# The Reservoir Review

A Newsletter About Life on Neponset Reservoir

### **FALL WEED SURVEY RESULTS**

**EACH SPRING AND FALL** the NRRC brings in a couple of companies to evaluate overall lake health, survey the lake to identify which weeds are prolific and, ultimately, which treatment we will use on those weeds. Under the auspices of NRRC member, Richard Lewis, himself a hydrologist, Water Resource Services, Inc works to survey our lake and identify those weeds and Water and Wetlands performs the treatments.



**Fanwort** 

With the season change to Fall, Water Resource Services again came back to assess how effective the treatment was and, as of Sept 11, 2023, no variable watermilfoil was observed, however the water lily and fanwort had expanded over the Summer and were dominant in many areas.

At the time of the Spring survey very little fanwort was observed but watermilfoil was abundant in many areas. Additionally, water lilies were identified but not overly abundant.

Given the abundance of milfoil, Water Resource Services treated for this problem plant.



Watermilfoil

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The reason for this is due to the fact that both these species are quite aggressive and they respond differently to disparate herbicide treatments. As a result, the potential exists for fluctuation between each of the species when one or the other herbicide is applied.

Water Resource Services has suggested that, "While the treatments of Spring 2023 were very effective in controlling variable watermilfoil, the did not provide significant control of fanwort or water lily and both of those species increased dramatically over Summer 2023."

With this observation, they have suggested, come Spring, 2024 we embark on a dual treatment to control the fanwort and water lily and monitor for any resurgence of milfoil. Should milfoil increase, a follow-up treatment may be conducted.



#### JOIN US for our MONTHLY ZOOM MEETINGS

The NRRC meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM via Zoom. Check our website at <a href="www.neponsetreservoir.com">www.neponsetreservoir.com</a> 24 hours prior to get the Zoom sign-in information for the Tuesday, November 7 meeting.

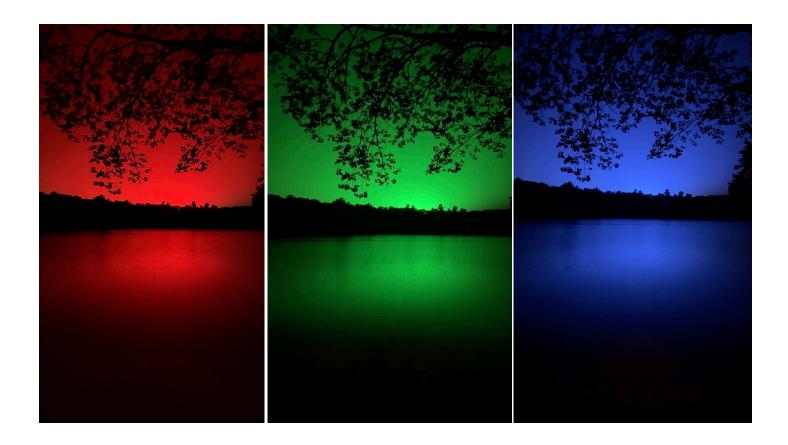


### WHAT'S THAT IN THE SKY?

IT WAS THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 6. It came out of nowhere and with no warning. All of a sudden, the sky went bright red, then changed to green, then blue, and to white, before the spectrum repeated itself for over 90 minutes.

Neighbors called one another trying to figure it out. Then word spread fast..... these were lights from the new Gillette Stadium Lighthouse! Yes, they were testing them out that evening, given the new lighthouse was finally completed!

And while the lighthouse is now open to the public, for sure nothing is quite as dynamic as that night with those bright lights against the dark sky turning our lake a variety of colors! Hmmm....wonder when we might be treated to this light show again?

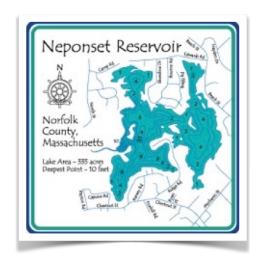




## WHERE DID YOU GET THAT?

BECAUSE MANY OF YOU ASK, OCCASIONALLY, IN OUR NEWSLETTERS, we will continue to show items from LakeHouse Lifestyle, that can imprint both home decor and clothing with our Neponset Reservoir map along with all coordinates and depths. Maybe you'd enjoy some coasters or a coffee mug, perhaps a floor mat, pillow or tee shirt, proudly displaying our lake name? Should you be interested in purchasing something from their website, click here and you'll get to the page with items suitable for branding and purchase.

Questions? Contact Brian at sales@lakehouselifestyle.com.

















A rare sighting of a Green Heron on our lake. Identifiable by its hunched, dark, stocky build, on slender yellow legs, often blending in to the environment and hidden behind a tangle of leaves.

Photo courtesy of Erin Cournoyer



We welcome our first electric pontoon boat to Neponset Reservoir!



A deer seen swimming from Blueberry Island across to the Lane Property. You can see the dam in the background.

Photo courtesy of Sheila Warner

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