



Grindstone Trumpeter

A Gem of a Lake

Message From The President

Dear Friends of Grindstone Lake,

Spring has arrived and is rapidly moving into summer. The Loons have arrived and are communicating morning, noon and night. The ferns and other plants are growing stronger. Wildlife and birds (woodpeckers) are making themselves known. Time to enjoy and protect our favorite lake! Your Grindstone Lake Board continues to work on our major priorities as a Lake Association. These priorities evolve from year to year, but radical change is not the intention. With year over year diligent effort, we are remaining constant in our focus on the health of Grindstone Lake.

- **Clean Boats, Clean Water (CBCW)**
Expand boat landing hours with volunteers, students and through other efforts
Welcome Joseph Moore, our 2021 Clean Boats Clean Waters Monitor
- **Aquatic Invasive Species**
Focused plant survey was conducted to identify the presence of AIS
Continue survey as part of Comprehensive Lake Management Plan
- **Comprehensive Lake Management Plan (2021-22)**
Received \$25,000 grant from WI DNR; Donations needed to complete
Hired consulting team to begin work
Initial schedule and data to be collected communicated to members
- **Shoreline restoration**
Engage homeowners in maintaining/improving water quality
- **Communication**
Keep GLA members and other interested parties informed and involved
 - grindstonelake.org website, emails, newsletter, meetings
- **Collaboration**
Work with WI DNR, local governments and other lake associations
- **LoonWatch**
Continue annual participation
- **Grindstone Lake Foundation**
Continue to support the acquisition of the cranberry bog property
Establish long term protection and restoration

The Grindstone Lake Association Board will continue to work for the health of Grindstone Lake. As always there are many more ideas and efforts that can be pursued and we invite you to join us as volunteers in an area that not only interests you, but you can be passionate about. Please visit grindstonelake.org to volunteer and/or provide comments and ideas.

Thanks so much for all your participation and care you show for the health of Grindstone Lake.

Donna Carlson, President GLA, 952.484.5211
president@grindstonelake.org



Grindstone Lake Association Day Annual Meeting, Bog Tours, and Social Saturday, July 10, 2021 (CT)

9-10:30 am – Grindstone Lake Association Annual Meeting via Zoom

The agenda will include an update on our projects for this year including the Comprehensive Lake Management Plan. The Grindstone Lake Foundation will present **Status of Grindstone Lake Cranberry Bog Acquisition and Future Directions**

11:00 am or 3:30 pm – Grindstone Lake Foundation Tours of Cranberry Bog
Meet at The Bog
14912 W. County Road K, 54843

4-6:00 pm – Grindstone Lake Association **SOCIAL**
Meet and greet your friends and neighbors!
The Boulevard
14392 County Road K, 54843
Cash Bar

Please RSVP for Bog Tour and/or Social at president@grindstonelake.org
Zoom meeting info

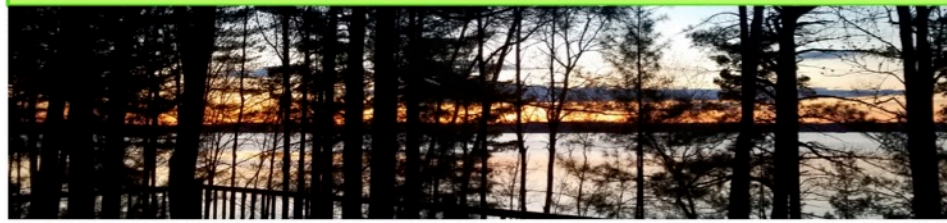
Topic: Grindstone Lake Association Annual Meeting
Time: July 10, 2021 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85860576763?pwd=MG9DeHNpZ0NONDN4S1B1TWo3REpSQTO9>

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**Big Shout Out and Thanks to
Dag Sohlberg and Steve Boger!**

Dag Solberg and Steve Boger are retiring from the Grindstone Lake Association Board. It is in gratitude that we recognize and thank them for their many years of service. In addition to their numerous contributions, Steve managed the Clean Boat Clean Waters program for many years and Dag served as President of the Association. Their love of Grindstone Lake and those in our community is reflected in their passion for protecting the Lake and serving all of us.



