



Round Lake Property Owners Association Newsletter

Spring 2020

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SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Round Lake Property Owners' Membership Meeting
Saturday, Aug. 8, 2020
10AM – Noon
at Big Fish Golf Course
Coffee served at 9:00am

President's Message by Dan Kollodge

Hello everyone and welcome to the Round Lakes newsletter. Usually I say something about the fact that we endured another difficult winter and can't wait to get out on the lake. This year, the winter wasn't that bad and current events have tempered that excitement to get on the lake. It has been a sobering spring. We will get past this and things will return to normal, with time, patience, and adherence to the safety recommendations.

In December those of you with an Email address on file with the association received an automated renewal notice for RLPOA 2020 association dues. I want to thank the 300 plus property owners that responded and have paid their dues for this year already. For those of you that have not done so, please use the form at the end of this newsletter or online at RoundLakes.org to renew your membership. Your support is needed.

In response to the renewal notice, the association received a terse response from a property owner rejecting the association. I must say, I was taken aback and personally 'stung' by the response. What really struck me was the fact that the goals and purpose of the association were completely lost on this person.

After a week of contemplation, I decided to take this as an opportunity to reach out and engage the property owner. The remainder of this article is the Email exchange between the two of us. I hope a retelling of this interaction will shed some light on the competing goals that the board does its best to manage for the benefit of everyone. I will note grammatical errors have been corrected. Also, personal identifying information and text not germane to the discussion, such as salutations, have been removed.

From: Property Owner Sent: Wednesday, January 1, 2020
To: Round Lake Property Owners Association
Subject: Re: Round Lake Property Owners Association - Membership Expiration Notice

I'm not going to be part of an organization that is trying to kill the lake by putting 2-4-D in it!

From: Dan Kollodge Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2020
To: Property Owner
Subject: Re: Round Lake Property Owners Association - Membership Expiration Notice

I can assure you that the RLPOA is not trying to kill Round and Little Round Lakes. The purpose of the organization is just the opposite. It is to protect and maintain the lakes for those that enjoy this resource today and preserve the resource for future generations.

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Eurasian water milfoil was introduced into Round Lake in the early 1990s and it is classified as an invasive species by the DNR. Since that time a cornerstone task of the organization has been to manage this invasive plant. Without management, this plant will displace native plants and severely impact the bio-diversity of the lake. The loss of diversity along with widespread colonization by milfoil will impact everyone who uses the lake and economic studies have shown it will also negatively impact shoreline property values.

Managing milfoil is difficult and expensive. The RLPOA works with the DNR, LCO Conservation Department, environmental consultant, and chemical applicator to plan and execute milfoil treatment activities that are effective, cost efficient, and safe for the environment. Every action that is taken with regard to treatment is approved and monitored by the DNR.

No one thinks discharging chemicals into the lake is a good idea, not the DNR, LCO, RLPOA board members, or property owners. We are all in agreement with you, but there are few alternatives available. I think of milfoil as a cancer in Round Lake that can never be cured, only managed. A primary cancer treatment method is chemotherapy. There is a short term, negative impact with this treatment but the long term result can be extremely positive for the patient. The same analogy can be used with the respect to the use of 2-4-D. There is short term, negative impact at the treatment location, but it is necessary tradeoff to prevent milfoil from running rampant throughout the lake.

Milfoil control is a complicated topic and there is no magic bullet to make it go away. I urge you to research the topic of Eurasian water milfoil and treatment options available. Perhaps that will change your opinion of RLPOA and you will support our efforts to protect and maintain Round Lake.

From: Property Owner Sent: Sunday, February 02, 2020 10:30 AM
To: Dan Kollodge
Subject: Re: FW: Round Lake Property Owners Association - Membership Expiration Notice

Thank you for the reply Dan! When you say there is a short term negative impact from using the 2-4-D what does that mean? Also just because the DNR gives their approval does not mean it's right for the lake. How did the Asian beetles and the buckthorn they introduced into the state work? Both are out of control!

From: Dan Kollodge Sent: Sunday, February 02, 2020 10:30 AM
To: Property Owner
Subject: Re: FW: Round Lake Property Owners Association - Membership Expiration Notice

A little background may help answer your short term impact question. In general, there are two types of plants on land or in water. They are broadly defined as monocot and dicot. The 2-4-D chemical is specifically designed to kill dicot plants and leave monocot plants alone. The vast majority of plants are monocot and the plants that humans characterize as 'weeds' are typically dicot. That is why 2-4-D is considered a weed killer. Eurasian water milfoil is a dicot.

