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## KLID President's 2020 Report

### Annual Meeting Date Change

Oh my, how things have changed in the past two months. The COVID virus is causing all of us to change our lives in so many unforeseen ways. As a result of COVID and government mandated social spacing, KLID and Kimble Lake Homeowners Association boards have decided to move respective annual meetings to August 8, 8:00 am at the Ideal Community Center. If we are still in the age of social spacing, we may need to reconsider the location or perhaps create an electronic meeting of property owners. For now, though, let's all hope and plan for a joyous meeting of Kimble Lake property owners on August 8!

You can expect to receive a Notice of Annual Meeting and the ballot to elect board members in early July.

### EURASIAN WATER MILFOIL

2019 was another successful year for the Kimble Lake Improvement District. Your LID was formed 10 years ago, and I am pleased to say that Eurasian Water Milfoil continues to be under control thanks to the efforts of your KLID.

During summer 2019, Central Minnesota Aquatic's, Inc. completed five full lake surveys. Despite finding EWM in four surveys, only a few plants were found each time. Herbicide was applied to the early season discoveries as the plants were in locations where EWM had been hand-pulled or treated years prior. During the September survey only three small plants were found, and no plants were found in the October survey. The September discoveries were hand pulled. We are being encouraged by the DNR to hand-pull small infestations. We will again be vigilant in areas where we hand-pulled in the summer of 2019 and will treat infected areas with herbicides in 2020 if EWM growth seems to be more aggressive than what we might consider normal. Just because we had to treat infestations with herbicide where hand-pulling techniques were used in the prior year, does not mean hand-pulling is a less than desirable technique for ridding the lake of EWM. Most EWM infestations are really just a few plants. EWM is like getting rid of weeds in your yard. Despite your best efforts there is always another seed and bright yellow flower ready to sprout and bloom. If you delay your diligence, your yard quickly becomes infested. We need to stay on top of this battle against EWM.

### ZEBRA MUSSELS (ZM)

ZM treatment options for the most part are not available but we still have glimmers of hope that the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Research Center at the University of Minnesota will provide some options for eradication at an affordable cost within a few years.

### ACCESS MONITORING

KLID has been supporting the efforts of Kimble Lake Homeowners Association (KLHA) to monitor incoming and outgoing watercraft traffic at the public access. Many people question the need to continue this effort now that we have Zebra mussels in Kimble

Lake. Watercrafts are inspected in hopes of keeping our lake free from numerous other AIS, some of which present a far greater problem than Zebra mussels and to keep Kimble Lake AIS from being transported to other lakes.

The 2020 and 2021 KLID budgets support KHLA efforts with \$1,000 earmarked for access-monitoring.

### **2021 BUDGET AND PROPOSED ASSESSMENT**

The proposed 2021 budget allows KLID to reduce the annual assessment to \$75.00. This reduction in assessment is not the result of expected costs going down but is the result of KLID receiving unplanned Crow Wing County (CWC) reimbursements over the past several years. If CWC support diminishes in future years we will need to increase the assessment. The current level of CWC support (\$3,000) results in a per property savings of \$30.

The 2021 budget shows income of \$10,500 with expenses of \$12,030. Income is the result of \$7,500 in property assessments (\$75.00 per property) and \$3,000 in a CWC grant. This budget leaves KLID with \$1,530 more in expenses than revenue. \$63 of the \$75 proposed 2021 assessment is directly used to fund and treat EWM. The expected December 31, 2021 reserve balance is \$31,776.97. The budget and the assessment are in line with our fiduciary duty to try to run a balanced budget and keep reserves approximating 2 times our expected expenses. We have more reserves than we might normally desire and plan to slowly reduce assessments until we are at the desired level.

### **YOUR KLID BOARD**

Tom Hansen and Dick Bredehoff are in the final year of their board terms. Davee Olson, Gary Schwartz and Jack Larsen are in the second year of their board terms. Mike O'Neil, Nels Johnson and Jim Rusch are in the first year of their terms. Tom Hansen and Dick Bredehoff have agreed to stand for re-election to the KLID board. Thomas Mahoney has agreed to run for election and if elected will fill a seat previously held by Kimble Lake's friend and steward, Steve Erickson. Please thank current and past LID board members for all they have done for Kimble Lake. Our success in fighting EWM didn't just happen by itself.

Living on Kimble Lake is a special privilege. Property owners have docks; they can fish, boat and swim conveniently from their property. They are the people most affected when something goes wrong in the lake they live on and they are the people that are most interested in finding effective ways to deal with the problem. They are also the people that could experience a decrease in property values, if control or remediation efforts are not initiated. **We need a few new members to add to our board as several of our members have been in their positions for a number of years. If you would like to be part of the LID board and help guide future Kimble Lake AIS risk management, please email me at [tomhansen@comcast.net](mailto:tomhansen@comcast.net).**

### **WHAT YOU CAN DO**

Please make sure all who provide lake services to your home have been trained and certified by the MN DNR. There is no need to compromise the quality of our lake because a service provider has been too busy to receive the training. If you purchase a dock, boatlift, float or associated equipment that has been in use in another lake, by law it must not be placed in Kimble Lake until 21 days have passed.

