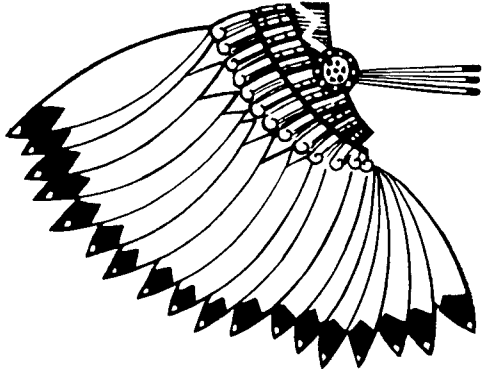


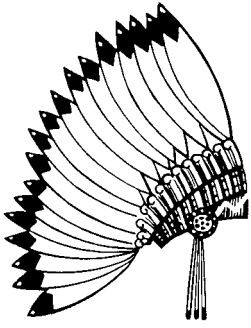
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Dan Crandall, Editor

BRENT VALLIER WINS TWO TITLES

Hiawatha Sportsman's Club member, Brent Vallier, not only won the 2007 Hiawatha Club Trap Championship, but also the Eastern Upper Peninsula Crown. Congratulations Brent!



2007 Hiawatha Sportsman's Club Trap Champions

1st Place	Brent Vallier	Score of 47
2nd Place	Dennis Goerke	Score of 45
3rd Place	Jim Wileman	Score of 44

DENNIS GOERKE REACHES YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE HSC TRAP RANGE



Dennis,
Thank you so much for sharing your time and talent with us and our children. We appreciate all you do.

Sincerely,
Steve, Candice, Abbie and Chad Parks, Ben, Nancy, Luke and Hannah Gellis, Howard, Rose, Cody and Logan Dedow, and Mackenzie Shepeck.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Engadine High School young men and ladies golf teams, we thank you for the financial support we have received from the many HSC members through your direct giving and those members and guests who played in our Golf Fund Raiser.

Our goal was exceeded for the 2008 golf program. The monies will be used to cover travel expenses, tournament fees, ferry crossings, additional shirts and possibly wind breakers. No salaries are taken from these monies, as the coaching positions are volunteer.

Our golf season runs from March, April, May and into the first week of June. This year (2007) was the first year EHS had a golf program entered into the school conference. We made an excellent showing, with (3) wins and (5) loses. In the finals we competed against (20) other teams and did well.

The greatest achievement we made was our young men and women were taught good character, integrity and honesty. There is no cursing, taunting, nor unsportsmanlike conduct allowed – all

lead to disqualification. The rules of golf are strictly enforced, just like in the Pro's.

This teaching will carry on into their adult lives. As we've witnessed in recent years, many CEO's Presidents of large corporations, politicians, etc. have been caught lying and cheating. We have a fine group of young people at EHS who will someday make their mark in society showing good character, integrity and honesty and (hopefully! – be pretty good golfers.)

Coach – Robyn Albrecht
Coach – Steve Miller

2008 HIAWATHA SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

•• GARAGE SALE ••

July 9 & 10, 2008 – In Gathering Items

July 11 & 12, 2008 – SALE

MANY, MANY VOLUNTEERS ARE

NEEDED IN THE SPRING,

CALL MARY BETH McELROY – 906-477-3045



Third Tier Lot 11 & Membership, Plat of Millecoquin River Unit #1. Contact: Gerald Jones, 720 Sycamore Dr., Owosso, MI 48867. Tele: 989-725-6943. Price: \$5,000.00 or Best Offer.

Second Tier Lot 64 & Membership, Plat of Naubinway Unit #4. Contact: George Kent, 8850 Norris Rd,

Delton, MI 49046. Tele: 269-623-5580. Price: \$12,000.00 or Best Offer.

Third Tier Lot 7 & Membership, Plat of Lake Millecoquin Unit #2. Contact: Michael Hasenfratz, 5366 North Lewis Rd, Coleman, MI 48618. Tele: 989-465-6894. Price: \$4,000.00.

