2023 Goose Nest Destruction and Egg Harvesting Report

Dan Karagozian May 13, 2023

Dear all,

This year I worked with Dave Rago, Jay Kirkey, Bob Donald & Jeff Coates in collecting eggs and destroying nest. Dave Rago and I went out on the lake a total of 3 times and set foot on every island on the lake. I also walked all the association property three times during the goose egg season April 8th- May 5th. I was out on Lake Shannon West with Jeff Coates in his row boat.

Total for the season 61 Eggs

Results

4-8-2023 – 37 eggs where found frozen and disposed off under DNR Guidelines

South Blarney Island – 1 nest with 7 eggs

Kerry Island – one nest with 6 eggs

Killarney Island – one nest with 6 eggs-Since this island has been cleaned up nest was under the

The plastic material used prior to re-rocking the seawall

Gaelic Island –one nest with 7 eggs

Leprechaun Island – two nests with 11 eggs

5-4-2023 -24 eggs

Brandon Island - one nest 6 eggs

Gaelic Island –one nest 5 eggs

Leprechaun Island two nest - one with 7 eggs and the other with 6

The results are similar to last year that all the eggs found are on our islands. 39% of the eggs are harvested are off one island Leprechaun. Leprechaun Island is the most over grown island and I feel if we clean it up it will not be so inviting to geese and they will nest elsewhere.

I talked with Goose Works (Kirk Melhaff cell: (810) 599-5315) a contractor licensed by the DNR and there **will not** be a goose round up and relocation program this year in the State of

Michigan this year because of bird influenza. If the bird influenza continues in 2024 the DNR is talking about a round up and euthanasia. I will stay on top of this and inform the board

We are allowed to harass geese on the lake and a green laser is what is recommended by the DNR.

Attached: Is the report that I filed with the DNR, Green High power lasers are available on Amazon for around \$25.00

In closing, a resident near Brandon Island asked if the east end of the island can be trimmed up so that the "No Wake" sign is visible. I would also like to thank Dave Rago for the use of his pontoon boat to tour the lake

Let me know if you have any questions

Respectively,

Dan Karagozian

Cc: Dave Rago