

# HENDERSON LAKE NEWSLETTER

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**Loon Report:** The Loons returned again this year shortly after the ice left which was during the week of March 22, 2021. They have been spotted on their nest along the west shoreline, just south of the duck blind in the south bay. Please stay away from their nesting area so they don't feel threatened. They do not like visitors.

**Winter Ice Party Fundraiser / Fishing Report:** The 2021 event was not held due to concerns for COVID-19. Instead, a Facebook Live raffle was held on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> to raffle-off gift donations which would have been at the Ice Party raffle. Those folks' names who made monetary donations to the HLFC between January 1 through April 30, 2021 were entered into the raffle drawings. A video of the Facebook Live event is still available in the Henderson Lake Facebook Group. In total, 23 folks donated / participated in the raffle raising a total of \$1,649.86. Custom printed Henderson Lake Fishing Club hooded sweatshirts had also been donated and were available for sale over the winter. As of this writing, HLFC has about \$2,600 available for fish planting. This will fund a modest spring planting, but not a fall planting. PLEASE DONATE!

**2020** 4.5 gallons of Fat Head Minnows, conducted Northpoint Fisheries survey, fall planting of 1,155 Walleye (6-8")  
**2019** 725 Perch (4-6"), 1100 Hybrid Bluegills (3-5"), 200 Walleye (4-6") and 29 gallons of Fat Head Minnows  
**2018** 740 Hybrid Bluegills (5-7"), 6 gallons of Fat Head Minnows, 600 Black Crappie (4-5"), 400 Perch (4-6")  
**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")

**Lake Health Management:** The Special Assessment District (SAD) which provides funding for aquatic management of our lake was renewed for seven years (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2025 winter tax bills) by Cumming and Hill townships. The previous five-year SAD ended with the 2019 treatment season. The overall health of Henderson Lake is A-Rated in large part because of funding from the SAD. The assessed monetary amount and technical content of the SAD did not change.

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 Bellville	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> or this QR Code →**

*(PayPal charges a 2.9% service fee, so please account for that in your donation.)*

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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 rake-by-the-lake to remove / clean-up weeds washed ashore. Milfoil spreads by fragmentation, so get those weed fragments out of the water.**