

ISLAND MUD LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Another summer is upon us. Our annual meeting/picnic will take place on Saturday, July 15. Please see the enclosed flyer. Also note the time change for the start of the children's games. The potluck will begin at 5:00 pm with the meeting following. We will have a representative from the Ross Lake First Responders to demonstrate hands only CPR. There are now several trained and certified First Responders on our lakes to help with many medical emergencies. Locally based First Responders are very important to our well being here on the lakes, as distance to emergency care is a concern.

We had very successful participation at our last years events. This is great to see and we hope to have the same level of interest this year. We may have a garage sale if interest is shown. These are individual sales at your own cabin, done on a lakewide basis. See also the flyers enclosed regarding the fishing contest and 4th of July parade.

We are excited for the launch of an updated website for the lakes. It is less expensive than our current one. Theresa Offerman has set it up and will maintain it. The address is the same: www.islandmudlake.com. There are many links to local information, area agencies, and our Facebook page. Please check it out!

For dues paying members: Keep the enclosed *Members Only* access information handy. It gives the access code for the *Members Only* section. You will find any written info we've given you on this site. Also, we would love to see postings of your fish, conditions at the lake, etc., either directly on the website or on our Facebook page.

Annual Dues \$20

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We've been informed of a problem with beavers experienced by some lake residents. Occasionally, Mud Brook is clogged because of their activity. The board will organize a group to deal with this, as it becomes necessary. There are things we can do to deal with beaver nuisance and damage.

Individual trees can be protected by placing hardware cloth cylinders at least 30 inches tall around the base of the tree. You can create a buffer strip of native vegetation. You can plant native evergreens that beaver do not like or other shrubs that regrow after some beaver damage. Examples are red osier dogwood, pussy or prairie willow. For rules and regulations concerning the removal of beavers, please contact a DNR Conservation Officer. The Board will become involved if it becomes an environmental issue, or a lakewide problem rather than a nuisance problem.

For new people on the lake, Joe Banks can provide a name sign for you at no cost if you become an Association member. Our membership is \$20 per year. We have a pontoon trailer, which can be used on OUR LAKES ONLY. It is free to members or \$20 for each use to non members. Joe Banks can also be contacted to use this. His phone number is 218-763-2900, or his email is theoriginaljoebanks@gmail.com. We need to do all we can to prevent milfoil and other exotic species and zebra mussels from coming into our lakes. If lake residents are aware of any new neighbors, please let someone on the board know, so we can include them in our mailings.

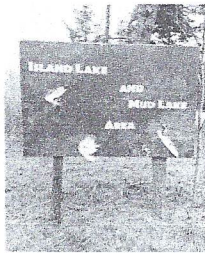
Some board positions are opening up for next year. We need a secretary and a treasurer. It is fun work, you get to know other lake residents, and it is important to look to the future for the continued enjoyment of our lakes. Please consider a position and put your talents to work. You can talk to any

member of the board for more information.

As a final note, please be aware that the sandbar property is privately owned. The Levis are very generous in letting us enjoy that area. Please be mindful of the condition you leave it in.

Enjoy your summer and come to our events. You'll have fun and get to know many other great people!

**Respectfully submitted,
Linda Berglund, Secretary**



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PICNIC and MEETING

SATURDAY, July 15, 2017

*****Mark your calendars now*****

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**Enjoy Emily Days in the morning and
come to our picnic in the afternoon**

Place: Toni Levi's field

**Games for kids & adults: 4:30 p.m. Potluck starts at 5:00
pm with meeting following. Don't miss the minnow races &
games for kids & adults!!!**

Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!

**Picnic: Please bring a beverage, a dish to
share & your folding chairs!**

*****Your Association is providing sloppy joes, chips, water
and tableware .**

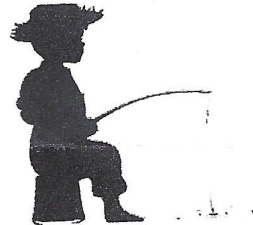
Our NEW website is up and running! Check it out.
There is a lot of important information there! The
website is www.islandmudlake.com.

**We're on Facebook at Island Mud Lake There is also a
link from the website**

All property owners & their families are welcome! This organization exists to benefit our lake environment & all property owners. Meet your neighbors. We have a need for officers for upcoming elections. We welcome any nominations and volunteering. There will be time for discussion of any concerns.

Please send annual dues of \$20 to Jerry Finnerty , interim treasurer, (Envelope provided)

4th of July Festivities



Island Mud Lake Northern Pike Fishing Contest Saturday, July 1 9:00 am to Noon Meet at Public Boat Landing

Each boat should have at least 2 people. This is a family event. Kids are welcome and encouraged to participate. Please sign in at the public boat landing or call Jerry Finnerty's cell to register before you start your fishing. His number is 612-987-2275. Someone will be there to help you. Ice cream treats will be provided when prizes are awarded. Prizes will be given for first and second place for the smallest northern and also for the most total inches of northerns that are under 24 inches for a maximum of 3.(The legal limit). There is an Adult division(16 and over) and a kids division(15 and under). There is a total of 8 prizes. Again, we are trying to remove from the lake some of the smaller northerns. This will help our walleye population. You can fish both Island and Mud lake!

Boat Parade

There will be a boat parade on Sunday, July 2. We will leave from the public boat landing at 1:00 pm. Decorate as much as you would like! We ask that you show an American flag. We will travel all around Island Lake. This is a very fun event, enjoyed by participants and onlookers.

Your participation improves fishing on our lakes!

Sponsored by your Island Mud Lake Association

