

Ten Mile Lake Association Newsletter

Spring 2018

Dedicated to the Preservation and Improvement of Ten Mile Lake and its Environment

Calendar of Summer Events, First Edition.

See the website for most current info.

April 15	Deadline for Spring Newsletter	Thank you to everyone who contributed!	
May 13	Reservation Deadline for Spring Fling - \$25 per person	Heidi Hoppe, 4085 Forseman Point Drive N W, Hackensack MN 56452	
May 19	Spring Fling	Changed Location - Tianna 5 PM Social time (cash bar), 5:30 buffet dinner	5 PM
May 19	Board Meeting	Bruce Carlson's Home	9 AM
June 15	Deadline for Summer Newsletter	Articles to:	
June 16	Board Meeting	Teresa Conway's Home	9 AM
July 4	Holiday Boat Parade	North Shore - South End of Long's Bay South Shore - Public Access	10 AM
July 21	Board Meeting	Mike and Linda Schwartz's Home	9 AM
August 4	Annual Meeting	Union Congregational Church, Hackensack	9:30 AM
August 18	Board Meeting	Justin Krueger's Home	9 AM
September 1	Deadline for Fall Newsletter	Articles to:	
September 15	Board Meeting	Diane and John Power's Home	9 AM
September	Fall Fete	TBA	

We need a few volunteers to host Men's and Women's Coffees, see schedules on page 10

Membership Update

The Anchor is open for business. Many of you have already signed in and updated your profile. Those of you who have not should review your profile before the 2018 Directory is printed to make sure your information is correct and complete. We have extended the deadline into the summer. If you need help signing in to the Anchor or making changes in your profile, please read the User's Manual (there is a link to it on the TMLA website on the home page) OR contact Annie Swanstrom, the membership coordinator, at membership@tenmilelake.org, 218-429-1164.

Those of you receiving a printed newsletter will find your profile info enclosed with the newsletter. Please review.

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(Open positions to be filled at first board meeting - to volunteer contact Karen Arsan)

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A word from the president about some developing situations....

It has very recently come to my attention that the big Ag potato farm (RDO) is on the move and coming in our direction.

I knew that not long ago the DNR had refused them a permit for a central pivot well that they need for this kind of farming and I had been greatly relieved. But that decision was reversed, and they are again turning the forest into fields that need a huge amount of water and chemicals and aerial spraying.

Michael Tauber has written a good letter to the editor for the April 18 edition of the Walker Pilot on this topic. Please see this for the detail. Mike lives SW of Ten Mile and says they are now only 2 miles away from his place.

I spoke with Josh Stevenson, Cass County Administrator, a few days ago and he recommended a petition to the Environmental Quality Board with 100 signatures, at least, from concerned neighbors. I was happy to learn that Mike has already done that.

TMLA will follow this issue and do our best to keep you informed and offer ways to become involved. Please update your Anchor profile to include your email address if you have one. If an urgent issue comes up we will contact you by email, or through the website.

CLOSURE OF 371 FROM BACKUS TO HACKENSACK

There will be a major detour from Backus to Hackensack this September-October as that section of 371 is reconstructed and the culverts redone. The prep work will be done in August with periodic lane closures. The detour will begin **after Labor Day, Sept 4**. The highway will be closed for about 5 weeks. The detour will take you west on 87 through Backus and on to 64. At 64 you turn right and go north on 64 until Hubbard County 19. You turn right again and take 19 going east and it becomes Cass County 40 that will take you back to 371 at Mann Lake. There will be access to businesses and homes along the closed section but will be on alternate side access roads.

Drive with care and expect delays!

There was a meeting about this on March 20, 2018. Contact Kirk Allen, Construction Project Manager at 218-828-5739 if you have questions. And/or use this link for more complete summer road work information for 371.

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d3/2018/h371/>

Legislative Affairs Committee Update

With increasing legislative activity at the state capital concerning environmental issues related to water quality, aquatic invasive species (AIS), and protection of related resources, the TMLA Board of Directors approved the implementation of the Legislative Affairs Committee.

The mission of the committee is to report on legislative issues related to lake quality, environmental stewardship and any other issues consistent with the purposes and objectives of the Ten Mile Lake Association ("TMLA"). The Committee will also follow the activities of other agencies and organizations—from local to federal government entities, as well as non-governmental organizations and volunteer efforts—where their activities may impact the Ten Mile Lake water quality or the surrounding environment.

In addition to connecting with members via the TMLA website and newsletter, the Committee will reach members on urgent matters related to its mission using a legislative alert. For example, if a bill is coming to the Minnesota State Legislature for a vote, we intend to make you aware of the issue with a short email message. The alert will allow members to quickly notify their legislators of their position.

The committee is heartened by attention in the popular press to the important work of lake associations across Minnesota in protecting the quality of lakes and the resources they support, and to their importance in contributing to decision-making at both the local and state level. As one example, the committee recommends the article included below from the Star Tribune for further reading: [“Minnesota lake associations give millions in money and volunteer hours, study finds.”](#)

Finally, the Committee notes that many TMLA members have contacts and familiarity with the state and local regulatory bodies. If you become aware of a legislative or regulatory matter which should be brought to the attention of the TMLA Board or its members, please drop a note to one of the Legislative Affairs Committee members.