There are some plants that are native to lakes and not considered invasive, which are dicot. When the chemical is applied to milfoil any native plants that are dicot are also killed. This is what I was referring to as short term effect. Studies have shown that once the milfoil has been killed, the native species of plants quickly repopulate the area. Eliminating the negative impact of treatment.

We can debate the intelligence of the DNR or any government agency until we are blue in the face. There is no organization, public or private, that has never made a decision that turned out to be disastrous. In the case of buckthorn, it was brought to North America from Europe long before the DNR was created. In the case of Asian beetles that was the federal EPA decision, not the Wisconsin DNR.

The fact of the matter is that the State of Wisconsin created the DNR and charged the organization with managing the natural resources of Wisconsin. They are the State's experts in this area and are the governing authority that the RLPOA must deal with.

We are all in agreement (WDNR, RLPOA board, private citizens) that applying chemicals on land or in water is a bad idea at the core. However, as a society we decided that when chemicals are used wisely the negative impacts of the chemical are outweighed by the perceived benefits of its use.

The majority of property owners on Round Lake have made the choice that milfoil needs to be 'controlled' on Round Lake. They have tasked the RLPOA to do the work required to control milfoil in a safe and economical way.

The DNR by allowing chemical treatment is being responsive to the wishes of the property owners, while trying to minimize negative effects to the environment with regulation, project review and permitting, and follow up monitoring.

I like to think that this exchange has caused the property owner to reconsider their position. Even if it doesn't change, I am encouraged that we could have a constructive exchange where I could present the goals of the association and discuss some of the challenges of lake management.

We need the support of every property owner. If you have a neighbor who has voiced similar concerns, please take the time to share this article and promote the association. You may not change their opinion, but dialog is a bridge to understanding. As COVID-19 has shown, we are all in this together, be it the community of Earth or the community of Round and Little Round Lakes.

It's More Than Just a Fish by Kevin Bushnick

Hello Round Lake fishermen, fisherwomen and fisherkids! As we head towards summer, I thought I'd share one of Round Lake's many fishing secrets. As fishery committee chair, my primary objective is to observe, understand, and protect the Round Lake fishery as best I can. My personal goal is to pass along this beautiful lake resource to our children and theirs. As property owners and more importantly stewards of Round Lake, we all know Round Lake is a pristine gem of northern Wisconsin. Let's work together to keep it that way!

While Round Lake is difficult to fish for many reasons, the biggest reason of all is because it's so healthy. There's an abundance of food in Round Lake. Think of it this way; if you went to Robin's Nest for breakfast, would you really be interested in a ham sandwich with hooks for lunch? No offense to the pigs, I love bacon.

My best advice for successfully fishing Round Lake is to use electronics to find structure. Here's a picture of some old cement septic tanks someone put out on the ice (and they fell through in the spring) likely decades ago. If you want to know exactly where these are, I'd be glad to tell you, so long as you take the kids or grandkids out there. Otherwise, this spot remains top-secret! And there is more than just this one spot!



Look for weeds or structure. Hot-spot maps can give you general fishing areas, but your success will depend on finding very specific 'zones'. Even being 10 feet off a hot-spot, will make a difference in your success on Round.

There are 'big' fish to be caught. This is a picture of one of the beautiful Round Lake apex predators; the Muskie. This species of fish is very important to the overall ecosystem and health of Round Lake. Do what you can to practice catch & release with these fish. There's not many large Muskies in the lake, making it that much more important we take care of them. This will ensure in the years ahead we will have increased opportunities to catch trophy Muskies.



Most important, if we catch & release, it gives someone else an opportunity to catch one of these spectacular fish. If our kids catch one, it can hook them on fishing for a lifetime! Lastly, I want to encourage you all to get your kids and grandkids out fishing this summer. I read a bumper sticker once that stated "Kids who fish and hunt, don't steal from old ladies." Think about it; I think those words are very true.

