



LSA Grants available for relocation of floating bogs within the lake

The LSA board has established a \$2,000 fund which will grant up to \$200 to association members who have expenses related to moving a floating bog from their shoreline. Email LakeShamineau@gmail.com or call a board member for information. The Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District (LSLID) also has a budget item for bog mitigation.

Floating Bog Permit available to LSA members each year

Lake Shamineau Association members are able to utilize the Association's DNR Bog Mitigation Permit to remove floating cattail bogs less than 6 x 6 feet in size and relocate larger bogs by reattaching them and securing them to land. See permit rules on page 3. Non-members would need to apply for their own permit from the DNR. 2

Floating Bog DNR Rules

Per MN DNR, "The purpose of the DNR's aquatic plant management program is to balance native plant conservation with the desires of lakeshore residents to recreate and access their property. State law establishes what property owners can do to control aquatic plants. DNR fisheries APM staff administer those controls via a permitting system."

Is a DNR permit required to remove aquatic vegetation? Any control of emergent vegetation, such as cattails, and the use of pesticides in public waters does require a [DNR aquatic plant management permit](#).

Aquatic plants such as cattail, bulrush, water lilies, and other aquatic vegetation are important because they reduce wave action (thereby reducing the threat of shoreline erosion), provide fish and wildlife habitat, buffer shorelines from pollutants, and provide other

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environmental benefits. DNR aquatic plant management permits are issued through [Aquatic Plant Management Permitting Staff PDF](#). The rules governing the destruction of aquatic vegetation are found in [Minnesota Rules - Chapter 6280](#)

Who is responsible for removing a bog that floated across the lake and lodged on my shoreline? Is a DNR permit required to remove it? If a floating bog becomes a nuisance, it is the responsibility of the property owner(s) where the bog is grounded to move the bog to an acceptable location. Moving a floating bog away from your property requires a [DNR aquatic plant management permit](#) issued through the [DNR Regional Fisheries Office](#). DNR responsibility is limited to the following:

- Provide advice and approval on bog disposition.
- Remove any floating bogs lodged on state owned dams or other DNR property.

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Mission Statement: The Lake Shamineau Association is an organization dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building of community.

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Membership

The membership year for the Lake Shamineau Association is June 1 to May 31. Annual dues are \$20.00. Three-year membership is \$55.00. Non-property owners can join for a \$10.00 associate membership.

Donations

The Lake Shamineau Association is a 501C3 non-profit institution. Donations and dues are tax deductible with your check as a receipt.

Meetings

Lake Association Membership meeting is normally held the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend.

Newsletter

The newsletter is published two times a year. Deadlines are April 15 & September 15. Submissions can be sent to Sandy Williams, editor at LakeShamaineau@gmail.com



Association President's message

By Dale Williams, Lake Shamineau Association President

Quiet

A couple of years ago we decided to get a new motor for our pontoon. Rather than go all out and buy a new pontoon we bought a 60 hp Honda for our 1990 era Sun Patio pontoon. It's great. Best thing about this motor is that it's quiet. Sometimes I even forget that it's running.

When we cruise the lake, we often go slow. Sometimes we'll cruise for hours. Friends have come and they introduced us to something new- going to the middle of the lake, turning off the motor and letting the wind drift us. Nice and quiet.

This weekend I noticed a book that I'm about to read. It's called Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking by Susan Cain. I spent a lot of the time this summer at the lake and now when I return to the metro I appreciate how quiet it is at the lake.

Some have asked what the Association is working on these days. Short answer is we're listening to our members. In this issue you'll find information about moving and staking bogs, about water levels and rainfall. Not all rocket science but hope it helps.

Invite a neighbor to our spring LSA meeting on May 27, 2023. 🐾

Scandia Valley Roadside Round Up – April 29, 2023 Ditch Cleanup

JOIN US for a cleanup day to retrieve litter from roadside shoulders and ditches alongside Scandia Valley roadways. Roadside Round Up will happen Saturday morning April 28. Meet at Scandia Valley Firehall to sign in and adopt a stretch of road. All seasonal and year-round residents are invited. Area lake associations and Scandia Valley township are your hosts. Hope to see you there! 🐾

Treasurer's Report

By Jerry Lukoskie, Lake Shamineau Association Treasurer

Current balances as of October 11, 2022:

- Savings balance \$20,834.95
- Checking balance \$5,161.61 🐾

Water Quality Testing Volunteer Needed

Al Doree has been measuring water quality for over 30 years. Bob Koll has also helped Al for many years. Al says it's time for someone else to do it. He has all the equipment and can teach someone else to do it. The job consists of measuring water clarity with a Secchi disk and measuring the water temperature at various depths (thermocline). Also uses a sample kit from RMB labs with a sample bottle that is sent to RMB labs from measurements taken the third Monday of each month. Al will train new volunteers. 🐾

NOTE: [Minnesota Rules 6280](#) describes permit requirements relating to the removal of aquatic vegetation.

