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Lake Fact Sheet – Parry Sound District Saunders Lake

Location

Official Name:..... Unnamed Local Names:..... Saunders Lake
 County/District:..... Nipissing Geographic Twp:..... Paxton
 Municipality:..... Unorganized MNR Admin. Area:..... Bracebridge
 Lat./Long:..... 45.812 N, 79.119 W UTM (NAD83):..... 17 646150 5074877
 Topographic Map (1:50,000):..... 31E14 Drainage Basin:..... North Magnetawan River

Physical Features

Surface Area (ha):..... 12.1 Maximum Depth (m):..... 10 Mean Depth (m):.....
 Elevation (m asl):..... 458 Perimeter (km):..... 2.0 Island Shoreline (km):..... 0
 Volume (10⁴ m³):..... Watershed (km²):..... 1.2 Water Clarity (m):.....
 (excludes area of lake)

Land Use and Development

Crown Land (%):..... 100 Provincial Parks:..... none
 Shoreline Development:..... low; recreation camp
 Access:..... public
 Water Level Management:..... not regulated

Fish Species

Major Fish Species:..... brook trout
 Other Fish Species:..... brook stickleback, northern redbelly dace
 Other Species:.....

Notes: E: extirpated, I: introduced – intentional or accidental, O: occasional, R: remnant, S: currently stocked, ?: status uncertain, 2009: year of first record or introduction if known, blank: presumed native

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Fisheries Management

<i>Fisheries Management Zone:</i>	15
<i>Designation for Lake Trout Management:</i>	not designated
<i>Fishing Regulation Exceptions</i>	live fish may not be used as bait or possessed for use as bait
<i>Current Stocking:</i>	none
<i>Historic Stocking (last year stocked):</i>	none
<i>Contaminants (species tested):</i>	no testing done
<i>Assessment:</i>	<i>Completed Projects:</i>
	2005 Brook Trout Index Netting

Synopsis

Saunders Lake is a small lake located in Paxton Township. It was first inventoried in 2005. It was found to support a native, self-sustaining brook trout population. No non-native fish species were caught that might compete with brook trout, a rare occurrence outside of Algonquin Park. In 2015, a regulation to ban the use or possession of live fish as bait was put in place to try to prevent the introduction of unwanted species. Species such as bass, perch and even the larger minnows such as creek chub, can severely impact brook trout populations.

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