The Quiet Lakes

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April 25, 2023 - Letter from Norm Bratteig, QLIA President

Hello QLIA Members!

Our lakes are still frozen & the ground around our Quiet Lakes still have significant snow on the ground. Hard to even believe that spring & summer is fast approaching & our board has been working on our 2023 QLIA time-line as it relates to our APM (Aquatic Plant Management). There is more information to come your way. In the meantime, here is our timeline with deadlines & information on our decision as it relates to our lake management consultants. The deadlines listed below are either dictated by the WI-DNR or internal deadlines for our goals.

# 2023 QLIA Lake Management Grant Time-line (Dates listed are deadlines.)

7/10/2023 Dave Blumer, LEAPS LLC - Submit APMP to the QLIA Board The APMP is our Aquatic Plant Management Plan. LEAPS LLC will submit the proposed plan to our QLIA Board. This will be our starting point and our board will review the plan and make adjustments as it relates to LEAPS LLC's recommendations as it relates to fighting our AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species). The recommended solutions will include various methods to fight our EWM (Eurasian Water Milfoil) with use of machinery, possible DASH (Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting), hand-picking & possible chemical treatments.

7/11/2023 Begin working with Megan Mader, now working with the NWRPC (Northwest Regional Planning Commission).

You may remember Megan Mader from her previous position with LEAPS LLC! Megan and the NWRPC team will review our QLIA **APMP** before the board presents the plan to our QLIA Members on 7/15/2023.

<u>7/15/2023 Board will present our APMP to QLIA Members (LEAPS, LLC is invited to present)</u>. This is important because we will be submitting our APMP to the WI-DNR and in order to begin the grant requests we must have this APMP approved by the WI-DNR.

# 7/17/2023 LEAPS LLC & the QLIA Board - Submit our APMP to WI-DNR.

This will be after any necessary changes are made after our July 15 annual meeting & our members have the opportunity to review the APMP prior to our submittal to the WI-DNR.

### <u>9/15/23 Megan Mader, NWRPC assist QLIA in submitting our pre-grant request for Large Scale Population Control</u> <u>Grant (LSPCG).</u>

This step "puts us in line" with the WI-DNR so that we can submit a formal grant request after we, the QLIA Board and Members, agree to the grant request & actions that will need to be fulfilled for this LSPCG grant.

# 11/15/2023 Megan Mader, NWRPC & the QLIA Board submit formal grant request for our LSPCG.

Of course, more details to follow regarding our 2023 goals & grant requests!

Shifting towards a personal announcement. We have sad news. Doug King, a former Teal Lake resident passed away on April 9, 2023. **Doug King served on our QLIA Board in various positions included President & Director.** 

Bill Boersma built Doug King's cabin in 1995 on Teal Lake at the mouth of Lynch Bay. Doug lived year-round on Teal Lake from 1995 up until a few years ago when Doug and his wife "Nan" began to winter in Roebuck, South Carolina and spend summers here on Teal Lake. Bill Boersma stated that Doug never lost his southern accent! Doug would ask his fishing mates, "Does anyone need a *tail*?" It took Bill several fishing trips to realize Doug was offering a *towel*! We thank Bill Boersma for sharing this story and our hearts go out to Doug's wife, family & friends.

# **DOUGLAS' OBITUARY**

Douglas S. King, age 88, of South Carolina, passed away on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023. He was a U.S. Army Veteran, serving in Germany. Doug graduated from the University of South Carolina and was employed as an Insurance Adjuster for Crawford & Company from 1960 until his retirement in 1991. He was an avid fisherman and was active in the Lions Club and numerous neighborhood organizations. Doug is survived by his wife Janet Ruhe, whom he married on June 15, 1963. He is also survived by his brothers-in-law, Dr. Jack Ruhe and Dr. Richard Ruhe; and his nephew, James King. Preceded in death by his brother, James King. Memorial visitation Friday, April 14, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Markiewicz Funeral Home, P.C., <u>108 Illinois St., Lemont</u>.

### **QLIA FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

Regarding our fundraising efforts, by now all of you should have received your brochure with the list of opportunities to help our lake association with fundraising. For those of you who already donated above & beyond your annual membership dues, THANK YOU! For those of you who missed the brochure in your USPS mailbox, below are the levels of support that we are seeking. As you all know, our annual membership fees alone can not support our future efforts to fight the Eurasian Water Milfoil or other critical processes that preserve our lakes. Maybe you want to be a Lake Booster at the minimum level or Lake Champion/Philanthropist at the highest level of support? The following are the Tiers of Support:

Donate \$250.00 to become a Lake Booster Donate \$500.00 to become a Lake Protector/Guardian Donate \$1,000.00 to become a Lake Advocate/Promoter Donate \$1,500.00 to become a Lake Activist/Benefactor Donate \$2,000.00 to become a Lake Champion/Philanthropist

Fundraising is critical in order to fund our lakes in perpetuity. See below and listed on our website LINK

that there are easy ways and creative options for how you can give to the QLIA. On our website **you will see that you can now pay your Annual Dues and your Tiered Donation using PayPay**. For those of you who still want to donate traditionally please mail your check to: QLIA, PO Box 214, Hayward, WI 54843. The creative donation options are set-up on our website as well and you can donate by:

- Matching Donations from Corporations (employee or retiree)
- Memorial Donations
- Donations of Stock
- Using your IRA to contribute to QLIA

If you have any questions regarding our 2023 timelines & lake management goals or questions about our fundraising opportunities, please contact me or any of our board members below who will be happy to help you.

Sincerely,

Norm Bratteig, QLIA President & the QLIA Executive Committee

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