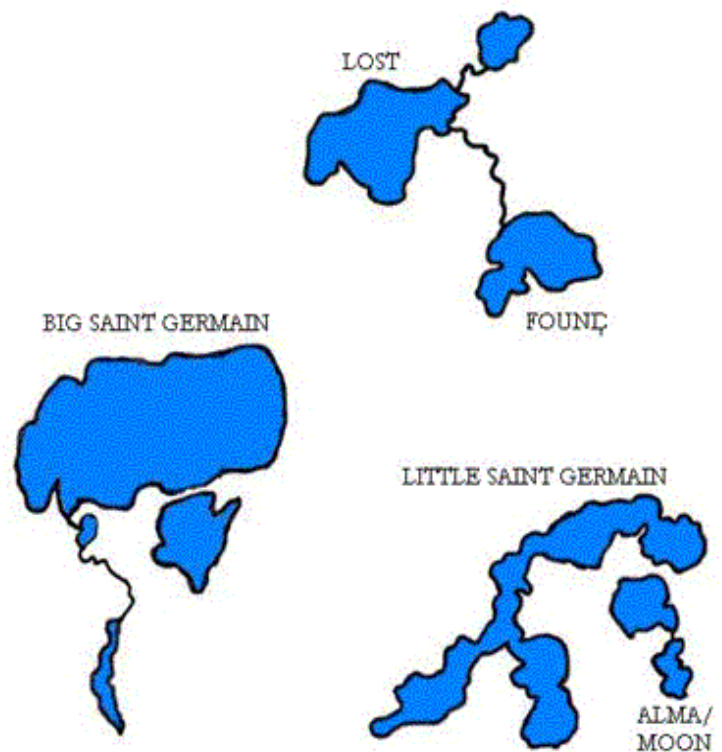
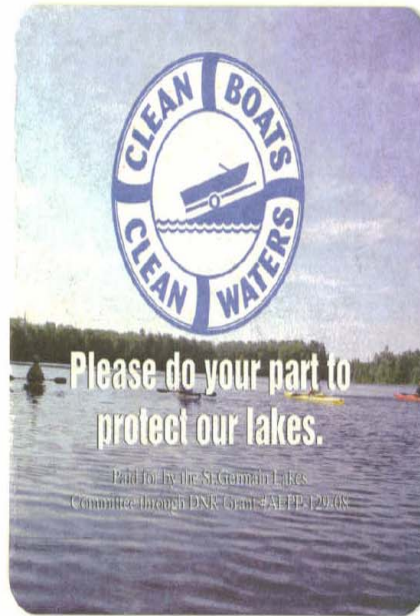


**WDNR AIS GRANT 2008
AEPP -129-08
TOWN OF SAINT GERMAIN
LAKES COMMITTEE**



ST. GERMAIN 2008 AIS PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The intent of the 2008 Town of St. Germain AIS project was to continue to provide successful public education and awareness activities from past projects in a continued attempt to prevent the further spread of aquatic invasive species into area lakes, drop those activities that were not successful, add a community newsletter and beverage coasters for 2008.

The following elements were intended to accomplish these goals.

1. The training of volunteered based watercraft inspectors each Monday from Memorial Day through Labor Day at the St. Germain Community Center Flea Market at no cost to those being trained.
2. Supporting a CB/CW lake landing boat inspection program throughout the summer months.
3. Continue to encourage and support an AIS lake monitoring program so as to concentrate on early detection of invasive life forms.
4. AIS public awareness campaign:
 - a. The printing of up to 300,000 grocery bags with an AIS message on one side in cooperation with the owners of Camp's Super Value in St. Germain.
 - b. Applying labels with an AIS message to bait containers sold at local bait retailers.
 - c. Purchase and distribute 75,000 restaurant placemats at cooperating eating establishments.
 - d. Employ a one day a week employee through contractual agreement between the Town of St. Germain and Trees for Tomorrow. This employee was to conduct public information and CB/CW training at the Monday flea markets.
 - e. Purchase as many beverage coasters as possible with budget funds with an AIS message on both sides to be distributed to local area bars and restaurants with lounges.
 - f. Produce and distribute a newsletter to all St. Germain property owners.

