

G.O.L.A. 2020 Fall Newsletter

Goodrich – O’Brien Lakeshore Association

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Cancelled!

G.O.L.A. Association Meeting for Labor Day Weekend!

The Board decided based on recent news on Covid and the current spike we are enduring, we will be cancelling the Labor Day (9/5/2020) meeting.

Please stay safe and watch the website for updates as our year progresses! The G.O.L.A. website address is www.golamn.org.

We will do our best to keep an updated poster on the bulletin board at the “Y” between lakes. Please watch for any updated information to be housed.

Notes from the Co-Chair:

Twenty-Twenty, no meetings, no problems on the lakes, the work of the association goes on whether we meet or not. The water gets tested, the lakes get stocked with walleyes, and the board watches for any problems that might come up. I still have plenty of notices about lake behavior, there are some on the bulletin board at the Y. It is each person’s responsibility to know and follow the state’s rules and regulations concerning lakeshore and watercraft. Everyone stay safe and we will try again next year. -- H Peterson

There are a few board officers/member position terms that expire this Fall. Those members include: Mike Rancour, Steve Chuba, Jamie Weise, and Bob Stock. The board’s proposal would be to extend the current position until our Spring 2021 meeting and then conduct elections. If anyone is opposed to that, please contact the board directly. –Mike Rancour

Notes from the Secretary:

New: Fiber Internet Connection

- For those of you that are interested in fiber internet through Crosslake Communications please show interest to for O'Brien and Goodrich.
- We need to be proactive and show interest as installation in Crosslake will start Spring, 2021.
- Current understanding is there is no additional cost for the fiber to be laid and connected. This option is MUCH faster than the current DSL internet service we have now.
- If interested or you would like to help the others that are interested, please go to crosslake.net, click on Fiber News & complete the form OR call Crosslake Communications at 218-692-2777.

New: Pequot Lake School District Football Fundraiser

- Each year the Pequot football team members have sold discount cards with savings at various establishments in and around the Crosslake/Brainerd area. They usually cost \$20 and are good for an entire year.
- The selling of the discount cards allows the team to get equipment, supplies and helps with expenses. Usually there are 15-20 businesses that offer deals. We personally use the Holiday gas station discount the most!
- The final details and businesses offering deals are not available as of the newsletter but will be soon!
- If you are interested in purchasing a card or want more details please email Sue at sborne@gmail.com

New: New Neighbors?

- If you have a new neighbor, please let know!
- The board would like to do a welcome stop by to their place and deliver a welcome bag with a few GOLLA goodies.

Reminder: Water Testing

- Information collected for both lakes is available on the DNR website at: <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/lakefind/index.html>
- The water testing is coordinated with WAPOA. They are using RMB Environmental Laboratories for the analysis. RMB is updating their website to include historical testing results. You may find that easier to use than the DNR website. The RMB website: <https://www.rmbel.info/>.

Reminder: Garbage/Recycling Center Change

- Closest Location: Ideal Corners Transfer Station.
- Address: 33503 West Island Lake Drive, Pequot Lakes
 - Permit fee required to use the facility (cash or check only).
 - Hours are from 8am to 4pm. Days vary be season, no Holidays available.
 - Station office phone number: 218-543-6372 <https://idealtownship.com/services/transfer-station>

Reminder: Fish Fund Donation (Walleye Stocking)

- 2020 is a fish-stocking year for both lakes.
- Stocking amount is based off the lake size and broken down to a percentage.
- If you have any questions or would like to donate, please reach out to Jamie Weise/Sue Borne.
- Thank you to those families that have contributed!

Reminder: Crosslake Decontamination Station

- Do not forget! If you have a boat that either is new to our lakes or has traveled outside of our lakes, there is a FREE decontamination station located in Crosslake.

- Located at the Crosslake Joint Highway Maintenance Facility (13870 Whipple Dr; Crosslake ~ right off County Road 3). Phone #: 218-824-1142
- Staff availability Friday through Monday; 9am to 7pm; takes approx. 15 minutes to do.

Reminder: Facebook

- If you happen to be on Facebook, make sure to check out the two pages for fun information about the lakes, activities and maybe even some beaver details! Haha!
 - Goodrich O'Brien Lake Association
 - Obrien Lake Friends

Notes from the Treasurer:

According to the bylaws of our lake association, we go over the fiscal year financials during the Spring meeting. Without those meetings going on as planned, I wanted to keep you informed of where we ended our Fiscal Year.

General Fund:	
Dues, mailings membership in WAPOA and MLAS, PO BOX rental, website & Lake Testing Services	
Beginning balance (9/2018)	\$8,155.11
Ending Balance (8/2019)	\$7,965.35

Emergency Fund	
Beginning Balance (9/2018)	\$1,086.53
Ending Balance (8/2019)	\$1,224.66

Fish Fund	
Beginning Balance (9/2018)	\$2,779.79
Ending Balance (8/2019)	\$891.00

Every other year we stock the two lakes in the fall. The amount of fish to each lake is based upon the contributions of the members of the individual lake. Currently, August 2020, we have \$2100 in our fish fund for restocking in September or early October.

Attached is a new dues sheet for 2020-2021.

- As you fill it out, **PLEASE**, mark any part of the information you **do not** want published with a DNP, do not publish. Please note, if none of your information is marked, it will be included in a future directory.
- If you have questions, you can email Sue Borne at srborne@gmail.com or send a note to our Crosslake Post Office Box: G.O.L.A. Post Office Box # 674, Crosslake, MN 56442

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If there is any part you do NOT want published in our directory please mark that line with DNP (do not publish).

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

Emergency Phone Number: (_____) _____

Please Circle Your Lake: Goodrich **OR** O'Brien

Lake Address: _____

Lake Phone Number: _____

Yearly membership dues are \$20. Please make checks out to **GOLA**

Please send the annual newsletter to me via (check one):

_____ Email (directed to the email address above)

_____ US Mail (one mailing per household; directed to mailing address above)

_____ I will download it from the website: **www.golamn.org**

Every two years the association will stock both lakes. Donations to this are most welcome! Additional funds added for Fish Stocking contributions (Can combine with GOLA membership dues payment). *2020 is a stocking year!

\$_____ Goodrich **OR** O'Brien (circle one)

Please Direct Mail To:

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