

March 2020 Wetland Report, and more!

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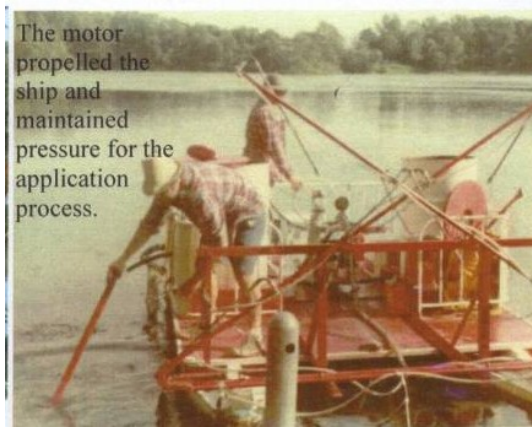


The Canadian thistles were treated with triclo and have wilted. We planted milkweed seed, and native rice in the mitigation areas. Our friend and neighbor Ann Cavendar joined Patty and I while Linda took the pictures.

Stump sprouts are minimal and the cattails are showing re-growth in all the wrong places. The stump on birm between tri 2 and 3 is greatly deteriorated and may actually open a place to mow on that area.

I returned with Jill and retreated all the Canadian thistles I missed. Bull thistles were left to stand and Sow thistles were not up yet. I treated all the crownvetch I could find! It's laced between the marsh milkweed, thistles and a few echinacea.

Blast from the past staring Ralph Voorese engineer, Ron Corson, with the skill set to identify weeds and train for the Applicator License and Ron Kerlin biologist forged the way with sake and a recipe to clean the lake. The machine was stored under canvas for the winter at Ralphs.



Deposites for Harvested Weeds



Promontory Point Drive with gardens made of the weeds cleaned up with the harvester. Garden at the end of the point where the road drifted across .(1) The pontoon boat is in the location, 9453,

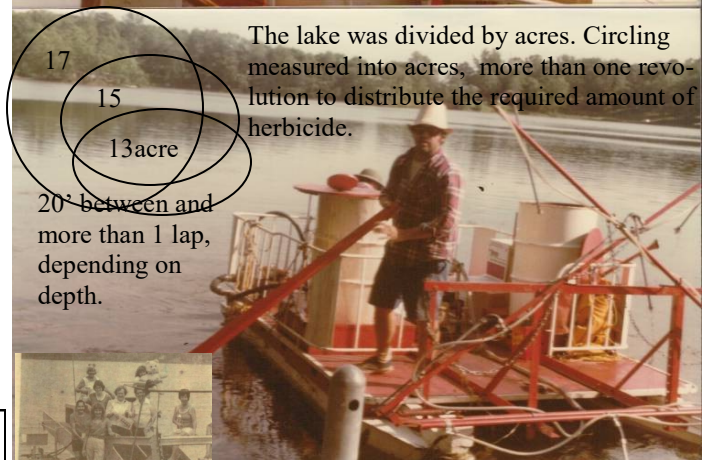
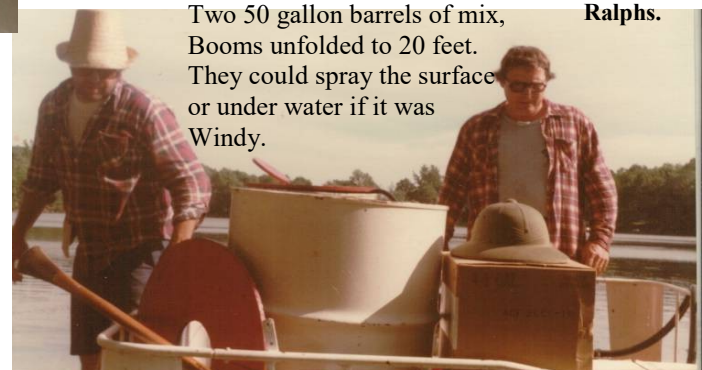


where the weeds were dumped. (2) The Dogbane growing in the path leading to the site was not there nor the storage unit. The garden on top of the hill is still there. The weeds when left to dry were easily carried to the location in the sun on top of the



hill. Dogbane, Indian hemp, is a deterrent to loosestrife.

Carry on and enjoy our 179 surface acres that have not changed. Even the pondweeds, elodea, southern niad, kara, eel grass, hydrilla, Euriasn milfoil and coon's tail, native or not, to name a few, may still be in the lake and hopefully never starry stonewort. Did I mention algae? I've always used a blast of cold well water, hose water as Ben calls it, to knock it down!



The crafts, bake sales, chicken barbecue, paddlathon and road races were the foundation for the building of the center. An investment group was formed to buy the weed harvester. Dues funded the weed control

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