Project Budget: Project expenses were budgeted as follows:

PROJECT EXPENSES BUDGETED	COST
Grocery bags AIS message	\$500.00
Bait containers AIS labels	\$400.00
Placemats with AIS message	\$5,000.00
Contacted Monday employee	\$2,500.00
Beverage coasters AIS message	\$2,000.00
AIS handout literature	\$1,000.00
Community newsletter	\$2,600.00
TOTAL	\$14,000.00

Volunteer hours needed to offset project expenses were to be obtained as follows:

Lake monitoring

Watercraft inspections

Activities such as attending committee meetings and other aspects of the project.

Total volunteer hours needed to offset state grant dollars was projected at 583.75 hours at \$8.00 per hour to a total matched value of \$4668.00.

PROJECT RESULTS

Flea Market Informational Booth and CBCW Training



1. The objective of contracting a one day per week individual through Trees for Tomorrow to conduct public awareness AIS information and CB/CW training each Monday from Memorial Day through Labor Day was met. Jamie Kreuzinger provided displays and samples of AIS information along with handouts as well as conducted training to those community volunteers who desired to be trained.

Watercraft Inspections

2. Watercraft inspections were conducted at several lake boat landings as listed.

**Saint Germain Lakes Committee
2008 Watercraft Inspectors Hours
Control**

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Lake	Hours
Found	
Bob Schell	4
Bob Schell	4
Doug Walker	3
Ed Sturzl	4
Chris Drees	4
Chuck Their	4
Judy Camodeca	4
Dick Kloefer	4
Dick Kloefer	4
Judy Camodeca	4
Dick Kloefer	2
Ed Sturzl	4
Larry Heck	4
Dick Kloefer	4
Doug Walker	4
Lloyd Anderson	2.5
Ed Kindlarski	4
Diane Dieter	4
David Miller	5
Norm Peterson	6
Dennis Dieter	4
William Mallon- Ed Kindlarski	8
Lloyd Anderson	4
Diane Dieter	4
Jeff and Diane Brooks	8
Arden Hiam	4
William Mallon	4
Ron Begalke	4
Ken Dahnke- Ellyn Dahnke	8
Mary and Doug Brown	8
Kim Drees	4
Total	138.5
Lake	
Lost	
Jack and Linda Piel	10
Total	10

Annual Total 148.5

This information can be found in SWIMS.

3. Jamie Kreuzinger was employed to upload all boat inspection data, as well as lake monitoring data, to the DNR website.

Grocery Bags



4. The AIS information grocery bags continue to be a success with 300,000 bags distributed [and continuing to be distributed] by Camp's Super Value. The printing cost was \$300.00 or .001 cents per bag.

Bait Containers



5. Bait container labels were again successful with lakes committee volunteers applying labels at the various bait shops throughout the summer. 9,000 labels were applied at a cost of \$220.64 or 2.5 cents per label. These bait shops

included:	Labels
Rays Landing	- 3,875
Saint Germain Marine	- 2,150
CITGO Quik Mart	- 1,350
Northstar Shell	- 1,625
Total	9,000

Placemats

Can you identify these aquatic invasives?



This is one of the worst aquatic plant pests in Wisconsin, existing in over 580 bodies of water across 59 Wisconsin counties. Unlike many other plants, it does not rely on seed to spread, but reproduces by fragmentation allowing it to disperse over long distances, many times carried on boats and boat trailers. A new colony can start from a single fragment.



2. This exotic plant forms a dense surface mat that interferes with boating, swimming and fishing. It was introduced along with the common carp as an aquarium plant in the 1890s. The plant grows under the ice and drops to the lake bottom by early July. This releases nutrients to the water, possibly leading to algae blooms.



3. This virus is a serious fish disease that has recently been discovered in Wisconsin waters. The virus is not a threat to people who handle infected fish or want to eat their catch, but if it is spread to a body of water, it can kill more than 25 species of fish, including game fish.