Subp. 2. Actions requiring an APM permit.

Except as provided in subpart 1, a person must have an APM permit for all aquatic plant management activities below the ordinary high water level in public waters, including:

1. C. relocating or removing a bog or portion thereof;

Subp. 3. Justification required for issuance of permits.

Permits for the control of emergent and floating-leaf aquatic plants will not be issued unless the commissioner determines sufficient justification exists. The commissioner will consider the relevant criteria in subpart 3a and balance the reasonable needs of riparian owners to gain access and use public water against the need to protect emergent and floating-leaf aquatic plants so that the integrity and value of the aquatic plant community is maintained.

Subp. 3a. Criteria for issuing APM permits.

The commissioner may issue APM permits for public waters to provide riparian access, enhance recreational use, control invasive aquatic plants, manage water levels, and protect or improve habitat. The following criteria shall be considered to determine if an APM permit should be approved or denied and how much control or harvest to allow under an APM permit:

- A. **the presence of aquatic plants or nuisances that are interfering with a permit applicant's ability to use watercraft, swim, or engage in other traditional recreational uses;**

2022 DNR Bog Permit Rules

The bog permit is obtained annually for lake association members.

Authorized Control Area:

Migrating floating bog(s) on Shamineau (49012700).

Migrating free-floating cattail bogs within Shamineau Lake may be removed if they are < or = to 6X6 feet in size and larger migrating free-floating bogs may be moved and reattached in the SE bay area adjacent to state land or the NW bay area as long as they are not reattached in an area adjacent to private property and blocking their access to the lake. Work is to be done by association members only as they occur during the 2022 open water season.

Authorized Action:

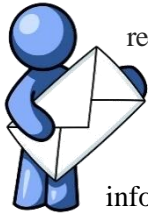
Relocating and/or removing of migrating floating bogs.

Relocated migrating bogs must be secured to prevent further movement using wooden stakes. This permit authorizes the transport of aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species during bog relocation or removal activities.

Before transporting the bog for disposal you must: (1) drain excess water from the bog material before leaving the water body, for example by parking the truck on an incline; (2) transport the bog material directly from the water body to the disposal site; (3) dispose of bog material at least 300 feet from any waters of the state or seasonally flooded lands; and (4) clean all aquatic plants, sediment and prohibited invasive species from all equipment with each load – no vegetation should be on the outside of the transport truck/trailer before using public roads. If you intend to remove the floating bog via a public access, make sure you contact the owner of the access (an access permit may be necessary).

The use of any heavy equipment (e.g. backhoe or bobcat) is not allowed to remove floating cattail bog under this permit and no removal of the lake bottom is allowed under this permit. DNR APM staff in Little Falls (320-232-1079) must be notified before large bogs greater than 50X50' in size are moved. Bogs must be inspected by permit holder prior to removal for presence of loon nests.

Update your contact information



The Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) has a contact list that includes current and past members as well as property of record. These contacts owners have been gathered through membership records and by members contacting the LSA with updates. Members wishing to receive the LSA Newsletter electronically have provided the LSA with email addresses.

