



Spring Newsletter 2021

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A Message from LJIA President

Welcome to the LJIA Spring Newsletter

I would like to welcome new residents on Lake Jennie:

Eric & Kris Bateman in the Sunset View Addition.

We have been approved for 2 matching grants for Water Testing and AIS Weed treatment. We have applied for one more grant thru the DNR for AIS treatment.

We are hoping we can have our annual meeting this summer.

Please send email addresses to: lakejennieimprovement@gmail.com.

Randy Newman LJIA President

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LJIA Paid Membership 2020-2021

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Douglas & Kristen Urbanciz

Janet Valen - • Bob Stanstede

Jeffrey & Angela Weyandt

John & Pamela Yost

Lake Jennie Improvement Association Fundraiser Raffle

LJIA Fundraiser Raffle is being run to help support current projects and future projects on Lake Jennie. The raffle tickets are being sold only by directors. If you would like to buy a ticket contact directors from information on the front page of newsletter. We have 3 great prizes and only 200 tickets are being sold. More information is on sample ticket below.

Lake Jennie Improvement Association Projects:

The following is a list of projects that were set in motion the past few years as well as future projects to take place on Lake Jennie for the improvement of water and lake quality on our great lake!

2021 Projects:

1. Herbicide control of Curly Leaf Pondweed
2. Aquatic plant sonar surveys
3. Lake nutrient studies

Future Projects:

1. Reduce Phosphorus and Nitrogen levels in inlets 2&3.
2. Alum Treatments for Phosphorus and weed control.

The Lake Jennie Improvement Association has hired Limnopro Aquatic Science the past couple of years and will continue to hire their services for lake studies and preventative actions to improve the condition of the lake. The board is also continually looking at various runoff and surrounding land issues and working to improve these situations. Your support is greatly appreciated in the future of Lake Jennie.

Thank You for your support!

Lake Jennie Improvement Association Fundraiser Raffle

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Lake Jennie Improvement Association Fundraiser Raffle

Grand Prize - (1) \$500 Cash

2nd Prize - (1) \$250 Cash

3rd Prize - (1) \$250 Benny's Meat Market Gift Card

Join us on Facebook Live for the drawing to be held

Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 2:00 pm

Scan QR code to watch - need not watch to win.

Only 200 tickets printed/sold - \$20.00 each

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From The Dock - Mitch Fabel

As you are reading this article the ice should be clear of Lake Jennie and fish houses and ice fishing gear will be being put away. The preparation for the open water season has begun. Getting out rods and reels, replacing line, and inventory of tackle in anticipation of another fishing season. I've been asked pretty frequently about what the fishing season is going to be like on Lake Jennie this summer. Although it is an educated guess at best, the feed back from fall and winter anglers as well as fishing the lake a lot does give some insight on what to expect this season.

First the obvious. Lake Jennie is and continues to be a great bass lake. The lake has sustained healthy breeding with all age classes swimming its waters. The opportunity to catch bass in numbers as well as landing a true trophy makes it a hotspot for tournament and league fishing as well as weekend anglers. Lake Jennie just seems to have the right habitat and forage to keep a healthy population.

The Northern Pike fishing will still be popular to area anglers as well. It's hard to imagine that the booming numbers of Pike from a couple years ago have not taken a hit with the heavy pressure the lake has received as of late. Numbers do appear to still be good and spearing feedback was fair. Hopefully the new slot rules will show some results with more quality size fish to catch. Walleye fishing continues to be the big mystery for the lake. Last year's DNR netting still showed the population consisting of large mature fish. Recent stocking and natural breeding does not seem to be rejuvenating the population. Hopefully an update from the DNR will give some insight on the future of walleyes in the lake.

A lot of hope lies in the pan fish population. The resurgence of Sunfish in the lake looks promising with decent sized Bluegill being seen and caught last year. Even more promising is the presence of smaller bluegill being spotted swimming around the lake. Some Crappies in the 7-9-inch size were being caught this winter which could also be a sign that the numbers could be on the rise. Probably the best news is the number of Perch that were spotted by people spearing as well as seen swimming around last fall. Perch are a key forage for all species and a healthy population leads to overall good abundance of game fish. It looks to be another great season for fishing on the Lake. We will be entering the season with low water levels which as discussed will affect how fish will be targeted. As we know mother nature can change things in a hurry! Good luck and hope to see on the lake.

Hutch BASS High School Bass Fishing Team

All of us at Hutch BASS would like to give a huge "Thank You" to the Lake Jennie Improvement Association for their continued sponsorship and support of our club.

Hutch BASS is a High School Fishing League, and is a registered 501-c3 club. All anglers in Hutch BASS are in grades 8-12. Our mission is...

- To provide anglers the opportunity to work as a member of a team to achieve a goal.
- To build character traits in anglers that include, but are not limited to, patience, determination, satisfaction, and honesty.
- To assist in developing good qualities in anglers that include, but are not limited to, having a positive attitude, communicating effectively, willing to learn and put in the effort.
- To educate anglers in the meaning of conservation, and the importance of catch and release.

The monies we are receiving from our sponsors will assist with purchasing our anglers jerseys, hoodies, and raingear. We also use the money for scrimmage prizes, access fees, app fees, food and beverages at tournaments, and gas for volunteer boat captains. The club also assists with the cost for travel or hotel, for teams that make it to Nationals.

This spring, Hutch BASS will be cleaning up the boat landings on Lake Jennie and the area road ditches around the lake to show our gratitude for your support.