If you have questions, suggestions, or concerns, please contact TMLA Legislative Affairs Committee members directly. Current members include:

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Patricia Mitchell: operamitch@comcast.net

Michael Schwartz: jmschwartz@comcast.net
Barrett Colombo: bwcolombo@gmail.com

Loon Journal

As another spring arrives loons will return as soon as the ice thaws from the lake. Loons will pair up and begin looking at nesting sites. They often reuse the same nest that they occupied the year before. A little refurbishing is easier than starting over.

The best time to observe loons and their nesting behaviors is in May and June. Males and females share sitting on the eggs and protecting the nest. Always watch Loons from at least 150 feet away. It's best to use binoculars or a telescope.

When a loon becomes agitated and calls out – you are seen as a threat to them and you are too close. Leave that area! (even if YOU think it's OK.....the loons think that you're too close- leave their area.)

Always be a responsible boater. Keep canoes and kayaks away from the nest. Avoid making large wakes with motorboats and personal watercraft. Wakes can flood the nests and may cause the eggs to be lost or abandoned.

Be an ethical angler. Never fish in loon nesting territory. Never cast a bait toward a loon. Always use unleaded fishing gear. Dispose of fishing line and old bait in the garbage.



Loons deal with all types of predators and intruders. Human impact and disruptions are not acceptable. Always try to be an advocate for the loons! Please do your part so that we can have another successful year for chicks on Ten Mile Lake.

The incubation time for a loon egg to hatch is 26-29 days. Stay alert.....the chicks are coming!!

Kim Moe

Reminder: Your email address and the addresses of your other family members are the **ONLY** way the Association can get in touch with Safety Alerts. Please keep your email addresses up to date in the Anchor and encourage family members to join the Association so everyone stays informed and up to date. See following article...

That's a Good Question.....Keeping Your Cabin Safe

Q: I heard about the cabin break-ins recently. Times have changed! Got any hints to prevent these break-ins?

A: Yes, times have changed. Without going into specific products or services there are a few suggestions we can make. Cass County Sheriff Burch had a few other suggestions as well:

- Keep your driveway plowed. Ask a neighbor to walk around your place so there are obvious tracks.
- Have someone check your mail, so it doesn't pile up. Stop the newspaper.
- Have an inside radio or TV on a timer.
- Have various inside lights on different timers, so they come on at different times in the evening/morning.
- Consider multiple outdoor motion-activated lights, dead bolt locks and heavy-duty padlocks.
- You might want to have someone put your garbage can out.... Anything to make it look like someone is there.
- Have an alarm system. We find that burglars usually don't bother places with alarms. Consider a service or signage.
- If you see something, say something.

A big deterrent is having someone keep his or her eyes on your property. There are several 'cabin watch' services that TMLA members use. (We don't make recommendations but ask around.) Make a habit of watching your neighbor's homes as you walk. If you are gone over the winter or for long periods, inform the Sheriff's Office so they know to keep an eye on your place. If you see any suspicious cars or people you do not know ALWAYS call the Sheriff's Office – day or night. They patrol often and need our assistance in this safety effort.

A current statement from our sheriff:

"One item from a Cass County burglary was located with a suspect in Crow Wing County. Cass County has been unable to tie this suspect to burglaries in our county (only possession of stolen property). We have possibly identified the suspects; however, at this time, we do not have enough to charge them.

The location of this suspect was due to an observant resident seeing a suspicious vehicle and reporting it to law enforcement. The burglary in the Ten Mile Lake area remains open and the Sheriff's Office is continuing to identify suspects in the case.

We encourage our residents to report suspicious happenings in their neighborhoods. This is a prime example of how our observant neighbors can assist law enforcement in our efforts to fight crime and keep our communities safe. If you have any questions, please contact me."

Cass County Sheriff Tom Burch
Cass County Sheriff's Office – **218-547-7308**

PO Box 1119 – 303 MN Ave
Walker MN 56484

Previous Good Questions available, see link on the home page of the TML website

www.tenmilelake.org

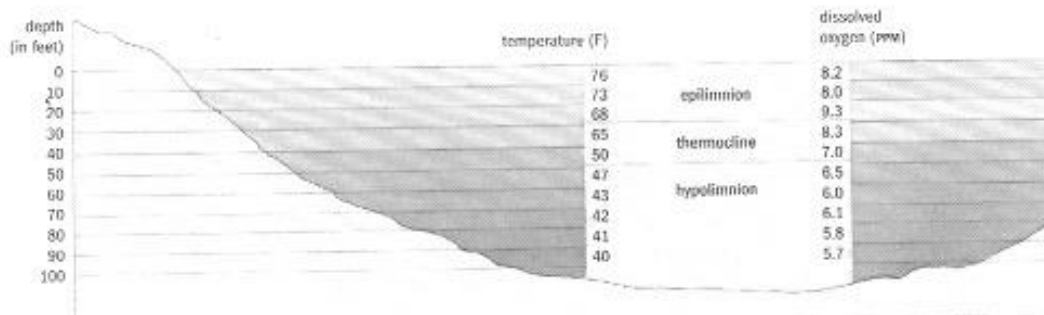
The Thermocline

Bruce Carlson

If you want to really understand how a lake works, learning what a thermocline is and how it affects the lake is an excellent starting point. For many lake dwellers, this falls into the area of abstract knowledge, but for fisherpersons, it is vital information that can make or break a fishing expedition. This article can be looked at as Thermocline 101, and it will focus on the life history of the thermocline in Ten Mile on a typical year. For those who may be interested in more specific details, you should check the yearly temperature/oxygen profiles that are posted on the TMLA Website.

