



VRPA Quarterly Meeting

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Virtual Via Zoom

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86286046205?pwd=OUplY0VhZGJlV3b311UT09>

AGENDA



- 8:45 AM Welcome & Introductions
- 9:00 AM CEU Education Session
How everyone can help our bodies of water – Cyanobacteria monitoring & lake-friendly best practices (.1 CEU)
Speakers: Dr. Peter Isles, Bridget O'Brien & Oliver Pierson
In this session, we'll be covering what cyanobacteria blooms (also known as blue green algae blooms) are, how to monitor waterbodies and swim areas for them, and best practices for responding to blooms and managing shorelines to prevent water quality degradation.

Dr. Peter Isles is an Environmental Scientist with the Lakes and Ponds program of the Vermont DEC, and serves as the lead on the Lake Champlain Long-term Monitoring and Cyanobacteria Monitoring projects. Dr. Isles holds a Master's degree in Conservation Biology from Columbia University and a Ph.D. in Natural Resources from the University of Vermont, with a focus on cyanobacteria blooms in Lake Champlain. Prior to beginning his work at the DEC, Peter spent several years researching lake biogeochemistry and phytoplankton blooms at universities in Sweden and Switzerland.
- 10:15 am BREAK
- 10:30 am VRPA Business Meeting
Review Agenda & Appoint Timekeeper (Ally)
Approval of Minutes from December 2021 Quarterly Meeting
Treasurer's Report (Melissa)
New Business
➤ Membership Renewal Reminder (Ally)
➤ CPO Course on March 22nd & 23rd, 2022 in Burlington (Jess)
➤ 2022 Vermont Maintenance Workshop on June 2nd in Middlebury (Scott)
➤ 2022 Summerama on June 17th in Rutland (Jess/Jazmin)
➤ 2022 VRPA-SJA State Track Meet - Sat, July 23rd in St. Johnsbury (Brett)
➤ 2022 VRPA Annual Meeting – Wednesday, May 11th – **location TBD**, Burlington (Ally/Rob)
➤ VRPA Executive Committee Elections (Ally/Jess)
➤ 2022 VRPA Annual Awards (Scott/Ally)
➤ 2022 Summer Discount Ticket Program (Jess)
➤ 2022 Aquatic Risk Management Seminar (ARM Course) - (Jess)
➤ 2022 State Conference – Wednesday & Thursday, October 12th & 13th, 2022 (Jess)
Miscellaneous Business
➤ Legislative Update – Future Bills (Jess)
➤ Other Business
➤ ADJOURN
- 12:00 PM Adjourn VRPA business meeting