

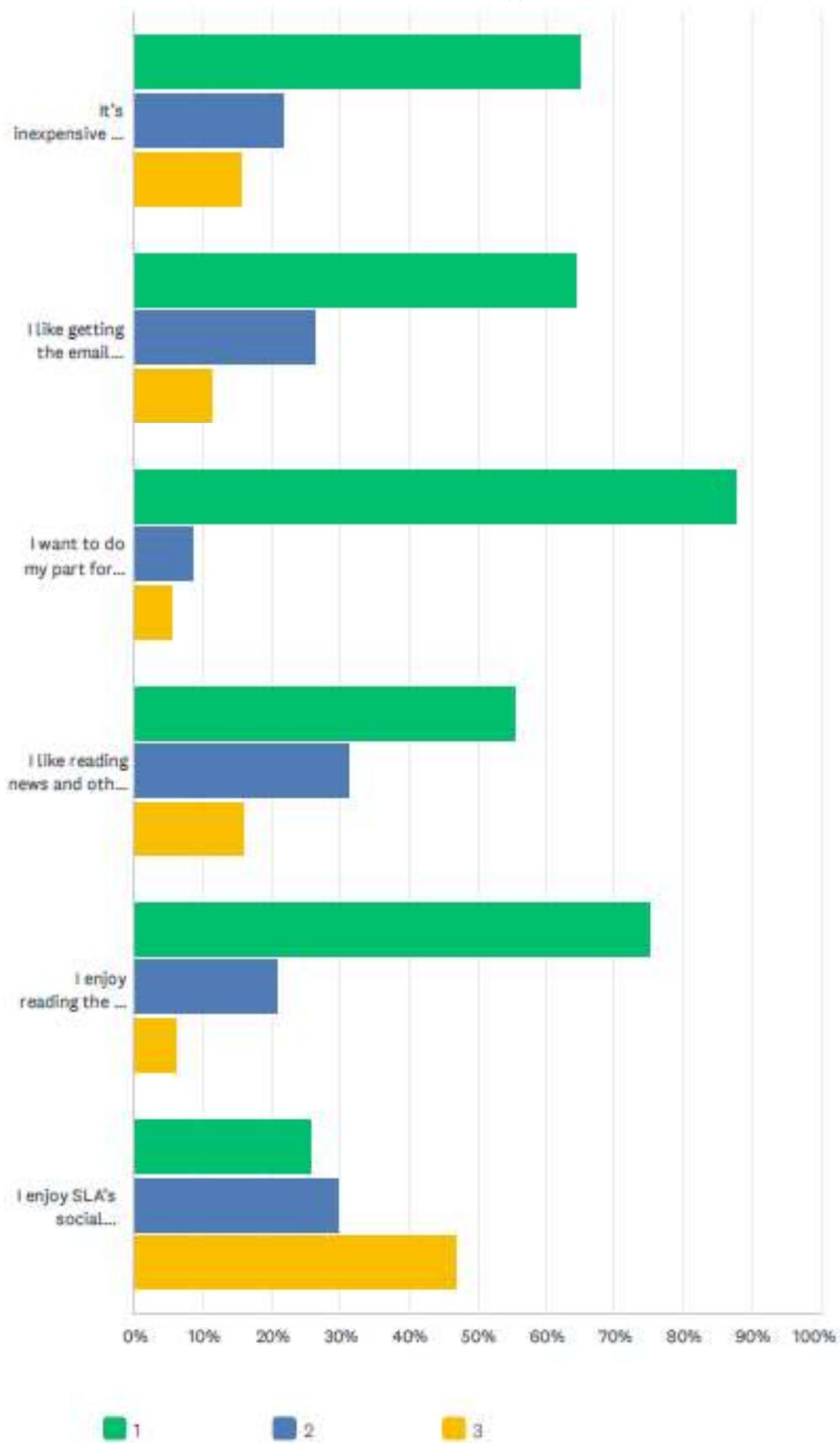


# Summer 2022 Member Survey



Q1 Why did you join SLA? (Please rank each statement below 1 to 3, with 1 as a high priority and 3 as a low priority. You may check as many statements as you like, e.g. more than one statement may be ranked 1, etc.)