Third Tier Lot 175 & Membership, Plat of Lake Millecoquin Unit #2. Contact: Richard O'Reilly, 595 Rutledge, Jackson, MI 49203. Tele: 517-750-3428. Price: \$4,000.00.

Third Tier Lot 355 & Membership, Plat of Lake Millecoquin Unit #2. Contact: Diane McConnell, 771 W. Stevenson Lk Rd, Farwell, MI 48622. Tele: C# 989-429-3924. Price: \$3,900.00.

First Tier Lot E1/2-168 West Beach Road, 50' Frontage on Sandy Lake Michigan. Perked. (Membership Approval) \$55,000.00 OBO. Contact: Greg Berkobien, Saginaw, MI. Tele: 989-249-5429.

NEW MEMBERS ●●●●●●●●●●

- Ruth Slade
- 1923 SW Palm City Rd #E, Stuart, FL 34994
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- John Jones
- 213 Midtown Dr., Traverse City, MI 49684
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- Gary D. Hood
- 8758 Horizon Dr., Traverse City, MI 49686
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- Christin Kukulski
- 553 Avocet Dr., East Lansing, MI 48823
-
- Jared Stam
- 13070 Ring Road, St Charles, MI 48655
-
- Joyce Weldon Clark
- 744 Archwood Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103
-
- Matthew T. Long
- 2037 Duchesse Dr., Oregon, OH 43618
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- Kelly B. Roberts
- 810 B. Spencer St., Honolulu, HI 96813
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- Christopher D. Nesbitt
- 615 Applegate Dr., Marysville, MI 48040
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- David A. Long
- 27402 Bradner Rd, Millbury, OH 43447

In Memorial

Stanley J. Ketvirtis	Clifton A. Eldridge (Hank)
August, 2007	September, 2007

**MEMBER DONATIONS TO THE
LSSU HIAWATHA
ENDOWMENT FUND FOR
SCHOLARSHIPS**

2005 - \$3,120.00

2006 - \$1,241.00

2007 - \$1,473.00 (to date)

FOR SALE

First Tier Lot 363 & Membership, Plat of Lake Millecoquin Unit #1. Water-front year around furnished Cottage on Lake Millecoquins. Knotty Pine interior, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, new 30 year roof, vinyl siding, vinyl casement windows, large front deck, new electric heat and Lopi fire place insert. Price: \$220,000.00.

For additional information,
call 513-272-6440.

- NOTICE -
MILLECOQUINS LAKE
WINTER CARNIVAL

WILL BE HELD AT THE
HAIWATHA RECREATION BUILDING AREA
ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2008

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE LISTED ON WEBSITE AT LATER DATE

HIAWATHA SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
SUMMARY OF OCTOBER 20, 2007
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

PRESIDENT RUTLEDGE - Called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m. Recited the Pledge of Allegiance with Members in attendance.

GOVERNOR CRANDALL - Called the Roll - 11 Board members present, Governor Larson - Absent.

GOVERNOR CRANDALL - **Moved** to accept the Minutes from the July 21, 2007 Board of Governors Meeting.

GOVERNOR ELDRIDGE - **Second** all in favor, **Motion passed.**

GOVERNOR ELDRIDGE - **I Move** that the Board adopt the 2008 operating budget and adopt the 2009-2012 operating projection.

GOVERNOR WALDRON - **Second** all in favor, **Motion passed.**

GOVERNOR ELDRIDGE - **I Move** that the Board authorize the expenditure of \$1,402.52, the balance of the Lindell Memorial, for club and U.S. flags.

GOVERNOR DARK - **Second** all in favor, **Motion passed.**

GOVERNOR ELDIRDGE - **I Move** that the Board authorize the Executive Committee, by majority vote, to move the "Truck Replacement" from the 2008 proposed plan to the 2007 plan and to purchase a F550 Ford Truck with 40 foot fifth wheel trailer for \$24,000.00.

