



Trade River Lakes News

The Round Trade Lake Improvement Association May 2019 Newsletter

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**More Fish, More Fun, Clean
Water for Everyone**

Summer Fun!

By Frederick Painter

Each of our lakes are surrounded by lake property owners who have a huge interest in maintaining their property values. Part of that is a good knowledge of what's happening on the lake. The Association tries to communicate with all of its members regularly, but no one knows your neighborhood like you. So, we need your help. Every lake has a Lake Representative and every lake has roads around it with cabins and lots. We need one lake owner from each road around each lake to help the Lake Rep maintain an idea of how the Association can best serve its members. Whether you already know your neighbors or would just like to help us build community, please contact the Association at (generic email address) as soon as possible. We have exciting things planned for the next year and want everyone to get the most out of their lake experience.

Join our Email Distribution List and Like us on Facebook

In light of recent activities within the Town of Trade Lake, it has become apparent that we need a quicker way to contact RTLIA members and interested parties. Please help us to quickly get a

hold of you by joining our Email List and liking us on Facebook.

Email List: Go to [<https://tradelakeassoc.org/>], Select [[Join our Email List](#)]. Your data is secure and will only be used for RTLIA business and never shared.

Facebook: Go to [<https://www.facebook.com/roundtradelakeimprovementassociation>], Select [Like]

Thanks for your help!

No Hogs, Docks or Buoys

By Reid McFarland

The Annual Trade Lake Town meeting held April 18th was packed because of a proposal to approve a Concentrated Hog Feeding Operation (CAFO) on Highway 48 North of Trade Lake. At the meeting, which lasted until 10 PM, the town also voted to remove five of the seven buoys in Trade Lake and declined a request from RTLIA for the town to buy two new docks for the public landings on Big Trade and Round Lakes. Further details at www.facebook.com/intercountyleader and toggle down to "Hog farm not well received".

2019 RTLIA Meeting Dates

All meetings take place on Saturday mornings at Trade Lake Townhall 11810 Townhall Road Frederic, WI 54837

Meetings start at 9 am and you do not need to be a member to attend.

May 18

June 22

July 6th – Boat Parade @ noon followed by Picnic in open field by Pickerel Point

August 17

September 21

Yoga in the Park

Sun Salutations is a morning yoga practice to quiet the mind, energize the body, and show deep

appreciation to the sun. It's a sequence of movements where you flow from one movement to the next rhythmically linking the poses with full deep breathing. Any ability can practice sun salutations and it's a great way to warm up the body to start the day, while saluting the morning sun.

Join Amy Klous at the Atlas Park (Long Trade Lake) on Sunday mornings at 9:30 starting May 26 for Morning Glory Yoga where we will do Sun Salutations, SomaYoga and classic asana. This is for all levels and abilities. Price is free will offering. Bring your yoga mat, water, sunscreen, and whatever you feel you need to be comfortable. Follow my Facebook Page [@aimfulwanderings](#) for more information and to watch for any updates or changes.

Volunteer Opportunity

We have a request for volunteers to ride along with Matt Berg when he tours our lakes to identify the Invasive Species beds. One for each lake would be wonderful. Please contact a board member if interested.

Survey Response

By Frederick Painter

As some of you may recall, the Association listed an online survey in the last newsletter, website and Facebook. We got 20 responses. Thank you. A summary of those responses is:

1. Should we allow non-voting organizational members? Yes 15, No 3, Maybe 2
2. Should we offer a free non-voting student membership? Yes 18, No 1, Maybe 1
3. How do you want to receive your quarterly newsletter?

Snail mail 6	Email attachment	11
Facebook 2	Website download	1

 Electronic transmission would save \$2000 per year.
4. Boater education parties with your neighbors. Yes 10, No 5, Maybe 2
5. How much time do you spend on the lake? Full time 7, Lots 10, Some 3
6. Cabin owners 19 Lake Protector 1
7. Bad question
8. Location of your property:

- Long Trade 4 Round 4
- Little Trade 4 Big Trade 4
- 9. Little Trade boat ramp Yes 7, No 7
- 10. Fish stocking, boat landings and invasive species control were strong positives. Some support was for pontoon parades and a winter ice festival.