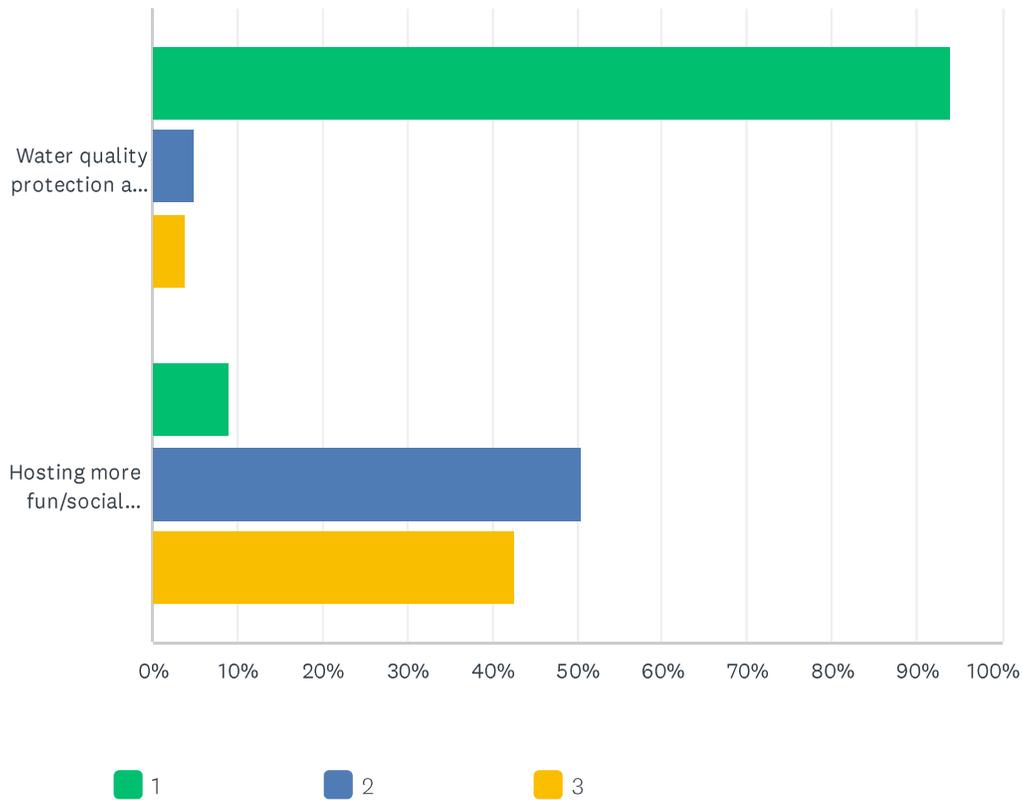
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	1	2	3	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
It's inexpensive and I felt it was my civic duty.	64.95% 126	21.65% 42	15.46% 30	194
I like getting the email blasts and knowing what's going on.	64.43% 125	26.29% 51	11.34% 22	194
I want to do my part for water quality improvement.	87.94% 175	8.54% 17	5.53% 11	199
I like reading news and other articles on the SLA website.	55.50% 106	31.41% 60	15.71% 30	191
I enjoy reading the SLA Newsletter (Spring and Fall).	75.25% 149	20.71% 41	6.06% 12	198
I enjoy SLA's social functions.	25.71% 45	29.71% 52	46.86% 82	175

Q2 Where do you believe SLA should focus our volunteer efforts? (Please rank each statement below 1 to 3, with 1 as a high priority and 3 as a low priority. You may check as many statements as you like, e.g. more than one statement may be ranked 1, etc)

