

Lake Narrative

Lake Pleasant

Survey Date: August 16, 2018

Lake Description

Lake Pleasant is 1449.54 acres. It is located in the town of Lake Pleasant, Hamilton County and lies in the Sacandaga Watershed. The team launched at Lake Pleasant Marine on Route 8 just outside the village of Speculator.

Aquatic Invasive Plant Presence

No invasive plants were detected.

Native Plant Biota

Comprehensive surveys of all native plants found within the pond were not prioritized in 2018, as this data had been previously collected in 2015 when the lake was first surveyed. Native plants found within the lake included *Brasenia schreberi* (watershield), *Potamogeton amplifolius* (large leaf pondweed), *Nitella* spp., *Elodea canadensis* (common waterweed), *Chara* spp., *Eriocaulon* spp., *Nymphoides cordata* (little floating heart), *Potamogeton natans* (floating leaf pondweed), *Utricularia vulgaris* (common bladderwort), *Vallisneria americana* (eelgrass), and *Potamogeton robbinsii* (fern pondweed).

Aquatic Invasive Animal Presence

Sediment sieves were taken to determine the presence of *Corbicula fluminea* (Asian clams). None were found. Three plankton tows were conducted with each returning *Bythotrephes longimanus* (spiny waterflea). *Bythotrephes longimanus* is an invasive zooplankton and has been documented in the lake since 2014.