See ya on the Grinder,
Dag and Steve!



Grindstone Lakers,



We are happy to report that Grindstone Lake will once again be participating in the Clean Boats Clean Waters Monitoring Program for the 2021 boating season thanks to a grant obtained by the Grindstone Lake Association via the State of Wisconsin DNR.

Please meet Joseph Moore, our 2021 Clean Boats Clean Waters Monitor! Joseph resides in Rice Lake, WI, having recently relocated from Oregon. Joseph is an outdoor enthusiast and has recently decided to make a career change while working towards a degree in Fish and Wildlife Science. He possesses a passion for the outdoors and feels strongly about protecting and maintaining our natural resources.

Joseph will be stationed at the main public landing off of Hwy K performing aquatic invasive species inspection and education during peak boating times throughout the season. If you have a chance, please stop by and say hello!

We are also on the lookout for volunteers to satisfy Grindstone Lake's requirements of the grant. If you have any interest in registering for a volunteer CBCW monitoring shift, please see the 'contact us' page on our website (<https://grindstonelake.org/contact-us/>), or contact Rich Post (richpost1@outlook.com) for additional information.

Here's to a safe, fun and AIS-free boating season!

GRINDSTONE LAKE GEAR

Orders taken: 7/1-31/2021

The Grindstone Lake Association is pleased to make our Grindstone Lake Gear available AGAIN this season. Although many folks have eagerly purchased the Gear, some missed the earlier offering and deadline.

Enjoy and show your love for our Gem of a Lake.

We'll be on the lookout for you wearing your shirt and hat.



Choose from exciting new items:

- T-shirts in Tri-blend or 50/50 Cotton with sizes in Ladies, Men's, Youth and Toddler
- Long-sleeve T-shirts with 50 UPF Protection
- Ball Cap with soft lived-in feel and look
- Polo Golf Shirts
- Long-sleeve ¼ Zip Pullovers
- Unisex Fleece Joggers
- Neck Gaiter
- Stainless Steel Stemless Wine Glasses



Hidden Bay Graphics, Hayward, WI
is making the ordering process
quick and easy for you.

All ordering available on-line at
<https://stores.inksoft.com/grindstonelake>

- Place your order online beginning July 1 thru July 31, 2021
- Pay for the order when it is placed and choose from pick up or shipping options.
- Once the order period is over, Hidden Bay Graphics produces the orders.
- Easy-to-follow ordering instructions are in a custom banner at the top of the online store.



Place your order now for Grindstone Lake Gear!
Ordering also available at

<https://grindstonelake.org/grindstone-lake-logo-wear>

Grindstone's Comprehensive Lake Management Plan

(April, 2021 through December, 2022)

We are excited to announce that the Grindstone Lake Association has been awarded a \$25,000 Comprehensive Lake Management Planning Grant from the Wisconsin DNR. With these grant funds and our own Association funds, we will develop a comprehensive lake management plan to address water quality, aquatic plant management, lake habitat, nearshore and shoreline development, and other considerations designed to protect the long-term ecological health of Grindstone Lake. GLA has hired a consulting team to conduct much of the work of this grant. All elements will follow the Wisconsin DNR protocols and data collection procedures.

The first part of the project (during this calendar year) will include data collection on a set of required elements needed for developing a comprehensive lake management plan. These activities are detailed below along with the timing of the work and what to expect to see on the lake. During 2022, GLA will then engage local landowners and lake agency partners in developing the Grindstone Lake Comprehensive Management Plan, including critical implementation strategies over a ten-year period, to protect the long-term health of Grindstone Lake.

