

Welcome to Webster Lake for the Summer of 2020. Below is news concerning events which remain scheduled and events which have been canceled for this summer at Webster Lake. Following this information is the latest news on the 2020 Weed Treatment Plan for Webster Lake. Additional information may be found on our website at <a href="http://www.lakewebster.net">http://www.lakewebster.net</a>.

- THE WEBSTER LAKE FIREWORKS ARE STILL ON THE SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, JULY 3 @ 10:00 PM (RAIN DATE IS SUNDAY, JULY 5).
- The WLCA Dixie Brunch Cruise scheduled for June 20 has been canceled as the Dixie is currently not scheduled to run until mid-July.
- Friday Night Music in the North Webster Town Park is currently scheduled to begin June 19 at 7:00 PM.
- At the end of May, the Webster Ski Bees are to announce a decision on staging shows this season.
- The Mermaid Festival, including all parades, has been canceled.
- Dixie Day scheduled for July 25 has been canceled.
- The WLCA Summer Newsletter is to be mailed out the week of June 8.

## **WEED TREATMENT NEWS:**

WLCA applied for and received a LARE grant which will pay 80% of the cost to

treat up to 100 acres of Eurasian Water Milfoil, and invasive weed species. WLCA is responsible for paying the other 20% of the cost. WLCA must treat all EWM in the lake to be eligible to participate in this program.

This spring there are approximately 136 total acres of invasive EWM in the lake, which means that WLCA will be responsible for paying 100% of the cost to treat EWM exceeding the100 acres covered by the grant amounting to 36 acres. Separately, WLCA also pays 100% of the cost to treat weeds around approximately 60 acres of shoreline and in channels.

Based on current estimated treatment costs per acre and assuming that there will be no additional treatments required, this year's net cost to WLCA for weed treatment will be approximately \$40,000. An additional \$31,000 will be paid by the

Weather and water volume permitting, we expect the LARE treatment of the EWM to be completed on Wednesday, May 27, followed by the shoreline/channel treatment on or about June 17. All treatments, treatment dates, and the herbicides used must be approved and permitted by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

Because of the relatively mild winter and lack of a heavy ice field, we are seeing an early onset of weed growth. Property owners might be happier if both treatments could be applied at the same time. However, our request for simultaneous treatments was not granted. The IDNR has agreed to relax the standard 25-day period between treatments to a shorter period of 21 days, and may reconsider this at a later time.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE PAID YOUR 2020 DUES AND MADE

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIREWORKS & WEED FUNDS. YOUR INVESTMENT IN WEBSTER LAKE SERVES TO ENHANCE THE EXPERIENCE OF LAKE LIVING AND THE VALUE OF YOUR PROPERTY. WLCA IS 100% MEMBER FUNDED AND DEPENDS TOTALLY UPON YOU! Thank you for your investment.

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