

Eagle Lake Properties Owners Inc.
c/o 11 Deepwood Drive, Ticonderoga, NY 12883
(A 501 (c)(3) Organization)



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Dear Eagle Lake Property Owners,

Your new Board of Directors and Officers for 2006/07 discussed at its first meeting what might be done to increase membership and get active participation from all in our fight against Eurasian Water Milfoil. We have a beautiful lake and want to keep it that way! We hope you agree and will continue to help us, help you. Regardless of the amount of time we spend annually at the Lake it is in all of our interest to protect the lake.

ELPOI is the only organization looking out for our interests. Its objectives are to:

1. Protect the mutual interests and property of Lake Residents by measuring and maintaining lake quality--(our testing suggests good quality of the water)
2. Encourage lake fish stocking and protect fish spawning beds--(1600 Brown Trout added 4/06)
3. Maintain Lake water levels--(Rain, rain, but target of +/- 4 inches is approaching)

BUT, we all need to pitch in to accomplish these objectives! "How?" you ask?

1. Join the organization. Your dues help pay the cost of maintaining the lake.
2. Attend yearly meeting at which issues are discussed. Next meeting is 14 July 2007.
3. Discourage boaters from driving over the milfoil beds. Each cut of the motor creates hundreds of fragments that can create another milfoil plant. Warn boaters who do not stay 50 feet from buoys. This is the most effective way to control further spread of Milfoil. We can expect to see more buoys in the Lake because there are more beds of Milfoil to mark!
4. Pull Milfoil on your water front and place the plants on dry land to die. Pick up any floating milfoil from the water surface as you go around the Lake. Please keep a record of your time spent on Milfoil removal activity. This will help us justify our new grant application.

It will take a lot of hard work and money to control Milfoil growth. Our efforts to get a grant this year were not successful, but we are working with our Town governments and Senator Little to see how we can obtain funds. Five members of the Board, Ti Town Supervisor and others met with Senator Little

last week. New funds will be available for grants for next year. We intend to apply again and will be back to each of you this fall when we have the details of the approach we will take this year.

Some members have contributed time and money to help with removal and the Board thanks all of you who have made a commitment. We encourage all of you to take this seriously. We need money, lots of money, to solve this problem. We are working with the Towns to obtain professional divers to assist in matting and deep milfoil removal. If we receive a grant and/or property owners make additional gifts, we have a chance to control this weed. If this effort fails, we can look forward to a lake completely absorbed by Milfoil. Yes, Milfoil will kill all plant life and become so thick fish cannot go through it! When that happens our Lake will be dead! When this happens the value of our properties will go down substantially. This is a negative message to all of us. Some people on the lake have given a great deal of time and money to address this problem and they need our help. If we do not find solutions soon even they will become discouraged. Let us not let that happen!

The board is asking you to continue to support ELPOI. It is the best friend you have at the Lake. Be involved and help with the above suggestions. Speak with any member of the Board. We need your ideas and your involvement.

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