

TEN MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION  
NEWS LETTER

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**MEMBERSHIP:** The Ten Mile Lake Association now has 240 paid members for 1972, a new high and drawing ever closer to 100% of all lakeshore property owners. Officers and directors now serving the Association are John C. Veller, president; Charles M. Cooke, vice president; Omar Shonkwiler, secretary; Clarence Elsenpeter, treasurer. Active directors are (non-resident): H. Keister, T. Rasmussen, J. Schwartz, Roy Morrell; (resident): J. Fleisher, Chick Larson, J. Bock, G. Petroff, O. Quady.

**IN MEMORIUM:** The Association has lost two strong workers since the annual meeting. Mr. A. E. Woock, one of the early leaders in the formation of the Association, and Mr. K. A. Dickinson, always ready to help further the work of the Association.

**COMMITTEES:** Six working committees to carry out the business of preserving and improving Ten Mile Lake and environs were established by President John Veller. Art Horn and Jim Schwartz repeat as chairmen of the Fish and Game and Ecology and Environment committees, respectively. New committees established for this year are Membership, Opal Roby, chairwoman; Finance, Clarence Elsenpeter, chairman; Program, Charles M. Cook, chairman; Zoning and Property Protection, Omar Shonkwiler, chairman. In connection with zoning and property protection, Mr. Helmer Olson has been appointed Cass County Land Officer, an assistant to John Rohr, County Zoning Officer, now in new quarters in the basement of the Courthouse at Walker.

**ACTIVITIES:** A report of the activities of the Fish and Game committee is enclosed. In other matters, the Association: Arranged for the live trapping and removal of beavers which were cutting trees on the Hillaway property on the South end of Ten Mile. If this becomes a problem on your property, please furnish the association secretary a request for action by the Department of Natural Resources and include the legal description of your property. Engaged Albert Thomas to remove a beaver dam from beneath the bridge on Cass County No. 6 over the thoroughfare between Ten Mile and Birch. This action was also sanctioned by the DNR. The busy beavers had reduced the flow under the bridge to a trickle and upstream property owners were beginning to feel the effect of this structure. Obtained action by the Cass County Engineer to place "no fishing from bridge" signs on this same bridge on County No. 6. Rented a P.O. Box in Hackensack, No. 221. This is the sure way to address mail for Association business. The box is checked daily and mail routed to appropriate officers, board members or committee chairmen.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** If you are a snowmobiler, you may not be aware that only the township roads around Ten Mile are legal for snowmobile traffic ON THE ROADWAY. The County roads (No. 6, No. 50 and No. 71) are all State Aid highways and snowmobiles may legally use only the ditches. DNR locally is inclined to enforce these restrictions rather firmly. Spring birds are beginning to show, signaling the end of a long, hard, cold winter. Robins, Red Polls, Fox sparrows have been seen and grouse are evident along the roads again. Roads are breaking up and messy, but should shape up soon now.

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Secretary  
Ten Mile Lake Association