GOVERNOR WALDRON - **Second** all in favor, **Motion passed.**

GOVERNOR SCHANSKI - **Moved** to adjourn.

GOVERNOR MACFARLAND - **Second**, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned at 12:15p.m.

FISH COMMITTEE REPORT

Let me begin by reviewing our five year fish plan that was revised this August.

Overall Goal - Provide a quality fishing opportunity for HSC members in accordance with sound ecological practices in collaboration with LSSU, DNR personnel, Trout Unlimited, and private aquatic biologists.

Primary Goals-

1. Continue cold water stocking program in areas with adequate access for fishermen.

2. Improve warm water fishing opportunities.

3. Develop a self-sustaining trout population through stream improvement and restoration.

4. Establish an annual scientific measurement program of HSC fisheries with LSSU.

5. Develop a user friendly method of surveying member satisfaction and success in fishing HSC waters.

6. Develop a systematic "Fishing Report" that would allow members to access current information of what fishermen are catching and where

Jim Rutledge and I met with Dr. Moerke and students from Lake Superior State University in September and it was

agreed that her students would be doing two studies per year on HSC involving our fisheries, one in the fall and one in the spring on an ongoing basis. Students evaluated Cranberry Lake last weekend and set seven trap nets and one gill net; many numbers of medium size perch were caught. LSSU recommends that we suspend fish plants until re-evaluation in April, 2008. All fish trapped were returned unharmed.

Our stream restoration program was quite successful this year and achieved the following results:

Numerous spawning structures were installed and existing structures were repaired. The purpose of this is to insure natural reproduction of trout species. In the future we will continue to work on Cold Creek and expand to Jocko Creek. We also would like to continue sand removal from the Upper Millecoquins River.

I would like to thank Governor Rutledge for his hard work and dedication this year to this aspect of our program and would like to thank our many volunteers who worked so very hard each Wednesday, without them we could not have been as successful.

Our fish plants will be finishing this October with plants in the Upper Millecoquins River, Jocko Pond, and some good sized brown trout in Three Mile Pond. Cold Creek Pond has come back nicely after our dam failure this summer and I would like to thank all our volunteers who helped with our fish plants this year and also those who helped with the repairs done to Cold Creek dam.

The Fish, Game, and Fowl Committee will be working on a user friendly fish survey that hopefully will be started next spring. Data from this survey will be considered when planning improvements to our fishery. We will also be piloting a fishing report starting this winter. This will allow members to access information on what people are catching and where. This info would be available on our web site and in the club office. We need volunteers who would be willing to share current fishing information. Please contact me at (989) 413-1598 or at my e-mail address: johnmack46@yahoo.com if you would be interested in helping out. This will only work if we have many volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,
John MacFarland, Co-Chairman,
Fish, Game & Fowl Committee

ART SHOW

A complete Art show 2007 Report/Summary written by Barb Hobbs can be found in your fall issue of the Council Fire. The ART SHOW GUIDE BOOK for future chairman, located in Paintin Place and accessed via Annette's computer, has been updated and revised for 2008.

FEATURED ARTIST 2008 will be Day Graham and Jim Rutledge. Thank you to office staff and new exhibitors has been sent. Still in need, Art Show Chairpersons for 2008.

CHILDRENS ART CLASSES

The 2007 Children's Art Classes have been evaluated and will continue in 2008. A Thank You has been sent to Sallee Poole for her time and efforts: The \$3.00 tools and materials fee has been dropped. In the future the Art Club will supply all needed materials. Donations will be accepted.

PAINTIN PLACE

Improvements for 2008 have been addressed, such as display boards, Art supplies and Façade paint palette touch up. Materials for matt cutting are now available to Art Club members, thanks to the efforts of Gus Hassenrik and our new Matt cutter Jerry Peters.