What Is a Thermocline?

The simplest definition is that the thermocline is a layer where the water temperature changes more rapidly per unit of depth than it does either above or below it. The following illustration, taken from my book *Beneath the Surface*, shows a thermocline in a generic lake.



In this figure, you will notice that between ~35 and 45 feet, the water temperature drops by 15 degrees. This represents a well-developed thermocline in mid-to late summer. The layer of water above the thermocline is known as the epilimnion and that below the thermocline is called the hypolimnion.

How a Thermocline Develops

In order to understand how a thermocline develops, it is important to recognize the effect of temperature on the density of water. The density of water is greatest at 39°F. Water warmer and colder than 39° is less dense. This means that in the summer, when the surface water is warm, the coldest water is at the bottom of a lake. In the winter, the opposite happens – the warmest water is at the bottom, and the water at the top is 32°, freezing temperature. This is why lakes freeze from the top down instead of from the bottom up.

With this knowledge, let's begin in the early spring, shortly after the ice has gone out. The surface water has warmed up a bit, and the water temperature is 39° from top to bottom. This period is known as the spring turnover. Then as the weather continues to warm, the surface water warms further, resulting in a shallow temperature gradient from top to bottom. By mid-May, when I usually begin take temperature/oxygen profiles from the deepest part of the lake, the surface temperature is typically around 50°, and that at the bottom has warmed up to 41°. Down to about 25 feet, the water temperature doesn't change much, but between 30 and 50 feet, it drops about 5 degrees. From 50 to 200 feet, the water temperature only drops a degree or two.

The middle layer of water from 25 to 50 feet represents the beginning of the formation of the thermocline. The overall depth of the thermocline is related to the amount of mixing of the surface water. In a larger lake, such as Ten Mile, wave action results in a relatively deep layer of unstable surface water. In many smaller lakes, the thermocline may develop in water as shallow as 10-12 feet. Below the thermocline, the water is very stable, with minimal mixing.

As spring merges in to summer, the surface water will have warmed to the upper 60's, and a well-defined thermocline has already developed, with the temperature dropping from ~65° to 48° between 30 and 45 feet. In Ten Mile, there is still plenty of dissolved oxygen all the way down to 200 feet, but in many smaller, fertile lakes the dissolved oxygen has already dropped to levels that are incompatible with most animal life. This means that in these lakes all the fish must swim in the waters in or above the thermocline.

By late summer, as the surface waters reach their maximum warm temperatures, the thermocline becomes narrower, with a much steeper temperature gradient. In addition, the top of the thermocline drops into deeper water because of the warming of the epilimnion. In late August, the water temperature is virtually identical from the surface to as far down as 35 feet or so. Then within 5 or 6 feet, it is not unusual for the water temperature to drop by 12-15 degrees.

As summer merges into fall and the water begins to cool, the thermocline continues to drop. On October 24, 2017 the water temperature was identical (53°) from the surface all the way down to 52 feet. Then in the next 5 feet, it dropped by 7 degrees.

Sometime in November, when the surface water cools down to 39°, the water temperature becomes identical from top to bottom. This is known as the fall turnover, and it marks the end of the thermocline for the year. In many lakes the time of the fall turnover is recognizable because gunk from the bottom is released and floats on the surface. As the weather becomes colder, the surface waters are now less dense than the water at the bottom (Remember that the maximum density of water is 39°), and they will get colder until ice forms.

The Thermocline and Fishing

Knowledge of water temperature dynamics and temperature preferences of fish is one of the most important tools in the mental tacklebox of an angler. For many of the most sought-after species in Ten Mile, understanding the relationship between their temperature preferences and tolerance can be the difference between fishing success and failure.

As a generalization, the fish in Ten Mile can be grouped into three categories with respect to temperature preference. Warm water fishes, such as largemouth bass and sunfish, are perfectly comfortable in water over 75 degrees. For these species, the thermocline isn't very important. Cold water fishes prefer temperatures in the 50's and below. These include whitefish, ciscoes, suckers and large northern pike. In the middle are walleyes, perch, small pike and smallmouth bass. These are cool water fishes, and they prefer temperatures in the upper 60's to low 70's.

In the springtime, coldwater fishes can be found all over the lake. In May, it is common to see groups of whitefish swimming in 5-6 feet of water close to shore. Ciscoes are always deep and prefer water in the 46-degree range. Until the thermocline begins to form, cool and warm water fishes often gravitate to the warmest water they can find. For both walleyes and northern pikes, trolling just a few feet below the surface in the spring is a good way to catch them, although they can also be caught much deeper. Both largemouth and smallmouth bass are spawning and feeding in less than 10 feet of water.