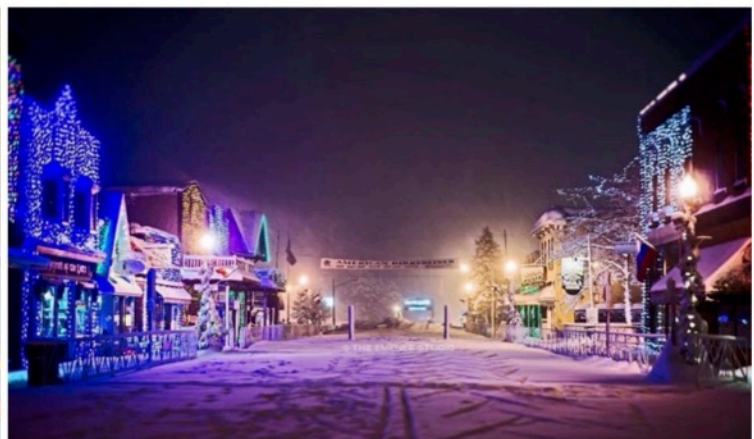
Activity	Timing	What You Might See	Purpose
Water quantity and water quality analyses; nutrient analyses of lake	Spring through Fall, 2021	Equipment placed at Creek entrance and exit to Little Grindstone	Measure daily flow into Grindstone Lake and the outlet. A precipitation data logger will also be placed onsite to measure the daily precipitation.
	Summer, 2021	Boat taking samples	Water quality samples to identify nutrient concentrations and water clarity.
Shoreland Survey	Summer, 2021	Boat with consultant observing shoreland	Characterize shoreland features (within 35 of shore) to identify healthy habitat and areas that may need assistance to benefit the lake ecosystem and health.
Aquatic Plant Survey	Early June and Late July/early August	Boat with consultant taking plant samples	Compare plants throughout the lake to compare with 2007 data; identify invasive species.
Lake Property Owner's Survey	Summer 2021	A survey to be conducted online; link provided via email and postcard/letter	Identify lake property owners' perspectives on the GLA, usage of Grindstone Lake; values and attitudes toward the lake, perceptions on volunteering and participating in future implementation activities.
Comprehensive Lake Management Plan Development	All year 2022	Advisory Committee meetings with public comment period	Complete comprehensive Lake Management Plan for Grindstone Lake and implementation plan for 2022-23 with DNR review. GLA Board will review the plan in April of each subsequent year (2023-2032) and provide guidance on the next year's implementation plans and grant opportunities to be pursued.

To accomplish all of this work, GLA will need to raise over \$11,000 to cover the cost share requirement of the grant. If you can, please help by joining the Grindstone Lake Association and add a tax-deductible donation for this work. Help us protect our "gem of a lake" for decades to come.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Carlson at president@grindstonelake.org for more information.

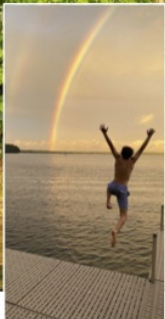
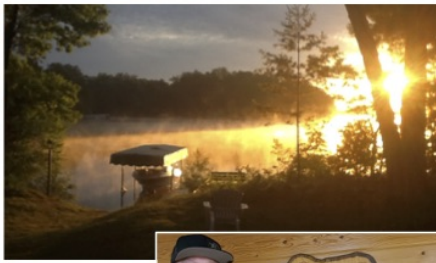


We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit group of volunteers who are committed to supporting the lake and all who enjoy it.



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Grindstone Lake Association
P.O. Box 292
Hayward, WI 54843



Here's to great seasons

... and many s'mores!

Grindstone Lake Association! MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2021 \$40.00

We want to keep in touch with you. **Please Print Legibly**

I am renewing my membership **or** **I am joining** for the first time (WELCOME!)



Your dues payment to the Grindstone Lake Association is tax deductible.

Name _____ Spouse _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Lake Property Address (Fire Code and Street) # _____ - _____

e-mail _____ Phone _____

Additional has been included for Lake Plan Donation \$ _____ **Total Enclosed:** \$ _____ (\$40 dues + additional donation)

Make check payable to **Grindstone Lake Association**

Please mail your check and this form to: Grindstone Lake Association, Box 292 Hayward, WI 54843

You can also renew on our Website www.grindstonelake.org



Matching Grant for Cranberry Bog Acquisition

Double your donation!