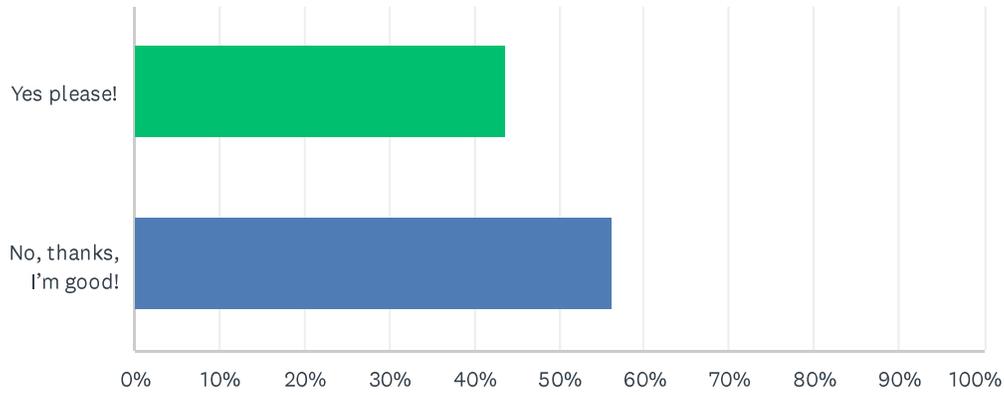
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	1	2	3	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
Water quality protection and improvement	94.12% 192	4.90% 10	3.92% 8	204
Hosting more fun/social activities	9.04% 17	50.53% 95	42.55% 80	188

### Q3 I'd like to have a way through SLA to meet more people around the lake.

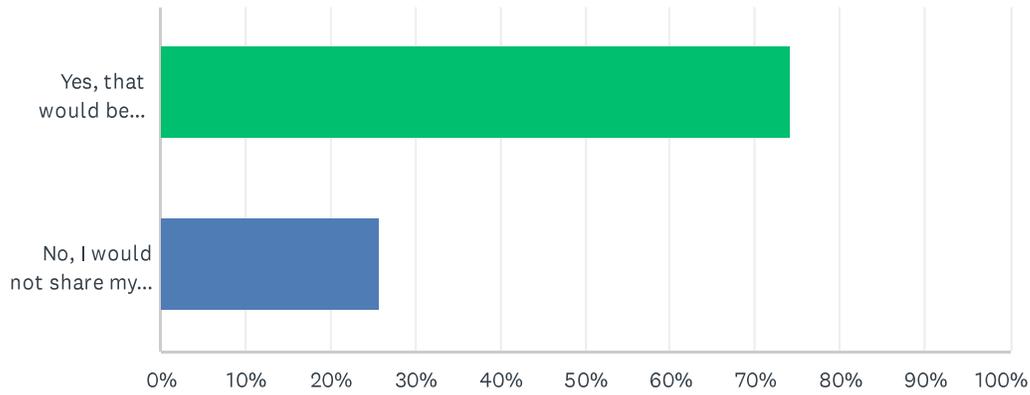
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes please!	43.81%	85
No, thanks, I'm good!	56.19%	109
TOTAL		194

**Q4 Other lake associations have a voluntary, secure directory of their members on their websites. If it could be accessed only by SLA members, would you participate in a secure directory through SLA?**

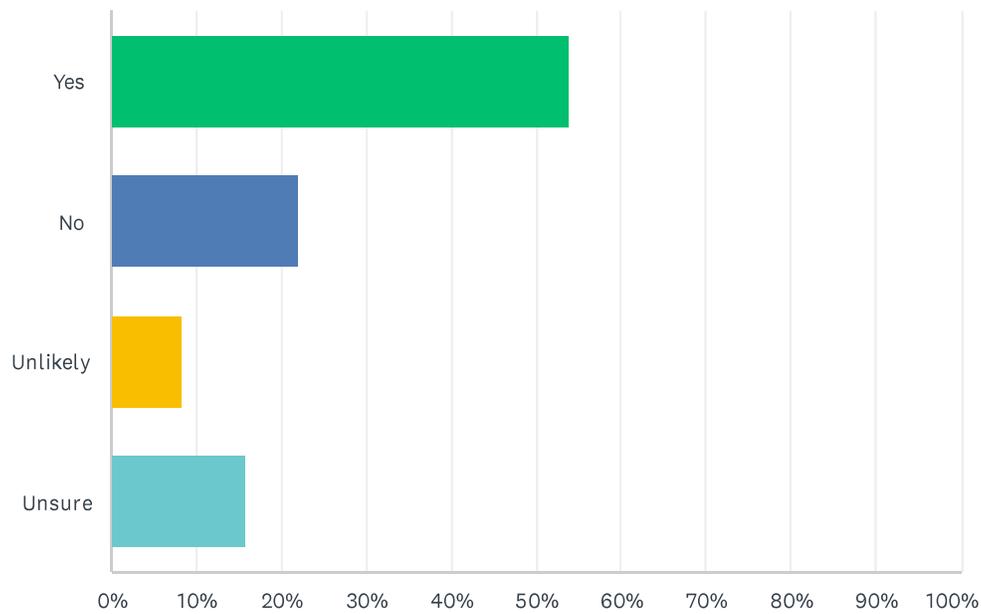
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, that would be helpful.	74.24%	147
No, I would not share my email or my phone number in this manner.	25.76%	51
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>198</b>