Once the thermocline has become fully established in the summer, the coldwater fish have all gravitated to the deeper water of the hypolimnion below the thermocline. In Ten Mile, most of the larger northern pike have moved to the deeper water, which they share with whitefish and suckers, both of which are preferred food of large pike. Small pike are more tolerant of warm water, which is why most vacation anglers on Ten Mile catch mostly small pike. For much of the early and mid-summer, walleyes and smallmouth bass are comfortable in any of the depths above the thermocline, which leaves a 30-foot layer of water in which they can be found.

A classic fishing pattern in Ten Mile is the evening connection between ciscoes rising above the thermocline as they follow the vertical migration of the plankton upon which they feed, and the walleyes and pike that feed on the

ciscoes. From roughly an hour before to an hour after sunset, mid-lake trolling over deep water is often the best way to cross paths with hungry walleyes.

In mid-to late August, when water temperatures are the highest, knowing where the thermocline is located is a real key to catching walleyes, especially big ones. The water temperature of the epilimnion is often the same from the surface to the top of the thermocline, and it may be too warm to be comfortable for walleyes and smallmouth bass, especially in very warm summers. This drives many of the cool water species down to a very narrow temperature range, just at the top of the thermocline. Under these conditions, just a foot or two of trolling depth could take you out of the striking range of walleyes. During this time, trolling at depths of ~30-32 feet can produce some very nice walleyes, along with both species of bass.

As the water cools during the fall and the level of the thermocline drops, the amount of water that game fish cruise in increases greatly, as does the difficulty in finding them. In early fall, large walleyes can be found in only a few feet of water or as deep as 40 feet. Most folks don't fish deep in the fall, and they can miss out on some very interesting fishing. Last fall I was trolling for walleyes 43 feet below the surface and caught a couple of nice largemouth bass. In some lakes, and I'm sure also in Ten Mile, walleyes can be found as deep as 60+ feet, but by this time most of the boats have been taken out for the winter. Evidence of an interesting juxtaposition of normally non-intersecting fish came late last October when Steve Erickson caught a nice largemouth bass (warmwater fish) that had a cisco (coldwater fish) in its stomach (see photo below). Either the cisco was very shallow or the bass was very deep.

Most professional fishermen have found that at the time of the fall turnover fishing is, in general, terrible. I have yet to see a really good explanation for this.



Spring AIS News

By the time you read this, spring will definitely be in the air (and maybe there'll be open water!). So ... it's time for everyone who enjoys fishing or boating on Ten Mile to remind themselves and their family / guests about the critical importance of the Clean, Drain, Dispose mantra as in:

Clean all vegetation and animals off of your boat, motor and trailer before and after entering the lake

Drain all water out of the boat's bilge and live wells upon leaving the lake (don't forget to leave the drain plug out when transporting the boat).

Dispose of unused bait when leaving the lake. (Bait water cannot be transported from one waterbody to another, so bring a supply of tap water from home if you want to transport any unused bait.)

As has been the case in the recent past, Cass County will be receiving approximately \$500,000 for AIS prevention, the vast majority of which is used to pay DNR-trained inspectors who are deployed around the county (including at Ten Mile on weekends). These inspectors have the authority to refuse permission to launch a contaminated boat and they can require decontamination before launching. (The closest approved decontamination station to Ten Mile is Northwoods Dock.)

And, also as in past years, TMLA will have its video camera with an audio message operating at the boat access. One improvement planned this year is to replace the false alarm prone motion detection circuit with a magnetic vehicle sensor.

There's a lot of AIS in nearby lakes and it keeps getting closer to Ten Mile. Last fall, a Leech Lake marina owner discovered adult zebra mussels on a sailboat as it was removed from the water, so Leech is confirmed to have both ZM and Eurasian water milfoil – let's keep it all out of our beautiful lake!

Bob Iversen
AIS Committee Chairman



Zebra Mussel

Ten Mile Lake Women's Coffee Schedule 2018

10-11 AM

June 6	Mary Ackerman, 4561 Alder Lane NW, 675-6229	August 15	
June 13		August 22	
June 20	Cheris Garrison & Sally Nordlund, Location TBD	August 29	
June 27	Jeanie Kramer, 3879 60th Ave NW, 675-5035	September 5	
July 4		September 12	
July 11			
July 18	Louise Brandt, 5025 Cattail Drive, 675-6107		We may schedule more if we have volunteers
July 25			
August 1			
August 8	Linda Schwartz, 4850 Hiram Loop Road, 952-215-4377		

Volunteers welcome and needed! Contact Cathy Iversen, cathy@iversenconsukting.net





MEN & COFFEE

Ten Mile Lake Men's Coffee Schedule 2018

May 15: _____

May 22: _____

May 29: _____

June 5: _____

June 12: Bob Iversen, 5340 County Rd. 71
(218-547-1876)

June 19: Ahmet Arsan, 4817 Boone Point
Road (218-675-6247), (Please park next
door at Knuths')