GUEST SPEAKERS AND WORKSHOPS

Tuesday, July 10, guest speaker Don Brower presented to our members his vision of Naubinway's future which included possible Art club involvement.

Thursday, August 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Gen Cousineau presented a very informative, high energy Water Color Workshop. Emphasizing basic techniques through final composition, with 12 in attendance the workshop was filled to capacity.

NEW MEMBERS 2007

We would like to welcome the following to our Paintin Place Art Club. Sandy Flavin, Sharon Evans, Tay MacMeekin, Jill Thomas and Bill and Mary Yost.

CONCLUSION

And in conclusion, a special Thank You to the H.S.C. office staff for making our job a lot easier and to you our Board of Governors for your continued support.

Submitted by, Francie Dittrich, President

For more information: i.e. updated member list, individual meeting minutes, Art show chair opportunities: Contact, Francie (517) 339-9671 or (906) 477-6755.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Present Status to 2007 Financial Budget:

Following is a summary of the September 30, 2007 year-to-date actual revenues and expenses versus the 2007 financial budget.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Revenues	\$1,320,378	\$1,223,293
Expenses	\$ 910,109	\$ 978,284
Net Income	\$ 410,269	\$ 245,009

The \$94,085 excess of revenue over budget is primarily made up of timber (\$25,000), membership due to a lot sale (\$46,500) and asset sale (dump truck) \$8,000. The \$68,175 below budget in expenses were primarily due to habitat \$23,000, professional services, \$11,000 and cottage repairs, \$7000.

Year-end operating profits will meet budget expectations.

Present Status to 2007 Capital Expenditure Budget:

Our Capital Plan for 2007 totals \$153,885. As of September 30, 2007 we have expended \$138,187 and therefore are below plan.

Investment Status:

Our Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2007 totaled \$811,272. Our "Reserve" Accounts total \$652,891 and therefore are properly supported by our cash and investments.

Respectfully Submitted,
Loyal Eldridge,
Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair

GAME & FOWL COMMITTEE REPORT

If any of you have taken a ride on the Club recently you should have noticed the lush green food plots which are growing very nicely. The late summer plantings by our HSC volunteers combined with steady Fall rains is paying off. Winter wheat, rape, turnips, and clover are all flourishing on the Club. The only stroke of bad luck was with our corn planted at the QGMU. Summer was again so dry that the corn did not produce; but the stalks are standing and will at least provide some cover for the wildlife.

A special thanks goes out to all of our volunteers who helped get our food plots planted; and especially to Leonard Jakubiak who has stuck with this project over the past several years donating hundreds of hours of his time tilling, seeding,

fertilizing, mowing, coaching and teaching volunteers to make this project flourish. Leonard sets the pace and at times is a hard man to keep up with. We are grateful for all that he has done not only for this committee, but for the wildlife, land, and its membership as well. Thanks Leonard!

Hunting season is now upon us with a few hunters reporting some success. As of October 10, 2007 three nice Bucks have been harvested at the QGMU. An eight point and a five point were harvested during the youth hunt in September; and a 6 point during the October archery season. Early indicators point to a fair season for some of our hunters.

I would like to offer the following as reminders to deer hunters:

- (A.) The deer observation cards are now available at the club office. The yellow cards are to be used when hunting at the QGMU. The White cards are to be used when hunting the balance of our Club Lands. Please fill these cards out and return to the club office. The information you record on these cards helps our biologist and committee members plan for the future in deer management at HSC. Also remember that these cards are put into our annual gun drawing; one more reason for you to participate.
- (B.) All permanent blinds must be in place by November 1st.
- (C.) All deer harvested must be registered at the club office.
- (D.) Baiting is now allowed at the QGMU.
- (E.) All Bucks harvested at the QGMU must have at least one antler with 3 or more points and a minimum of one inch long points.

Also, we will again be hosting the annual Hunters Rendezvous on November 14th. Jim Hammill will be our guest speaker and will be available to answer any of your questions. Please join us at the club activity building at 7:00 PM; cookies and coffee will be available.

