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715-356-7400

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1-800-TIP- WDNR

### Follow us:

Fence Lake Association



## LOON SAFETY

- Remain 200 feet away while boating. Not only does this keep the loons safe, it's the law.
- Use non-lead tackle when fishing. Even one lead sinker can poison a loon.
- Recycle monofilament lines at boat landings to prevent entanglement of loons.
- Be mindful of the amount of wake your boat creates and where you create it. Large wakes near shore can swamp and destroy loon nests and also reduce the clarity of water, hindering the loon's ability to fish.



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# LOONS ON FENCE LAKE

Generations of Fence Lake residents and visitors have enjoyed watching loons swimming on our lake as well as listening to their hauntingly beautiful calls. Unfortunately, the adult common loon population in northern Wisconsin has declined significantly over the past few years. We can all do our part to continue to provide a welcoming environment on Fence Lake to adult loons and loon chicks.

**Please educate yourself, your family, and your visitors on loon safety.**



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# LOON CALLS

**Wail**  
An extended call used to determine one another's location. This most common loon call is used over long distances.

**Tremelo**  
An aggressive 'laugh' used when disturbed by a boater or a predator. It is also used to confirm landing clearance.

**Yodel**  
An aggressive call used only by males to defend territory.

**Hoot**  
A call of a single note of curiosity or happiness used between a parent and chick or between mates.



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# LOON FACTS

- Loons can live 25-30 years.
- A loon's average dive time is one minute, but can stay underwater up to five minutes.
- Males and females incubate the eggs
- Loons need 30 yards of water runway to take flight.
- Loons can fly up to 70 mph.
- Loons can have a five-foot wingspan.
- A group of loons is called
  - a cry
  - a raft
  - an asylum
  - a waterdance

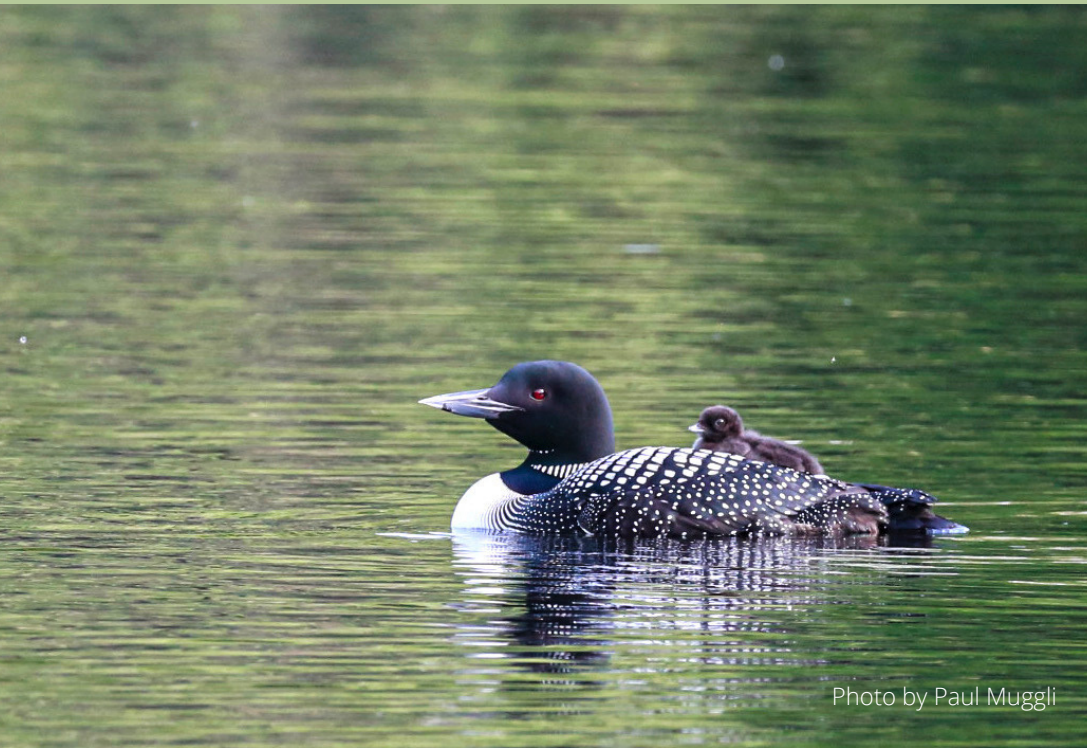


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