June 26: Michael Mullin, Pinewood
Resort, 3826 Pinewood Road
(651- 295-6886)

July 3: _____

July 10: Mark Putney, 4071 Forseman Point
Road (218-675-6397)

July 17: _____

July 24: _____

July 31: Jeff Manlove, 218-675-6468, 4860
Hiram Loop Road

Aug. 7: _____

Aug. 14 _____

Aug. 21: _____

Aug: 28 _____

Sept. 4: _____

Sept. 11: _____

Sept. 18: Tom Cox, 5688 Fernhurst Drive
(218-507-0394)

Sept. 25: _____

Oct. 2: _____

Oct. 9: _____

Oct. 16: _____

Oct. 23: _____

Volunteers welcome and needed! Contact Tom Cox, tbcoxreston@aol.com, 218-507-0394

The History Page

By Sue Eikenberry

Perhaps you have been wondering who previously owned your lake property. Everyone likes answers to questions about their own history. Here's how you can pretty quickly find out your property's history.

At the Cass County Courthouse in Walker, enter the north-facing door at the west end of the building. Take a left and go upstairs to the Recorder's office on the 2nd floor. Gone are the "big books" for searching through. All have been scanned and are available in their computers available to the public. You search by legal description. You need your deed of record. There is no fee to come and search, but a dollar a page is charged for printing any information or document. The employees there will get you started in your search and help you.

At home, you may do your own searching at idocmarket.com. It's through a third-party vendor. You can use a 1- hour quick pass for \$6.00. There is also a charge of 50 cents per page to copy.

It may be helpful to go to an abstract and title company or an attorney to do the search for you. However, it is kind of fun to do it yourself. You may find some surprises. Our old back cement step said 1929, so we assumed that was the purchase date. Years ago in searching the "big books," I found the property was purchased in 1926. I suppose it took several summers to cut down the lodge pole pines, build the cabin, and put down the step.

Also, you may go to the Auditor's Office, across from the Records Office on the 2nd floor. You should have your parcel number on your tax statement. It's great to look at your land and see your home/garage from above. This is web mapping. On www.co.cass.mn.us, go to Cass County Interactive Web Mapping. You look up your parcel #, but the ownership only goes back so far. Mine showed only current and one past generation as owners. (There were two more generations of owners.)

The Cass County employees are very friendly and helpful. Just do it! You'll be glad to have the information.

Another Cass County source for obituaries and all past Pilot Independents for searching births and marriages is the Cass County Museum in Walker. Through the winter, research help is available by appointment. The research library, obituary indexes, newspaper microfilm and other archival materials are accessible for a \$10 research fee for non-members. Single membership in the Cass County Historical Society is \$10, and \$15 for a family. Additional donations are always appreciated. Their newsletter, Cass County Clippings, is sent out quarterly.

If you'd like to dig deeper to uncover your family history, the Gale Family Library at the Minnesota History Center, St. Paul, is open Tuesday-Saturday. You can research library resources online at www.mnhs.org/library. They serve more than 29,000 patrons each year - nearly half of them pursuing research related to their family history. The library provides free access to www.ancestry.com, the Minnesota People Records Search, and a variety of other digital databases.

So, no excuses! History Matters! Find out yours!



Ten Mile Lake Sailing History

BANG!! went the shot gun and four C-Scow sailboats that had lined up in front of the **Garbisch** cabin sailed off toward Lofeks point. This would be the first leg of a 3-legged race around anchored yellow barrels, ending up back at the Garbisch cabin. The time was a windy day sometime in the 1930s.

It was inevitable that sailboat racing would happen on Ten Mile Lake. All it took were four boys out sailing their boats and soon they were racing around the lake. **Jim Brandt, Bob Buck, Jimmy Gamble, and Dick Garbisch** were these first skippers. Later a gentleman named **Rollie Buck** joined the racing fleet. Rollie was the grandfather of the **Siqveland** boys, who later participated greatly in the Ten Mile Sailing Program.

Why was the C-Scow the boat of choice for our young skippers? Well, many C-Scows were made at the Johnson Boat Werks on White Bear Lake near St. Paul, Minnesota. Made of wood, these boats were fast and fun to sail, usually needing a skipper and at least one crew. As seen in the included pictures they are often sailed solo if the winds were light to moderate. These boats were rigged with one large Marconi rigged cotton main sail with port and starboard adjustable metal side boards. The boat performs best at a slight heel (tip) and points well to windward. One exception on Ten Mile was **Jimmy Gamble's** gaff rigged C boat which was the forerunner of the Marconi rigged boats.



Dick Garbisch at the helm, George Brandt Jr riding the boards

Although there are still some "woodies" on the lake, the C-Scows eventually were made of fiberglass with slick, fast gelcoat hulls with high tech fabric sails. The C-Scow has become a prominent sail boat around the country on inland lakes. Many regattas are held annually in Florida, Texas, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Minnesota including a national championship regatta yearly.