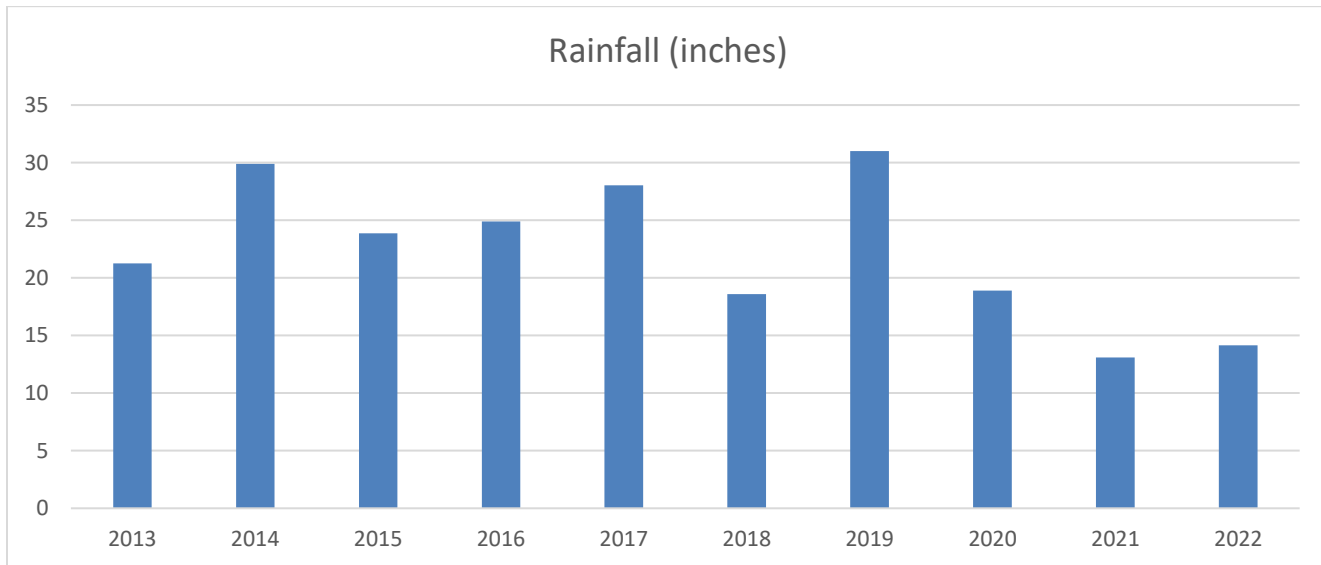
If you have corrections to your contact information or wish to add an email address, email the LSA at LakeShamineau@gmail.com.

The LSA has adopted a privacy policy that limits emails to two newsletters per year or to distribute timely information that the Board deems important enough to warrant notification of members.

The LSA will never sell, rent or share a member's personal information to third parties for their use without the consent of the member. 🐾

Morrison County Tree Sale

Contact Jennifer at Morrison Soil and Water Conservation District at Jennifer.knopik@morrisonswcd.org or (320) 631-3552 to be added to the Tree Sale Order Form list via mail or email this year. The order form will be sent out in December to begin our tree sale on Wednesday, January 4, 2023. We will have over 50 varieties of trees and shrubs available including shoreland- and wetland-friendly species.



Rainfall (inches) through Sept 2022

Mar. 1.0"
Apr 2.615"
May 3.46"

Jun 4.58"
Jul 2.16"
Aug 2.83"

Sep 1.13"

Total rainfall this summer from March to September was 17.775 inches compared to last summer it was 17.35 inches. Comparing the last four summers for May through September, 2022 had 14.16 inches, 2021 had 13.08 inches, 2020 had 18.91 inches and 2019 had 31.01 inches. These four comparisons excluded March, April and October due to differing months in each year's data. Note that the past two summers have had half the rainfall of 2019 and well below the average of 24.3 inches for the previous ten years. 🐾

MINUTES

Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) Board Meeting via email June 22, 2022

Board members present: Dale Williams, Jerry Lukoskie, Kim Salibury, Sandy Williams Ty Peterson, Rick Fagereng, Don Kirchner, Dave Graning

Board members not present: Michael Krause

Sale of ETF Equipment- Regarding the sale of various items which LSA has acquired to support past projects initiated by the Emergency Task Force. This included the 1800 ft of 8-inch irrigation pipe and the 2 hp submersible pump. As there seemed to be some interest in the submersible pump it was agreed that we would solicit bids for the equipment but before a final sale we would reconvene and agree on a final sale.

Dale posted an ad on Craigslist and now have a bid for the 8-inch pipe. LSA paid \$2 per ft, about \$3600 and then got some additional new gaskets so has about \$4000 invested. The bid for the pipe (just the pipe not the pump) is \$4250, about \$2.40/ft.

Dale recommended that LSA sells the pipe as demand is seasonal and if we pass on this bid we risk damage to the pipe (currently stored under trees on Ramey property), loss to theft and/or difficulties finding another buyer who can move 40' pipe sections.

Don Kirchner made the motion to sell the pipe to the potential buyer. Rick seconded the motion. The motion passed. It was suggested that the pump be offered for sale to the Scandia Valley Township to see if they are interested in it.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Note: The Scandia Valley Township declined the offer and the pump is listed for sale.

Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) Board Meeting October 11, 2022

Board members present: Dale Williams, Jerry Lukoskie, Kim Salibury, Sandy Williams Ty Peterson, Rick Fagereng

Board members not present: Michael Krause, Dave Graning, Don Kirchner

Roadside Roundup Ditch Cleanup weekend 2023 –Scandia Valley Township and other local lake associations sponsored a roadside cleanup on May 7, 2022. Supplies (gloves, bags, vests) were provided at the town hall that morning. This project will be repeated on April/May 2023.

Floating Bogs Fund – Proposal to establish a bog fund of \$2,000 to assist LSA members to move bogs. LSA members can be reimbursed for up to \$200 of the cost to move a bog. Bogs should be over 250 square feet, (i.e. too large for the property owner to move independently). LSA will seek out a competitive hourly rate with a qualified 'mover'. Initial costs appear to be around \$300/hour to move and place the bog. Estimated time to move a bog is 1-2 hours. The owner should be willing to help stake and stabilize the bog. LSA has a permit to remove smaller bogs (up to 6 ft by 6 ft) and Audrey from DNR says this permit can be amended to include larger bogs if there is care to consider non-transfer of invasive species, where to dispose, etc. Removal tends to be very expensive and LSA does not wish to fund removals at this time.

A motion was made by Kim to establish this fund, seconded by Jerry. Motion passed unanimously.

It was also suggested that we establish a volunteer list of people who would be willing to push a bog with boats and get it staked in place. DNR says either in the southeast corner or northwest corner of the lake.

Dale will contact the Lake Improvement District regarding their budget of \$500 for 2023 as to how they might add to the LSA grants, perhaps \$50 - \$100 per incident.

Culvert Funding Request by the Emergency Task Force for ditch on private land – A north-south farm ditch, south of County Road 203, 0.3 miles north of County Road 3 and east of Bugle Road, proposal to put in a culvert to allow water to run south. Currently is blocked by cattle crossing.

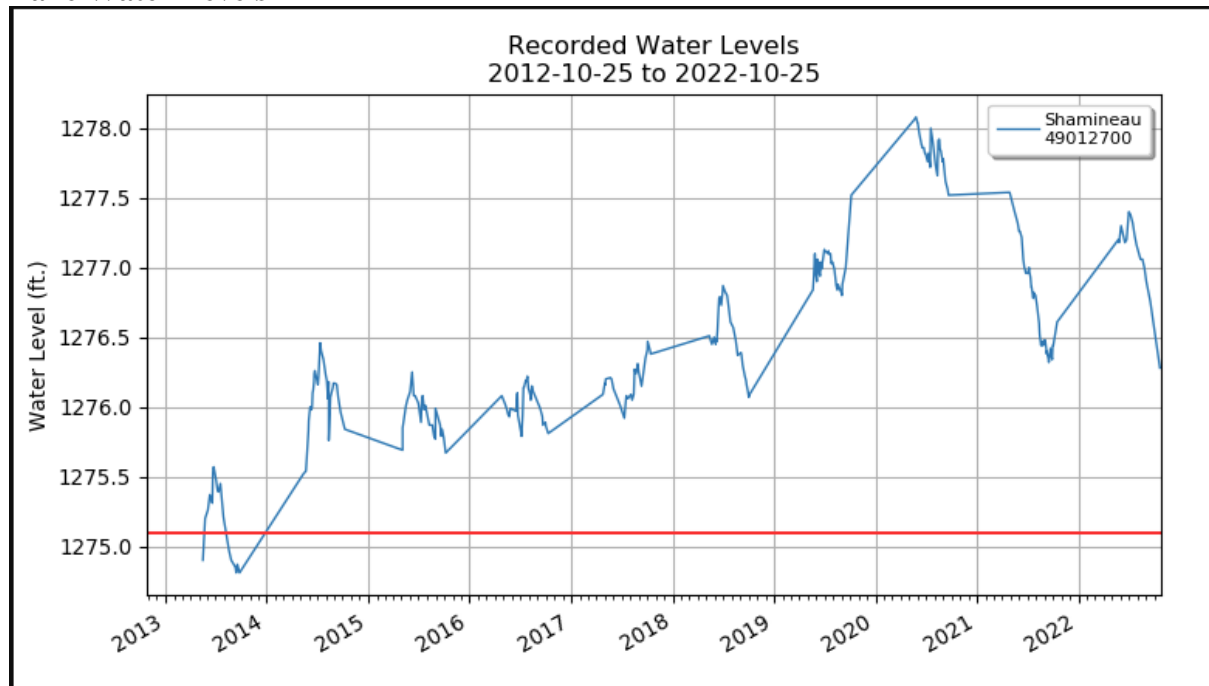
This appears to be ag-related and a project NRCS could support (erosion and dealing with sedimentation). Questions raised: Has cost share been explored with NRCS-USDA? Will the owner contribute? Who maintains the culvert if there is future sedimentation, beavers blocking, plugging, etc.