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Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) Control Activities by Jim Nancekivell and Dave Rutt

Dave Rutt and Jim Nancekivell joined the RLPOA board of directors last summer as co-chairs of the AIS (aquatic invasive species) committee. Dave has been on the lake for about six years with his wife Charlene and two daughters, who love water sports and family-time at the lake. Jim and his wife Karen have raised their two boys on Hinton Bay for the past 26 years; their boys and partners continue to treasure their “cabin time.”

2019 Treatment Results

In last year's spring newsletter, it was reported that EWM had significantly increased in Richardson Bay and Little Round Lake during 2018, with large colonies of the plant carpeting several areas of the lake. In June of 2019, a full bay herbicide treatment was applied to the eastern half of Richardson Bay as well as spot treatment in Little Round Lake. Scientific sampling was performed in late summer to collect data. Data analysis yielded a statistically significant reduction in EWM at all locations.

In July of 2019 an acre of EWM was treated at the south end of Musky Bay near the entrance to Filter Bay. A survey was performed in late August; a decrease of EWM was not observed. All of the locations will continue to be monitored this summer.



2019 Hinton Bay Activities

A large concern of property owners on Hinton Bay was the feeling that the amount of EWM in the bay had grown dramatically in the past few years. The bay had been treated for the past two years with a non-chemical treatment called Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH). Prior to the scheduled 2019 DASH treatment, Dave, Jim, board member Jim Kron, and aquatic plant specialist Sara Hatleli toured the bay to assess the amount of EWM present. Their observations indicated a significant increase in milfoil. Based on this information Sara was directed to perform a scientific survey in the bay.

Analyzing EWM data from four locations in the bay showed a statistically significant increase in EWM over the past two years. Compared to surveys done in previous years there was a 20% increase between 2017 & 2018 and a 49% increase between 2018 & 2019. The survey results indicated a failure of the DASH process to control EWM.

A board meeting was held to discuss the findings. At the meeting, the board voted to cancel the scheduled DASH treatment and engage the DNR to explore other treatment options. After considerable dialog with the DNR, they approved a plan to chemically treat a limited number of locations in the bay that were impeding boat navigation.

Due to concerns about the limited RLPOA funds available for future EWM treatment in the bay, Dave Rutt created a Go Fund Me page to raise money to treat Hinton Bay. Dave's efforts raised \$16,237 from over 35 out of the approximately 60 Hinton Bay property owners. Generous donations ranged from \$50 to \$3,000; the fund will be used exclusively in Hinton Bay to treat EWM. Thank you to all who donated and for those of you who would still like to donate, simply go to the Go Fund Me website and search for Save Hinton Bay!

2020 AIS Treatment Plan

The scope of this year's treatment plan is large and involves only chemical treatment of the targeted EWM colonies; treatments are scheduled for the second half of June. The exact day of treatment is variable and depends on several factors such as weather conditions, water temperature, and actively growing EWM. The association will post signs and notices on the day of treatment. Health guidelines recommend not to enter the water at treated locations for 24 hours after chemical application.

The major focus of treatment this year is Hinton Bay. The plan is to treat all of the known EWM colonies in the bay, which encompass approximately 10 acres. Due to the topography of Hinton Bay, these locations are dispersed around the perimeter of the bay. The plan also addresses some of the EWM colonies in Round and Little Round Lakes. An additional 10 acres of EWM are slated for treatment at several locations.

Areas scheduled for treatment are:

- Inside the entrance of Schoolhouse Bay
- Musky Bay out from the Filter Bay entrance
- North cove of Musky Bay
- South side of the peninsula just west of Timberlane Road
- Blue Island Bay off Nuthatch Lane
- A few locations in Little Round Lake

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Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APMP) Update

State grants are a primary source of revenue for the association. The state requires any organization requesting grant funding have a DNR approved, five year, aquatic plant management plan (APMP) in place. The association's current APMP expired at the end of 2019.

The association is currently working on the Round Lakes APMP for the years 2020-2024. As with past plans, this plan was developed with input from the DNR, LCO Conservation Department, environmental consultants, and RLPOA members. One step in the plan creation process is a public review and comment period.

To satisfy this requirement, a draft copy of the management plan will be posted on the association website in June. Once posted, a public comment period will start to allow interested parties to submit comments and suggestions for review and possible inclusion in the plan. An Email notice will be sent to members, with an Email address on file, informing them that the plan was posted and the comment period has started.

