

Tame Fish Lake Association

2021 Annual Newsletter

The mission of the Tame Fish Lake Association is to promote positive environmental and recreational stewardship of Tame Fish Lake for further generations through member involvement, communication and information sharing.

Ice is out and cabin season is upon us! Welcome back TFLers, pontoons and loons! We are all looking forward to getting outside and having fun with our lake neighbors!

Here's the Spring scoop for this year:

Website

Tame Fish Lake Website is your go-to for information, contact lists, apparel and photos of lake life. <http://tamefishlake.com/> We added a marketplace for you to list items for sale or to give away as well as in-search of inquiries. There are a couple of test posts and a form to add your own posts.

Apparel

The link to TFL apparel for sale by Red Threads in Crosby is updated with some new goods. Check it out: <https://www.redthreadsmn.com/tame-fish-lake>

Orders placed by the deadline will be available for pick up at the annual meeting. We will send a follow up email when we get the cutoff date from Red Threads. Orders may also be shipped to you or picked up at Red Threads in Crosby. Choose one of those options when placing your order.

Annual Meeting

The 2021 annual Tame Fish Lake Association meeting will be held a bit earlier this year on Saturday, June 5th at 5pm at Farrell's beach. The meeting will be followed by a social hour with cocktails. In case of bad weather, the meeting will be held in their pavilion. A reminder email will go out in late May.

Meeting agenda:

- Treasury report
- Lake Association membership and dues
- Officer elections
- Milfoil mitigation plan for 2021 (see below for important dates that are before the meeting)
- Zebra mussel mitigation
- 4th of July events

If you have additional items to add to the agenda, please email tamefishlakeassn@gmail.com by June 1st.

Proxy voting forms can be found on the website. If you are not able to attend the annual meeting, please complete the form by June 4th if you would like to assign your vote to another member.

Membership

Membership is \$30 annually and due by the annual meeting in order to be eligible to cast votes during that meeting. New members can sign up on the website in the membership section. Existing members should use the same form to make changes to contact information. Dues can be paid at the annual meeting or checks can be made payable to TFLA and sent to the association treasurer, Deb Gadbois, at 27544 S Tame Fish Lake Rd, Deerwood, MN 56444.

Zebra Mussels:

Zebra mussels were found to be present in our lake last year. The DNRs area supervisor for aquatic invasive species performed a brief inspection of the lake and confirmed the presence of the mussels.

Because our lake is not an ideal habitat for zebra mussels due to the lack of structure in 3+ feet of water, it was his opinion that we would not experience a serious infestation but may see annual fluctuations in populations.

We will discuss maintenance and what to expect at the annual meeting.

2021 Milfoil mitigation plan

We will once again treat the lake with Hydrothol-R to mitigate the milfoil infestation.

There are 10 bags left over from last year and the association will purchase 16 more bags for treating the lake according to the map at the end of this newsletter.

We will discuss in more detail at the meeting.

Key things you need to know now:

- Planned treatment is the first week in June with a second treatment at peak growth in early July (after the 4th of July weekend)
- We will mark the treatment areas with buoys the week prior
 - We need about 30 empty milk or water jugs with handles to use as buoys to mark the treatment area. Drop them off at Jack & Deb's place by May 15th if you have any.
 - Once the buoys are in place, please do not move or drive over them. They will be removed after the first treatment.
- For spreading the chemicals, we will need 3 pontoons each with 3 people each. If you are able to help, please let us know. It's easy and should take about 2 hours.
- The map below shows the 5 problem areas on the lake that the association will treat.
- If you would like to purchase Hydrothol R for treating your property frontage, please email tamefishlakeassn@gmail.com by May 1st. The cost is \$120 per 20 lb. bag. One bag should treat about 3 properties, so please coordinate with your neighbors if you would like.
- While the statement from the manufacture states there are no restrictions to swimmer or anglers, we would advise a 3-day waiting period after application.

