

00:42:25 Betsy Holmes: Hi Folks-- Betsy from Deering Lake -- we have 2 pairs with 3 chicks this year

00:42:25 Sandra: Sandra from Silver Lake

00:42:27 Tim & Anne: Hi from Lake Waukewan

00:42:28 Mike Smith: Bow Lake, yes we have a number of nesting loons

00:42:30 catherinefink: New to Lake Sunapee. Enjoying watching the loon family, two chicks

00:42:32 Tom Ploszaj: Good Evening everyone

00:42:39 Sandra: Two loon chicks, Silver Lake

00:42:39 Bette Garrett: Bette from northeast pond

00:42:50 Peter: From Northwood, NH. We have nesting pairs of Loons on Bow Lake and Northwood Lake.

00:42:55 Dad: ray madore country pond lake assoc country pond

00:43:02 cynthia harvey: millen pond in Washington has at least 1 pair of loons and 1 young one

00:43:17 Sharon: hello everyone, Sharon from Center Harbor. Waukewan and squam are my favorite lakes - there is suppose to be a chick on Waukewan but I haven't seen it. I do see the adults.

00:43:18 Don Yurewicz: 2 loon chicks on Conway Lake!

00:48:48 Mike Smith: can't hear the speaker. to much background noise

00:48:52 WMTracy: Turn down the loon sound more

00:49:05 Chris Berry - Santa Cruz Water: loons are still a bit loud aren't they?

00:49:23 Sharon: can background sounds be softer?

00:49:30 WMTracy: Still too loud

00:49:35 cynthia harvey: it's not the loons, it's all the other noise on the audio

00:49:46 Peter: Too much background noise from the loon and water sounds. Very distracting and can hardly hear Harry

00:49:50 Pamela Roller Dorsett: difficult to hear speaker. love loon sound, but to loud

00:50:41 Maria Costello: can you mute the presentation

00:51:57 Shauna Kondrat: yes, better!!

00:52:02 karen gilbert: that is good

00:52:04 Peter: better

00:52:13 cynthia harvey: much better thanks

00:52:13 Andrea LaMoreaux: thanks for your patience everyone!

00:52:15 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Thanks everyone for your patience!

00:52:16 Peter: Better

00:52:25 Tom Ploszaj: I just became aware that wakeboard boats on Winnepesaukee could possibly adversely affect nesting loons. Tom Ploszaj - Canddate NH St. Rep. Belknap 1

00:52:26 rick hudson: much better

00:53:48 Kevin McCusker: Harry mentioned wake boats... there was a committee formed in NH to study their impact on our shorelines. Is it true they made no decision?

00:56:09 Andrea LaMoreaux: The Wake Board Study Commission did come to consensus on some of the issues, and did not reach consensus on other issues. The best way to keep informed at this time is to sign up for the NH LAKES Advocacy Alert on our website at [nhlakes.org](http://nhlakes.org). Thanks for your interest, Kevin!

00:56:53 Andrea LaMoreaux: These photos are AMAZING!

00:57:10 Jessica: Wake Boat Commission Final Report: <https://nhlakes.org/wp-content/uploads/Commission-to-Study-Wake-Boats-Final-Report-1.pdf>

00:57:27 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Kevin, here is the NH LAKES Advocacy Alert that addresses the results. It should provide all the information you are seeking! Including the link to the final report.

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00:57:54 Kevin McCusker: Thank you.

00:59:15 Andrea LaMoreaux: Just wow!

00:59:59 Maria Costello: amazing how long a loon swims underwater

01:00:14 connie richards: I'm hearing our loons on Northwood lake as this is ongoing

01:00:34 Betsy Holmes: Are those wildlife bands on the legs?

01:01:22 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Yes! <https://loon.org/lpc-work/research/banding-and-tracking-loons/>

01:05:58 Andrea LaMoreaux: Adorable!

01:11:58 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Here is that map graphic in case you'd like a closer look:

<https://loon.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/TheWork-Mercury-Hotspots-796x1030.png>

01:13:54 theresethompson: our adult loons leave the lake 1-2 months before the new young loons, is this normal?

01:15:05 Ellie Bartholomew: Will loons avoid lakes with cyanobacteria? Is cyano harmful to loons?

01:15:41 theresethompson: great questions

01:15:53 Jessica: Great questions! We will be sure to ask the experts at the end.

01:16:07 Kevin McCusker: I once noticed 2 loons making all kinds of noise. Then I spotted an eagle flying near the shoreline. As I waited and watched, the eagle flew out of sight, and the loons went quiet. So, do loons warn each other, or do they try to intimidate eagles? How do they avoid an eagle attack?

01:16:20 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Hi Therese, according to the LPC website "chicks typically leave their lakes 1-3 weeks after their parents, though some remain into the early winter."