The current APMP goals and objectives include:

- **Education** – organize educational events that focus on AIS identification and prevention; offer educational materials pertaining to AIS and water quality/shore land practices at RLPOA sponsored events; continue to use the Round Lakes website for education.
- **Prevent Introduction and Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species** – evaluate signage at each of the boat landings and modify if needed; continue watercraft inspections.
- **Aquatic Invasive Species Management** – monitor for purple loosestrife and flowering rush, remove if found; control the spread of Eurasian water milfoil to non-nuisance levels using integrated management practices.
- **Protect Native Plant Species** – avoid impacts to native plants when controlling AIS; minimize the manual removal of native plants for navigation and recreation.
- **Maintain High Water Quality** – monitor lake water quality; advocate natural shoreline lake buffers.

EWM Funding

2020 is the final year of a 3-year DNR AIS grant awarded to the association. It is a major source of AIS program funding. The rest of the AIS funding comes from you, the members who call Round Lakes home. Member donations and the Hinton Bay, Go Fund Me effort totaled \$40,501. The association is applying for a new 3-year grant this fall. A grant award is not guaranteed and there is concern that funding may be significantly reduced due to the impact of COVID-19.

Member funding is of critical importance to the association. There are approximately 690 property owners on Round and Little Round Lakes. In 2019, 435 were members of the association. Of this group, 293 members made an additional donation to the AIS fund. This year, please renew your membership and make an additional contribution to the AIS Fund. Also, encourage your neighbors who may not be a member of RLPOA to join, and support the effort to maintain Round Lakes.

Water Safety News by Jim Kron

While navigating the waters of Round Lake this season, the association wants to bring to your attention the re-establishment of (2) NO WAKE buoys at the entrance to Hinton Bay near the Linden Road boat launch. The NO WAKE buoys were not installed last season due to a permit issue between the Town of Hayward and the WDNR, which has now been resolved. Starting again this year you must operate watercraft at no wake speed when traveling through the Hinton Bay no wake zone.

In the zone are green and red channel buoys. They mark the edge of the opening in the rock bar. Transiting the bar between the buoys will prevent running aground. The NO WAKE zone extends between the north and south NO WAKE buoys and within 100-feet of any NO WAKE buoy.

The association is installing (1) additional HAZARD ROCK buoy at the rock bar that runs across the opening of School House Bay on the north end of the lake. This is being done in response to property owners witnessing boats running aground on the bar.

Have a safe and fun filled boating season and please observe all Wisconsin boating regulations. Find the boating handbook at <https://dnr.wi.gov/files/pdf/pubs/le/le0301.pdf>. The most common observed boating violations are improper operating distance from shorelines, docks, swimmers, and other watercraft, improper personal watercraft operation, and boat wake violations.

For those of you that enjoy activities provided by wake boats, please recognize that the wake you create is powerful. It damages the shoreline and is hazardous to other boaters and users of the lake. Please enjoy your sport responsibly by boating well away from others. It's a big lake, please consider enjoying your sport in the center of it. Your wake matters.



Treasurer's Report by Martin Hanson

Round Lake Property Owners Association (RLPOA) closed 2019 with total assets of \$57,900 in the operating and reserve accounts. This was \$41,900 more than 2018. Total revenues for the year were \$106,900, up \$50,000 from 2018. Expenses totaled \$65,000 compared to \$82,800 in 2018. RLPOA experienced a net gain of \$41,900 in 2019 compared to a net loss of \$25,900 in 2018. Two reasons for the large year to year variance are the 2018 aquatic invasive species (AIS) grant reimbursement payment (\$38,364) was recorded in the 2019 accounting year, and an AIS donation from David Rutt who sponsored the Hinton Bay, Go Fund Me effort.

