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Fall ~ Winter Newsletter 2018

Membership Update

Active Membership stands at 79 with Bob Brimer bringing in the majority of new members

Southside Community Church Harvest Festival October 6th, 2018

Many Thanks To - Bob Brimer, Tom Herron IDEQ, Janet Conlin, Chuck and Sonja Gladish, Kathy and Ed McGonigle and Dale Sprecher who volunteered to represent the CLA at the Harvest Festival.

Boat Inspections

Bob Brimer reported inspecting 907 boats this year.

Our Map Sales brought in $150.00 this season.

Thanks to Cinda Bennet Crow for putting the map together and Bob Brimer, CLA spokesperson extraordinaire and our top Map salesperson.
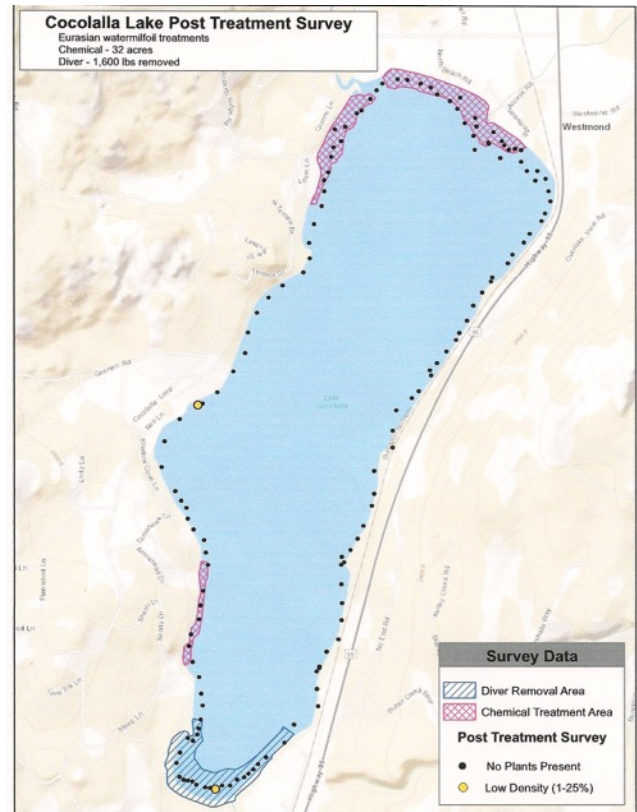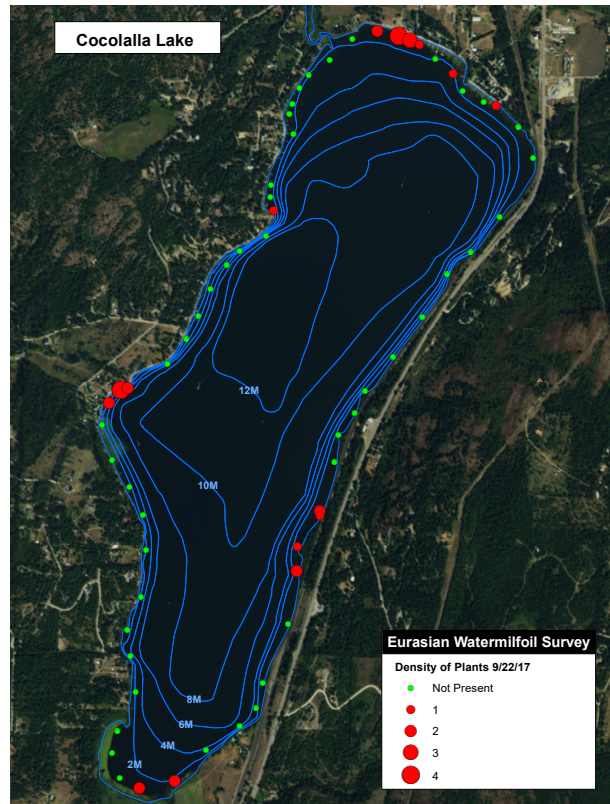
Unfortunately the IDA Tally for Statewide Inspections were not available for the 2018 season Yet

Cocolalla Delivered A Beautiful Palette of Fall Colors This Year.

The Harvest Festival

Post Survey September 2017   **Post Survey October 2018**

<u>As the Post Survey Maps indicate we had much better results this year.</u>

The CLA board is paying attention to a new Herbicide recently approved for treatment of Noxious Aquatic Weeds including Eurasian Watermilfoil. It is a product by the name of **Procellacor.**

• No adverse effects were observed in the submitted toxicological studies regardless of the route of exposure.

• No drinking water or recreational use restrictions

• Minimal personal protective equipment for handlers and applicators

• No risk concerns for non-target wildlife

• No toxicity to fish, birds, bees, reptiles, amphibians, and mammals

• Rapid weed uptake resulting in short exposure requirements with in-water spot/partial treatment

• For More Information: https://corpslakes.erdc.dren.mil/employees/learning/webinars/18Apr25-ProcellaCOR.pdf

We will be discussing with our Government Agencies to determine the best course of action Spring 2019.

Community Outreach and Education Program

Our second Annual Southside School tour of the southend wetland and wildlife refuge hosted by ourselves and Idaho Fish and Game. Between the two grades we had 51 students participate. The tour was comprised of aquatic bug identifying stations, milkweed plantings along with a tutorial about Monarch Butterfly's and a walking tour into the wetlands.

