Spooner Lake District Activity Report

The year began with our spring meeting on May 25th.2013 at the council chambers at Spooner city hall. We hold our spring and fall annual meetings on Saturdays on Memorial day and Labor day weekend to accomadate our lake district members. We have 170 families on the lake and of these 125 are non residents. We picked these two weekends as that is when most of our members are here.

We treated 9.7 acres of Curley Leaf Pondweed in early May. Steve Schiffer of Ecological Integrity Service who does the pre and post service recommends the areas that should be treated. We follow his advice which has been accurate. Jim Bartlett of Lake Management works with Steve on this project and we are happy with his work. The navagation channel wasn't treated as we felt it didn;t need to be treated this year.

We started monitering the boat landing on opening day of fishing season on May 4th.2013 thru Sept.1st,2013 This included the three major summer holidays. We try to moniter Friday nights as that is when the people from the resort come in and Saturdays and Sundays as that is when we have the most boat traffic on the lake. In the last few years we have had a large number of bass tournaments on the lake . This has caused some problems with launching and parking at the DNR parking lot.

We monitered 452 boats that entered the lake .583 people were aware of the law and 16 people were unaware of the law.

We updated our Lake Management Plan this year. We hired Cheryl Clemens of Harmoney Environmental to help us update the plan and also help to apply for our 2013-2014 grant which we obtained.

We sent seven people to attend clean boats clean waters training classes at the Ag.Center.This year we hope to send more.Everyone felt this was very informative.We also sent seven people to the NW Wisconsin Lakes Conference at the Spooner High School.The lake district paid for six entries.Also several lake members attended the DNR hearing at the Spooner High School.Myself included.

John Meachum did all the tempature and disolved oxygen readings for the DNR as specified. Filamentous Algae is becoming a significent problem on the lake and will need to be addressed in the future.

We also have a website which is in our second year.www.spoonerlake wi.com.We also send out a newsletter in the fall and include the minutes of our meetings for all members on the lake to read.

Thank You.

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