If other people's opinions are of interest to you, please take our next survey which will come in the summer newsletter and be posted on the website and Facebook. We really need your input to do a good job for you. Join the team by volunteering for an activity soon.



Ugh!!! They want me to write about finances

By Scott Hansen

A special shout out and thank you to our new "*Friend of the Trade River Lakes*" with "Pan Fish" level dues/donations from

Brent & Kathleen Rundquist
Tom Daellenbach
Rick Solt
Mike & Janelle Moe
Randall & Victoria Urtel
Roger & Vicki Breault
Steve & Toni Wilburn

"*Friend of the Trade River Lakes*" As your donation, on top of membership dues, grows to the following levels, your name will be published in the Newsletter and on the website (unless you don't want it to be) under your category. You will receive a gift to memorialize your generosity and to express the thanks of the Association.

Pan Fish \$100.00+ Bass \$500.00+
Walleye \$1000.00+ Muskie \$2500.00+

The dues and donations are good as the first quarter have surpassed our 3-year first quarter average. However, the second quarter has the largest average amount and surpassing that would be phenomenal. It's true that donations are critical in regard to our grants, volunteer hours can be even more so. Please don't hesitate to help, I think a lot of people do grant related work without even knowing about it, so thinking about it and then entering into the web site means \$\$\$ for the association. These could be but not limited to:

- Checking for zebra mussels when you take your dock out (15 min. x 200+ docks = 50 Volunteer hours)
- Cleaning out non-native weeds from your shoreline or the hourly equivalent of paying someone to do it
- Boating around and looking for non-native weed beds and reporting results for DNR data base input with boat time included. (*use discretion*)
- Grilling hot dogs for CBCW volunteers at boat landings

For many of you, coming to the lake is a weekend activity and you have many things to do, so have fun and try to remember to register any volunteer hours you may have on the web site.

In Days of Yore

By Tom Daellenbach

Where cows once grazed and goats roamed... Turn back the hands of time. The year is 1959. My folks had just built a small cottage on Big Trade Lake and we spent every possible moment of the summer enjoying the new lake retreat. Things were much different then. Cedar Point Resort boasted only a few quaint rental cabins; there was a string of older cottages located on the eastern shore, adjacent to County Rd. Z, a handful of places near the channel between Little and Big Trade, and two very picturesque places on the long outlet-bay. The current main public landing did not exist. Instead it was only plotted on paper and that triple pronged peninsula area was being divided into lots

where simple summer cabins were gradually being put up. Big and Little Trade lakes were very quiet then with most of the shoreline being either woods or farm land.

I recall many happy youthful days fishing in Little Trade Lake, on its eastern shore, opposite the island. Even if the fish were not biting, it was fascinating to watch the goats that pastured along that shore. Huge willow trees overhung the lake back then and when the goats made their appearance, they would climb out on the tree trunks and jump up the branches, nibbling tender new leaves. At the time I had never seen a goat and marveled at how nimble they were. It seemed that at any moment one might fall in the water but they never did.

On Big Trade Lake, there were spots where barb wire fences ran far out into the lake to keep the Holstein cows in check. It evokes a sweet pastoral vision. But all was not as idyllic as it might seem. The cows spent much of the hot days cooling off in the lake and naturally it also served as their bathroom. Small wonder that the lake seemed so murky and green. Bullhead fish flourished and after we swam, we could always count on the ritual of removing leeches from our bodies. These days I still swim regularly and happily can say it is now a rarity to encounter a leech.

Sometimes we think wistfully of the past..." the good old days". But isn't any moment in time really a mixed bag? I've read that 'the only constant is change'. And so, things evolve with time. I wonder what today's 9-year-old may be remembering, 60 years from now, for the good or bad, about their childhood days on the Trade River Chain of Lakes?



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