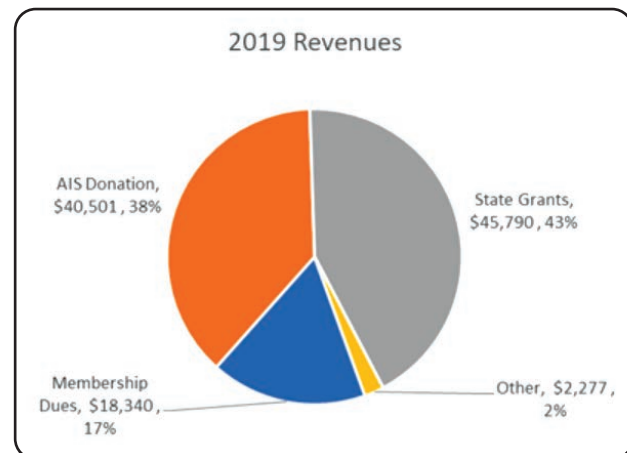
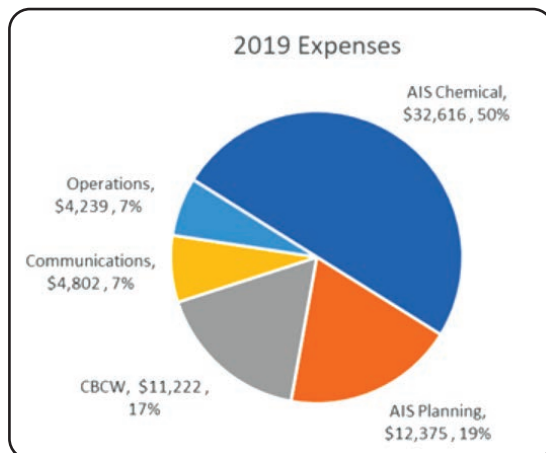


Revenue for the organization comes from three primary sources: member dues, member donations, and state grants. Dues have remained at \$35 for the past several years. Revenue from membership dues totaled \$18,340 (\$20,300 - 2018). Some dues revenue accrued in 2019 are prepayment for future years; primarily 2020 dues that were paid in December of 2019. There continues to be an increase in members renewing for multiple years when they renew.

We continue to benefit from generous AIS donations from members. Donations were received from 293 members totaling \$40,501 (\$19,500 - 2018). The average donation was \$82, compared to 268 donations averaging \$73 in 2018. The large year to year variance is due to the member driven, Go Fund Me effort that raised \$16,237. The money was donated to RLPOA and earmarked for chemical treatment of Hinton Bay in 2020. State grant revenue from the AIS and clean boats clean waters grants totaled \$45,790 in 2019.

The major expenses for RLPOA in 2019 were related to AIS control activities. Aquatic Plant Management Plan document creation and other lake consultant related expenses were \$12,375 (\$4,630 - 2018). AIS chemical treatment expenses were \$32,616 (\$10,020 chemical, \$41,222 DASH - 2018). Total AIS expenses for 2019 were \$33,000 (\$51,200 - 2018), which was \$18,200 less than was spent in 2018.

The board works diligently to keep operating expenses to a minimum while effectively managing the association. RLPOA had a general operating expense of 7.2% of total revenue compared to 8.7% in 2018.



The 2019 financial statement will be reviewed by RLPOA member Ed Ahneman, a retired CPA. Mr. Ahneman will send a letter report of his findings to President Kollodge this summer and we will update members on the findings at the Annual Meeting. We do not publish financial information on the website for confidentiality. However, any member who would like to see the statement can Email the treasurer at Treasurer@RoundLakes.org.

The Treasure is seeking a bookkeeper to assist with managing the association finances. Responsibilities include processing membership renewals, entering transactions into Quick Books® accounting system, monitoring the USPS PO box in Hayward, electronic deposit of checks at Wells Fargo bank, and providing the monthly financial statement to the board. Attendance at board meetings is not required and the volunteer commitment is about six hours per month. Training will be provided. Contact Martin Hanson at Treasurer@RoundLakes.org.

Carlson Road Dam Update by Martin Hanson

The long-debated Carlson Road/Round Lake Dam replacement project was completed in early December of 2019. The original timber structure was removed and replaced with a precast concrete box culvert. A minimum flow was maintained through the construction zone during the approximately 1-week construction project. Final cleanup and seeding was done in April 2020. You can view additional construction photos and videos on the website under the Water Level menu item.

RLPOA had been told by various officials on several occasions that the new box culvert would be set approximately 6-inches below the existing timber structure. That measurement changed during the course of the debate to a court ordered elevation of 1343.60 (existing structure was at 1343.91, so 3.7 inches lower) or 0.5 feet below the bed of the channel, whichever is lower in elevation (Wisconsin DNR Permit IP-NO-2013-58-02643).

During construction, the contractor was directed by the engineer on site to set the culvert at 0.5 feet below the bed of the channel which ended up being 1342.62. The new culvert was set 1.29 feet (15.5 inches) below the elevation of the original timber structure.

