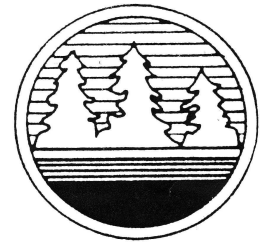




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LAKE PLANTS UPDATE: Slender Water Nymph - by Mike Prince, Watershed Chair

Sources: Ben Peterson, Aquatic Noxious Weed Specialist, King County Noxious Weed Control Program
Jen Parsons, Aquatic Plant Specialist, Washington State Department of Ecology

Most Prominent Lake Margaret Aquatic Plant = *Najas guadalupensis* (slender water nymph)

- Perennial native aquatic plant - lives year-round and for many years in shallow areas of Lake Margaret
- Spread across Lake Margaret over time by floating cuttings and seed. Hard to slow down since it doesn't die off in the winter!
- Can grow from fragments, so harvesting should try to minimize fragment creation
- Fruit/seeds present in late summer
- Positives: native plant that adds good fish habitat and helps filter water
- Negatives: crowds out other plant diversity around the lake - more diversity is healthier; Impacts recreation by making boat launch and swimming from shores and docks less inviting.
- Removal and mitigation is possible and legal for 10' wide areas of each homeowner's shoreline with a simple "pamphlet permit" between July 16 - September 30. Ben recommends the early part of the window before seeding and working hard to remove fragments from the lake since it re-grows from fragments.
- More details on recommended removal methods from Ben is listed on the LMCPC Web page under the Information tab.
- Ben Peterson's Slides from the February Lake Margaret Board Meeting presentation: <http://lakemargaret.org/lake-plants-info/>

COVID-19

These are uncertain times in so many ways with news of the Coronavirus changing nearly every day. But on behalf the Lake Margaret Community Purposes Club Board, we'd like to reassure you about three simple facts. Your water is safe to drink. LMCPC follows strict drinking water regulations that have been established to prevent waterborne pathogens, such as a virus like COVID-19, from contaminating drinking water. In fact, our fairly unique water treatment

plant uses ozone as the primary disinfectant (many times more effective & faster than chlorine), then utilizes an ultraviolet sanitation step, and finally a chlorine residual is maintained at all times during water storage and distribution. Please visit the Environmental Protection Agency's webpage for more information on the Coronavirus and Drinking Water and Wastewater (<https://www.epa.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus-and-drinking-water-and-wastewater>). We will continue to deliver safe water to you. LMCPC has plans in place for handling emergencies of this type and has conducted exercises to prepare itself for a variety of events. We have also implemented a Continuity of Operations plans to ensure our operations can continue in an emergency. We will assist you in this time of crisis. We know the response to COVID-19 will lead to economic hardships. That's why LMCPC has suspended all water shut-offs due to delinquent payments to ensure all customers have access to this vital resource. Customers who are concerned about being able to pay a bill should contact the LMCPC board. Thank you for your time and attention in this matter, and please stay healthy.

Sincerely, Your Lake Margaret Community Purposes Club Board



NEXT VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING—WEDNESDAY, April 22, 2020 —7 PM
Directions on how to log onto ZOOM will be on the Facebook page.

Board meetings are generally held at the B.A.B. located at Lot 194, behind the home of Tom Sinclair & Sue Beauvais
32933 NE 195th St. at the south end of the Lake 425.788.1627 Email: suebeauvais@gmail.com

Annual Meeting: Saturday, June 13, 2020 10AM-Noon at Cherry Gardens Lodge*

**unless cancelled due to Covid 19 WA state quarantine*



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The progress on the replacement water storage tank for Lake Margaret has been slow. We have provided all requested data to King County Permitting Division on November 21, with additional follow-up information to answer questions provided on December 27, February 21, and March 30. We are hopeful that this last data submission will be the last significant hurdle and that construction will begin soon. Joe has begun to have weekly permitting discussions with King County in order to expedite this process. As always, we will keep residents updated on progress and issues as they may arise.



One project this Spring is to construct a sturdy base for the porta potty on the swim lot May to September. Those who want to help plan and build, please contact Suebeauvais@gmail.com



Our missing floating dock rescued by volunteer Brian Healy for some much-needed repairs. For those who use the swim lot regularly please contact: Suebeauvais@gmail.com to help with its restoration.



Chipper Day was appreciated but unfortunately there were some guidelines we should have been following that were not communicated to homeowners, and our expenditures went well over budget. We will try to obtain additional grant money to make up for the over-ages.

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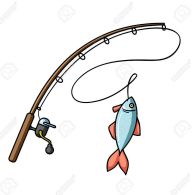
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THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

A big thanks to Brian Healy, Paul Vanderwulp, Fawn Dunbar, Christi & Ron Johnston-Rodriguez, John Knapp, Martha Konishi, Jan Mathis, Kurt Watson and sons, Tom Sinclair & Sue Beauvais for clearing brush at the Fish & Game lot.



A huge shout out to Kurt Watson and sons, and to Dean Weatherman for clearing a definitive path to the Community fishing lot on 330th and spreading chips there so we don't have to trespass on private property to get to it. We still need to do some work on the dock area itself and erect a sign, so please contact Suebeauvais@gmail.com if you would like to be involved.



Fishing season has been delayed due to Corona virus—updates will be listed on the Facebook page as they become available.

