

Island Mud Lake Property Owners Association

Spring 2022



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Annual Dues \$20
 We're online at
islandmudlake.com



GREETINGS !

Spring started late on the Lakes with Ice-Out not occurring until May 3rd. Now it's time to get ready for summer! The Association has several "fun" events for adults and youth, so plan to participate in the pontoon parade, fishing contest, and our annual meeting/picnic. A great way to keep up with happenings on the lakes!

THOUGHTS FROM OUR DOCK-

2022 Loon Nesting 2021 was not a successful year for our resident Loons, with some cooperative weather they will be successful in 2022. When you're out and about this summer. Remember to give the Loons their space and remember "NO-WAKES" by the new chicks as you are out boating, they are cute to see but also fragile.

IMLPOA 13 Month Calendar Coming Soon!

A special thanks to everyone that submitted photos for our 2022-23 IMLPOA calendar. It contains pictures of the seasons on Island & Mud lakes as well as highlighted dates throughout the 13 months from July 2022 through July 2023. The calendar should be available by late June and will be distributed to each property and also at the Annual Picnic. Extra copies will be available at a minimal cost.

Spring Cleanup Time . Are you doing some spring cleanup on your lake place ? Crow Wing County provided a \$10 Sanitary Landfill Coupon with the 2022 Tax Statements. You must use the coupon that came with your tax statement. (the copy below is just so you know what it looks like). The coupon may be applied towards any service at the landfill located at 15728 State Highway 210. For more information on services at the landfill call 218-828-4392



Pontoon Trailer A special thanks to Mark Caspers for once again coordinating the pontoon trailer reservations! He will continue to assist in 2022, his contact information is on our website.

Water Levels. While the summer of 2021 saw drought and fire restrictions, our lake levels maintained a reasonable level. What helped us ? Well the beaver dams at the outlet retained the little flow coming into the lakes. We have already noticed the spring water level has risen as we have had more rain and winter snow accumulation.

Mud Brook Cleanup. Speaking of water levels.... The low water flow through Mud Brook in 2021 exposed several potential submerged and floating obstructions during the summer. Depending on the water level on Mud Brook we will be coordinating a group of volunteers to help with some 'light-duty' cleanup from Island to Mud Lake. Contact any Board member if you are available to assist in this effort and we will let you know when this will occur. Watch for a notice posted on our bulletin board or an email . If you have not traveled the Brook, it is a beautiful place to take a canoe, kayak or small boat. Your participation will make travel between the lakes much safer. Jim Luttrell will be coordinating the cleanup activity. All volunteers are invited to a picnic after our cleanup efforts!

It's tick season. Mid-May through mid-July is the primary timeframe for ticks in our area, but they can appear as early as mid-February. Remember to check for ticks after you have been working in the yards or out hiking and remove ticks as soon as possible. You can also prevent ticks by : wearing light colored clothing; create a barrier by tucking pants into boots and long sleeved shirts into pants; and use of an appropriate repellent. The risk of getting a tick-borne disease is small if removed soon after it becomes attached.

Welcome new Property Owners. If you are one of the new owners on the lakes WELCOME! Please contact any Board member and we will see that you get a name sign. The Association provides a name sign free of charge with your 2022 paid membership dues. You can also find out lots of useful information on our website www.islandmudlake.com.

Interested in helping on a Committee Interested in helping with an association activity? Your talents can help benefit our association and residents. We also have openings for new Board members, if interested please contact us.

Oak Wilt was found in both Cass and Crow Wing Counties for the first time in 2021. It is a fungal disease that infects all species of oaks, but is particularly lethal to those in the red oak group. Red oak species die in as little as two months after infection. Bur oaks tend to die within one to seven years, and white oaks die between one and twenty years.

How Does Oak Wilt Spread? There are a couple of ways oak wilt spreads. The first way is through root grafts, which is where the roots of multiple trees have grown together underground. This method of spread has been shown to transfer the disease to trees up to 50 feet away. The other method of spread is above ground transfer from tree to tree via sap beetles which carry the fungus from an infected tree to healthy trees. These sap beetles feed on trees that have been freshly wounded.

How Can I Protect My Oaks? Avoid pruning or damaging oak trees from April through July. This prevents sap beetles that may have previously fed on an infected tree from being attracted to exposed wounds on healthy trees.

What To Do If You Think Your Tree Has Oak Wilt If you are concerned that you may potentially have infected trees, oak wilt can be reported with the Great Lakes Early Detection Network app, call Rachael Dube, MN DNR Northwest Region Forest Health Specialist 218-203-4427 or email rachael.dube@state.mn.us



ISLAND-MUD LAKES ICE OUT DATES

Eight years of "Ice-Out" dates

2015—April 12

2016—March 29

2017—April 8

2018—May 1

2019—April 22

2020— April 16

2021— April 4

2022 — May 3

Eight Year Ave -April 15

Get to Know a Board Member !



