

# Tulaby Lake Association Newsletter

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## Getting Involved

**Getting involved with your lake association and meeting your lake neighbors is part of the fun of being at and on the lake.**

The Tulaby Lake Association Board would like to make a **special invitation to lake residents to join the lake association** and consider attending their two annual meetings, which always include a shared meal and frequently a presentation. The conversations are interesting, timely, and thoughtful as members discuss the lake events and stewardship. Those who attend the meetings bring a variety of perspectives to what it means to be 'at the lake'.

We have so many **new residents** on the lake who are just now **discovering the absolute joy of being on a lake.** Tulaby Lake is not just any lake. It is one that is small enough to foster community and large enough to offer space for a variety of boating recreation. On any given weekend we see people fishing, skiing, kayaking, canoeing, paddle

boating, and occasionally landing a plane. We hear the loons and the screams of the tubers. The lake, and the surrounding forest lands, offer year-round peaceful, stunning beauty and ample wildlife. As the seasons change, so does the lake activity. There is nothing so spectacular as cross-country skiing on the lake on a calm night when the moon is full. Okay, maybe snagging a nice walleye or bass.

Our **membership dues and participation allow us to collectively support the ongoing quality of of Tulaby Lake.** At times we have been challenged with addressing concerns and the

members and board have gotten involved. We have water testing records for years only because local residents made it a priority and generously gave of their time to carefully collect that data. Last August we hosted the membership meeting, for the first time, at the landing. Pictures from the potluck and meeting sprinkle this newsletter. It was a great time. And

if you have not had Ken Baumann's freshly smoked salmon you ARE missing out.

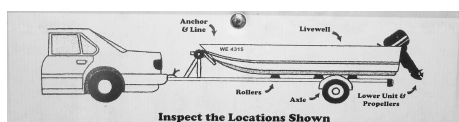


Historically, the Tulaby Lake Association has a tradition of actively monitoring the lake quality, often times seeking information from outside resources, and supporting stocking. To accomplish this volunteers give of their time and association dues to pay for the lake testing. **The collected data from lake testing has allowed us to have a long-view of the the lake quality.** These data are used to help the association recommend action and seek support from lake residents and local and state resources.

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HELP  
STOP  
AQUATIC  
HITCHHIKERS



**NOW IS THE TIME TO  
RENEW YOUR LAKE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP  
SEE PAGE 4**

“...please plan on attending our Spring Meeting and getting involved with your association.”

## Tulaby Lake Association Letter from the President

**Dear Association Members,**

**Spring greetings** from your Tulaby Lake Association President.

I am writing this during the last week of February. The temperatures have been abnormally warm this winter and we have been cheated out of some ice fishing with the late ice. I am finding the ice at present to be 18" thick, but with continued warm temperatures we will be looking at an early ice out.

Spring will be here soon and we are

*Tulaby Lake Boat Parade 2015*



anxious to see the loons return to Tulaby Lake and enjoy their calls and all that nature brings to us in this beautiful corner of Becker and Mahnomen counties. Spring also gives us a chance to welcome back neighbors that have either returned to their primary residence or gone to warmer climates, and enjoy their company once again.

**Our first association meeting is April 30th at 12:00 pm, we will meet at the Elbow Lake Fire Hall.** This will be a potluck lunch, please plan on attending and getting involved with your association. If you are not a member of the Tulaby Lake Association **I would encourage you to join.** The membership dues support DNR walleye stocking of Tulaby Lake, COLA expenses, and new directories to name a few.

I believe the welfare of Tulaby lake is a priority for all of us. Please do your part to keep our lake and surrounding areas clean and orderly. This past summer Tulaby Lake received a lot of negative publicity. Remember to keep your distance from the wildlife whether it be a deer or a family of loons. Let's give them plenty of room to entertain us and use binoculars.

I truly hope every one has a great summer. **Enjoy the lake and everything about it.** We look forward to spending time with friends and family at the lake. I would like to thank Pat for putting this Spring Newsletter together. If you also enjoy this letter take a minute to let her know you enjoy it.

**Sincerely  
Scott Skauge, President**



*Scott Skauge and Dan Peterson 2015*



**Getting Involved**  
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This year the association is **exploring an improvement to the landing.** It is very exciting to think we could, as an association, even consider a shelter. But we have association members and board directors willing to explore new ideas and invite others to assist and contribute. Through just a few hours of involvement, we can promote and preserve our charming lake. Your association dues also go a very long way in supporting the well-being of Tulaby Lake.

The Tulaby Lake Association has also supported the local Elbow-Tulaby Lakes Volunteer Fire Department. Many association members are active volunteers in the department. We support their work by supporting their fund raising activities which include a annual raffle, pancake breakfasts, and an annual August pig roast.

Both the lake association and the volunteer fire department are looking for new volunteers. We strongly encourage you to give of your time at any level you can.

If you like to to **get more involved** with the lake association, please call any director on the board. To **volunteer** with the fire department call Greg Syverson at 218-734-2396.