It is somewhat difficult to predict how this will ultimately affect the water level in Round and Little Round Lakes. Given that the new culvert is much lower than the original structure, the opportunity for more outflow certainly exists. However, this is a rather complex hydraulic problem. Depending on the level of the lake, precipitation, and condition of the channel downstream of the culvert, the physical barrier that controls the water level may change throughout the year.

RLPOA is concerned about the fact the new culvert was installed significantly lower than previously discussed. We will be monitoring precipitation and lake level again this summer, as we have done for the past several years. That data will be available on the website.



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Clean Boats Clean Waters Program 2020 by Jim Gaul

RLPOA has been a participant in the WDNR's Clean Boats Clean Waters program for several years and 2020 is no different. This year RLPOA was awarded a grant from the DNR to help offset the cost of the clean boats program. The CBCW grant funds boat inspections at the Linden and Peninsula Road boat launch areas. All boats are inspected for invasive species such as Eurasian water milfoil, zebra mussels, etc. The inspectors also educate boaters how to properly clean their boats so they do not spread invasive species to other lakes.

Unfortunately, due to the restrictions of the COVID-19 outbreak, boat inspections have been put on hold until June 2020. Hopefully, the restrictions will be eased and the boat inspections will resume.

What can we do to protect the lakes from invasive species?

1. Make sure to **clean** all vegetation and attached material that is on your boat before you launch. This includes propeller and trailer.
2. Thoroughly **drain** and clean any compartments in your boat that contain water and/or bait.
3. **Dispose** of any unwanted bait, including minnows, leeches and worms. It is illegal to dispose bait into any body of water in the State of Wisconsin. If you want to keep your bait, you must refill the bait container with tap water.

Know the law! You may not

- Transport watercraft without removing the drain plug.
- Arrive at the lake access with the drain plug in place.
- Transport aquatic plants, zebra mussels or other prohibited species on a roadway.
- Launch a watercraft with prohibited species attached.
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- Release bait into the water.

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Social Committee Roundup by Joan Buehrle

Greetings from your Social Committee. As you would expect given our current “Safer at Home” status, socializing with your friends and neighbors is currently on the back burner. However, seeing many of you on the lake or at the next Dine Around figures prominently on my personal “Badger Bounce Back” list. Therefore, I will report on the activities we participated in during the past year and what we look forward to later in 2020.



During 2019 we held ‘Dine Arouns’ at The Fireside, Fish Tales, Chippewa Inn, The Rusty Hook, Prop’s, and at Ann Noble and Jim Gaul’s home. Hosts were Laurie Kennedy, Ron and Jeanette Siemers, Ann Noble and Jim Gaul, Julie and Joe Ablan, Rick and Rachel Thul, Cary and Mary Ivalis, and Joan Buehrle. We thank everyone who hosted a gathering and all who attended.

We continued to have new people in attendance at every Dine Around. Attending a Dine Around is a nice way for property owners to meet other Round Lakes folks. Dine Arouns are gatherings of Round Lakes friends and neighbors at various area restaurants. Invitations are Emailed to members of the association with an Email address on file. Hosts are volunteers who choose a restaurant and make arrangements for our group. If you have not yet attended a Dine Around, you are encouraged to join us this summer or fall after social distancing limitations are eased.

The social committee supports holding Dine Around events 5-6 times during the year. Based on several years of data, we have decided to plan Dine Arouns in months excepting July, November and December. Attendance data shows that property owners are busy during these months with hosting family and friends in their homes, preparing for and participating in holiday events, and attending the RLPOA annual meeting in August. Our social committee also provides ‘treats’ at RLPOA meetings when it is allowed

Thank you to members of our Social Committee and others who have supported our social activities: We appreciate the contributions of Ann Noble and Jim Gaul, Joan and Bob Ackerman, Bob and Diane Sosnowski, John Prosen and Tim Chisser, Sonia Cox, Mary and Cary Ivalis, Rick and Rachel Thul, Betti Binder, and Joan Buehrle. We invite you to join our committee and also to host a future Dine Around. Please contact Joan Buehrle at drbuehrle@gmail.com or by phone at 608-788-6585 for more information.

