

Locustville Pond Improvement Association (LPIA)

An Association to Restore and Protect the Pond

About Locustville Pond and the LPIA

www.locustvillepond.org

Locustville Pond is a lovely pond in Hopkinton, RI used for recreation (swimming, fishing, boating) and hydroelectric power purposes. Its surface area is 83 acres (0.3 km²). It drains an area of 11.3 square miles (29 km²). Its depth range is < 3 to 12 feet (>1 to 3.7 m).

Date of origin of pond: Damming of Brushy Brook in 1814 (refurbished 1855)

Pond public access: RIDEM boat ramp (Sunset Street), gravel, 10 HP engine limit

Fish Species: Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, Channel Catfish, Brown Bullhead, Bluegill, Golden Shiner - LP is a RI designated trout waters via Brush Brook!
(See RI Fish Consumption Advisory: <http://www.eregulations.com/rhodeisland/fishing/freshwater/fish-consumption-advisory/>)

Pond water quality impairments: Mercury in fish; invasive vegetation (Variable Leaf Milfoil)

LPIA purpose: To restore and protect Locustville Pond for all members and visitors

Date of origin of LPIA: circa 1955

LPIA Mailing address: P.O. Box 54, Hope Valley, RI 02832

Board of Directors:

- Jim Latimer (President)
- Cindy Drake (Treasurer)
- Dawn Bawden (Secretary)
- Betsy Dalton (Member at large)
- Tyler Bawden (Member at large)

Current membership: 60 paying members (paying members may vote at LPIA meetings)

Annual member fee: \$250* per family, per property (including renters and owners who live or use the pond regularly - All contributions are fully tax deductible) (Please send your fee to the address above; and include your email and postal address) *if total fee is a hardship pay what you can.

Annual budget: \$10,000 - \$12,000

Recent milestones:

- Rhode Island Charitable/Non-Profit Organization in 2015
- Federal 501©3 Public Charity 2015
- Obtained a Narragansett Bay and Water Restoration Fund Grant (2014)

Main activities:

- Weekly water quality monitoring (spring to fall)
- Annual nuisance and invasive species treatment (cost ~\$11,000)
- Membership education
- Annual business and informational meeting
- Annual membership pot luck picnic



For more information see www.locustvillepond.org or send email to LPIA2016.info@gmail.com