

WLA Board Meeting

The next Winans Lake Association board meeting will be held on June 13th at 6:30 at the Winans Lake Beach House.

Annual WLA Meeting

The annual Winans Lake Association meeting was held May 20th at Lakelands Golf and Country Club. At this time, the new board members were elected. The current board is:

Greg Dygert – President Mary Anderson – Vice President Dennis Durnwald – Secretary Courtney Lewis – Governor Eric Loehr – Governor Mike Paulson – Treasurer Mike Cusick – At-Large Ben Swaine – LGCC Liaison

WLA Sedimentation and Stormwater Runoff

The WLA Sedimentation and Stormwater Runoff Committee (SSRC) was initiated in October 2018. SSRC was formed due to concern regarding the negative impacts of stormwater runoff that carries large amounts of sediment into the north shore, east and west of the Teahen and Cowell Road intersection. Negative impacts of storm water runoff include: adverse impacts to water quality; decreased water depth on the north lake shore affecting lake access and boating; flooding of north shore properties; and road deterioration. SSRC's goals are to better understand the north shore drainage basin, review previous work and studies on this issue, and to develop a comprehensive approach to minimize sediment runoff into the lake.

Accomplishments of SSRC include:

- Multiple meetings with county and township officials to gain a better understanding of funding options to help support a solution to this challenge.
- Garnering support from both county and township officials.
- Learning that the county plans to add limestone (June 2019) at the intersection of Teahen and Cowell Road to help minimize sediment runoff during rain storms. Limestone will be spread 800 feet up Teahen Road and 250 feet both east and west on Cowell Road.
- Reviewing and assessing a project to drain unintended storm water from the Winans Woods subdivision that accumulates North East of Old Road.

The Committee will continue to meet in 2019 while working with the county/township on developing a comprehensive solution. Thanks to all the volunteers that have participated on this committee.

Water Quality Report - May 2019

The autumn lake sampling chemistry revealed no unusual conditions. Our trend lines remain consistent indicating that since sewers were installed the lake water continues to improve in quality as ground water leaching produces less phosphorus and nitrogen each year.



The spring lake sampling chemistry is not yet available; however, visual observations do not indicate problems. At present we are experiencing the usual spring time algal bloom where algae rise to the surface, form sheets, and drift with the wind before being swept to shore.

The lake was treated May 21st to control invasive Eurasian milfoil. All water use restrictions expired before the beach opened this year. We won't know our level of success until lake surveys are performed in late June and July. We do expect better results than those of last year.



Beach News

As a reminder, the beach is not an authorized launch or access site for watercraft (boats, canoes, kayaks, etc.). Members may use their watercraft for transport to the beach, but launching at the beach is prohibited (note: exceptions may be arranged for WLA members for seasonal launch/removal of larger watercraft outside of beach hours). Only WLA members may place watercraft on Winans Lake. Watercraft must never enter the swim area.

Beach Fun Days

The Beach Fun Days are scheduled for 2pm-3pm: June 15 - Field Day with popsicles!





July 13 - Sand Castle Building with ice cream! August 17 - Treasure Hunt with candy bars!

A huge Thank You to the WLA members that took their time and muscle to help prepare the Beach House for the 2019 season on May 18th!

Friday Beach Grill and Chill

Join us for a Friday evening of relaxing and grilling at the Beach on June 21, July 26, August 23. Bring your own food and beverages and enjoy the sunsets!



A Repeat Appearance

Mark your calendars - he's back for the third year!

Bigfoot Bob will be playing at the July 26th Friday night beach grill and chill.

Bring your own food and beverages and join your neighbors for a very special evening. Please consider car-pooling or bringing your boat, as parking is limited. This event is only partially sponsored by the WLA, so . . \$\$ are appreciated.

Gypsy Moth Update

Mission Accomplish!

The gypsy moths have been sprayed!

On Friday, May 24th, at approximately 7:15 am, a small yellow airplane from Al's Aerial Spraying could be seen flying over the southwest corner of Winans Lake. A fine mist of Bt (a naturally occurring soil bacteria) was successfully applied to the canopy of the trees. The conditions were perfect for the application.





After hatching from their egg masses, the gypsy moth caterpillars go to the treetops to feed. Within the first two stages of their development, the gypsy moths are unable to digest the Bt (which now coats the leaves at the top of the trees where they are feeding) and they die. Hopefully this will eliminate most of the caterpillars so that we no longer have an infestation of them.

Over the summer we will watch for maturing caterpillars along with their frass. Ideally, we won't see any! Ultimately the success of the spray will be determined in the fall. The number of gypsy moth egg masses we find will indicate how many gypsy moths survived and whether they are a threat.

Lake Life



Swans with cygnets



The lending library has been refreshed and restocked for the summer season. Check out adult and youth books - take or leave one.



New Neighbors

Mary Evergreen does a great job welcoming new neighbors but could use YOUR help. Please send her an email if you see movement on houses next/close to you. Her email is mlevergreen at charter dot net.



Aaron Murphy and Candice Dove recently moved into 8408 Lance Ct. And they will be married on August 17th.

Newsletter

Please send any articles or pictures you'd like included in the newsletter to Terre Voegeli (voegelit at gmail dot com).

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