

District of Powers Lake

NEWSLETTER

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55th ANNUAL ICE FISHING DERBY

Weather and ice conditions on February 13th played a role in this usually well attended event. Ice conditions were bad since a foot of snow and six inches of slush on the ice made travel by foot, vehicle or ATV almost impossible. This lovely mix then was knee high. Even ATV's were getting stuck. It was the lowest attendance so far but as usual those in attendance made the most of the day. The Sportsman Club set their tents up at the club to allow for more parking at the plowed DNR lot and had more prizes than ever this year. Only five Northern were caught, the largest was 7 lb. 3 oz. Four Bass were caught, the largest was 3 1/2 lbs. The largest crappie was 1 lb. No walleye were caught.

The Lake Benedict Ice Fishing Derby, which was scheduled the week before ours, was postponed due to the heavy snow and drifting after the blizzard. Then they had to cancel the rescheduled date due to bad ice near the shore. Thank you to Mark Pelz for providing his detailed reporting on this event once again.

AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT

The DPL will again be applying for a whole lake permit to treat the Eurasian Water Milfoil and Curly Leaf Pondweed. Weather and lake levels permitting, we hope to treat early again this year. We will also be doing a pre and post treatment survey this year. Date for the treatment will be posted on our website. Sign up for an email announcement on the website of this treatment and other lake news @www.districtofpowerslake.org.

2011 WISCONSIN LAKES CONVENTION

Several of our commissioners will be attending the convention April 12-14 in

Green Bay, WI. A wide choice of subjects will be covered in the sessions in addition to opportunities to network with attendees from lakes all around the state.

Tuesday evening will offer one of the premiere showings of the recent Aldo Leopold documentary, **Green Fire**, which will help us reconnect with the land (and water). This evening will also offer an opportunity to visit with old friends and colleagues as well as meet new ones at the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership Welcome Reception.

2010 WATER PATROL REPORT

George Lawrence, Water Patrol Chief, has provided the DPL with the annual report he submits to the DNR.

- 1,057 # of patrol hours
- 89 # of citations (4 were juveniles)
- 19 Slow no wake before 10 a.m.
- 7 Invalid certificate or number
- 30 Faster than slow no wake within 100' of another boat
- 7 Failure to provide flotation devices
- 2 Failure to cover or secure battery
- 2 No fire extinguisher
- 1 Tuber not wearing flotation
- 4 Operate within 100' of restricted area
- 2 Underage operator
- 1 No throwable flotation device
- 1 Operater within 200' of shore
- 1 Failure to wear pfd
- 1 Operate with alcohol concentration level > .10%
- 1 Operate while under the influence of intoxicant

Fees collected at the launches totaled \$16,380. In addition, annual passes totaled \$4,600.



THE DISTRICT OF POWERS LAKE

P.O. Box 462 Powers Lake, Wisconsin 53159 **Elected Commissioners:**

Jim Michels, Chair Nancy Michael, Sec. Brooke Jensen, Treas. Neal Kuhn Colleen Keating

Appointed Commissioners:

Judy Jooss, Kenosha Co. Mark Halvey, Randall Twp.



QUARTERLY MEETING

Our next meeting will be held Friday, April 1st at 5:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public at the Randall Town Hall, 34530 Bassett Road. Bassett. Wl.