Please make sure your friends and family follow laws established to protect our lake against invasive species as they bring their watercraft to Kimble Lake. **Please ASK friends and family, before they unload their watercraft, to make sure it is clean and dry.**

Please check your septic systems to make sure they are in compliance. It is recommended that all septic systems be inspected every three years. Leaking septic systems cause great harm to our lake. Be especially mindful of what you put on your lawn and of changes you make to your shoreline. We all need to make sure we do not apply excessive fertilizer to our yards. Much of it ends up in Kimble Lake and encourages weed growth. Please do all

you can to keep Kimble Lake clean and pristine. Kimble Lake water clarity depends on each of us doing our part.

Have a wonderful summer.

Tom Hansen, Kimble Lake Improvement District, President  
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Materials for the annual meeting including the agenda, budgets and prior year minutes can be found at this [link](#).

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## KLHA Dues and Membership Forms

Previously the 2020 membership form, ballot for the annual budget and other materials were mailed to everyone. So far just over 60 members have been returned forms and paid dues - about 75% of the normal response. Please take a moment to return your membership form with dues and the ballot. If needed, a copy of the membership form can be found at this [link](#). Watch the KLHA and KLID [website](#) for updates on the annual meetings and activities.

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## Social Committee Update

In efforts to keep our Kimble community safe, we are cancelling lake sponsored social gatherings (of 10 or more people) until later in the summer. As the season progresses, we will continue to follow state recommendations, but we hope to finish out our summer with some of our favorite events! We wish you a safe, healthy and fun-filled time on the lake!

The current calendar can be found [here](#). Updates will be posted on the website and sent out via email.

New for this year is a **Kimble Photo Contest**. Contest rules are:

1. Unaltered photos must portray Kimble Lake scenery or lake life activities. Limit of two entries per person.
2. Email photos by July 31st to [Kimble.Kontest@gmail.com](mailto:Kimble.Kontest@gmail.com) with subject line: "photo contest".
3. Please include your full name and phone # along with your submission(s) and a title or description, if relevant.
4. Photos will be assembled and made available to the KLHA community for voting within the first two weeks of August.

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

Kimble Social Committee

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## Kimble Gear & Apparel

A huge thank you to Jessie and Debbie Brekke who have agreed to take on the Kimble Gear sales. They will be working to take over this responsibility from Maxine Knutson who has performed this for many years. Thank you Maxine for your many years of dedicated service to these fun sales.

Jessie and Debbie have some ideas but would like to hear from the Kimble Lake Community on what others might like to see from new gear / apparel. They are thinking of developing a "brand / logo and slogan" for Kimble and perhaps setting up an ability to order online. They would also like to hear from residents about priorities for items such as apparel, coozies, tervis glasses, etc. Please email Jessie with any input directly at [jdeanb81@gmail.com](mailto:jdeanb81@gmail.com).

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## Loon Update

Our two pairs of loons returned to Kimble shortly after ice out. The loons have been on both nests frequently but at this point we are not sure if they have eggs or not. Please keep a distance from the nests as you enjoy the lake to increase the chances of a successful hatch this year.

Thank you to Terry Theis, Gary Schwartz and Larry Knutson for putting out the loon nests again. Gary reports that he loon was up on the nest within an hour of it being put out. Gary and Larry rebuilt the eastern nest platform this year as it had been leaking the past couple years.

Pelican Lake has their loon nest camera up and running again. If you would like to watch the loons on the nest, click on this [link](#)

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## Access Monitoring

Monitoring at the access has began. In light of Covid-19, our Access Monitors are looking forward to assisting boaters entering and exiting, but we will need to do it at a distance. We can help visually and ask a few questions and will be wearing masks.

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Dave Rysdam at 602-639-1951 or dbrys59@gmail.com.

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## Buoy Installation

A huge thank you to the Mathewson's and Rusch's for installing the buoys around the lake and entering the Ossie Creek again this year. These help all of us be safer as we navigate around the lake.

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## Pizza Delivery - update from Lisa Bliss

Many lake residents use Joe's Pizza out of Pequot Lakes. They will now deliver to our area. Their delivery cut-off is the 39 and Hwy 16, however if you live past this point, they will meet you in the parking lot of Old Milwaukee with your pizza! Hopefully this info will come in handy while we are under "house arrest."

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## Kimble Market Place

No new items were received. If you have something that you would like to post, please email Dave.

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## Submit Your Pictures and Articles

If you have a picture to share, an article or an idea for an article, please reach out to Dave at dbrys59@gmail.com. No new photos were received for this newsletter.

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## Board of Directors

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## OUR MISSION:

The Kimble Lake Homeowners Association is organized to encourage wise use and preservation of Kimble Lake to maintain the ecological balance that must exist between the lake and adjacent shore land. The association will work to keep this lake and its surrounding watershed in good condition. Further, the association will consider, recommend and endeavor, through responsible means, to bring about appropriate action by agencies of government and private individuals to realize effective management and preservation of the valuable resources of Kimble Lake and its adjacent shore land.

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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The Kimble Lake Homeowners Association was formed in 2002. Membership costs \$40 per year, due at the time of the annual meeting. Join today! Simply download the [KLHA Membership form](#) and send payment to:

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