Future Events contingent on easing of social distancing guidelines:

- Barb and Mark Waterson hosting at The Ranch
- Joan Buehrle hosting at The Chippewa Inn
- The RLPOA Annual Meeting in August
- Dine Arouns in the Fall

Invitations will be sent when it is deemed appropriate to hold these get togethers.



Future Funding Explored by Jim Nancekivell and Jim Kron

The continued need to fund water quality and aquatic plant management activities have prompted the board to form an exploratory committee to look into the formation of a Lake District organizational structure for Round and Little Round Lakes.

Historically, the Round Lake Property Owners Association (RLPOA) has relied on property owners to join the association and provide funding support of strategies to protect the lakes and property values. Of the approximately 690 property owners, on average 400 elect to be part of RLPOA. In 2019, 293 donated additional money to support the fight to protect the lakes from aquatic invasive species (AIS).

The cost of treatment, aquatic surveys and aquatic plant management strategies has varied between \$25,000-\$55,000 the past 5 years. The association has applied for and received significant funding from the Wisconsin DNR during this time period to support the campaign to treat AIS. However, the level of funding in the future from the state most likely will be under intense budget review as we face so many challenges in these uncertain times.

A Lake District is a specialized unit of government managed by a board of commissioners composed of elected property owners and local officials from the bordering municipalities. Lake Districts have achieved tremendous success in addressing lake management needs since 1974 when Wisconsin passed legislation that resulted in the formation of Lake Districts in over 200 lake communities across the state.

Forming a Lake District is a complex process that typically requires 12-18 months to complete. The committee will begin to gather information and report back to the board with their findings and recommendations. Rest assured that property owners will be informed and included in the process if the board decides to go forward with this effort.



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

There are about 810 shoreline properties on Round and Little Round Lakes, owned by 696 individuals (several owners have more than one property). 316 are currently 2020 RLPOA members, which leaves 380 property owners (55%) who have not yet joined RLPOA. Membership dues are used maintain and protect the lakes. The mailing address label attached to this newsletter includes your expiration date. If the expiration date is 12/31/2019 or earlier, you have not paid your dues for this calendar year. Please do so either online at RoundLakes.org or complete/return the form below. Thank you!

- ☐ Enclosed are my dues for calendar 2020 (\$35)
- ☐ Enclosed are my dues for 2020 and 2021 (\$70)
- ☐ Enclosed are my dues for 2020, 2021 and 2022 (\$105)
- ☐ Enclosed is an additional contribution of \$_____
- for the Aquatic Invasive Species fund (AIS / Milfoil)

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Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Lake Address: Home/Cell #:

Are you interested in volunteering? We're always looking for help! Please let us know what interests you:

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_____ Water Safety _____ Web Master _____ Milfoil Monitor

_____ Dine Around Host _____ Other; Please specify: _____

Member System/Website Update by Martin Hanson

RLPOA uses ClubExpress member management software to maintain membership information. Each property owner has an assigned login and password. If you do not know your password, you can reset it yourself from the membership login page. If you need your logon ID, send a request to Treasurer@RoundLakes.org.

Each primary member may have secondary and tertiary members. This allows for additional contact information and Email addresses to be associated with one member record. Adding this information will allow all contacts to receive communications from RLPOA.

Our website, RoundLakes.org, continues to evolve and contains current and historical information. When you visit the website, if you see something that needs to be updated, please send the request to Webmaster@RoundLakes.org.

Online renewals are preferred and it is easy to do at the association website. Watch the membership renewal instructions video located at the bottom of the home page for details. Payment can be made by secure credit card transaction online via PayPal credit card processing (no PayPal account required) or by mailing a paper check with the printed invoice to RLPOA at PO Box 1070, Hayward, WI 54843

There is a rolling online news article page on the website. Check this page for current and past news information of interest. Click on “Menu” to access other information.

We are looking for a volunteer to take over maintenance of the site. Please send an Email to the web master address if interested.

RLPOA

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HELP WANTED!

Please contact a Board member if you are interested in volunteering your time / talents or in becoming a future board member. Volunteer help is key in maintaining the quality of our lakes.



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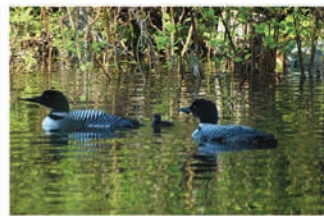
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