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Random Facts Gleaned From Secretaries Notes

Meeting called on Sept 13, 1907 to organize "The Eagle Lake Property Owners Association" - mailed to about 20 property owners, by Edmund Luthy, (not all persons attended).

The purpose of the organization is "protection of mutual interests of property, protection of the fish supply, restocking from hatcheries, regulation of a uniform water level, protection of spawning beds, and maintenance of a dam at the outlet."

The most serious fact in the history of the lake was the destruction of the dam at the outlet about 1913, allowing the water level to drop gradually. The outlet land was privately owned by two non-members at that time. New York State eventually bought the land and restored a dam. In 1941, however, water levels dropped to 15" below a "metal pin" fixed at a normal level. This was 9" lower than in 1940. Repairs were made to the dam in 1942 and again in 1977.

Postage to members in 1934-35 amounted to \$1.15. The Lake was stocked with Black Bass (1000), in the same year.

A request to post a speed limit on Route 73 (now 74) was refused in 1935.

A post office was maintained for the summer at George Hatalings hotel in 1917.

Trash and cleanup at of the state beach has been a yearly topic.

A fire pump has been available for some time.

The center section of Route 74 was never rebuilt or repaired.

In 1974, some aquatic growth was noted - possible water pollution.

Camping on the rocks on state land on the south side of the lake is discouraged by residents, but is difficult to control.

Even though we are a loosely knit group from far and near, respect for the land and the lake (Eagle) has taken precedence. May it always be so.

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