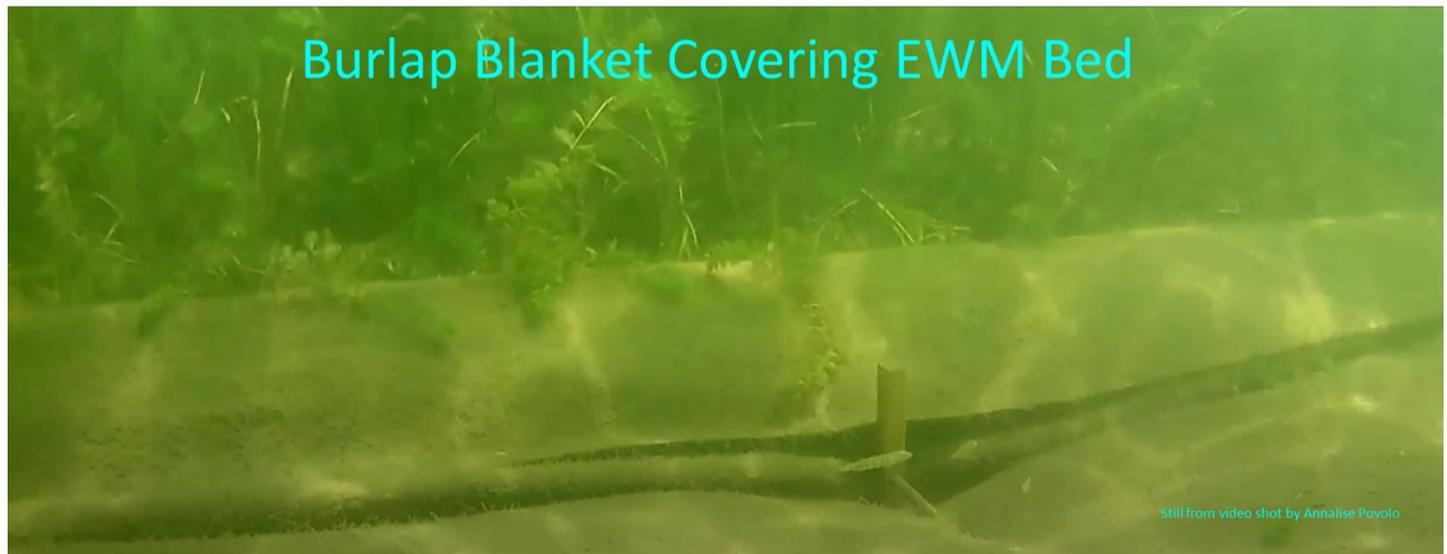


LAKE LEELANAU LAKE ASSOCIATION – August 2020 ebulletin



What's in This Issue

This month's issue brings you a 10-minute documentary about our fight against Eurasian Water Milfoil, a summary of this year's Swimmer's Itch occurrences, news about a project to build fish shelters, and highlights of our July 23 Annual Meeting. 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

Stopping Eurasian Water Milfoil in Lake Leelanau - Video

If you didn't get a chance this summer to see our EWM combat teams in action out on the lake, either placing and removing benthic barriers, or hand-plucking EWM from the lake bed using the DASH technique, [this documentary](#) includes video footage of how both these methods have been deployed during the past few months, as well as interviews with Brian Price, our Lake Biologist, and Dan Mays, Inland Policy Biologist of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Association's partner in a multi-year EWM remediation project. There are also insights on what you can do to lessen the

chance of EWM taking root in front of **your** lakeshore property, such as using zero-phosphorus fertilizer and maintaining a healthy septic system. For more details of the methods being used by the Association to combat EWM, read pages 4-6 of our [Summer Newsletter](#).

2020 Swimmer's Itch Reports - 119 So Far

A summary of Swimmer's Itch reports submitted this year through August 3 has been compiled by our SI volunteer Wayne Swallow. It shows 77 reports submitted for the North Lake and 42 for the South Lake. [Click here](#) to read the details of Wayne's report. For the latest map and data posted on our website, showing the location and severity of Swimmer's itch cases reported through August 3, [click here](#). 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](#). You can also read a report on the latest scientific discoveries in the Swimmer's Itch lifecycle on Section 1 page 14 of the Leelanau Enterprise's July 9 edition.

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.

Make the Lake in Front of Your House a Fishing "Hot-Spot"

Fish love to congregate around fish shelters, especially in areas lacking natural weed beds. [Click here for details](#) on how to boost Lake Leelanau's fish population, and turn your lakeshore into a fishing "hot-spot," by joining the group of riparians led by LLLA Director John Popa applying for a DEQ/DNR permit to build a fish shelter in front of

their property. You can read more about this project on Section 2 page 6 of the Leelanau Enterprise's July 30 edition.

Highlights of July 23 Annual Meeting

The Association's annual meeting this year took place via Zoom on July 23. [Click here](#) to read the highlights, download transcripts of the presentations, the minutes and watch the video recording of the meeting, which featured Tom Hiatt, Association President, Kathy Birney, Association Vice President and Treasurer, Jeff Green, Chair of the Association's Governance Committee, as well as Brian Price's report on the "State of the Lake."

Social Media Intern Opportunity

We're still looking for an intern to create and post content to our Facebook page, as well as interact with our Facebook community and use platform analytics to help advance our strategy of increasing community engagement with our Association. If you have photo/video content creation skills, 8-10 hours a week available, either love Lake Leelanau or are looking for extra-curricular credit, 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**