In September the board voted on a new rule change that all governors favored. The new rule pertains to Doe harvested on HSC lands and attempts to give more of our members a fair chance at harvesting a Doe. The rule states that while the Doe quota is in place a club member will be allowed to harvest one Doe prior to December 1st, and one Doe after December 1st. This limits any one member from harvesting more than two Doe in a given season.

As a reminder our Doe quota has been set at 20 during regular firearm deer season and 20 during black powder season; 10 Doe being harvested at the QGMU and 10 Doe harvested on the balance of club lands. Doe permits are now available at the club office.

One last reminder; if anyone of you have wildlife pictures to share from a trail camera, please turn them into the club office and they will be judged in our trail camera contest by the Fish, Game and Fowl Committee. Pictures must be

taken on the Club. Best picture will win a new rifle donated by our Club Wildlife Biologist Jim Hammill. I have seen and heard of some great pictures; please keep them coming. You just might become a winner of a new rifle.

Respectfully Submitted;
Walt Dark; Co-chairman
Fish Game and Fowl Committee

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

There is one new grievance. This one is about a guest that was arrested for DUI on the club beach. The grievance is on the member for not controlling the guest actions.

Jim Wileman
Grievance Committee Chairman

HIAWATHA NATURE AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

June to September and it's all over; what a great year here at the Hiawatha Sportsman's club. We had a lot going on with the Hiawatha Nature and Historical Society and the HSC Museum during this period. These are some of the events HN&HS made happen here at the Club:

We had four evening speakers this year: July 11 – Carl Behrend, folksinger and author. July 25 – Jim Rutledge and John MacFarland, Healthy Streams & Restoration. August 1 - Robert Haight, Fly-fishing poet. August 8 – Jim Hammill, HSC Wildlife Biologist spoke about black bears. They were all record attended, thank you.

We had five Museum Exhibits: 50th Celebration of the Mackinac Bridge, Healthy Streams and Restoration, Fly-tying, Black Bears and Wildflowers.

Ken Vollick guided us on a bird identification hike and Norma Carrigan guided us on a Wildflower hike.

The Beach Picnic at Lake Michigan (with perfect weather) and the Corn Roast at Pullup Lake (with the best corn ever) were well attended and enjoyed.

Landscaping and a new sign at “The Naomi Children's Museum” provided the “New look”!

Painting and a workbench finished our new Storage Building.

We are now looking at the “new” replica of the first 1931 HSC cabins (almost finished!)

Two of our hiking trails (O'Neil Creek & Elbow Lake) will

have GPS maps next year.

This is my last year as President and my wife Norma's last year as Secretary of the Hiawatha Nature and Historical Society. Next year we will be Co-Directors of the HSC Museum. We would like to thank all those who helped us in the planning and guidance of HN&HS. We couldn't have done it without you! We enjoyed taking part in this wonderful Club and working to make it a better place. Norma and I still stand in awe of the beauty with its streams, lakes, flowers, trees and wildlife. Come up and see us at the Museum next year!

In closing I have some people to thank! Jeri Rizzardi, Lil Rossow, Sharon & DeWayne Evans, Naomi Rowe, Francie Dittrich, Muriel Eifler, Betty Ann & Jack Glascock, Ann Elms, John MacFarland, Diane & Gus Hassenrik, Jim Beck, Fred Mills, Steve & Linda Rogers, Richard Zyczynski, Tom Fagerlin, Sam Fowler, Ivan & Ruth Darling, Ken Vollick, Mike & Chris Gravlin, Bob Laraway, Jim & Lynda Rutledge, CeCi Twachtman, Joyce & Art Clark, Susie Sencaj, Jan Yost, Barb Hobbs, Jean Foss, Marcia Waters, Bill Knolls, Peter & Irene Tomlinson, Mick & Todd Hodges, Jim & Jean Hayes, Gloria Kuhn, and Mary Lou, Nancy & Aaron Fulton