*Little Elbow Lake Shelter*



## Calendar of Events 2016

### Sat. April 30: Ditch Clean Up

10:00AM Fire Hall

### Sat. April 30: Association Mtg

12:00PM Fire Hall

Potluck

Tulaby Lake Report

Membership Meeting

### Sat. May 14: Season Opener

Walleye and Northern

### Sat. May 28: Season Opener

Large & Small Mouth Bass

*Note: Catch and Release May 14*

### Mon. May 30: Memorial Day

### Mon. July 4: Boat Parade

10:00AM Outlet Area

### Sat. July 30: Association Mtg Summer Picnic

#### Tulaby Lake Landing

12:00PM

Pot-luck & Hotdogs

Membership Meeting

Election of Directors

### Sat. Sept. 3: Ditch Clean Up

10:00AM Fire Hall

### Mon. Sept. 5: Labor Day

## Calendar of Events

### Elbow-Tulaby Lakes

#### Volunteer Fire Department

#### Pancake Breakfast

Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday, May 29, 2016

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Elbow Lake Fire Hall

#### Pig Roast Fundraiser

25th Year of the Pig Roast!

Saturday, August 13, 2016

11:00AM - 2:00PM

Elbow Lake Fire Hall

#### Pancake Breakfast

Labor Day Weekend

Sunday, Sept. 4, 2016

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Elbow Lake Fire Hall

## September 6, 2015 - Buck Drowns on Tulaby Lake

Many of you are aware of the incident that occurred on Tulaby Lake the morning of September 6th last fall that resulted in the drowning of a deer.

drowning. The DNR has a special law enforcement arm that deals with harassment of wildlife and launched an investigation.

According to reports, several lake residents witnessed the interaction of a pontoon and the swimming buck which appears to have caused the buck to become exhausted and drown.



As the situation unfolded the DNR was called.

No one supports the harassment of wildlife and those of us on the lake were saddened by this event.

We appreciate the support and quick actions taken by lake residents to assist the deer and later provide information to the DNR.

Since the event several lake residents, including Association Board Directors, have been quoted in news articles expressing anger and disgust over the

In the future, in a situation like this it is best to leave the swimming animal alone. You are encouraged to immediately report any suspected violations to law enforcement.

## How you can help Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

**CLEAN** watercraft, trailer, motor, and equipment. **REMOVE** visible aquatic plants, mussels, other animals, and mud before leaving any water access.

**DRAIN** water from boat, bilge, motor and live well by removing drain plug and opening all water draining devices away from the boat ramp. Regulations require this when leaving accesses in many states and provinces.

**DRY** everything at least five days before going to other waters and landings or **SPRAY/RINSE** recreation equipment with high pressure and/or hot water (120°F/50°C or higher).



**LIFE IS BETTER AT THE LAKE**

## Board of Directors

Association Board Member Roster  
The following is a list of Tulaby Lake Association Board members and their contact information.

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### Board member Terms Ending in 2016:

Ron Wasfaret  
Ray Thorkildson  
Scott VanDam

### Board Member Terms Ending in 2017:

Ken Baumann  
Scott Skauge  
Pat Adams

### Board member Terms Ending in 2018:

Dan Peterson  
Danny Pinske  
John Oncken

## Treasurer's Report - March 2016

### Treasurer's Report - Danny Pinske

December 2015 Lake Association Directors Meeting  
The Tulaby Lake Association annual membership dues are \$25.

Tulaby Lake Association dues are used for expenses aimed at supporting and improving our lake community.

**Current Balance: \$2,924.90**

In 2016 \$300 will be donated to the MN DNR for stocking

We encourage everyone on the lake to join the Tulaby Lake Association, including new property owners and former members.

Thank you!

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO THE TULABY LAKE ASSOCIATION

***Your membership dues are needed more than ever to continue lake water testing and monitoring, support and promote lake quality and lake stewardship, maintain partnerships with local and state organizations, and provide information to our membership and lake residents!***

Please send your annual 2016 membership **dues of \$25** to:

Tulaby Lake Association, Danny Pinske Treasurer  
38150 Tulaby Lake Drive, Waubun, MN 56589

A registration form is available at [www.tulabylakeassociation.org](http://www.tulabylakeassociation.org) if you need to update your current information for the directory.

**Please notify Pat Adams of any address changes** or neighbor changes so the directory and mailing information remains correct. You can email her at [tulabylakeassociation@gmail.com](mailto:tulabylakeassociation@gmail.com) or by sending information to Pat Adams,

### Guidelines for AIS Inspections and Cleaning

Fighting the spread of AIS (aquatic invasive species) should be routine to all who use Minnesota's lakes and waterways. Guidelines for inspection and cleaning are available to the public on the DNR Becker County ([co.becker.mn.us](http://co.becker.mn.us); follow links Home>Departments>Soil and Water>AIS (left side)>AIS Booklet PDF) and at the MN DNR website ([www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives/laws.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives/laws.html)) These links are available on the Tulaby Lake Association website.

Remember it's more than motorized boats, docks, and lifts. It includes kayaks, canoes, oars, paddles, float planes, fishing gear, hunting gear, diving and snorkeling gear, water skies, and paddle boards.

### Tulaby Lake Association is on Facebook! Like us!

Please check out the updates, comments and photos on our Facebook page! We hope our Facebook page is another place to share the fun and meet our lake neighbors.



**STOP AQUATIC  
HITCHHIKERS!**

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.  
Clean all recreational equipment.  
[www.ProtectYourWaters.net](http://www.ProtectYourWaters.net)

**TULABY LAKE ASSOCIATION Spring Events:**

**Ditch Clean Up**

Saturday, **April 30, 2016** at 10AM

Meet at the Little Elbow-Tulaby Lakes Fire Hall

Many hands make light work. Please join us!

**Lake Association Potluck Lunch and Meeting**

Saturday, **April 30, 2016** at 12 NOON

Potluck: Bring a dish to pass, tableware and your own beverage

Meeting to follow the potluck lunch.

**TULABY LAKE**



**TULABY LAKE ASSOCIATION**

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