Rollie Buck in pursuit

WWII interrupted sail racing on Ten Mile that had commenced in the 1930s. After the war the early skippers and sailing enthusiasts started to bring their families to the lake for the summer. A new generation of Ten Mile sailors started racing again. By the 1950s **Dick Garbisch**, founder of the Ten Mile Lake Sailing Club, and his nephew **Earl Crabb** started to rejuvenate the racing program. Dick was the first teacher of many of the new sailors, taking them out for a sailing lesson to learn the several points of tack and how to manage a tip over. Soon in the early '60s racing was at full sail with C boats skippered by a second generation of skippers from the families of **Brandt, Crabb, Garbisch, Lane and Johnson**. Then came sailors from the **Bliska, Hoffman, Running, Siqveland, Moos and Roberts** families. Now recently the **Carlson's, Nelsons and Olsens** have joined the fleet. Other families with C boats have participated from time to time but these mentioned have been the most active over the years.

By the last quarter of the last century the racing program had grown and flourished. The weekend racing saw as many as

8-10+ C boats on the starting line. Additionally, X boats from **Camp Hillaway** and the **Siqvelands** joined the racing regattas. Also, the conduct of the racing became more sophisticated by the addition of a race committee boat with flags and horns, new buoys, properly timed starts and a variety of race course configurations, each race course having one or two windward legs to challenge the skippers to tack back and forth upwind to a large windward buoy.

A great deal of the credit for the advancement of our racing program goes to the several Commodores who gave their time and energy to improve the races. Following **Rollie Buck and Dick Garbisch; Earl Crabb, Bobby Crabb Jr., Rick Brandt, Chris Brandt, Dave Brandt, Tom Sigveland, Grant Moos, and Pete Roberts** have enhanced the Ten Mile racing program. From their efforts, remarkably, Ten Mile Lake C-Scow racing has continued uninterrupted from the last half of the last century into now nearly 20 years into the new millennium.

As the 2018 summer approaches we find the Ten Mile Lake Sailing Club a member of the Inland Lake Yachting Association, Inc. The racing program will continue. However, sadly, this will be our first season ever without our founder, Dick Garbisch. Although diminished by time and age we find that some 2nd generation skippers are still involved with a 3rd generation of new skippers and sailors. **Commodore Moos, Vice Commodore Roberts and Rear Commodore Staunton** will conduct the races. Anyone interested is invited to participate.

The Ten Mile Lake Sailing Club web site, tmsailingclub.org, created by **Grant Moos and Pete Roberts**, is now the source for all current racing information. Many details of past race seasons are available including "Squall Line" publications, racing pictures, trophy history, and Club news.

The 2018 race schedule should soon be posted there. It is as follows:

- June 30 Fourth Of July
- July 7th Memorial
- July 28 Moxness
- Aug 4th End Of Summer



Jimmy Gamble and his gaff rigged scow



Marge Garbisch at the helm

Provided by Tom Brandt

Remembering our Ten Mile Lake Friends

Richard (Dick) Garbisch

Richard (Dick) G. Garbisch, Rochester, MN, passed away on December 24, 2017 with family beside him following a brief unexpected severe bout of pneumonia.

Dick was born on May 8, 1916, in Austin, Minnesota, the only child of Hubert and Lenore (Lou) Garbisch. He graduated from Austin High School in 1934 and Carleton College in 1938 where he met his future wife, Marjorie Crabb. During his Carleton years he lettered, captained and coached the swim team receiving multiple medals. Following his graduation, he joined his parents in the ownership and operation of the Maple Dale Hatchery in Austin, Minnesota. When the hatchery's business model became obsolete, he retired at age 50.

In 1944, Dick enlisted in the Navy, received the rank of Ensign after officer training at Harvard, then shipped out to the Pacific as part of the 4th Marine Division, Construction Battalion called the "Sea Bees" as part of the occupation forces. He returned home to his wife and three little girls, Marlou, Mimi, and Marsha, with son, Tom arriving two years later.

Summers were always spent with the family at Ten Mile Lake where Dick's parents had south shore property since his childhood. He enjoyed sailing (plus racing) and tennis with his contemporaries, especially the nearby Brandt boys (Jim, Heidi, George, Jr. and Dave). After retirement, he and Marge wintered at Ocean Reef, Key Largo, Florida where he was active with the home-owners association, the sailing club, and founded The Racquet Club. Dick continued to play tennis until he was 94!

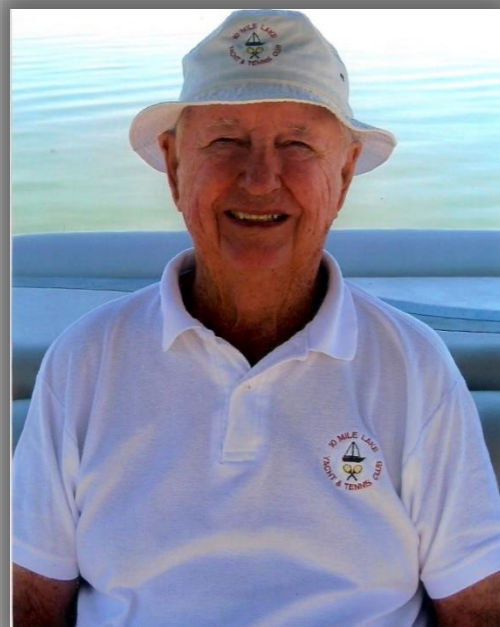
The second chapter of his life was about finding happiness after the sadness of losing Marge. He met Audrey (wife of Dr. John Higgins) while they were both taking care of ailing spouses at the Mayo Clinic's Charter House. Dick and Audie were married February 12, 2000, and spent happy years together in Ocean Reef, Rochester, and Ten Mile Lake.

