

WLLID AGM Report re Flapgate Work and Communication (by Ged)

Flap-gate Handle

Every year from spring to fall WLLID board members have to regularly clear logs and other debris from the Cameron Pond flap-gate to ensure it closes properly. To date this has generally been a 2-3 person task due to the extreme weight of the flap-gate. This year we have had a handle made that allow the flap-gate to be opened wider than we can usually and lock it into position so that it can be cleared much more easily by one person. The handle can be installed and removed in a couple of minutes and taken away for storage.

Communication

WLLID connects with community members through a number of media. Our **website** is our key portal for information such as regular water levels in the Kootenay river and Wasa lake, minutes of board meetings, project updates, WLLID newsletter and much more. We also produce a monthly **newsletter** that is sent to nearly 200 community members who have signed up for it. WLLID also provides monthly news items and other articles to be published in the **Tri Village Buzz**. Our **board meetings** are open to the community to attend and observe. Community members can request they have a slot to present matters to the board. Board members also communicate regularly with a variety of external organizations as **advocates** for our work.