A special thanks, to Marv Henderson, Bruce Gustafson, Charlie Wilson, Steve Miller, Ron and Kenneth Farrell for their excellent carpenter work on the 1931 replica cabin. **Thank you!** As well as Lester and Crew! Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Carrigan, President HNHS

MANAGER'S REPORT

Dear Governors and Members,

The 1930 replica cottage that is being built at the museum is coming along nicely. A great volunteer group, headed up but Marv Henderson, constructed the building from rough saw material to mimic the lumber that would have been sawn from the forests of HSC. Once the framing was completed the HSC maintenance staff applied a historically appropriate rolled roof to cap off the project. After that, our staff removed the window sashes from the Drown cottage and built new jambs around them which have been installed in the cottage. Once the exterior door arrives, we will begin installing the floor and putting on the finishing touches so it will be ready for all of the items that the Nature and Historical Society have been collecting.

The Remodeled entrance on US-2 is nearly completed. The lighting that was installed by Pat Schumann and her staff makes for a wonderful scene at night. The refectory of the

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Transfers Completed as of October 12, 2007	42
Transfers In Process	17
Total Dues and CF Billed for 2007	\$700,511.00
Total Dues and CF Paid	\$679,698.00
Delinquent Dues and CF	\$ 20,813.00
Total Members	1169
Total Memberships	1720
1 st Tier	785
2 nd Tier	211
3 rd Tier	724

Respectfully Submitted, Kevin Floria, Chairman

GARFIELD MILLECOQUINS LAKE COMMITTEE REPORT

This committee has worked for three years gathering information from professional sources to help us develop a master plan for Millecoquins Lake. We recently received a written report from Dr. Doug Pullman of Aquest Corporation and his associate Gary Crawford of Superior Environmental and Aquatic Services regarding their lake visit this July.

The first thing noted by aquatic experts is that this lake is unique and different from the types of lakes they normally see; the lack of depth for its size, water clarity and diversity of vegetation, a large drainage area with access to the great lakes, the installation of a non adjustable dam, and most importantly the lack of exotic plant species such as Eurasian milfoil.

Experts felt that the installation of the dam in 1965 may have been the single most important factor determining the future of the lake. The dam was installed due to complaints by lakefront property owners about low summer water levels. The dam was not installed as specified, but rather as a fixed rock structure. The dam does a good job of maintaining water level; however it has turned the lake into a giant sediment trap, which is slowly filling. Dr. Pullman did not feel that replacing or removing the dam would make any difference at this time, since the aquatic weed root structure would prevent the lake from flushing sediments during the spring runoff.

Dr Pullman outlines in his report what management practices should be for this lake, given the resources to work with. He calls for treatment of shoreline weedy areas out to 5 feet (which is all that is currently allowed per DEQ) and he further calls for the selective treatment of the native milfoil and broadleaf pondweed found at the northern end and south of Chases Point. It is important to note that chemical treatments must be applied yearly, there is little or no carryover. Dr.

waterfall, teepee and gate, glimmer on the pond just as Mr. Trombley had envisioned! All that is left to finish Gary's master piece is to install the log face on the new gate and place the circulating pump in the pond to run the waterfall. Although we purchased the circulating pump this summer, it was decided to fore go the installation until spring. The pump has to be removed from the pond each winter to prevent damage caused by freezing and it just wasn't practical to install it late this fall, only to remove it in three weeks. I am looking forward to seeing the water cascading over the rocks that were so brilliantly placed by Gary.

Ten years ago the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club entered into an agreement with the Department of Natural Resources to provide an easement for the snowmobile trail. In this agreement, the DNR provides 15 Million dollars of liability insurance and installed the bridge across the Millecoquins River for safe crossing. This agreement not only serves the general publics interest but it also is well traveled by our own members during the winter months. Although we have had two fatalities on the trail, inside of the Club boundaries, we have not incurred any legal complications and for all practical purposes, the agreement with the DNR has been mutually beneficial. Therefore I recommend that we renew the snowmobile Trail Agreement with the Department of Natural Recourses.

