

HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB

May 2015

Alan Johnston Editor

Loon Report: The Loons returned this spring and have been hanging around the South end of the lake. It appears they have nested just east of the new dock at the south end of the lake. The protective buoys will be set out over the Memorial Day weekend, so in the meantime please respect the nesting area including wake from your watercraft.

Fish Plantings: Last Fall 2014 we planted 400 Walleye (4" – 6") and 500 Crappies (3" – 4") and 25 gallons of Perch. This spring 2015 we were able to plant 20 gallons of large Perch which had not spawned yet, so the spawn will occur (or has) in our lake. We currently have Bass on order, however, I keep getting told maybe 2 more weeks. We will see.

Looking back at some of our past plantings, we have achieved a planting about every two years. We are doing better and with your financial help we can get back to a planting every year.

- 2006 500 Bass (5"-7"), 160 Crappie (4"-6") and 160 Hybrid Bluegill (4"-6")
- 2008 500 Large Mouth Bass (5"-7"), 200 Black Crappie (4"-6"), 200 Hybrid Bluegill (4"-6"), and 100 Walleye (4"-6")
- 2010 300 Black Crappie (4"- 6"), 300 Hybrid Bluegill (4"- 6"), 200 Walleye (4"- 6") and 300 Perch
- 2012 500 Perch
- 2013 250 Bass (4"- 6"), 200 Hybrid Bluegill, 40 gallons of Perch
- 2014 400 Walleye (4" – 6"), 500 Crappies (3" – 4") and 25 gallons of large Perch

Fish Fund Raising: First of all I would like to thank all of our volunteers who helped with our fund raising and plantings. Also a special thanks to all of you that contributed at record levels. Last year our collections more than doubled what we have been getting at an all time record of nearly **\$3900**. This level of contribution has allowed us to have three plantings since last August. We currently have almost \$1,400 in the bank however we do have Bass on order which will take us down to almost nothing. We are again asking for a minimum donation of \$30 per family. Please remember that many individuals give much more than the basic donation and some families that don't fish also contribute because they believe it is the right thing to do.

Milfoil Update: Thanks to the property owners who signed petitions last year, the Special Assessment District for weed control on Henderson Lake was created by both Cumming and Hill Townships. This will provide funding for treatment of invasive aquatic weeds (principally Eurasian Water Milfoil and Curly Leaf Pondweed in Henderson Lake so far) and treatment of nuisance weeds along the developed shoreline only. As in years past, this year's treatments will occur in early June once the weeds have become visible. Management of these aggressive invasive weed species is best for the overall health of the lake including its fish stock.

HENDERSON LAKE FISHING CLUB VOLUNTEERS

- North End Ron Chapman, Dave Attenberger and Mike Kujawa
- Allen Sub Schwehofer Family
- Henderson Heights Dave & Adam Skornia
- South End Alan & Mary Ann Johnston and George Losee

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Basic Family Donation \$ 30.00 (More is always accepted)

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