

2015 VT Lake Reports

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Art Brooks abrooks@uwm.edu	Willoughby	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. milfoil eradication 2. aging septic 3. runoff from farms 4. encroachment on shoreline 	lake association Bruce Tanner, Supervisor of Rivers basin planner	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. suction harvest & rivers 2. two association publications/year 3. new website developed 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. no more invasives 2. better nutrient control 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. continued provision of information 2. good meetings 3. website upkeep 4. newsletter
Howland Swift	Willoughby	cost and completion of milfoil harvesting	town of Westmore lake association milfoil harvesting co.	new volunteer monitor	that harvester does a better more thorough job	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. educational programs 2. grant funding
Sherry Johnson sjohnso3@twcny.rr.com	Tinmouth Pond	monitoring short term lake events: -clear on ice out -green (summer) -black (fall) -2012 milfoil 10 ft., lake weed 2 ft. -2013 milfoil 2 ft, lake weed 10 ft.	everyone	recording information	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. support for monitoring lake quality outside of the normal lay monitor program 2. a model for milfoil growth so we can better plan 	support for modeling & sampling
Susan Camp campeligo@gmavt.net	Eligo	milfoil - this happened initially after state put in boat launch no greeter program	ELA (13 members) town of Greensboro now working with state for barrier removal	regretfully the state of VT is requiring us to remove the bottom barriers after 10 yrs, cost \$8900	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. investigating more weevils if grant money is available...we are a small association of 13 members 2. we are discouraged and burned out over lost membership 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. advice from DEC about what to do next 2. visit from state rep.

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Peter Benevento peterben@charter.net	Lake Carmi	milfoil	Lake Carmi Campers Assoc Franklin Watershed Comm. VT DEC Franklin Selectboard	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. mechanical weed harvester, chemical tx. with Renovate was persued until it was voted down at town mtg. 2. working with DEC to grow weevils to place in the lake, a larger project may follow 3. engaging local selectbd. to raise awareness 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. continued technical support 2. assistance in identifying applicable grants
Bruce Durgin durginbruce@yahoo.com	Lake Morey	fallen trees along shoreline: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. expensive to remove 2. hinders milfoil eradication, plants under trees cannot be treated by normal means 3. catches milfoil fragments 4. as time goes on more trees will fall and hamper recreational uses 5. floating limbs create a safety hazard 		<p>May 2013 brought to DNR's attention</p> <p>June 2013 brought up at Lake Seminar</p> <p>July 2013 brought up at Annual Mtg.</p>	the state will understand the problem and develop appropriate regulation	knowledge of appropriate DEC contact
Jim Boyhen plumberjb@aol.com Randall Bobb randallbobb@comcast.net	Sadawga Pond	milfoil	DEC lake association	it is not	getting a handle on infestation	give us guidance and help with a plan

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<p>Michael Carbonneau carbonneaudesign@gmail.com</p> <p>Albert Shewokis vermonteco@gmail.com</p>	Neal Pond	Fishing quality seems to have dropped off over the past few years. There is very little farming in the area. There are many lakefront cottages with grandfathered septic systems. Is there a connection between aging septic systems and fishing?	lake association	it is not should we be water or dye testing? how would we get fellow camp owners to comply? should we work with the town on covenants?	better fishing quality and a better understanding of water quality and conservation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. provide information on next steps 2. coordinate with other camp owners/associations around state to pool processes and information
<p>Bob Pasco bobpasco@hotmail.com</p>	Lake Iroquois	Stormwater runoff takes out a section of the beach with every hard rain. Repeated replacement of sand has not offered a longterm solution	Lake Iroquois Recreational District lake association	working through a grant, Avender was chosen to develop a plan for studying the drainage problem and developing a plan to mitigate the problem	using the results of the study we plan to have the drainage area around the beach altered to eliminate flooding, also to provide model shoreline buffers & rain gardens	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. pass strong lakeshore protection legislation 2. increase grant money to lake organizations, publicize and showcase successful projects 3. encourage municipalities to work together to address problems with lakes bordered by multiple towns
<p>Jackie Sprague Jackie@sprague.org</p>	Harvey's Lake	channel/dam, backflow of sediment into lake during storm...for every inch of rain in the watershed, 4-5" enter lake	town of Barnet owns dam, UVM did an engineering study of dam & recommended a sluice gate insert, 4 yrs ago LHA gave the town \$5K	conversations/letters to town/selectboard	put new gate in	put pressure on town of Barnet
<p>Ellen & Kirk Farquharson efarq2006@gmail.com</p>	Groton Pond	protecting Groton Pond from eurasian milfoil	lake association	volunteer monitors	learning what other lakes are doing	inform us of resources to help detect milfoil

