

Subject: Muscovy Duck Health Challenge

Date: 11/7/2024

Presenter: Mr. Bruce Wyman

The purpose of my presentation this evening is twofold.

1. **First**, I am here as a homeowner to request cooperation from the Juno Isles Civic Association regarding the removal of a pest population of Muscovy ducks, and
2. **Second**, I am requesting the Juno Isles Civic Association notify homeowners it is a violation of the Covenants and Restrictions to maintain ducks on their property.

The reason for these two requests lies in the fact that there is an out-of-control population of Muscovy ducks using the Juno Isles Lake. This out-of-control population presents a health threat to homeowners on the lake. I have documentation of duck feces in people's pools, docks, and sidewalks. This presents a real risk of exposure to salmonella, which can potentially cause severe illness in small children and the elderly.

Two years ago, only a few Muscovy ducks were on the lake. Now we have a homeowner who is *feeding the ducks in their backyard*, and the duck population has exploded to well over 35 ducks. This population will rapidly increase due to two factors:

- **One:** The reproductive rate, based on farming studies, demonstrates that we will have over one hundred ducks in the lake by this time next year.
- **Two:** This may seem impossible to you, but having one homeowner *who feeds the ducks* makes it possible. This not only attracts more ducks but provides a stable diet which encourages the ducks to stay here and reproduce.

Let me return to the purpose of my presentation. I received approval from the Northern Palm Beach County Improvement District to remove the pest population of Muscovy ducks, and I identified a licensed contractor to remove the ducks. Before this project can proceed, I need written approval from the Juno Isles Civic Association that I can give to the licensed contractor. The approval language can be as simple as; "The Juno Isles Civic Association hereby approves Mr. Bruce Wyman to hire a licensed contractor to remove the Muscovy ducks from the Juno Isles Lake." Please let me know if I can receive such approval before the Annual Meeting scheduled for November 14, 2024. If such is not possible, then please place this matter on the agenda for discussion at the November Annual Meeting.

I am also asking the Juno Isles Civic Association to notify homeowners that feeding the ducks is an act of "maintenance," which is specifically prohibited in our covenants and restrictions, Paragraph IV(3), of the Covenants and Restrictions.

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All we are asking the board to approve since all company's I have located require to have HOA approval. I like Northern has stated "Northern has no objection to removal of invasive species within Northern property in accordance with local, state and federal guidelines" so its very simple and we can move on so homeowners to resolve this issue just remove Northern and add Juno Isles H.O.A.

The below list is concerned homeowners in the southwest aera of or community regarding the rapidly expanding undesirable Muscovy duck issues for the past 2 years that effecting the environmental health and safety of our lake ,docks ,back yards and especially the pools in our aera and the list is growing each month as this problem grows

- #1 Sara Blake 1740 Tudor rd
- #2 Mike Lemke 1768 Tudor rd
- #3 Thomas Mondik 1782 Tudor rd
- #4 Bruce Wyman 1796 Tudor rd
- #5 Harrett Barre 1810 Tudor rd
- #6 David Mastran 1852 Tudor rd
- #7 Matt Walsmith 1866 Tudor rd
- #8 Chris Kirby 1894 Tudor rd
- #9 Dan Ringdahl 1908 Tudor rd
- #10 Greg Rover 1907 Ardley
- #11 J Stewart 1859 Ardley
- #12 Jamie Harder 1831 Ardley
- #13 Mike Cox 1700 Juno Isles Blvd.