

LITTLE LAKE SUNAPEE INVASIVE WATCH
REPORT FOR THE JULY 19, 2025 ANNUAL MEETING

We had another successful invasive watch program this year, with 40+ volunteers covering 100% of the lake shoreline plus Murray Pond. **No invasive species were found last year and so far this year.** Surveys were run on or around July 1, August 1, and September 1.

This year we added an optional survey in June, given the risk of early-growing invasive Curly Leaf Pond Weed. This invasive has been found in three nearby water bodies to our west: Baptist Pond is heavily infested, and it has also been found at the Georges Mills boat launch in Lake Sunapee, and most recently at Otter Pond. This is outside our watershed, but it got our attention. June can be a challenging time for weed watching, due to poor weather and people's availability. Despite that, we had more than half of the shoreline inspected in June.

Last year, I noted reduced visibility in the water. This year is much clearer, as quantified by Mike and Kathy Thomas. This helps us see the weeds better.

This year, Nancy Lindsey retired from weed watching after many years of service. Anita Wolf expanded her area to cover Nancy's shoreline. Deb Hoover has re-joined the team to cover Tucker Cove. Amy Bucklin has joined also, covering the Wallula-Bucklin shoreline. She takes over from Peter Gunn, who continues to keep an eye out while paddling about. A big thank you to the retiring and newly-joining watchers!

As usual, for purposes of reporting our efforts to the Town of New London, I have documented the volunteer hours, mileage, and expenses:

Date	Total Hours	Hours x \$22.86 = \$ Equivalent	Mileage, Copying	Total
July 1	31.5	\$720.09	\$23.92	\$744.01
August 1	31	\$708.66	\$23.92	\$732.58
September 1	32	731.52	\$23.92	\$755.44
Totals	94.5	\$2160.27	\$71.76	\$2232.03

Respectfully submitted by Roger Bloch, Invasive Watch Coordinator.