual boat parade will be at 1:00 pm on the 4<sup>th</sup>. If you want to participate just decorate your boat and join the precession. Rafting and partying may occur at various locations after the parade. So whether or not you decorate and parade or just watch from the shore have a good time.

<u>New Web Site</u> Henderson Lake has moved to the  $21^{st}$  century and we now have a web site. You can access the site at hendersonlake.org and you can send in photos, coming events or announcements to wo8f@arrl.net.

#### **HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB VOLUNTEERS**

North End Ron Chapman
Allen sub Schweihofer Family

Henderson Heights Bruce Baumann & Dave Skornia South End Alan and Mary Ann Johnston

**<u>Donations</u>** Donations will be collected in each of the subdivisions between Memorial Day and Labor Day If you want to donate by mail you can mail a check to

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Make all checks payable to <u>HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB</u>.

### **Basic Family Donation \$ 25.00**

<u>Weed Control</u> Several people have expressed their concern about the amount of weeds in our lake. I understand that the weed problem got so bad at George Lake that tens of thousands of dollars were spent to combat the problem. We need to protect our lake before we end up in the same situation. Please keep lawn fertilizer at least 15' away from the waters edge and only use biodegradable soap in the lake. Make sure that you do not transport weeds or other exotics from other bodies of water. More information is available on the Henderson Lake web site (hendersonlake.org).

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