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<p>Jim Canders JPCLTD414@aol.com</p> <p>Martin Greenberg mgreenb@sover.net</p>	Lake St. Catherine	stormwater runoff, many lawns run down to the water without vegetative zone	lake association	education, plantings	continue education and awareness, establish planting program along shoreline	help establish planting grant
<p>Bruce Barter bruceb321@gmail.com</p>	Seymour Lake	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> vehicles breaking through ice and sinking to the bottom of a lake or pond insurance for greeters as contractors 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> ?? lake association & greeters, town selectmen 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> we still have a truck in the lake our greeters are presently employees of the town, we are considering hiring them as part time contractors, an insurance agency we contacted is unable to find a co. willing to write a policy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> strict laws to have a vehicle removed within a certain length of time & enforcement we hope to find an insurance co. willing to offer a quote for greeters as contractors 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> publicize any laws that exist, if the present law is inadequate, lobby to design a law & support its passage FOVLAP - by using its collective power to get a group plan
<p>Jeanine Pratt pelotshadow@comcast.net</p>	Lake Champlain/Pelots Bay Restoration Assoc.	Eurasian milfoil and curly leaf pondweed taking over shallow bays	volunteers and paid personnel, a commercial harvester	harvesting weeds keeps regrowth at manageable level	until a better solution is produced at affordable costs, we will continue what we're doing	FOVLAP education about what's working and what's causing problems DEC supporting with financial help
<p>Craig Hadden jhadden@sover.net</p> <p>Cliff Aikens aliceaikens@icloud.com</p>	Silver Lake	improve shoreline management, currently no major issues	lake association	educate shoreland owners on advantages of management, improve existing conditions	get landowners in Lakewise program	help support, blueberry planting program, Lakewise program

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<p>Jamie Longtin SSLPPA@live.com</p> <p>1:00</p>	Sunrise-Sunset Lake-Perch Pond	Sunrise Lake - a permit was granted to a resident for a shed within 15 ft. of lakeshore in 2014; the entire structure has doubled the impervious surface; he town has not acted since the homeowner got the permit from the state		During the meeting Perry directed interested parties to learn more about how the permit was issued by going to the DEC website and a link to Shoreland Permitting, She emphasized that situations that are contradictory to the law be registered as a concern under Enforcement. Encroachment questions can now be addressed by looking online at DEC website	Would like state to review how this happened; ask Enforcement to come out for a site visit	
<p>Jerilyn Bergdahl dbergdahl@gmavt.net</p>	South Pond	water clarity due to increase of tannins resulting from increased shore erosion due to very high water levels; standpipe was installed 7 yrs ago to help stabilize water level, instead of regulating lake level by hand however lake level set too high & resulting erosion is causing very great concern		state rep will not allow the assoc. to take out one of the boards in the stand pipe in order to reduce lake level and threatened us with a \$5K fine. They are requiring an engineering study which will be very expensive for our small assoc. We thought we were doing the very best thing for the lake. This seems unreasonable	we hope the state sees that the high water level is causing problems and allows the assoc. to take out one board in order to mitigate the current problem	data is available to support the issues of water level that is too high and results show the problem with shore erosion. It seems like a simple solution. South Pond has been a pristine lake. This should not go on.

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Eric Hanson ehanson@tecostudies.org	VT Ctr. for Ecostudies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. need help from lake associations to distribute two new guides with info for boaters about common loons and another about the importance of lakeshore for wildlife 2. replace old loon nest warning signs with new ones, we'd like to fundraise for these signs for each lake with the help of assoc. 	VT Center of Ecostudies (VCE) & VT Loon Recovery Project	we are soliciting contacts from lake assoc. to help with distribution of the educational guide pamphlets and send e-mails and put in newsletters information on how each lake assoc can fundraise for new nest warning signs	loons are doing well in VT, VCE wants to assist VT DEC & FOVLAP promote the longterm health of our lakes and wildlife on our lakeshores	possibly help VCE reach out to lake assoc. about these two effort