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Weed Control Update

In response to some residents' concerns about using a copper-based algicide in the channels, at the August 24th meeting, the Gun Lake Improvement Board voted to try a product called "Pak27" for the 2022 fall algae treatment, which has a peroxide base, and shouldn't impact the microscopic invertebrates who live in the mud on the lake/channel bottom and contribute to the overall health of the lake. There are basically 3 products that control Starry Stonewort (a wildly-invasive macroalgae that looks like a plant and can halt boating if allowed to proliferate): copper sulfate at \$40 per acre; chelated copper at \$140 per acre; and Pak27 at \$285 per acre.

EGLE (DEQ) will be restricting the use of copper sulfate during May/June in the future.

Clarke Aquatics will monitor the effects of the new product on Starry.



Fisheries Update



Anglers reported good walleye harvest from early spring into late summer. Walleye stocking this year was very successful. 38,889 spring fingerling walleye were raised and released from our rearing ponds the first week of June. An additional 54,600 spring fingerlings were stocked by the DNR in late June. 1000 fall fingerlings are planned to be stocked in November of this year. Spring fingerlings averaged 1.23", while fall fingerlings typically average 6.11".

The great news is that anglers should continue to see good walleye harvest into the near future.

Mark Your Calendar

Gun Lake Winterfest 2022

Wednesday, February 16th,
Thursday, February 17th,
Saturday, February 19th

Gun Lake Weather Siren

Siren Testing will be the first Saturday
of the month 1:00 p.m.
April-September

Gun Lake Paddle Battle

Please submit your dues and
membership information no
later than May 1st
www.shakasupracing.com

Fireworks

July 1st Sat. 10:20
Rain Back -Up Date
July 2nd Sun.

May 1st GLPA Membership Dues

Please submit your dues and membership
information no later than May 1st
www.myglpa.com

August 13th Sat 9:30
Annual GLPA Meeting
for members: Saturday at
the Gun Lake Chapel



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MISSION STATEMENT

To preserve and protect Gun Lake for the benefit of residents and future generations through promoting environmental stewardship, safety, responsible use and development, and community pride.

President Remarks

GLPA conducted its Annual members Meeting in August. About 80 attended on a rainy Saturday morning. GLPA membership is up over 1,100 of a possible 1,600 or so. Promotional efforts are being made by the Board and Area Directors to continue to grow this. Awareness through signage, website, and promotional materials seems to be having an effect. Major efforts have been made to improve the accuracy and efficiency of our mailing and database.

Board membership has seen changes this year. Our Media Director Tom Osterbrock retired after many years of service leading our advertising and GLPA Directory and Newsletter efforts. Rob Leos was elected to replace him. Jan Schuiling retired as long-time fireworks leader. Assistant Dan Ullery has taken over that role. Nick Zyskowski was elected and is coordinating fisheries efforts. Ryan Cole retired as Secretary/Treasurer; Jim Deters is temporarily filling that role along with Chad Kraai. Jim presented the Annual Financial Report and the GLPA is in solid financial condition. No major legal issues and a certain amount of 'peace' on the lake has been a blessing.

It's been a good season on the lake. Fishing has been good. Boat overcrowding has been down based on trailer counts. Gas prices? Regarding safety the sheriff reported no serious accidents and 473 patrol hours with over 1,000 contacts made. Fireworks were outstanding this year! Many thought the finale was the best ever, and donations were up. Thank you to all who gave this year!

A fair number of questions from the audience on a variety of topics allowed for ample interaction with the Board and the Sheriff. Some of these are covered in other articles here so please read on. Have a great off season whether you stay or go. We have one the largest and most successful Lake Associations in all of Michigan and appreciate our members continued support!

Jim Deters
President, GLPA

Directory News

You can imagine the difficulty trying to keep up with an ever changing record of over 1,600 lake folks names, addresses, phones, emails, and off lake contact info. We have made great strides this year in cleaning up our database through better technology and simply hundreds of hours of manual data entry and review. You can help us. Be aware if any of your Directory info is incorrect you can change your own by going to your account online (if you have one, if you don't register at myglpa.com). Also, be aware that however you fill out your card in the Spring (if you renew that way) is how your entry will appear in the Directory. For example if you leave off your spouse's name on the card, we will delete it from last year and we get complaints about that. But remember people pass away, and divorce so we have to respect that. Note also, the more legibly you write, the less chance of error. We are involving our Area Directors much more in this accuracy process. If you are aware of or need a change, you can let your Area Director know or email GLPA through our website. We will continue to do our best to improve!

How To Renew or Become A Member Online

1. Go to myglpa.com and click on the "Join Now" box at the top of the page
2. Choose a membership level: "Just the dues" or "Dues with a fireworks donation"
3. Enter your email, and type the jumbled letter/numbers shown, in the "Code" box.
4. You will receive a temporary login passcode via email.
5. Log in using the temp code: then change your password on the "Profile" section, adding the rest of your information

 **FIREWORKS 2023**
Mark your calendar Saturday, July 1st, 2023,
with a rain date of Sunday, July 2nd.

Fireworks Report  4th of July 2022

The first thing we would like to do is to **THANK KYLE MATTESON** for the use of his barge to load and unload the fireworks.

He not only provided the use of his boat, he also helped with the loading and unloading of all the firework guns and equipment. His day was not done until about 2am when all the equipment was loaded back into the truck at the boat launch. Thank you so much for stepping up and helping us out.

We would also like to thank all of the members for the donations that make this event possible. We did receive many compliments on the shoot this year. Most noted was the Grand Finale.

Others that we need thank are the emergency personnel from Yankee Springs and Wayland, the Barry County Marine Patrol, the Yankee Springs Recreation Area Staff, Wolverine (the fireworks company), and Tyler Hillman (the shooter) and his crew. We felt they did a great job.

Next year's fireworks are scheduled for Saturday, July 1st, 2023, with a rain date of Sunday, July 2nd. We fully expect the cost of the fireworks to increase. So we are asking for your continued support so that we can keep having these great firework displays that we have enjoyed for many years. You can go to our website at www.myglpa.com to pay dues and to donate to the fireworks. Your support is appreciated..