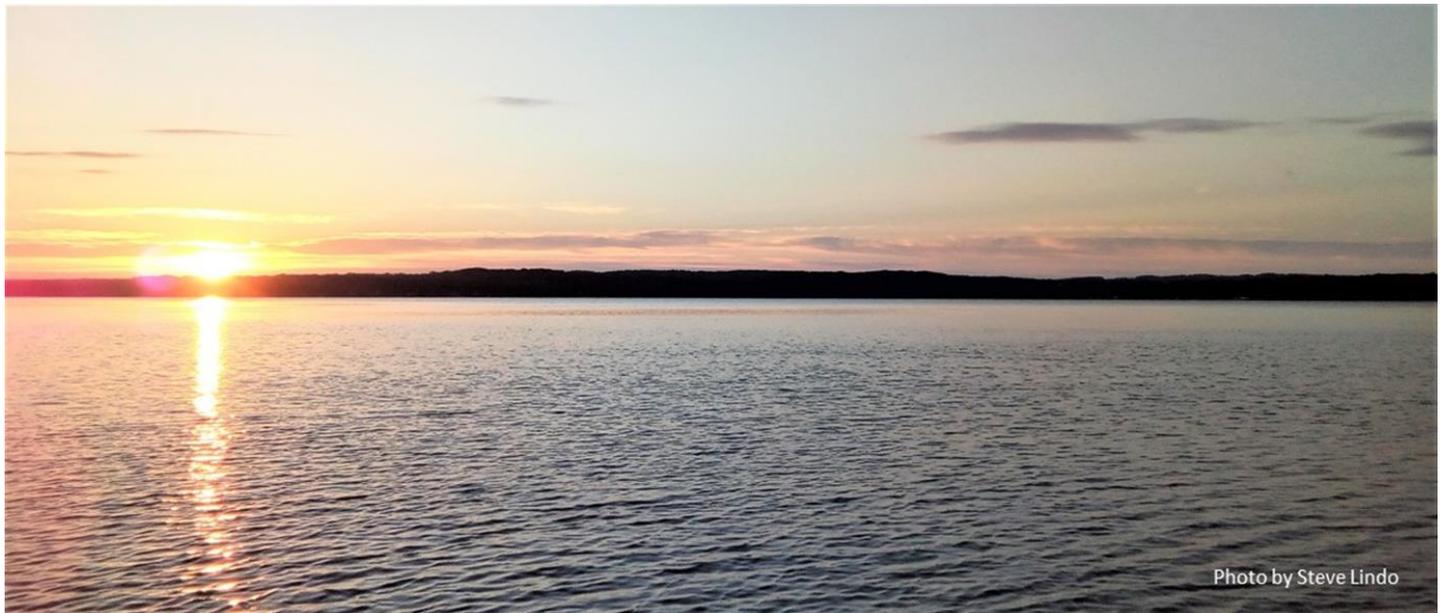


LAKE LEELANAU LAKE ASSOCIATION – July 2020 ebulletin



What's in This Issue

This month's issue focuses on three seasonal topics – our July 23 Annual Meeting, the progress being made in our fight against Eurasian Water Milfoil, and the tracking and prevention of Swimmer's Itch. We hope you find this eBulletin timely and informative and welcome all and any feedback. If you have any comments, please send them to info@lakeleelanau.org

Don't Miss Our July 23 Virtual Annual Meeting

The Association's annual meeting this year will be held on Thursday, July 23 between 5.30 - 7pm via Zoom. You can join the meeting by [clicking on this link](#) from your computer or smartphone, or by dialing 312-626-6799 and entering ID 941 6868 1794 and Password 830453. Don't miss the opportunity to see and hear live presentations by Tom Hiatt, Association President, Kathy Birney, Association Treasurer, as well as by Brian Price, who will report on the "State of the Lake", including an update on our programs to combat Eurasian Water Milfoil and Swimmer's Itch which is sure to be highly informative.

If you're a **riparian Association member** and haven't yet voted for the directors and officers who are up for election this year, please take two minutes to do so by [clicking on this link](#).

Latest Actions in Our Fight Against Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM)

The underwater vegetation survey which we commissioned last month confirmed that there are no EWM beds in the North Lake, and no major new infestations in the South Lake. Divers took video footage of the effectiveness of the benthic blankets laid out over the largest EWM beds last month. These blankets have now been in place long enough to kill the weeds at their initial locations and have been moved to sites of other significant EWM infestations.

Meanwhile, DASH divers have been busy pulling EWM from smaller beds by hand. For more details of the methods being used by the Association to combat EWM, read pages 4-6 of our [Summer Newsletter](#).

Swimmer's Itch Reporting

The first of this year's Swimmer's itch location and severity reports has been posted on our website. [Click here](#) to see North and South Lake maps and data showing the location and severity of Swimmer's itch cases reported through July 6. Updated reports will be posted to our website on a regular basis during the summer. For details about the current direction being taken by our swimmer's itch prevention and control efforts, read pages 10-11 of our [Summer Newsletter](#). If anyone in your family does get Swimmer's Itch, please take a few minutes to [report the details here](#), which provides valuable data for our continuing research into Swimmer's Itch causes and prevention. On our website you'll also find resources to help you avoid Swimmer's Itch and report any cases which do occur. [Click here](#) to read our Lake Biologist's "Smart Swimming" recommendations to avoid Swimmer's Itch.

Looking to Get Social? Intern Opportunity

We're looking for an intern to ideate, create and post content to our Facebook page, as well as interact with our Facebook community and lever platform analytics, in order to help advance our strategy of increasing awareness of, and community engagement with, our Association. If you care about preserving the quality and beauty of Lake Leelanau, have email marketing, video content creation and/or graphic design skills, and 15-20 hours a week available, or know someone who does, send your resume with a short statement about your interest and objectives to info@lakeleelanau.org.

Help Your Friends and Neighbors Stay Informed

Do you have friends or neighbors who care about the quality and beauty of Lake Leelanau but don't receive our ebulletins or Newsletters? If so, please forward this ebulletin to them and all they have to do is reply with their name to info@lakeleelanau.org. We'll take care of adding them to our mailing list for future issues.

*Lake Leelanau Lake Association is a non-profit organization led by and for individuals, families and businesses who support its mission to protect and enhance the quality and beauty of Lake Leelanau and its surrounding watershed for current and future generations. **If you would like to make a donation to support our programs**, you can do so [here on our website](#). **If you would like to help our programs as a volunteer**, send a message to info@lakeleelanau.org*