

Glen Echo News

Winter 2010

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

DRAWDOWN

This year's drawdown started on October 15, 2010. At the September 2010 meeting, the membership voted to follow Lycott's recommendation and the existing Notice of Intent (NOI), for a 4-foot drawdown.

Refill will not start until we have received notification from Lycott that a hard freeze has occurred. A full refill will be performed this year rather than the "stepped" refill we have used in the past.

The request for drawdown was presented to the Conservation Commission on 15 October 10 and was granted at that time.

WEED TREATMENT CONTRACT

2010 marked the end of our current contract with Lycott Environmental for aquatic management of Glen Echo. Letters were sent to local aquatic management firms requesting cost and proposal information for a six (6) year contract, which would start in 2011. Only one firm, Lycott, submitted a response to the request.

At a special meeting held on 19 Oct 10, three (3) different weed treatment proposals were reviewed and voted on by membership. Option #1 was selected which will extend the current NOI, keep the drawdown level at 4-feet and will start with a survey in 2011. Lycott will assist the GEIA with the NOI extension in the Spring.

SUMMER FISHING DERBY

The annual fishing derby was held on Sunday, July 25th. We had the LARGEST turn out this year and had to split it into two tournaments – one for the kids and one for the adults – AWESOME!! There were 29 people fishing and about 40 spectators. The results are:

KIDS

1st place: Hunter and Brett with 7.3-lbs total weight

2nd place: Shaun, Bradley and Austin with 5.3-lbs total weight

3rd place: John with 5.0-lbs total weight

4th place: Jake with 4.6-lbs total weight

5th place: Brian with 4.1-lbs total weight

ADULTS

1st place: Brittany and Joe with 9-lbs total weight

2nd place: a tie between Ron and Bob and Chris, Matt and John with 8.5-lbs total weight

1st place LUNKER went to Brittany with a 3.5-lb catch.

Please check out the website for pictures.

Congrats to everyone who participated and a special thanks to Joe Dussault for once again hosting this event!!

BOAT PARADE

The annual Glen Echo Lake Boat Parade was held on July 4, 2010 at 4:00 pm. See the website for pictures!

This year ~20 boats, several Jet-skis and other towables joined the parade. First place went to the Barber's "Wizard of OZ". Second place went to Chuck Patton and his "Island Dancers" boat. Third place went to the "Shark boat".

Prizes were donated by local residents – thank you!! Congrats to everyone who participated!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAKE CARE OF OUR LAKE!

With the advent of the fall weather and the lake drawdown it may be tempting to blow leaves and/or other yard debris into the lake. Adding this type of debris to the lake adds to the depth of the lake bed and ultimately can promote weed growth. Please keep our lake clean and dispose of your yard waste appropriately.

In addition, we encourage everyone to maintain their docks. "Dock debris" poses hazards to boaters and skiers alike and could cause serious injury. Please remember to check your dock and make any repairs necessary prior to the new boating season. Thank you!

2247. Other activities may require a Notice of Intent.

SKI CLUB is BACK!!

The Glen Echo ski club was restarted this summer and was a success!! Thanks to Jodi McManus for spearheading the effort and acting as the club's new President. The club met on Monday, Wednesday and Saturdays and everyone had fun while learning to ski! This is a wonderful opportunity for kids of all ages to learn how to ski, kneeboard, etc, and to just have fun!! Stay tuned for the 2011 start date!

FROM THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Activities that ARE permitted with drawdown conditions:

- ◆ Hand raking of the shore area to clean up debris
- ◆ Rearranging by hand existing rocks/stones that protect and delineate the shoreline
- ◆ Beach Nourishment of an existing beach area with PRE-WASHED sand, no smaller than 0.25mm, spread by hand (retain receipt as proof)

**PLEASE NOTE: This is not a full list; if you have any questions, please contact Karen Gauvin of the Conservation Commission, at 248-

GLEN ECHO WEAR – Update!

It appears that the vendor we have been using for Glen Echo Wear has gone out of business. We are in the process of finding a new vendor. We hope to have a new vendor by the spring.

We do have ceramic and commuter mugs, available. The cost is \$4.50 each or 2/\$8.00. Please call J. Nowak at 508-248-4832 if you have any questions.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Over the past few years we have seen some changes occur within our lake community, and while sometimes challenging, I feel we have become a more united community committed to working together for the betterment and enjoyment of the lake. These changes could not take place without your involvement. Membership has grown 30% over the past few years, showing that residents value the role the GEIA plays in their community. I'd like to thank those of you who have volunteered for various activities and positions over the years. Without your help, the many events (boat parades, fishing derbies, flea markets,

dam clean-up, cookouts, etc.) would not have occurred.

This year marked the restart of the Glen Echo Ski Club. The kids (and adults) had a great time, learned some new techniques and got to spend some time on the water. I look forward to it continuing and growing next year.

May you and your family have a healthy and happy Holiday Season!

Jackie Nowak, President, GEIA

NEXT MEETING
 May 2011 (TBD)
 7:00 PM
 Senior Center

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