

News & Events

Spring Meeting

DPA Membership Meeting &
Spaghetti Dinner
Town Building - Senior Center

Sunday, May 1st, 5:00pm

Board Election

We will be electing the 2016-2017 Board at the meeting. Nominations will be taken from the floor. The candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee are:

President — Doron Almog
1st V.P. — Eric Macklin
2nd V.P. — John Darack
Secretary — Lisa Jacobs
Treasurer — Jamie Pierce
Members-at-Large —
Karen Lowery
Mike Margossian

Newcomers' Pot-Luck
Sunday May 22, 4:30pm
Come and greet newcomers to the Pond community, location TBA

20th Annual Dudley Pond
Run/Walk and Kids' Fun Run
Sunday, September 18

Ice Cream Social
Mansion Beach
Saturday, June 12

Stay in the loop! If you are not currently receiving our emails, please send an email to dpasecretary84@gmail.com



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Spring 2016

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I would like to open by thanking our members for your continued support of the DPA through participation in DPA events and contributions to the DPA. To remind you, 100% of the contributions are given back to the community through DPA events and maintenance of the health of the pond. All DPA activities are volunteer-based, as is the DPA board. I would like to encourage each and every one of the members to interact with the DPA at least once a year whether it is through participating in the fun run or in the fall and spring meetings that we host at the town hall.

We are all very fortunate to live in such a beautiful setting and as I walk my dog along the shores of Dudley Pond every morning I remind myself that I should not take for granted being part of this community. Some of the most beautiful sunrises that I've ever seen have been during these early morning walks, as the sun is coming up in the east and shining its rays on Dudley Pond.

We had a relatively warm winter without much snow and the pond froze over for a very short period. Regrettably this was not a good year for skating on the Pond. During the winter months the DPA board, in collaboration with the Wayland Surface Quality Committee (SWQC), was busy planning for the summer and discussing ways to control weed growth in the Pond. The SWQC came up with an excellent plan that had been endorsed by the DPA. This plan includes hand pulling, mechanical harvesting and herbicide control. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the SWQC, and specifically Mike Lowery, for their support and guidance, as the DPA board relies on their expertise and guidance to a great extent.

The Dudley Pond 20th Fun Run will be held this year on September 18th. This has been a very successful fundraiser for the DPA, mostly thanks to Karen Lowery who had a large part in coordinating the fundraising for the event. Karen is transitioning the Fun Run activities to the DPA board and I would like to urge any of the members who are interested in engaging or coordinating the fundraising to get involved. Let us know if you are available to assist, we do need your help! I would like to thank Karen on behalf of the board for her contribution.

I would like to wish you all a joyful spring and summer full of adventures and fun activities in and around Dudley Pond. See you on the Pond.

Doron Almog
DPA President

DPA Board 2015-2016

- President - Doron Almog
- First VP - Eric Macklin
- Second VP - John Darack
- Treasurer - Jamie Pierce
- Secretary - Lisa Jacobs

For membership info see
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Henry Ormonde sporting a T-shirt from the 3rd Dudley Pond Fun Run in 1999

Join us for the 20th Annual Run/Walk
September 18, 2016!

WSWQC 2016 Season Preview

By Mike Lowery (Wayland Surface Water Quality Committee)

Good News! Thanks to everyone who came to the Conservation Commission hearing for the Surface Water Quality Committees proposed [Aquatic Management Program](#) for Dudley Pond. We have been granted a five-year [Order of Conditions](#). The Plan proposes to continue our program to use diver hand pulling as the primary management tool, but allows for herbicide if necessary.

Bad News: As shown in our [2015 end of season weed survey](#) we have two problems: Tape Grass, and our old nemesis Eurasian Milfoil. We will be treating portions of the pond with fluridone (as we did in 2008) to manage the milfoil. Likely in late April you will see signs posting when the treatment will take place. No boating or swimming on the day of treatment please. When the signs come down you can swim again. Don't use pond water to irrigate your lawn or garden until the end of the season.

The fluridone may suppress the tape grass some – but we expect that in the late summer we will “give it a haircut” in places to keep it away from swimmers and boaters. Our new order of conditions allows this – our old one didn't

WSWQC thanks the DPA for its continuing support and offsetting 25% of the Town's expenses for Dudley Pond weed management. This sends the clear message to the town that Dudley Pond Association and its supporters are doing our part.

Below is an eight-year recap of our spending:

HAND PULLING & Surface			HERBICIDE			Total Cost	Weeds Left at Yearend?
PLANTS	HOURS	COST	AGENT	AREA	COST		
2008			2008	fluridone	whole lake	\$49,070	2008
2009	18237	358	2009			\$14,320	2009
2010	6145	297	2010	triclopyr	18.5 acres	\$13,875	2010
2011	10485	274	2011			\$10,760	2011
2012	38191	655	2012			\$29,486	2012
2013	44699	491	2013	triclopyr	19.6 acres	\$17,608	2013
2014	2744	239	2014			\$11,066	2014
2015	20141	79.5	2015			\$10,110	2015
8 yr Average						\$23,798.00	

Questions may be directed to: lowery.mike@gmail.com

The Dudley Pond Fun Run Turns 20!

It all started one night during a late night conversation of how to build a new sense of community, have some fun and showcase the beauty of Dudley Pond while adults and children ran a 5K non-competitive race. The rest as they say is history!

The first Dudley Pond Fun Run took place on Saturday, Sept. 20, 1997 with 123 entries ranging in age from 2 to 67, and netted \$2000 for the DPA. A small group of residents banded together to build wooden starting gates, design a t-shirt logo, and hope for the best. Now in it's 20th year, the Fun Run has become the DPA's main fundraiser and biggest community event. And we've never been rained out!

As we trace the history and evolution of the Run here are some highlights:

- The 4th annual Fun Run was held in honor of Harry Olin, past DPA President and loyal pond supporter who passed away in 2000.
- At the 10th annual Fun Run in 2006, a new 5K course record was set at 16:37.8.
- Sylvia Greene's non-competitive fitness walk was introduced at the 11th annual Fun Run in 2007.
- In 2008, we had teams of runners including candidates and incumbents, Susan Pope, Tom Conroy, Scott Brown and Sarah Orozco competing in the 12th annual Fun Run.
- At the 15th annual Fun Run in 2011, Dairy Queen gave us Dilly Bars as a special treat for all the kids participating (and for many of the older ones too!)
- In 2012, the 17th annual run was part of Wayland's 375th anniversary celebration.
- The 19th annual run in 2015 had over 130 entrants from ages 1-80+, a record number of spectators and netted over \$13,000 for the DPA.

As the Fun Run turns 20, we would like to thank the countless group of volunteers and participants who have made this Wayland's premier community event.

A special thank you goes out to Karen Lowery who is stepping down as Fun Run coordinator after 13 years of tireless energy and dedication to the Dudley Pond Association.

If you would like to be part of our historic 20th annual fun run, please send an email to: dpasecretary84@gmail.com.

The 20th Dudley Pond Run/Walk and Kids' Run

Sunday, September 18, 2015

Fitness Walk 10:30am; Kids' Fun Run 12:30pm;

5k Race and 2-Mile Competitive Walk 1:00pm