Hi, my name is Gwen Geithman, my husband John and I live on the north side of Island Lake. We moved here about 4 years ago from Princeton, Mn. where we had a hobby farm for 40 years. While growing up we went camping often in northern Minnesota and always loved the feel of the "North". So when it was time to retire, this is where we went looking. I'm not

sure if we'll ever go on a camping vacation again because now we are vacationing every day right here in "God's Country".



Patrice , daughter Katie and grandchildren Calvin & Charlotte enjoying the Boat Parade

Hi, my name is Patrice Bogart. Jon and I love our cabin at 23881 Island Lake Road. We are both retired. Jon was a civil engineer and I was a registered nurse. We have three children, Katie, Dan, and Lauren. Katie and

her husband Erik have 2 children, Charlotte and Calvin. Also included in the family is Oakley, the wonder dog (or small horse) Dan and Stephanie have a daughter, Elena, who is 5. Lauren is our youngest daughter and all of us love being at the lake. One of our favorite family events is participating in the Fourth of July boat parade. We feel very blessed to call our cabin home.

SUMMER EVENTS 2022

JULY 4th BOAT PARADE

Sunday July 3rd • 1:00 pm

Spruce up your boat with patriotic decor at this just-for-fun event! An Independence Day event that has been an Island Mud Lake ongoing tradition. Please display an American Flag somewhere on your boat. Pontoons, Big boats, Small boats all join in. Line up near the public access for the 1:00 pm start time. No prizes will be awarded. (But for those that finish the parade look for something special at the end). Please cheer on your neighbors from your docks if you are not participating in the parade.



FISHING CONTEST

Saturday July 2nd 7:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Join your neighbors at this fun one day fishing event! To register, please call/text Jerry Finnerty at 612-987-2275, with names and ages of participants. Contest rules will be



Biggest Northern: Jaden Cazett a 35" Northern Pike

posted at the Bulletin Board at the "Y" and also on our web site. Prizes by fish species and special prizes for ALL youth participants. Join us at the public landing at 5:00p.m. for refreshments and prizes. Remember to follow all DNR fishing regulations and WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKETS!

ANNUAL PICNIC / MEETING

Saturday July 16th • 4:00 pm

Our annual meeting will be at Levi's Field on Walworth Road. Social time and Kids games at 4:00, potluck meal to follow at 5:00, the annual meeting is after the meal. The Association will provide the meat, chips and water, Please bring a dish to share, lawn chairs, and your preferred beverage. We will have a guest speaker to make a short presentation on a topic relevant to our lakes. All property owners and their families are welcome to attend. This year we will also have our raffle and prizes purchased from our local businesses. Our 13 month IMLPOA Calendars will also be distributed at the Picnic free to all attendees. Please bring a non-perishable food item or cash in support of the Emily Food Shelf. The Association will also match all cash donations to the Food Shelf collected at the picnic. Watch our web site and the bulletin board on Island Lake Rd and Walworth for additional meeting information on the Annual Meeting business action items.



DNR UPDATES ISLAND LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The DNR last updated the fishery management plan for Island Lake in 2001. The 2022 plan identifies several key Goals:

- Maintain a self-sustained Northern pike population with the opportunity for anglers to catch large fish.
- Provide a Black crappie fishery with high relative abundance and angler catch rates.
- Maintain a Walleye population using stocking, as needed, to provide a fishery whereby anglers are able to catch an occasional "bonus" Walleye.
- Maintain a moderately abundant Largemouth bass population
- Northern pike and Black crappie are the primary management species with Walleye and Largemouth bass being the secondary management species.
- Establish and maintain contact with lakeshore owners and local anglers, encouraging them to protect the lakeshore and aquatic habitat, as well as the importance of conserving large northern pike

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Membership We have an all-time high membership of 91 properties! Your membership is vital and makes a difference in preserving our special lake area and building a greater sense of collaboration and community. With rising postage and printing costs we are using emails to be our primary newsletter distribution source. However if you not have provided an email we will continue sending our newsletter to you in the regular mail, and always posted at the bulletin board at the "Y" on Island Lake Road.

You can renew or start your membership easily by:

- ◆ Completing the attached form and mailing it with your dues to our Treasurer , or
- ◆ On our website at www.islandmudlake.com via Pay-Pal its easy, and secure.
- ◆ If you need to update your contact info, please complete the member form and return it via mail or email to: islandmudlake@gmail.com
- ◆ Please submit you membership dues prior to our Annual Picnic/ Meeting in July.



**Island & Mud Lake
Property Owners
Association
2022 Membership
Dues \$20**

Your contribution is tax deductible to
the extent allowable by federal law

() check () cash
() On-Line -PayPal/Credit Card
please return this card to:

Jerry Finnerty , IMLPOA Treasurer
5945 Sweetwater Circle
Shorewood, MN 55331

Name 1: _____

Name 2: _____

Lake Address : _____

Mailing Address: _____

Mailing City , State, ZIP: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email 1 _____

Email 2 : _____

Suggestions / Concerns? _____

If you choose not to become a member, please return this card
so we have your current contact information.

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING AS AN IMLPOA BOARD MEMBER: _____