Due to COVID 19, our season last year was cut short. We were unable to compete in any of our conference tournaments. This year, we are excited to announce we will be squeezing 2 seasons into one. Our schedule will be as follows:

2020 SEASON

- June 7th - Conference tournament on Washington and Stella. This will be the only tournament that will qualify anglers for the 2020 State Tournament.
- June 28th - State Tournament on Lake Minnetonka
- July - Nationals at Kentucky Lake, Paris, Tennessee

2021 SEASON

- July 9th - Practice tournament on Buffalo Lake, Buffalo, MN
- July 19th - Conference tournament on Lake Minnewaska, Glenwood, MN
- July 30th - Conference tournament on Green Lake, Spicer, MN
- August 4-6, Qualified Seniors will fish the Adult tournament of champions (TOC)
- September 11-12, State tournament on Gull Lake

Please follow Hutch BASS on Instagram and/or Facebook. Our results for every scrimmage and tournament will be posted, and we also share some great pics of the kids with their catch.

Thank you All for your continued support!

Hutch BASS Anglers & Coaches

The Good the Bad and the Ugly - Rob Collett DNR

While the title might remind you of the Lake Jennie Fourth of July boat parade or your weight gain while Covid-19 has us working at home (too close to the fridge), we are talking about invasive plants. Invasive plants are usually quick to spread and can take over farm fields, prairies, lakeshore, or lawn. Before you skim past the rest of this article, know these plants are growing near you.

Invasive plants can block out native species or natural habitat, create monoculture stands. But when growing in and around our Cabins and Lake homes they might cause skin reactions for us, our kids or grandkids. The impacts can range from irritation and rash to burns or scars. Meeker County and the area around Lake Jennie are home to many invasive plants.

Spotted Knap weed:

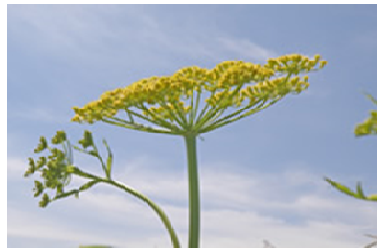
This pinkish-purple flowering plant can look like Canada thistle or even native bee-balm (Wild bergamot) from a distance. Up close, the flowers look like straw-flowers. Spotted knapweed can irritate some people's skin so wear gloves when trying to pull by hand but be aware it has a tap root. In pastures, animals usually avoid eating it though it can spread quickly. The seeds stay viable



for seven years; if you are treating it with herbicide, its return each year does not mean the treatment isn't working, but perhaps a new batch of seeds is sprouting the next year. I first noticed spotted knapweed with the CSAH 18 rebuild. Spotted knapweed seed was likely delivered in the gravel for the road approaches. The area south of the public access has had plenty in recent years. You'll see the blooms usually in July through September

Wild Parsnip

This qualifies for the ugly. If the toxic sap makes contact with your skin, a little sunlight can create a chemical burn. For some it creates a nasty rash and for others their skin will literally blister. The sneaky plant grows low leaves close to the ground for a year or two



getting roots established. In maturity it can grow to 4 feet tall with yellow leaves in the shape of an upside down umbrella. This plant has spread north and south on Highway 15 and now along CSAH 18. Mowing once seeds have set puts this plant on the move. Once in the road ditches, it makes its way into prairies, pastures and along wetland and lakeshore edges. If you look for it, you will see wild parsnip blooming in June through August; from St Cloud to New Ulm - really along most roadsides.

Queen Anne's Lace

This plant is related to the garden carrot. The leaves resemble carrot leaves and smells like a carrot- but you should not eat them.



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Queen Anne's Lace continued

The sap of this flower also can cause irritation. The white flower is shaped like Wild Parsnip (an upside down umbrella). The white flowers can bloom from May through October. As the flowers dry, they shrink into a nests or ball shaped and turn brown.

Leafy Spurge

This plant is another invasive plant that can cause irritation to people's skin. Leafy spurge can also be toxic to livestock. Like milkweed, the sap is a milky white when you pull a leaf or



break the stem. This plant blooms June through October. This pale yellow flowering plant is difficult to get rid of once it is established. The seeds disperse as the plant springs them up to 15 feet away and they remain viable for up to 10 years. Leafy Spurge also spreads through the roots up to 15 feet away. While most flowering plants need full sun, leafy spurge can also do well in somewhat shaded areas.

You can learn more about these and many more plants with on-line resources. As many invasive plants spread along roadsides, agriculture, and native prairies, The Department of Agriculture, Transportation, and Natural Resources websites all have information. Simply mowing to stop the plant from making seeds can work, but many of the plants bloom late or will try to produce seed again after mowing. Mowing too late, can send the seeds flying. Often seeds are spread on equipment including four wheelers, baling hay (both baler and with the hay), and mowing.

In memory of Dewey Senneseth

Dewey passed away on Feb. 13, 2021 with his daughters at his side after a few years of declining health. He was a longtime resident of the Wayzata/Plymouth area and a Lake Jennie cabin owner since 1985. His place of solitude was always sitting by the fire on the shores of Lake Jennie watching the beautiful sunsets. He is deeply missed by his daughters Carrie (Mark) and Shelly and his grandchildren Caroline, Tommy, Harmony and Jonte.



Artists and Crafters - Spring Is Coming!

What: Lake themed painting/craft social event. Paint and/or stencil on canvas or wood.

When: June/July 2021 (date TBD)

Where: TBD

Event Size: 12 people

Cost: To cover materials

If interested, contact Mary Nass at 320-583-0589 or maryjnass@gmail.com by May 1, 2021. Based on interest will determine a date.

Membership Goal 90% for July 2020 – June 2021

Lake Jennie Improvement Association

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