

**Gifford Lake Associate (GLA)
Annual Meeting/Picnic Minutes
Morin's Beach
July 6, 2024**



Call to Order

President Doug Nienhuis called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. following a picnic lunch for the membership on Morin's beach.

Approval of May 25th Meeting Minutes

Doug Nienhuis called for a motion to approve the May 25th meeting minutes. A motion was made by Katie Marton. The motion was seconded by Kelly Marton. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Linda Helder reported that the association had a balance of \$4,452.73, before picnic expenses. For details, see the complete report for July 2024 under the Treasurer's Report section on mygiffordlake.com.

Fish and Water Quality

Doug Nienhuis recognized members of the Fish and Water Committee —Jack Frick, Dave Schulz, Jim Lents, John Stegmeier and Joe Surman— for their work with MiCorp. on lake water quality testing.

Dave Schulz reported that 160 fish have been tagged in the past two years for the fishing contest. The tagging also allows committee members to track the growth rate of the fish.

He also reported some fishing committee members have been trained by MiCorp. to test the lake water. Samples are taken from the lake at least once a week. Test results will be reported on mygiffordlake.com in the near future. MiCorp indicated that Gifford Lake is unique being very clean and without invasive species. MiCorp directors will visit the lake in August.

Picnic Committee

Adam Gordon and Brian Marton were recognized for their outstanding effort as picnic co-chairs. Adam and Brian agreed to co-chair the 2025 picnic. Kelly Meister has volunteered to assist the picnic committee next year.

Trustees Reports

There were no reports.

Announcements

Doug Nienhuis said the dumpster for Clean-Up Weekend was not entirely filled. That being the case, the Executive Committee will evaluate if another Clean-Up Weekend will be held in 2025.

He added that work on Gifford Lake Association merchandise is underway. Once developed, it will be available for purchase on mygiffordlake.com.

Linda Helder announced that there will be a hazardous waste collection in Baldwin on August 1 between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. in the Wenger Pavillon behind Jone's Ice Cream. A \$15 donation per vehicle is recommended.

50/50 Raffle

John Stegmeier was the winner of the 50/50 raffle. He donated half his \$250 winnings to the Lake County Animal Control.

Trivia Contest and Sailboat Race

Brian Marton shared the answers to the Gifford Lake Trivia Contest and announced the winning team, The Gifford Ness Monsters. The winning team received a gift certificate from Baldwin Canoe Rental. See Picnic story under Announcements for details.

Sailboat Race Winner was Kelly Marton. She was awarded a commodore flag to hang from the mast of the winning sailboat.

Adjournment

Doug Nienhuis adjourned the meeting at 2:40 pm.