

Lovewell Pond Association

June, 2011

Annual Meeting!! *July 9, 10:00 a.m. Beano Building, Fryeburg Fair Grounds*

Dear Members:

Our loon is back on the nest!! Beginning about June 16 our lady loon positioned herself on the nest that Peter Wilkens refurbished earlier this Spring. The timing was similar to last year, where she began her vigil on June 19. Thanks to Peter for all his care and effort to make this potential for loon population growth on our Pond possible.

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 \$2200 to fund inspections and activity at the Fish and Wildlife ramp.
- ***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.
- ***We have plans for an intensive full level plant survey of the Lake this year.*** Poland Spring is prepared to help us with another \$3,000 grant, and Peter Wilkens and Michele Broyer are working closely with the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) to assure we meet their standards for the monitoring project

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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

- ***Trained Plant Inspectors.*** For ongoing monitoring of the Lake, both before and during the detailed plant inspections, we need a cadre of trained inspectors to be available to review suspicious plants and keep our eyes out for potential invasions.

- ***Help with the Loon Nest and Buoy Management and Maintenance.*** We have to find ways to support Peter Wilkens, who has done most of this work all on his own. He has a heavy load of activities in the Boston area, and it is getting harder and harder for him to keep up with these tasks.

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, will soon be available for viewing 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

Lovewell Pond Association Annual Meeting

July 10, 2010

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**