Dick remained active for his entire life (101.5 years). His generous philanthropies benefitted the Ten Mile Lake Association, the Mayo Foundation and Carleton College. For more information, please read the Garbisch Family entry and interview in the Ten Mile Lake History Book. He was very proud of all the families he introduced to Ten Mile, and many still live along the shores.

He is survived by his wife Audrey Ann, his four children: Marlou (Dr. Ken) Johnston of Bourbonnais, IL; Mimi (Eric) Carlson of Los Gatos, CA; Marsha (Dr. Bill) Harbison of Longmeadow, MA; and Tom Garbisch of Honolulu, HI; 9 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren; 3 stepdaughters, 1 step-son; 8 step-grandchildren and 7 step-great grandchildren.

According to his wishes, a private family celebration of his life will be held this summer. Memorial gifts may be sent to the Ten Mile Lake Association (endowed Garbisch Fund which benefits environmental concerns).

Provided by the family



Richard "Rick" Gaskins

Richard "Rick" Gaskins, 82, of Mankato, passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 16, 2017, at Hillcrest Health Care Center in Mankato, MN, following a short illness.

Rick was born on November 18, 1934 in Texas to Miller and Laura (Ruff) Gaskins. He grew up and graduated high school in Santa Rosa, California and later earned his BBA at Metropolitan State University in Minneapolis.

Following high school, Rick enlisted in the U.S. Navy. For the next twenty years, he was stationed all over the world, serving during both Korea and Vietnam before retiring in 1971. He was very proud of his career in the military. On October 23, 1966, he married Mary Strawn in Vinton, Iowa. After his retirement from military service, they relocated to Mankato where he was employed in insurance claims by Farm Bureau Insurance and later Western National Insurance.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Mary of Mankato; daughter, Janet Gaskins of Shakopee; sons, Steven Gaskins of Shakopee and Jim Gaskins of Coon Rapids; granddaughter, Annika and her mother, Geeta Nandalall of Coon Rapids; sister-in-law, Phyllis McCann of California; sister-in-law, Melinda (Jerry) McCarty of Hackensack; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers and their spouses, Dennis (Estelle) Gaskins, Donald Gaskins, Ray McCann, David McCann, and John (Lorna) McCann; mother and father-in-law, John and Olive Strawn; and brother-in-law, Tom Strawn.

Rick enjoyed golfing, reading, going to lunch with his pals, and having good times at the lake. The Gaskins and their extended family began spending summer vacations at Ten Mile Lake in 1974 when they purchased their home on Long Bay. Rick enjoyed playing golf, fishing, boating and family gatherings at Ten Mile. He will be missed.

Provided by the family

Alice Pewick

Alice Pewick. Alice Pewick's parents owned and operated Kenfield resort in Kenfield Bay in the 40's- 70's. Alice worked at the DT Mpls Post Office. She was single with no children. She and her sister Adele inherited the resort when their parents died. She lived there with Adele and Adele's daughter until they sold the land.

Provided by Terry Cook

Ruth June "Judy" Macklin

Macklin, Ruth June "Judy" Age 95 of Hermantown, passed away peacefully on January 13, 2018. Judy was born June 4, 1922 in Brookings, SD to Edwin and Augusta Harding. Graduated from Brookings High School and continued her education to receive her BSRN from the University of Minnesota. Judy was married to "Jack" Voss for 34 years before his death in 1980. She then married William "Bill" Macklin in 1988 until Bill's death in 1999, and then married a third time, her high school sweetheart, J. Walters McCarty in 2003 until his death in 2006.

After earning her nursing degree in 1945 Judy served in the US Army during WW II, achieving the rank of Lieutenant. Judy was a dedicated nurse working many years in multiple settings while raising her children in the Twin Cities. In 1955 Judy and Jack took summer "jobs" at Camp Courage, which began a life-long labor of love that would continue until her retirement in 1986, as the director of Courage North in Lake George, MN. Judy had many hobbies, interests and talents such as hiking, traveling, sewing, singing in the church choir, but perhaps enjoyed nothing more than swimming, whenever and wherever, be it in lakes, rivers, pools or the Gulf of Mexico at Clearwater Beach, FL. Judy developed her leadership and camping skills as a Girl Scout in Brookings with her mother as troop leader, eventually leading her own troop in St Louis Park, MN.