4. _____ This animal species came to the Great Lakes on European freighters. First discovered in Lake Huron in 1984, these tiny creatures are now found in Wisconsin waters. They compete with native fish for zooplankton and their long, sharp, barbed tail spine keeps many fish from eating them, thus breaking the food chain.

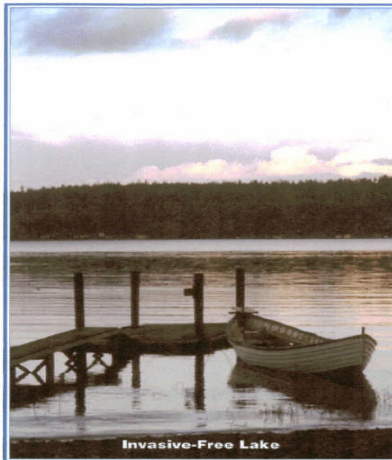


5. This mollusk originally came from Europe. One specimen can filter as much as a liter of water a day to eat the plankton, thus competing with fish for food. They will attach themselves to boat hulls and boat motor water intakes and foul the cooling capacity of the motor. They will also clog pipes by forming colonies within the pipes.



6. An omnivorous creature, this invasive species feeds on both plants and aquatic animals. With blade-like mouth parts, it can slice through plant material. It is more aggressive, grows faster and reproduces faster than native bottom feeding animals, thus leading to the elimination or decrease of native animal populations.

Help keep our lakes and waterways clean and healthy!



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

www.ProtectYourWaters.net

Prevent the transport of nuisance species. Clean ALL recreational equipment!

When you leave a body of water:

- Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment.
- Eliminate water from equipment before transporting.
- Clean and dry anything that comes into contact with water (*boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.*)
- Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water



Paid for by the St. Germain Lakes Committee through a DNR Grant

Answers: 1. Eurasian Water Milfoil; 2. Curly Leaf Pondweed; 3. Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS); 4. Spiny Water Flea; 5. Zebra Mussel; 6. Rusty Crayfish

6. There were 75,000 placemats distributed to nine area restaurants listed below at a cost of \$4995.00 or 6 cents per placemat. As well several local resort bars that served sandwiches also utilized a minimum number of the placemats.

Saint Germain Lakes Committee Placemat Control

2008 DNR Grant # AEPP-129-08

Name	Placemats	Name	Placemats
19th Hole	15000	Fibbers	6000
Sisters Saloon Inc.	6000	Sportsmen's Chalet	3,000
Vinches Hillside	6000	Scoobies North	6,000
Sayner Pub	3,000	Angry Daves	9,000
Blink Bonnies	18000	Community Events	3000
		Total	75000

Beverage Coasters



7. There were 17,500 beverage coasters distributed to twenty four area bars and restaurants with lounges in the St. Germain area at a cost of \$1994.00 or 11.4 cents per beverage coaster.

Saint Germain Lakes Committee Beverage Coaster Control 2008 DNR Grant # AEPP-129-08

Name	Coasters	Name	Coasters
The New Twilight	1100	Murmuring Waters	400
Spangs	800	Webers	800
Golden Pines	1000	Sayner Pub	1000
Bib's Resort	600	Blink Bonnies	800
Pub and Prime	850	Fibbers	1000
Whitetail Inn	600	Sportsmen's Chalt	800
19th Hole	800	Bobcat	400
Clearview Supper Club	800	Thunderbird	800
Sisters Saloon Inc.	800	Elberts	200
Fish and Wildlife Club	150	Scoobies North	800
Bauer's Dam	600	Legends	800
Vinches Hillside	800	Angry Daves	800
		Total	17500

8. A community newsletter was not printed and distributed in 2008.

BUDGETED PROJECT EXPENSES VS. ACTUAL EXPENSES

BUDGET VS ACTUAL EXPENSES	BUDGETED	EXPENDED
Grocery bags	\$500.00	\$300.00
Bait containers	\$400.00	\$220.64
Placemats	\$5,000.00	\$4995.00
Contacted employee	\$2,500.00	\$2,080.00
AIS literature	\$1,000.00	\$66.30
Beverage coasters	\$2,000.00	\$1994.00
Community newsletter	\$2,600.00	\$0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$14,000.00	\$9655.94

