

# HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB

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**Loon Report:** The Loons successfully nested in the same location as 2015, at the south end of the lake. Several residents witnessed the first nesting eaten by an Eagle. It was early in the season and the Loons nested again, this time with success (no Eagles). Two chicks hatched, however, after several weeks one of the chicks disappeared (Possibly via one of the large Snapping Turtles spotted around the lake this summer?). As of this writing, the surviving chick is still on the lake. Good job by Mother Nature and residents who gave the Loons the space they need

**Fish Fund Raising:** We currently have over \$2,000 in the bank. We have collected over \$1100 this season which is a good start, but we could use another \$1,000. Using \$2,000 a year would allow for reasonable plantings and still leave a 2017 cushion in the bank. We are again asking for a minimum donation of \$30 annually per family. Please note that many families give much more than the \$30 suggested donation and some of these do not fish, but believe it is the right thing to do.

**Fish Plantings:** Although we were able to have plantings in 2014 & 15 we used money from past years. The cost of fish has skyrocketed in recent years. The Committee will look for bargains for Fall plantings, otherwise we will not be able to plant in 2016. We have told one supplier that we are looking for Bass (4" +/-) and if they find some please call. Below is a list of past plantings.

**2015** 300 Hybrid Bluegills, 500 Bass (very small sized at 2-3")  
**2014** 300 Hybrid Bluegills, 5 gallons of Minnows  
**2013** 250 Bass (4-6"), 200 Sunfish, 8x5 gallon buckets of Perch and Minnows. The Perch should have spawned 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"), and 160 Hybrid Bluegills (4-6").

**Weed & Milfoil Control:** This has been the second year of our Special Assessment District for weed control which will provide funding for three treatments to weedy areas during the season. Particular attention has been directed at the health of the weeds NOT being treated with a vegetation study on July 15 and water quality sampling to be done late September. (Remember that 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 5' of water depth are being treated.) See [www.HendersonLake.org](http://www.HendersonLake.org) for more details.

## **HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB VOLUNTEERS**

North End	Ron Chapman, Dave Attenberger and Mike Kujawa	50
Allen Sub	Schweihofer Family, Bryan Pepper	25
Henderson Heights	Dave & Adam Skornia	27
South End	Alan & Mary Ann Johnston and George Losee	90 / 200

**Please mail your generous donation, or give them to your local subdivision committee member**

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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 don't keep all that you catch.**
- **Keep a rake-by-the-lake to remove / clean-up weeds that wash ashore. Milfoil spreads by fragmentation, so get weed fragments away from the water.**

**If you have had good luck (or skill), please let us know by mailing the attached form with your check.**

Detach & return form to a club volunteer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fish caught: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of fishing: \_\_\_\_\_ Lure/bait or other: \_\_\_\_\_

Size / length & weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Date caught: \_\_\_\_\_ Kept or Released? \_\_\_\_\_