

COUNTRY POND



LAKE ASSOCIATION

Lake Host Program

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Threats to Country Pond

- It has periodic cyanobacteria blooms and is on the EPA impaired waters list
- Does not currently have invasive weed or plant infestation!
- Nearby lakes and ponds are infested – Powwow, Great Pond
- It only takes one boat/trailer to introduce invasive species



Nearby Milfoil Infestation

- Powwow Pond has had variable milfoil since 2007
- Battling invasive species is a lengthy and costly process
- Control measures started in 2008
- Over \$68,000 spent in just the last three years
 - Funds from grants, towns and Powwow Pond Council
- More than half the cost is paid by Kingston and East Kingston
- Efforts continue in 2019 - ?
- Full eradication is unlikely
- *Don't let this happen to Country Pond!*





Mandatory CLEAN



Mandatory DRAIN

“Clean & Drain Law” effective Jan 2017

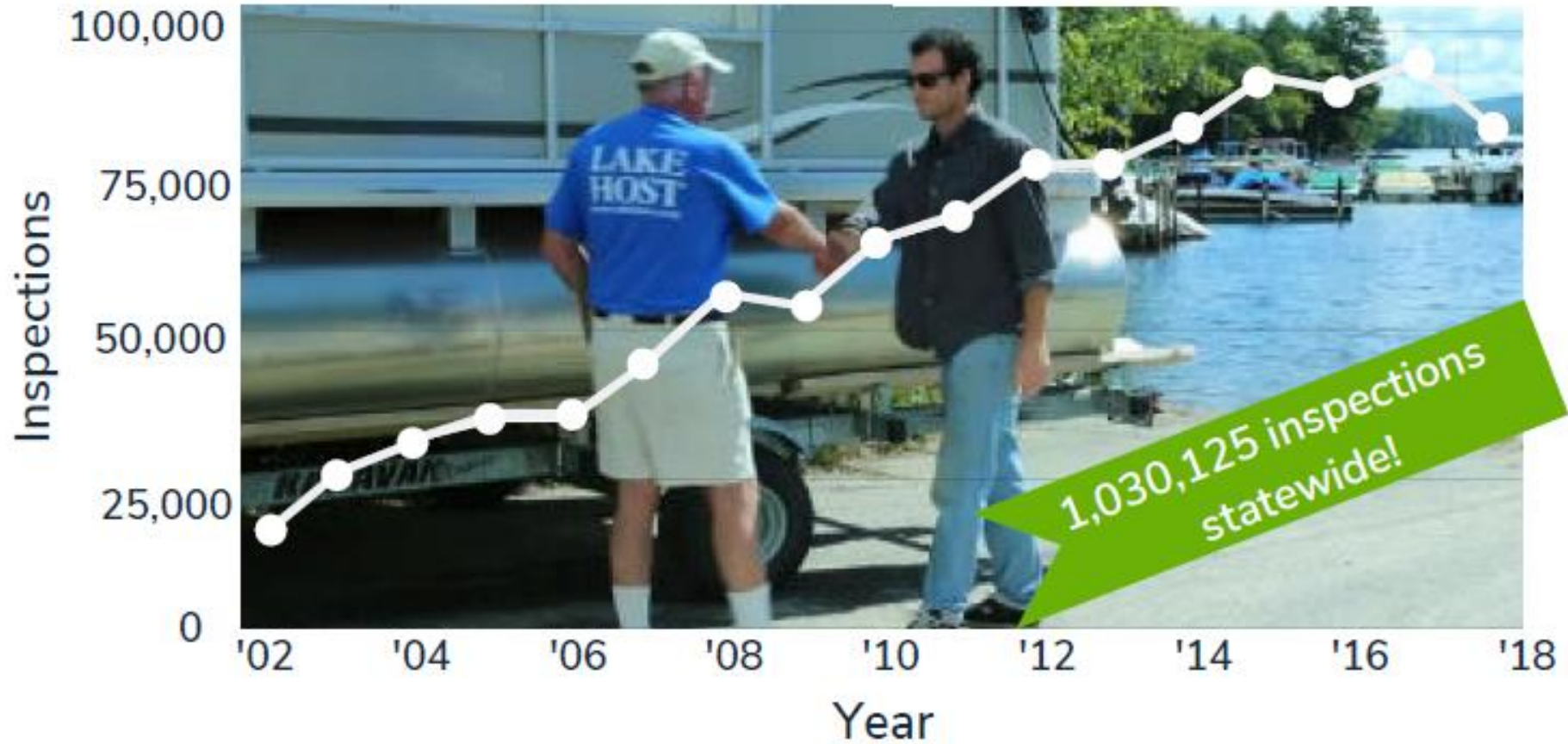


Boots on the ground defense.





COURTESY BOAT INSPECTIONS



Courtesy Boat Inspections in NH are credited with over 1600 “saves”!



Prevention Measures taken by the boater*

Cleaned of plants animals and debris

Drained

Dry for 5 days

Other:

Please select 1 - 3 items

What was the LAST body of water this boat visited?

-Please Select-

What is the NEXT body of water this boat may visit?

-Please Select-



- Inspectors engage with boaters in a friendly, educational and non-demeaning way about aquatic invasive species and their role in preventing the spread through “Clean, Drain, and Dry”!
- Inspectors provide complimentary boat inspections, examining boats for plants, animals and debris.
- Anything suspicious found on the boat is removed and submitted to NH DES for identification.
- During the inspection boaters are surveyed on their prevention practices and answers are recorded.



Lake Host Program Operation

- Select Board gave permission for this program at Newton Town Ramp
- Memorial Day to Labor Day
- Pay Inspectors for:
 - Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday
 - More days may be possible with volunteers or additional financial support
- \$2,500 in funding required
- NH LAKES grant for \$1,000, the rest comes from fundraising
- CPLA is working with the Newton and Kingston Conservation and Recreation Commissions to help fund the Lake Host program
- *We need your support too!*

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Thank You!