GRANT RELATED IN KIND EXPENDITURES

Non grant in kind expenditures	
Table for booth	\$57.88
CB/CW form printing	\$25.00
CB/CW caps	\$240.00
Labor, DNR reporting	\$300.00
Boat cover	\$100.00
Total	\$722.88

2008 Saint Germain Lakes Committee Grant Details DNR Grant #AEPP-129-08

Saint Germain Lakes Committee Grant Summary DNR Grant # AEPP-129-08

Total Grant Dollars	\$9,655
Net Dollars (25%)	2413.75
In Kind Hours Required	302
Equals In Kind dollars divided by \$8.00	
Volunteer Hours	Hours
Watercraft Inspection	148.5
Committee Meetings	130
Flea Market Booth Setup	38
Total Volunteer Hours	316.5
Difference	15

Watercraft Inspection Hours Details

Saint Germain Lakes Committee 2008 Watercraft Inspectors Hours Control DNR GRANT #AEPP-129-08

Lake	Hours
Found	
Bob Schell	4
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Doug Walker	3
Ed Sturzl	4
Chris Drees	4
Chuck Their	4
Judy Camodeca	4
Dick Kloefer	4
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Judy Camodeca	4
Dick Kloefer	2
Ed Sturzl	4
Larry Heck	4
Dick Kloefer	4
Doug Walker	4
Lloyd Anderson	2.5
Ed Kindlarski	4

Diane Dieter	4
David Miller	5
Norm Peterson	6
Dennis Dieter	4
William Mallon- Ed Kindlarski	8
Lloyd Anderson	4
Diane Dieter	4
Jeff and Diane Brooks	8
Arden Hiam	4
William Mallon	4
Ron Begalke	4
Ken Dahnke- Ellyn Dahnke	8
Mary and Doug Brown	8
Kim Droes	4
Total	138.5
Lake	
Lost	
Jack and Linda Piel	10
Total	10
Annual Total	148.5

Saint Germain Lakes Committee Meetings Detail
Saint Germain Lakes Committee 2008 Lakes Committee Meeting Hours Control
DNR Grant # AEPP-129-08

4/15/2008	Lake	Hours	9/3/2008	Lake	Hours
Chuck Their	Found	2	Chuck Their	Found	2
Bob Schell	Found	2	Bob Schell	Found	2
Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2	Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2
Jack Piel	Lost	2	Jack Piel	Lost	2
Linda Piel	Lost	2	Linda Piel	Lost	2
Jim Harold	Big Saint	2	Jim Harold	Big Saint	2
Don Baumann	Big Saint	2	Donna Harold	Big Saint	2
Todd Wiese	Town of Saint Germain	2	Jack Mau	Alma/ Moon	2
Total		16	Dick Kloepfer	Found	2
5/20/2008	Lake	Hours	Todd Wiese	Town of Saint Germain	2
Chuck Their	Found	2	Total		20
Bob Schell	Found	2	10/22/2008	Lake	Hours
Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2	Chuck Their	Found	2
Lee Holthaus	Little Saint	2	Bob Schell	Found	2
Jack Piel	Lost	2	Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2
Linda Piel	Lost	2	Jack Piel	Lost	2
Dave Zielinski	Alma/ Moon	2	Linda Piel	Lost	2
Jim Harold	Big Saint	2	Jim Harold	Big Saint	2

