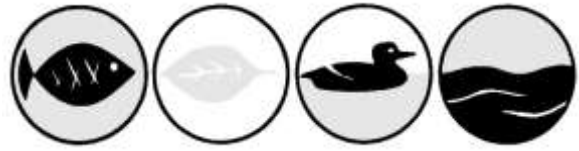


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April 2021 Newsletter

NICC Members,

Thank you for making the most out of 2020. NICC had a boost in membership likely due to the pandemic with people wanting to get out and enjoy the outdoors at a less crowded place than a local forest preserve. I am hoping to see a solid retention of members with renewals coming up at the end of April.

There have been a few things going on at the club over the last few weeks. The trees that were down along the walking trails have been cleared and the pond aerator has been repaired. We are in the process of getting quotes to have repairs done to the clubhouse and garage.

Coming in late April/early May will be a stocking of the pond. The pond was stocked 2 years ago and this will be a follow-up stocking of the same species - Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, and Channel Catfish. Fishing reports from last summer and this spring have indicated that the fish are doing well. Remember fishing is open to members only and is catch and release.

Please mark your calendars for August 7, 2021. We are planning to have a club picnic on that day to bring members together. Thank you again to all members for keeping the grounds clean and making NICC successful. .

Len Dane - President

Outdoor Education Day July 24, 2021

NICC along with Lake County Pheasants Forever and the Gary Borger Chapter of Trout Unlimited are teaming up to host the 3rd Annual Outdoor Education Day at Richmond Hunt Club on July 24, 2021 starting at 8:00 am.

There will be trap shooting, archery, fishing, fly fishing and much more!

This event is open to everyone 10 and up. Please watch our facebook page for additional information. Space is limited, registration is open so sign up today, you'll want to reserve your spots!

Register here: <https://pfqf.myeventscenter.com/event/Aoed3-47798>

Election of Board Members

Every year, in May, we have elections for our board of directors. Each year there are different positions which are open. The different term dates of each position allow for continuity of the operation of our organization. This year, the following positions are open and up for election:

President: 1-year term

Vice President: 1-year term

Treasurer: 2-year term

Secretary: 2-year term

2 Director positions: 3-year term

2 Director positions: 1-year term If you have been a member for at least one year, you are able to run for one of the positions listed above.

You may be thinking; “I don’t know, I am not sure what value I can add...I don’t know enough about the organization...I am not sure how much time I can devote.” Well, 25+ years ago the same questions crossed my mind. I am so glad I jumped in! And, it was easier than I thought.

The organization’s direction and goals are based on membership input. This would be your chance to share your thoughts and help shape NICC for today and the years ahead. Taking on a director position is a great way to learn more about the organization. As you learn more, you will find you have a lot to offer.

Membership Update

A hearty thanks to everyone who has partnered with the NICC this past year. Membership currently sits at 87 units, whether an individual or a family. It’s almost renewal time and I hope everyone chooses to continue supporting or conservation efforts. If you have not had the opportunity to fulfill your 5 hours of service time, there will be various projects coming up where the club will need your help. If you don’t see something that is a good fit for you, drop me a note and we’ll find a project that matches your skill set. If you have any ideas or suggestions for improving the club, contact a board member or come to a meeting. I look forward to the time when the club can meet as a whole. Until then, stay safe everyone and be on the lookout for your renewal notice as the gate combination will change in early May. Ron Lobodzinski Membership Chairman



Joe Bubel
Robert Dean
Marin Hinz
Walter Henning
Christina Jordan
John Miller

Kevin Pendergast
Debra Rentner
Jason Schine
Laura Sisco
Keith Wernli
Karen Zimmerman



Jason Schine with a nice Bass caught March 21.

Adopt-A-Highway Saturday May 8

This year marks our 22nd year to volunteer for the Adopt-A-Highway program in Lake County. Have you watched the Discovery channel on cable TV and wished you could be there when they find a rare artifact? Well, here's your chance to do it right here in Antioch! Have you seen the club's name on the two Adopt-A-Highway signs on Grass Lake Road? For the past 22 years NICC has been assigned the stretch of road between Rt. 59 and 83 on Grass Lake Rd. Sometimes we even find loose change. Come on out and join us for the find of your life. Our next archeological find will be on Saturday, May 8. All volunteers are asked to meet at 10 am at Triangle Sports & Marine, just west of Rt. 83 on Grass Lake Rd. Grab your gloves and head for the highway. Any loose change goes to the finder.

It was the decision of the board, to use this day as a good opportunity to come back to the club grounds to clear the grounds of fallen branches. Also, it's time to give the clubhouse a good cleaning after being closed up since fall.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- April 12** General/Board Meeting at 7 pm
- May 8** Adopt-A-Highway and
NICC Grounds Cleanup
- May 10** General/Board Meeting and
Elections 7 pm at NICC
- June 14** General/Board Meeting at 7 pm