Many Thanks to Our Dedicated Idaho Dept. of Fish Personnel.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho – More boats carrying invasive mussels into Idaho have been intercepted at inspection stations so far this year (July 5th, 2018) than for the entire boating seasons in each of the last five years, Idaho officials say.

Nick Zurfluh of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture said 41,000 inspections have found 36 watercraft with mussels so far this year. Quagga and zebra mussels can clog water pipes, damage boat motors and affect other aquatic life.

"Regardless of where watercraft originate, the program looks at all out-of-state boats as high risk," he told the Coeur d'Alene Press in a story on Thursday.
So far, there have been no confirmed mussel infestations in Idaho. State officials say it could cost the state $100 million annually in damage and lost revenue if mussels infest Idaho's water.

"This is very important when considering the tremendous increase in prevention efforts in the Columbia River Basin, which is the last major watershed in the United States without mussels," Zurfluh said.

Idaho has 20 inspection stations and three roving stations, and all boaters must stop for a mandatory inspection when coming to an inspection station during operating hours.
Last year, inspections found 31 boats with invasive mussels. The record number of boats with mussels was in 2012 with 57. Idaho has had a mandatory boat inspection program for mussels since 2010. During that time, there have been more than 500,000 boat inspections with 231 watercraft found to have mussels.
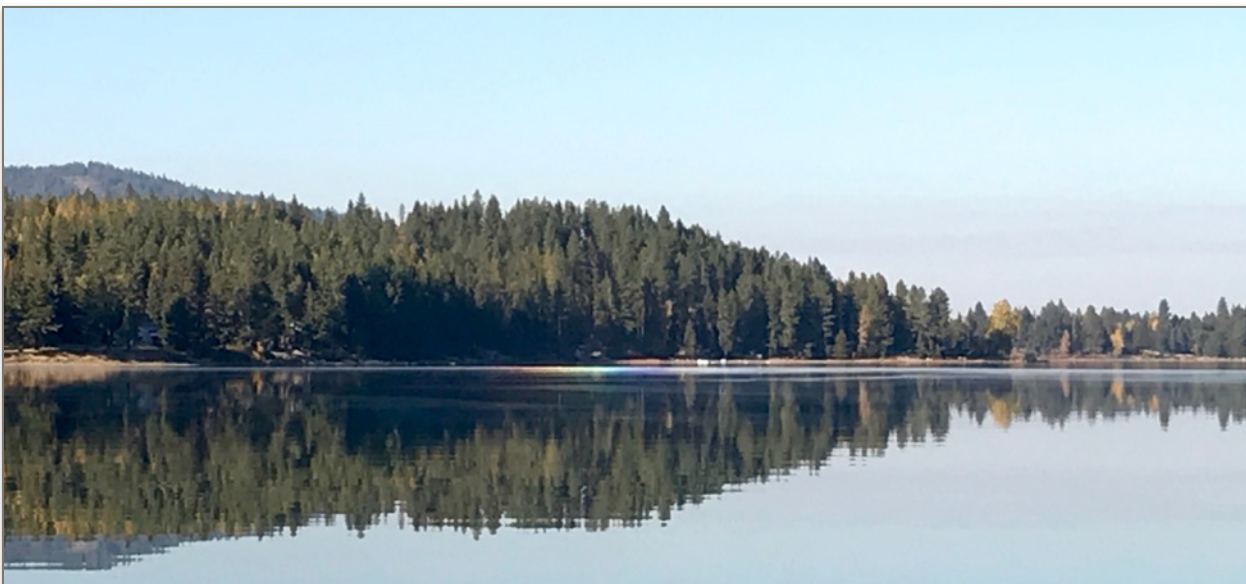Associated Press

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Some may have noticed the "Pretty" rainbow effect on the lake late October that appeared to be caused by an oil spill. Further investigation showed a heavy surface scum caused by an algal bloom.

We took samples and thanks to the assistance of DEQ staff from CDA we got a prompt response indicating that a "mixed cyanobacterial bloom going on with mixed speciation (dolichospermum, aphanizomenon, woronichinia, and possible microcystis". DEQ does not believe the extent of the bloom warrants a health advisory and hopefully the expected rain today into the weekend will minimize the bloom. That being said DEQ is advising the public to stay away from any areas where there is scum buildup along the shoreline. This is a common event this time of year in most lakes. DEQ has contacted Panhandle Health to coordinate a press release to inform the public. DEQ is planning on following up next week on the status of the bloom in Lake Cocolalla. I'll keep

Progress Being Made to Clean Up Plastics in Our Ocean

This floating pipe is trying to clean up all the plastic in the ocean (10/16/18)

San Francisco (CNN) - A 2,000 foot-long floating pipe nicknamed Wilson is about to start its mission to collect all the plastic in the middle of the Pacific Ocean.
Last month, the Ocean Cleanup foundation launched the world's first ocean cleanup system out of San Francisco to take on the notorious "Great Pacific Garbage Patch," a giant floating trash pile between San Francisco and Hawaii that is twice the size of Texas. It's the largest of five ocean trash piles on Earth.

Wishing All Our Members A Healthy Happy Holiday Season and We Look Forward To Seeing You The New Year