## Q5 Would you prefer to pay your SLA dues online if you had that option?

Answered: 204 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53.92%	110
No	22.06%	45
Unlikely	8.33%	17
Unsure	15.69%	32
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>204</b>

## Q6 Here's your chance to speak up anonymously! Other comments, including what you like or where we could make improvements:

Answered: 64 Skipped: 141

#	RESPONSES
1	Thanks for all your hard work. We have found the Lakewise approval process extremely frustrating...it never gets done... and we get little to no feedback what we are missing.
2	I admire and greatly appreciate the energy and skill of all the volunteers. An idea: could the lake photo that appears on newsletter be printed as a postcard? Perhaps as a fund raiser. (My Island Pond grandfather built our cottage as a fishing camp over 100 years ago.)
3	Many, many thanks to the people who volunteer their time.
4	Take a stand against boats with large wakes and speeding near shore and other small craft
5	Good communication is the heart and soul of any organization, the more you participate the better the organization, Keep up the good work you have a great team.
6	Thank you for all you do!
7	I think the Association is doing well. Survey is good. Efforts to include all owners on the lake are good. I believe the Association has a good/respected reputation in the community and the State. Information in the newsletter about interaction with State and regional organizations would be helpful as I suspect non SLA homeowners may not be diligent about looking at the website.
8	I feel the Association is doing an excellent job.
9	#1 Priority - clean water!
10	Seymour is a beautiful lake and I appreciate the volunteers' efforts to keep it that way.
11	Seymour Lake has been at the front of the line hen it comes to care of the lake! Bravo to the many volunteers that help make that happen.
12	Continue to support water quality in any way possible. More action to Support protection of shorelines now and for future generations. Take firmer stance and support of shoreline protection promoting state law. I appreciate this survey.
13	You're doing a great job! Thanks to all of you!😊
14	i read about the new"wave" boats in the last newsletter-- i wish our lake would ban them - i have enough "waves" created by someone near me with a motor boat that goes back and forth while i'm swimming - also i fear that if other lakes are banning them, they will come from all over and as invasive species are hard to clean from these boats i feel they will bring them to our lake. thank you for giving me the oportunity to express my thoughts
15	Give info on private camp road liability insurance. Give donation to fire dept/ems to review all camp roads for accessability, ability to bring equioment in to fight a fire, police, ambulance, etc.. Private roads need seasonal insurance coverage to show non occupancy in winter months and no access to property! This is important.
16	Keep funding the Greeter Program!
17	For quite a few years I was a volunteer for kayaking and looking for invasive weeds. I enjoyed this but as time went on I was concerned I would miss something important. While I kayak now if I saw an unusual weed I would try to get it and bring it to the boat launch area to be identified.
18	Thank you for all you do for the lake and the landowners.

