

## News from the Boat!

It's been two weeks now since we last checked in with Anna Mares and her team. Since then they were joined by volunteers Bill Hastings, an engineer, and Katrina Smith, a service learning student.

Anna reports that even with the uncooperative weather lake monitoring is moving along right on schedule and the first of three rounds of monitoring will be completed sometime this week! She also says that they've had the opportunity to spread the word of what they are doing to all the curious people stopping to ask questions. The team finds it wonderful to meet so many people who care about the lakes around them. They say it's great to see that many of the lakes they've visited have warning signs up about aquatic invasive species. These signs tell boaters not to bring any new species to the lakes and warn boaters about the invasive species that are already there that they have a possibility of carrying out of the lake. Kirby lake, for example, has a very nice information kiosk at its landing.

Zoe Hastings, Anna's assistant, remarks that she is also very pleased at the progress they've made. She says that both Anna and volunteer Ted Ludwig have managed to maintain their sense of humor even in the depressing weather conditions! Zoe also says that she enjoys talking to the people she meets around the lake, so if you see her to say hi! That's all for this weeks update! Stay tuned for more in a couple of weeks!

--Mike Kortness, Jessica Soine, and Sarah Braun

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Thank you to Wissota Marina, whose staff donated over a \$1,000 in repairs and many hours of labor to repair one of the CSC research boats!

## Lake Spotlight

### ~Lake Eau Claire~

This week's Lake Spotlight shines on Lake Eau Claire in Eau Claire County. The Lake Eau Claire Lake Association hit the water like a cannonball off the dock this season. They worked with the County Land Conservationist Kirsten Cahow-Scholtes and the Citizen Science Center to conduct a sociological survey of lake users, the results of which are due out soon. They are also working on an aquatic plant management plan for their lake, which they hope will help them better manage aquatic invasive species and sedimentation in the lake. In June, the lake association also organized the "Lake Eau Claire Clear Water Mini-Triathlon and Picnic" for the folks in their community! The Lake Eau Claire website is: <http://www.lakeeauclaire.org/>.

## Announcements

Many folks have called lately to ask about the results of the work Anna Mares has done on their lake this summer. Anna will compile the results of her work into reports this fall, after the field season is completed and will mail/email all of the lake associations those reports then! During the summer, Anna will spend all of her working hours on your lakes and will be away from her computer!

## Special Recognition

### ~Wissota Marina~

Wissota Marina generously donated over a \$1,000 dollars in repairs and many hours of labor to one of our summer research boats this summer. We are extremely grateful to them! Next time you are at Wissota Marina, please let thank them for assisting us with research on your lakes!

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