Lake Fact Sheet – Parry Sound District

Atkins Lake

Location

Official Name:	Atkins Lake
Local Names:	
County/District:	Muskoka
Geographic Twp:	MacAuley
Municipality:	Town of Bracebridge
MNR Admin. Area:	Bracebridge
Lat./Long:	45.119 N 79.228 W
UTM (NAD83):	17 639328 4997724
Topographic Map (1:50,000):	31E03
Drainage Basin:	North Muskoka River

Physical Features

Surface Area (ha): 12	*Maximum Depth (m):* 14	*Mean Depth (m):* 5
Elevation (m asl): 310	*Perimeter (km):* 1.9	*Island Shoreline (km):* 0
Volume (10^4 m^3): 66	*Watershed (km^2):* 1.6 (excludes area of lake)	*Water Clarity (m):* 3

Land Use and Development

Crown Land (%): 0 *Provincial Parks:* none

Shoreline Development: moderate; shoreline residential

Access: private;

Water Level Management: not regulated

Fish Species

Major Fish Species: Smallmouth Bass (I 1941), Largemouth Bass (I 2019)

Other Fish Species: Brown Bullhead, Yellow Perch, White Sucker

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

Fisheries Management Zone: 15

Designation for Lake Trout Management: ..... not designated

Fishing Regulation Exceptions ..... no lake-specific exceptions

Current Stocking: ..... none

Historic Stocking (last year stocked): ..... Brook Trout (1939-1962), Walleye (1942)

Contaminants (species tested): ..... no testing done

Assessment: Completed Projects:

1950 lake survey

Synopsis

Atkins Lake was surveyed in 1950. At that time Smallmouth Bass was the primary sport fish species present, having been stocked as early as 1941. The small size of the lake, and absence of native trout species or public access have resulting in no further work being done on the lake.

In 2019, a cottager on the lake reported that Largemouth Bass were present; they probably became established through illegal stocking.

Updated: 2019

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