19	Improve the quality and quantity of the fishery
20	I would recommend that SLA have a boater safety program reminding boaters of the rules for speed close to shore, distance from shore and other boaters, and also reminded of the common courtesy on noise and traffic. I'd be happy to discuss more.
21	I am just enjoying this beautiful lake
22	Thank you volunteers!
23	Reduce noise and danger to residents and those visiting beach from speeding traffic on Route 111 if you can. The public beach and village area is often now like a motorway as traffic has moved to Rte 111 from the Derby to Island Pond route via West Charleston. Speed limits are usually completely ignored.
24	I greatly appreciate all you folks do. I have been on Seymour for about 20 yrs now but I live 3 hours away. Life has been challenging over these past years so volunteering has not been possible for me. I am hoping at some point it will be.
25	Thank you for all you do!
26	Officers continue to do a great job. Thanks for your service.
27	Thank you to all of the volunteers for their work! As part of the Seymour East Association leadership, it would be nice to have a method through the SLA to be able to meet and coordinate with other Road Associations officers around the lake. The small Road Associations have regular, direct contact with most property owners. It seems the Road Associations could assist and strengthen the SLA with membership and other activities, as well as learn/coordinate with each other.
28	Please answer emails when they are to those noted online or in the newsletter. I have written more than one email question about dues/donation received or not and never got a response. Not giving again until i get a response.....
29	Help us keep Seymour Lake clean!
30	Can we make a serious effort to improve the boat launch. As is it's an embarrassment and hard to see how it can be listed as a state sponsored facility. Dredge it or try to divert mud and silt coming from farming activity up River Road
31	You guys do a fantastic job.
32	Great work - thank you
33	I hope the lake and its owners, guests and visitors will not bring radical change to our beloved Seymour Lake community. It has been a wonderful place for so many, many years.
34	Need to get speed limit at the cottages and public beach on 111 reduced to 25 mph may 15 to sept 15. Williboughby has it so it can be done. Don't want until another child is hit by a speeding car
35	Good work!
36	Great job.
37	Sometimes the boat inspectors are not very vigilant. I think that is a very important job and should be prioritized.
38	Great job folks. I know that a few work for the many. Have been on or near Seymour since 1956.
39	Thank you for all the hard work especially for the smelt program and the boat launch monitoring!
40	Thanks for all you do! Great job ... really!!
41	I would appreciate for any additional social functions to be family oriented.
42	I always used to arrive at the Lake in mid June and leave after Labor day but now my wife is suffering from dementia. Her father buit our house in 1924 on Seymour East and last year my

wife did not even know where she was. i do still make several short trips a year but I miss spending all summer at our house on Seymour East with all of our great neighbors.

43	I have a concern about the boat access to the lake because of the silt filling in the lake near the access. What can be done about that? I love the boat wash!!!!
44	Fishing, fishing, fishing 😊😊
45	Lake water quality and species protection are #1 concern. Thank you for all the work you have done to make sure milfoil and other invasive species stay away from Seymour. I am worried about the wake boats and the toll they take. They ruin the lake for successful waterfowl nesting, the waves they throw can be dangerous for smaller craft and they are loud. (Glad to see subject covered in recent article in the SLA newsletter)
46	Great job! The Brushes are very appreciative!
47	Would love to see fewer high speed/high wake boats zooming around the lake!! Believe lack of loons is a direct result of their increased numbers.
48	You do a fabulous job and I am proud to be a part this organization. I do hope the septic restriction is removed and that Seymour can attain A1 status. Keep up the good work!
49	We love our lake for more than 65 years now. Very important part of our family life. Thank you to all who care and give so much♥
50	It is sooo important to protect this pristine lake from invasive species. SLA is doing a great job. Thank you!
51	Thank you volunteers at the boat launch. I'd contribute something or event to show appreciation for their time.
52	Well done .... by concerned folks.
53	Please continue the important work that you are focusing on now. When possible include people who are differently abled
54	You're all doing a great job! Thank you.
55	Secure Directory is a great idea.
56	I respect and am thankful for the work the SLA does. I have left two places blank. I have to think more about a directory before answering. Also my summers at Seymour have not happened with the U.S./Canada Border closed for 2+years. This summer will involve work on my cottage and land,so meeting people may have to wait. Thanks for all you do.
57	Keep up your good work to protect lake Seymour!
58	Keep up the good work of conserving Seymour Lake's water quality and associated ecosystem!
59	Have a way to meet everyone virtually. For some people who can't get there to meet in person. Just maybe one or two so they can understand what is going on
60	I'd share my email, not my phone number.
61	Please do not support limitations on wake boats that reside on the lake all season because those people are committed supporters of the lake (Simoneau, Franscoia, Poulin, Samuels) but we should seek to prevent short term boating access for any crafts that have bilge, ballast or livewell as the invasive species risk is very high from short term users who access other lakes
62	More events that get kids and families involved.
63	I think the SLA does important work. Thanks.
64	Great organization! Well run by the leaders and board members.