Motion was made by Dale and seconded by Rick for the LSA to contribute \$1,000 to the project. When it is complete and with a copy of the invoice, LSA would contribute one third of the cost, not to exceed \$1,000. The LSA would not be involved with maintenance or any future expense relating to the project.

Website: Michael was unable to attend and will send information on where we stand in the development and hosting of a new website. The board would like to review and discuss and have something within a month so that the fall newsletter can list the new address.

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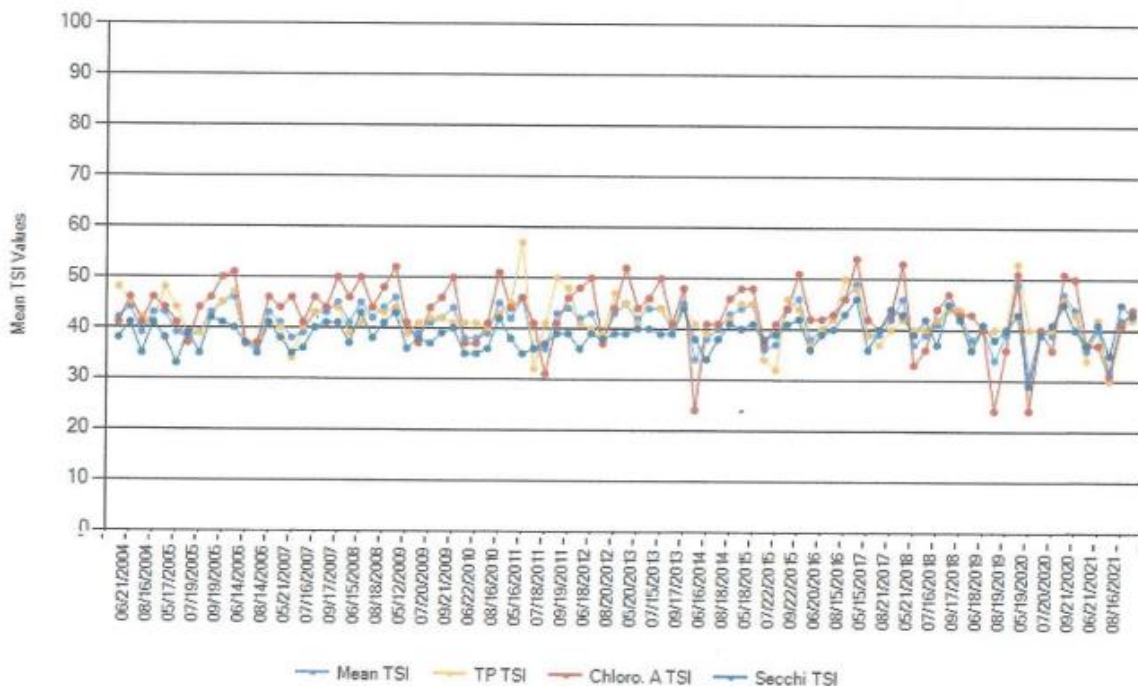
Lake Water Levels -



Water Quality Report -

Mean TSI Seasonal Trends

| County | MN ID# | Lake | Site | Data Evaluated | Date Range | Data Source |
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2022 Lake Shamineau Association Membership Form

Thank you for supporting your Lake Shamineau Association!

Date _____

Name _____ email _____

Mailing address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Lake Address _____

☐ Please send the newsletter via email

Membership: ☐ Property Owner \$20 (1 Year) ☐ \$55 (3 year) ☐ Associate Member \$10

\$_____ Additional Contribution for: ☐ Water Quality ☐ Wildlife ☐ Fisheries ☐ Other

☐ I would like a membership sign \$5.00

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