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The White Lake Preservation Project

sponsored Brook Schryer of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters to deliver a captivating talk on Aquatic Invasive Species



A June 24th noon hour presentation at the White Lake Community Centre played to a packed audience of local cottage owners who wanted to know about the recent zebra mussel invasion that appeared last year.

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Brook Schryer, the Aquatic Species Liaison for the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters gave an entertaining and informative presentation discussing the origin, presence, and 1-800-563-7711

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management of zebra and quagga mussels as well as many other animal and vegetative invasive species.

He outlined where these species are currently found, how to detect and report their presence, described how they were transported, and suggested strategies for preventing transfer from lake to lake.

Sport fishers who travel from lake to lake were identified as the major vehicle for the transport of a species from one region to another. Only through a public awareness program on the consequences of ignoring proper boat and trailer hygiene can this issue be eliminated.

The participants were encouraged to share this message with cottage neighbours and ask marinas to offer boat washing units.

Don't dump unused bait into the water!

Buy bait fish where you fish!



Wash boats and trailers and sterilize live wells



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