The Recreation Building has been a big improvement to the Hiawatha Club and especially to our camping members. The showers and laundry are a big help but one thing remains missing to accommodate longer stays. Since the closing of some local campgrounds, the nearest dump station is located in Newberry. This creates a tremendous inconvenience to anyone wishing to use their camper for any extending length of time. Therefore we are going to install a dump station in the Graylock Campground for the spring of 2008. The dump station will consist of a concrete septic tank that will be pumped periodically. This last piece of the puzzle will make our campground very user friendly.

The house on the QGMU has been sold and we are scheduled to close on October 23. The negotiated sale price was \$95,000 that includes the house, one barn and 2 acres. We will be moving our gate up the road a ways to give unfettered access to the new parcel and we will be developing a new parking area to better suit our members that are going to the QGMU to recreate. The proceeds from the sale will be placed directly against the mortgage for the property thus reducing our interest for the upcoming years.

Overall it has been another good summer here at Hiawatha and I am looking forward to the fall and all of the opportunities it brings.

Respectably Submitted,
Lester Livermore, Manager

Pullman estimated that a minimum budget of \$100,000.00 annually would be required for the above mentioned optimum management plan.

The committee does not feel that Garfield Township, the HSC, or state funds, exist to support this option. Dr. Pullman states in his report that the population of the lake areas is probably not sufficient to support a highly aggressive management plan.

Dr. Pullman outlined some management strategies that could be used, which would require less resources and would still create improved experiences for recreational users.

First he suggests that the lake be monitored and mapped for areas of milfoil and pond weed. He also suggested monitoring and mapping game fish spawning areas.

Monitoring could be done by committee personnel or by contracting with a firm such as Northern Aquatics from West Branch. He also suggests that we could create recreational lanes for anglers, skiers, etc., by using a mechanical harvester.

The committee recommends at this time that monitoring by committee members begin next year as outlined in Dr. Pullmans report.

The committee also recommends contracting with a weed harvesting company to cut recreational lanes. The cost for this operation will be \$5,000 to \$10,000 with \$10,000 required for approximately 80 acres. Contracting as opposed to purchasing a machine will allow us to evaluate whether or not harvesting is an effective option.

Some of the possible problems with mechanical harvesting, which will be monitored are:

- 2 or 3 time more weeds washing up on shore
- Turbid water caused by pulling weeds root systems.
- How rapidly do the weeds re-grow?
- Disposing of the weeds.

If weed harvesting is determined to be successful, an evaluation can be made as to whether it would be more cost effective to purchase a harvester. Possible drawbacks to purchasing a harvester are;

- Cost of parts and fuel
- Extensive time needed from a mechanic
- Ability to have reliable volunteer help committed to this project.

To summarize, any action taken to cause significant change on the lake will have to be ongoing yearly, and will be costly in dollars and in time.

The good news is that the fish population is healthy and abundant. Anglers willing to adapt weedy lake techniques will be very successful.

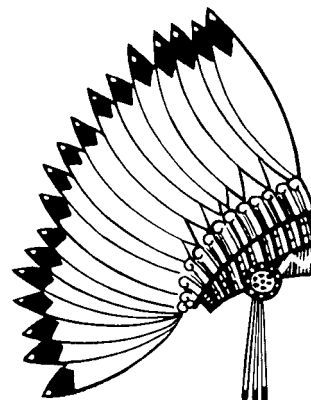
Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Rutledge
Jim Hayes

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce that we have a full slate of eight candidates for the 2008 Board of Governor's election. Those candidates alphabetically, are as follows: Marvin Henderson, Robert Horton, Kurt Larson, Tim Makinen, Lowell Rice, Dave Waldron, Jim Wileman, and Charles Wilson.