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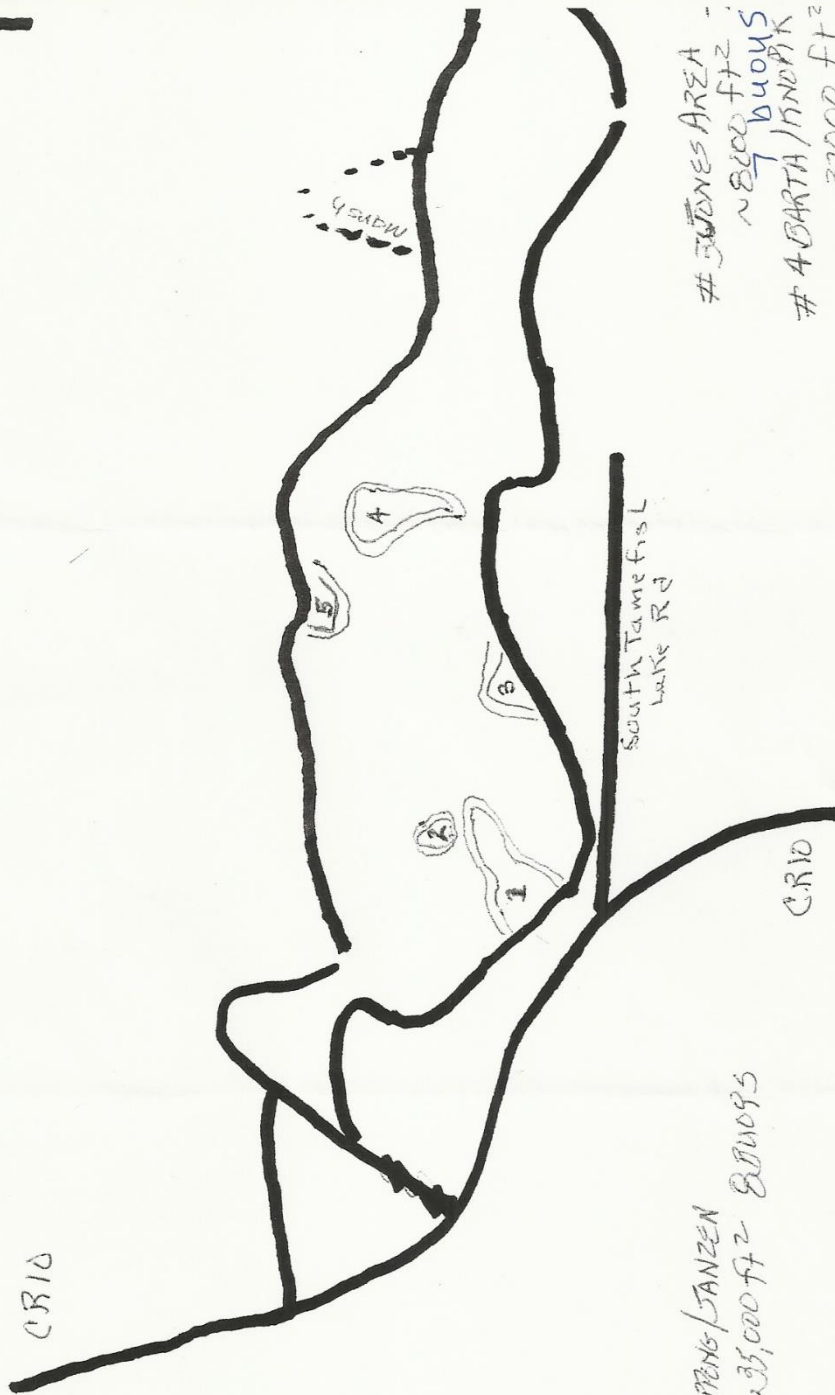
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JONES AREA
 ~8000 ft²
 7 buoys

BARTH/KNOX
 ~3200 ft²
 10 buoys

STEARNS AREA
 ~4000 ft²
 6 buoys

#1 DURING/JANZEN
 ~35,000 ft² 8 buoys

#2 NORTH OF #1
 ~6000 ft² 9 buoys

TOTAL AREA
 ~85,000 ft²