01:16:37 theresethompson: thanks

01:17:17 Dad: we have a couple on contry

01:18:21 Dad: country pond I don't know how they survive weekends are crazy with boats

01:18:36 Jessica: Hi Kevin, loons yodel is typically given whenever a male loon feels threatened, including during aggressive territorial interactions with other loons, when eagles or other predators are nearby, or when a loon's chicks or nest are closely approached by humans.

01:20:21 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Please look through your old tackle, your parents/grandparents, and friends tackle, to get the lead out and save a loon!

01:21:44 Andrea LaMoreaux: UNH is actively researching the effect of toxic cyanobacteria on loons.

01:21:47 Peter: Does the lead issue pertain to the loon life on the ocean as well?

01:22:32 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Peter I believe that lead used in the ocean is too large for loons to pick up and swallow but I am unsure and we will ask the experts at the end!

01:24:03 Andrea LaMoreaux: Awesome!

01:26:33 rick hudson: how do I request to obtain a floating nest?

01:26:44 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Rick I was wondering the same thing. I'll ask!

01:27:28 Andrea LaMoreaux: Rick, a floating nest has been placed on Lake Massasecum.

01:27:51 Shauna Kondrat: Is it better to put just one nest out on a lake or can you put two to give the loons an option? Our loons have been having a hard time finding a nesting spot for the past 6 years.

01:28:13 Barry Reed: Do loons return to the same nest year after year?

01:28:23 Andrea LaMoreaux: It often takes several years for loons to use a floating nest. We'll be sure to ask the experts!

01:33:03 Willow: can you repeat the email please? Thank you!

01:33:35 Sharon: enjoyed the presentation and pictures - thank you

01:33:38 Maria Costello: great presentation!! is there collaboration between NH and Maine?

01:35:24 widnessj: How many pounds of fish does an adult 15 pound loon eat daily: when they are feeding their young and when they are not needing to do this? Does this change at different times of year, eg, more in the winter when the cold may require more consumption to keep warm?

01:35:37 Andrea LaMoreaux: Yes, biologists in Maine and New Hampshire, and the northeast, are working together.

01:35:59 Mark Duffy: Thanks to the presenters and NH Lakes. This was great!

01:37:00 Marti: How many rescues of baby loons occur each year?

01:37:54 atower: Our small lake often has additional loons/ tonight we had 3 loons. Does that prevent a loon couple from breeding?

01:37:56 Gary Downing: Do loon parents leave their offspring alone?

01:38:22 Bette Garrett: if you see a loon in trouble, who or where should you call to get help for it?

01:38:24 Betsy Holmes: How can we get results of necrology of a loon from our lake, or an egg that did not hatch?

01:38:49 Caroline Hughes: [volunteers@loon.org](mailto:volunteers@loon.org)

01:38:53 Willow: Thank you!

01:39:23 Tom Ploszaj: Very informative. Thank you for sharing the links. I will continue to learn and understand what is needed to improve the loon environment.

01:40:41 Jessica: You can visit <https://loon.org/lpc-work/loon-rescues/> when you see a loon in distress or call 603-476-5666

01:40:51 Chris Berry - Santa Cruz Water: How are folks dealing with weak regulatory compliance vis a vis shoreline protection, etc?

01:42:49 Pamela Roller Dorsett: Thank you for the wonderful information.

01:42:59 Mary von Alt: What about wake boats

01:43:03 connie richards:thank you!

01:43:19 Mary von Alt: Problem with ants?

01:43:33 Chuck Rhoades: Thanks for a wonderful and informative presentation

01:43:36 atower: we often have visiting loons/ and we have not had breeding pair in 5 years/is this common?

01:43:53 susanparmenter: Thank you to all. keep up the great work you do protecting our loons. I'm so happy we have successful nesting now here on lake Sunapee!

01:43:59 Krystal Costa Balanoff: Hi Mary, our presenters did discuss wake boats. The large waves can swamp nests and/or knock eggs of the nest!

01:44:17 Ann Hebert: yes- would like to know more about wake boats; are there regulations?

01:45:10 Krystal Costa Balanoff: I encourage you to read alllllll about wakeboats and the results of the study committee on our recent Advocacy Update :)

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01:45:44 Chris Berry - Santa Cruz Water: awesome work!

01:45:55 Gary Downing: Nice, thank you!

01:45:58 Marti: Thank you for all the great work you do!

01:46:11 Maria Costello: thank you!

01:46:11 Ann Hebert: just great talk !

01:46:12 Peter Olsen: Thank you so much to all the presenters and for the two organizations.

01:46:47 Shauna Kondrat: Thank you so much! Lost my internet half way through. Look forward to the link tomorrow and I'll listen to it all!

01:46:47 Betsy Holmes: Our lives are so rich due to our loons -- thanks to everyone for their work

01:47:06 Don Yurewicz: Great program! Thank you!

01:47:10 steph: Hi , Harry great talk Ed and Louanne Stephenson