Our committee would like to thank these individuals for agreeing to run and we wish them all "good luck". Also, we'd like to give a special "thank you" to Bob Laraway for his assistance.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Rogers and Mike McElroy
Co-Chairmen – Nominating Committee



TAX, LEGAL & AUDIT REPORT

TAX:

Summer Property Taxes of \$52,652.00 were timely paid.

LEGAL:

No Report

AUDIT:

No Report

Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Middleton, Chairman

RANGE COMMITTEE REPORT

The wrap-up for the year 2007 activities was 1012 rounds shot and \$3016.00 deposited into the general fund. This equates to another record year as shown in the 12 years I have been in charge of the Trap Range.

	<u>ROUNDS</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
1996	371	\$ 742.00
1997	382	764.00
1998	525	1312.00
1999	382	975.00
2000	393	983.00
2001	686	1528.00
2002	712	2105.00
2003	686	2332.00
2004	631	2073.00
2005	855	2550.00
2006	683	2271.00
2007	1012	3016.00

A more simple view is the attached chart showing receipts with dollars on the vertical, and years on the horizontal. Two major factors influence the results, i.e.: weather conditions and participation with both great for 2007.

Our annual Turkey and Championship shoots were held July 14, 2007, with 11 turkeys won by the shooters.

Championship trophies were awarded to:
Brent Vallier – Eastern U.P. Champion

Club Champions

1 st Place	Brent Vallier	score of 47
2 nd Place	Dennis Goerke	score of 45
3 rd Place	Jim Wileman	score of 44

Because of the increase in women shooters, we will be adding trophies for the ladies in the 2008 Championship Shoots.

The requests for amateur training went well, with two complete families sending me a photo of the younger participants.

We also, hosted the U.P. Gobblers J.A.K.E.S. hunter safety course in May, which was again, a successful community function.

Recommendations for 2008

Work with Cheboygan Sportsman’s Club to obtain 4 pallets of targets for the coming year.

Building, House and Grounds Committee review the following:

1. Evaluate the existing life of the roof on the trap storage building and add to the future capital budget as required.
2. Explore the possibility of adding a roll-up door or garage door on the storage building for unloading pallets of targets and easier loading of targets going to the trap range.

If the Club is willing to supply the paint, the Trap Committee will repaint the trap storage building.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis D. Goerke, Chairman

NATURAL RESOURCES REPORT

The planting for 2007 has been completed. Five thousand two hundred white pine, four hundred spruce, six hundred cedar and one thousand one hundred eight oak were planted in the Cold Creek area and on P Trail North of the intersection of D Trail.

Because of the dry conditions the areas scarified in 2003 have not come back. We will be recommending in the future that we trench and plant these acres. The costs will be as follows:

79,000 seedlings @ \$230/m (includes planting) = \$18,170
110 acres trenching @ \$45+ = \$4,950. Total estimate for 2008 (subject to change) = \$23,120.

On October 15 I tagged 120 small oak to be moved to a location I selected at that time. We will hopefully be doing this the week of October 22.

The progress of the timber sales is as follows:

SALE	TYPE	ACRES	2007 VOL.	STATUS
Polegate winter	MCC	25/yr.		2002-2008
West Mile Cr.	MCC	53	953	Complete
H-40 winter aspen	MCC	80	1,300	Winter '08
S Trail Hardwood	THIN	130		Started
	MCC	4		
Peterson Hwd.	THIN	150	2,500	250+/YR.
Sec 13 sale	THIN	23		Planned
	MCC	15		
JP Cold Creek	MCC	20	337	Complete
Dan's Aspen	MCC	26	450	Complete
Olson Camp aspen	MCC	61	1,275	Complete
West of P. Gate	MCC	26	1,300	Complete
	MCC	45		Finish '08
	Thin	8		Finish '08
South E-trail	MCC	73	1,200	Started
North E-trail	MCC	27	700	Proposed
S-trail break up	MCC	27	779	Complete
Total		831	10,794	

Respectfully Submitted,
Dan Crandall, Chairman

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