

Lovewell Pond Association

June, 2010

Annual Meeting!! ***July 10, 10:00 a.m. Fiber Barn, Fryeburg Fair Grounds***

Dear Members:

Did you know.....More Invasive Plant Saves! Lovewell Pond Association continues to watch over the Lake through an ongoing invasive plants inspection program. Our chief voluntary inspector, Michele Broyer, has averted several suspicious plant introductions into the Pond already this year. Boat traffic is up, and we have to be especially vigilant.

Your Board is pleased to attach the agenda of our upcoming Annual Meeting, which will cover the many positive efforts Lakeside residents are making to assure the health of the pond.

I'm also pleased to report the results of the many activities your support has yielded. Here's a quick summary of activities since our last meeting

- ***Boat inspections for invasive plants have begun.*** We've had a presence from Friday to Sunday on all weekends since Late May. This year, through the Lakes Environmental Association, we have received another grant of \$1800 to fund inspections and activity at the Fish and Wildlife ramp.
- ***Water quality inspections are continuing.*** For the fifth year in a row we are conducting bi-weekly tests of seven water quality factors at four points on the lake – at the Wards Brook outflow area, off Moose Rock, in the deep point of the lake, and at the Saco River Outflow. This is being done in cooperation with the Saco River Corridor Commission, and our results have been posted on the SCCC site -- www.sccc-maine.org/
- ***Actions to improve Indian Point Beach and other unruly behavior situations have continued.*** We good support from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the local Wildlife Warden, the Oxford County Sheriff, and Fryeburg police in managing the problems of prohibited use and discourteous behavior at the ramp site. We also plan to continue working with the Saco River Recreational Council in efforts to spruce up the ramp area.
- ***Our Floating Loon Nest is occupied again this year.*** Thanks, to Peter Wilkens, we hope our loon pair will produce another one or two chicks through successful breeding. We named the little loon last year after Peter, who will give you a detailed update at the meeting.
- ***Aquifer Monitoring will Begin this fall.*** Thanks again to Dick Krasker for the superb job of fund raising that has created a successful monitoring program for assuring that inflows from the Wards Brook Aquifer are not being negatively affected by water withdrawals.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

To spread the load and make sure that we can keep up the level of our efforts, we need volunteers for –

- ***Water Quality Testing.*** Every other Tuesday morning at 7 a.m., we need a boat and a volunteer to use the testing equipment provided by the Saco River Corridor Commission, for about an hour and a half. We'll do the training, and I can assure you the lake is gorgeous at this time of morning!

We have also enclosed a dues invoice for this coming Fiscal Year.

For those who have not joined the association, ***Please add your support to those who have reenergized the Lovewell Pond Association and are working to keep the lake a high quality and enjoyable part of your experience here in Maine!!!***

Dues are just \$25 per year, and because of cutbacks in State funding of Milfoil inspections, we will more than welcome additional contributions to strengthen the association and efforts on your behalf.

The Draft Budget for the upcoming fiscal year, along with last year results, can be viewed on the Lovewell Pond Web Site.

Feel free to contact us with ideas about how we can enhance the Lake, and things you think LPA should be doing. Visit our web site often (www.LPA.com) (the site has been updated and upgraded through the efforts of Mike Cherry), and let us hear from you!

Gene Bergoffen
Acting President, Lovewell Pond Association

AGENDA

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Fiber Building, Fryeburg Fair Grounds

- I. Introductions and Review of Agenda** **Gene Bergoffen**

- II Review of Aquifer situation and lake studies**
 - **Installation of Weirs/Flumes by Fryeburg Water District**
 - **Aquifer Monitoring**

- III. Nominations and Election of Board Members**

- IV. Program and Activity Reports**
 - A. Invasive Plants Programs** **Peter Wilkens**

 - B. Water Quality Testing** **Gene Bergoffen**

 - C. Cooperation with Saco River Recreational Council
On conditions at Fish and Wildlife Ramp**

 - D. Loon Nests** **Peter Wilkens**

 - E. General Discussion of Program Opportunities**

- V. Approval of FY 2010-2011 Budget** **Gene Bergoffen**

- VI. General Discussion**