Judy is preceded in death by her parents; Ed & Gussie Harding, her husbands; Jack Voss, Bill Macklin and Walt McCarty, son; Tom Voss and by her four legged friends; Zipper, Goldy, Lucky, Josie and Honey. Judy is survived by children; Gail (Dan Mettner) Voss of Duluth, John (Mary) Voss of Hermantown, Bobbi (Tom Marcouiller) Voss, of Hudson, WI, daughter-in-law Lynne Voss, sister Katherine Hammond, grandchildren, Karri Kiefat and Christopher Voss, great grandchildren, Hunter, Christina, Chris, Jr., & John, nephews, and many step-children, step-grandchildren and step-great grandchildren. Memorial service will be held this summer at the UCC church in Hackensack, MN, date to be determined. The family is very appreciative of the care given Mother by the staff at Edgewood Vista and by the Essentia Hospice. Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Provided by the Family

Larry Donaldson

Larry Joseph Donaldson died of heart failure Tuesday January 16, 2018 at Mary Greeley Hospital in Ames Iowa, where he was born on March 14, 1946. He was the son of Francis Donaldson and Else Barbieri Donaldson.

Larry began his career at the Highway Commission in Ames, Iowa, where he worked before joining his father to farm on the Donaldson family farm. In the mid-eighties Larry went to work at Donnelly Marketing in Nevada, Iowa, as an Account Manager. In the nineties he went back to work at the then named Department of Transportation in Ames from which he retired in 2008.

Larry was married to Susan Dailey on March 20, 1976. They lived on the Donaldson family farm for thirty-two years before moving to a townhome in Ames in 2015.

Larry was a trivia whiz, especially in the categories of television and movies. He was an avid Iowa State Cyclone fan. He spent several hours everyday on his computer and watching television. He was also an avid reader of thrillers and mysteries. He loved people and loved to entertain. Larry also loved spending time at the family vacation spot on Ten Mile Lake in northern Minnesota which he first visited in the summer of 1975.

Larry loved dogs and he and Susan had at least one dog all their married life. He loved playing with his dogs and detested animal abuse. He was an excellent wood-worker and had an expansive shop in his garage. He refinished several beautiful pieces of furniture from the Donaldson attic which he and Susan enjoyed in their home. He also built furniture from scratch for personal use and for others. He was a perfectionist and his work displayed his talent.

Larry is survived by his wife of 41 years, Susan; his brother Loren (Nancy) Donaldson and their four children and four grandchildren. He is also survived by Susan's sister Christie Dailey; and Susan's two nieces, Sarah Dailey and Amy Dailey-Williams and their three sons, Kyle Dailey, Barrett Williams and Hudson Williams.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law, William Dailey Jr.

Provided by Susan Donaldson



Mary Edna Brandt Bliska

Mary Edna (Molly) Brandt Bliska passed away in her beloved home on Ten Mile Lake, in Hackensack Minnesota, on March 26, 2018. Molly was born September 29, 1926, the youngest of five children, to Gertrude Moore Brandt and George Armstrong Custer Brandt in St. Paul, Minnesota. Molly attended Murray High School in St Paul and graduated with a degree in Psychology from Carleton College in 1948. She subsequently enrolled at the University of Minnesota and, in 1950, earned a degree in Elementary Education. As a child, Molly summured with her family on Ten Mile Lake. Later, she was a counselor at an idyllic summer camp for girls on the lake, Camp Hillaway.

After graduating from University of Minnesota, Molly relocated to Boulder, Colorado to teach and to ski. In Boulder, she met Thomas Edward Bliska. They married in Saint Paul, Minnesota in August 1951. In 1953, Molly and Tom settled in Grand Junction, Colorado, where Tom started an architecture practice. Molly and Tom had four children: Thomas, Christian, Mary and James. Tom, Sr. died in 1965 of complications from diabetes and the family spent some years moving before landing back in Minnesota.

In 1980, Molly purchased a log cabin on the east shore of her favorite spot: Ten Mile Lake. Each of Molly's four brothers, James, Lyman, George and David owned summer homes on the lake. Undaunted by the elements, Molly resided there year-round. Molly prepared for the cold of the North Woods by lighting a fire in her Jotul. She meticulously recorded the first ice on the lake each winter and the first melt each spring. As the ice went out, Molly listened for the wails, yodels and tremolos of the returning loons. With her canine and feline companions, Molly lived a quiet life that she loved, cozy in her cherished log cabin, nestled among fragrant pines, comforted by waves slapping the rocks of her shoreline. She was a cherished friend to many members of the local community, the summer residents, and her church.

Molly worked with the Head Start Program in Cass County, was active in the Ten Mile Lake Association and the Union Congregational Church in Hackensack.

Molly was predeceased by her husband and her four brothers. She is survived by her children, Thomas Bliska (Gray Boyce) of Mill Valley, California; Christian Bliska of Afton, Minnesota; Mary McVay (Michael) of Hobbs, New Mexico; and James Bliska (Janice Valmassoi) of Hanover, New Hampshire. Her eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren dearly love their Grama Molly, as she did them. She will also be missed by her numerous nieces and nephews.

Gifts in honor of Molly can be made to the Paws and Claws Rescue & Resort in Hackensack (2949 State Hwy 371 NW / PO BOX 175, Hackensack, MN 56452 <http://www.pawsandclawsanimalshelter.org>).

Provided by the family