Dear Grindstone Lake Community,

We have exciting news. Thanks to the generous support of our community, the Grindstone Lake Foundation has raised **\$468,000, which is over half** of what we need to purchase the Grindstone Lake Cranberry bog. More good news--we just received **A MATCHING GRANT FOR \$200,000!!** We need your donations to secure the full match **AND** complete the purchase of the bog.

Grindstone Lake has provided so much to four generations of my family that I wanted to help preserve the beauty of the Lake. I have so many great fishing and boating memories, and I want my grandchildren and their grandchildren to be able to create their own.

2020 Foundation Donor

Grindstone Lake Cranberry Bog Land Acquisition



Funds Raised
\$468,000

Number of pledges, grants and donations
60

Accomplishments to date

- 54% of funds raised to purchase bog
- Land management plan completed
- Preliminary plan for recreational trails, pollinator habitat, and wetland restoration



Monarch butterfly and eagle nest at the bog



Our CLEAR Vision for the Grindstone Lake Cranberry Bog

- **Conservation:** Protect water quality and clarity; restore wetlands and native species
- **Legacy:** Ensure enjoyment of clear water lake for fishing, swimming, and boating for generations to come
- **Education:** Provide opportunities for the community to learn about the history of the land, cranberry farming, and native plants
- **Add value:** Maintain water clarity for a positive impact on property values
- **Recreation:** Construct trails for walking, running, skiing, snow shoeing, picnicking

How You Can Donate

- Pledge (see back of page)
 - Check (payable to Grindstone Lake Foundation). Mail to: Grindstone Lake Foundation; P. O. Box 292; Hayward, WI 54843. Please include your email and phone number on your check.
 - Stocks or Securities (for assistance, please email Mike Warden, GLF Treasurer, at mwarden3353@gmail.com)
 - Online Donation: <https://grindstonelake.org/save-the-bog>
- Grindstone Lake Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your donation is tax deductible.

For additional information, please contact Cindy Parker, GLF President, at cparker.grindstonelake@gmail.com

Needed Donations \$200K	Your donations will secure the MATCHING GRANT & ACQUIRE the BOG!!	
New Matching Grant \$200K		23% of funds needed to purchase bog
Raised to Date \$468K (donations, grants, pledges)		54% of funds needed to purchase bog



GRINDSTONE LAKE FOUNDATION, INC.
P.O. BOX 292
HAYWARD, WI 54843
<https://grindstonelake.org/save-the-bog/>

PLEDGE TO THE GRINDSTONE LAKE FOUNDATION

_____ hereby pledge to the Grindstone Lake Foundation (the "Foundation") the amount of _____ DOLLARS (\$ _____) subject to the following conditions:

- That this amount is used to make the final payment to the Mortgagee of the Grindstone Lake Cranberry Bog, legally described as:
 That part of Government Lot Seven (7), Section Twenty-six (26) and Government Lot Four (4), Section Twenty-five (25), Township Forty (40) North, Range Nine (9) West, more particularly described as Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 6462 recorded in Volume 23 of Certified Survey Maps, page 328, Excluding, Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 6963 recorded in Volume 26 of Certified Survey Maps, page 301-302, Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County, Wisconsin (the "Property")
 which holds a mortgage on the Property, thus giving the Foundation title to the Property free and clear of all liens, and
- I/We further understand that this contribution is due by December 31, 2021, or earlier, if sufficient pledges, grants, and donations to pay off the mortgage are secured prior to this date.

I/we understand that the Grindstone Lake Foundation will rely on this pledge for the final payment to the mortgage holder.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

Printed name(s): _____
 (as you wish it to appear in donor recognition materials)

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

_____ Email: _____

Thank you for your commitment to the Grindstone Lake Foundation! **Please return to the address above.**