Don Baumann	Big Saint	2	Dave Zielinski	Alma/ Moon	2
Total		18	Todd Wiese	Town of Saint Germain	2
6/24/2008	Lake	Hours	Ted Ritter	Vilas County	2
Chuck Their	Found	2	Total		18
Bob Schell	Found	2	12/3/2008	Lake	Hours
Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2	Chuck Their	Found	2
Lee Holthaus	Little Saint	2	Bob Schell	Found	2
Jack Piel	Lost	2	Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2
Linda Piel	Lost	2	Jack Piel	Lost	2
Dave Zielinski	Alma/ Moon	2	Linda Piel	Lost	2
Jack Mau	Alma/ Moon	2	Jeff Heeler	Lost	2
Dick Klopfer	Found	2	Jim Harold	Big Saint	2
Todd Wiese	Town of Saint Germain	2	Don Baumann	Big Saint	2
Jim Harold	Big Saint	2	Total		16
Total		22			
7/22/2008	Lake	Hours			
Chuck Their	Found	2			
Bob Schell	Found	2			
Lou Mirek	Little Saint	2			
Jack Piel	Lost	2			
Linda Piel	Lost	2			
Dave Zielinski	Alma/ Moon	2			
Jack Mau	Alma/ Moon	2			
Jim Harold	Big Saint	2			
Dave Kunelius	Big Saint	2			
Todd Wiese	Town of Saint Germain	2			
Total		20			
Yearly Total Hours					130

Flea Market Booth Setup Hours Summary

Saint Germain Lakes Committee 2008 Flea Market Booth Setup Control DNR Grant # AEPP-129-08

Date	Lake	Name	Name	Hours
5/26/2008	Found	Chuck Their		2
6/2/2008	Alma/ Moon	Dave Zielinski		2
6/9/2008	Little Saint Germain	Lou Mirek		2
6/16/2008	Found	Chuck Their		2
6/23/2008	Big Saint Germain	Jim Harold		2
6/30/2008	Little Saint Germain	Lou Mirek		2
7/7/2008	Lost	Jack Piel	Linda Piel	4
7/14/2008	Lost	Jack Piel	Linda Piel	4
7/21/2008	Lost	Jack Piel	Linda Piel	4
7/28/2008	Found	Dick Kloepfer		2
8/4/2008	Big Saint Germain	Jim Harold		2
8/11/2008	Little Saint Germain	Lou Mirek		2
8/18/2008	Alma/ Moon	Dave Zielinski		2
8/25/2008	Big Saint Germain	Jim Harold		2
9/1/2008	Little Saint Germain	Lou Mirek	Lee Holthaus	4

Total	
Hours	38

PROJECT CONCLUSIONS

The Town Lakes Committee has evaluated the success of the 2008 project and has reached the following conclusions:

1. Summer Monday Coordinator and flea market booth: Though there was some interest in the information provided and training, The Committee feels that this method of reaching out to the public has reached a point of little impact. We noted much reduced interest in flea market visitors and few folks asking for the CB/CW training. We do not anticipate recommending continuation of this activity in the 2009 grant request.
2. The volunteer based watercraft inspection program is very successful at one of our lakes [Found]; moderately successful at Little Saint Germain and Lost Lakes and has seen little success at Big Saint Germain and Alma/Moon Lakes. However, Big Saint Germain Lake has now become a lake district and plans to employ a boat landing inspector through Trees for Tomorrow in 2009. Therefore, we still recognize the importance of boat landing inspections and also found some success at several of our lakes in lake monitoring and would recommend continuation of that program in 2009.
3. The grocery bag program continues to be very popular and successful and would anticipate recommending continuation of this program in 2009.
4. Though we distributed 75,000 placemats again in 2008, it appears that our local restaurants were much less enthusiastic this year and found it difficult to reach maximum distribution. Many area visitors really like the information provided on the placemats, however it may be time to drop this activity for a year or two. Therefore, we would not be recommending continuation of this component of the project in 2009.
5. The beverage coasters, with the AIS message on both sides, proved very popular. They were highly requested by local bars and restaurants with lounges. As a matter of fact, after distributing our initial order of 10,000, we had funds to order an additional 7,000 and had little trouble distributing them. We would look to continuing this project in the 2009 grant request.
6. The bait container label program continues to work out well and we would recommend continuation in the future.
7. The community newsletter did not get distributed in 2008 do to delays in developing the articles and identifying an editor. By the time the committee felt ready to go with the letter, we felt it was too late in the summer to be effective. However, now that we have the articles written and have identified an editor and method of distribution, we would recommend this be included in a 2009 grant request.

8. Overall volunteerism continued to be an ongoing problem with our lake organizations in 2008. It is necessary to look to an increased effort in this area in the future.