

Potters Lake Newsletter Spring 2000

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Dear Potters Lake Homeowner,

We hope you are enjoying your spring – despite all the recent rains. It wasn't too long ago that most of us were worried that the Lake was too low – and now look at things. For most, the weekend for putting in the dock, preparing the boat, and rebuilding the shoreline is behind us. The excitement and pleasure of summer on Potters Lake is upon us!

But first, a little business.... So as to not disturb your holiday weekend, the District will be holding a meeting for all Potters Lake Homeowners on Saturday, June 3. Since there won't be much business to transact, we'll spend our time discussing lake activities -- the dam, property grants and transfers, water quality, weed control, etc. We'll also talk about plans for the summer – the boat parade and lighting of the lake – and we'll try to answer any of your concerns/questions.

We hope you can attend the meeting:

Saturday, June 3

8:30 A.M.

Coffee & Sweet Rolls Will Be Served

Town Hall - Town of East Troy

Also, please mark your calendar now for the District's Annual Meeting, tentatively scheduled for **Saturday, August 26**, 8:30 a.m., at Town Hall.

If you have any questions, comments, ideas for projects or the newsletter, please come to the June 3 meeting or give one of us a call.

Sincerely,

Potters Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District,

Karen Winkelman, Chairman

262/363-4930

Tom Jordens, Treasurer

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Jeff Beiriger, Secretary

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Legislative Update

With the legislative session behind us, and with elections coming up in the fall, now is a good time to contact your legislator about lake issues. Representative Cloyd Porter, for instance, has proposed that the DNR use existing funds to apply selective that will control the spread of Eurasian Water Milfoil. Porter notes that Milfoil is present in lakes in 48 of Wisconsin's 72 counties and that its aggressive growth patterns threaten native plants and fish habitats. Representative Porter can be reached at (888) 534-0066.

Representative Handrick introduced legislation last session that would make it illegal to operate personal watercraft on lakes of 200 acres or less, except at slow-no-wake speeds. Under the proposal, a town would be able to exempt a lake entirely within its jurisdiction or increase the restriction to lakes of 300 acres or less.

For or against, you should be aware of legislative issues affecting lake quality and make your concerns known to your legislators.

Lost and Found

Having lost a paddleboat for a few days, and having lost a water ski and personal flotation device forever, I've learned the hard way that it's a good idea to mark your boats and belongings – just in case they get away. If you find something out on the lake, look for any identification on the item and give that person a call. If there's no identification, give one of the Commissioners a call and we'll post something in the next newsletter. Speaking of which....

FOUND!
Fiberglass Fishing Boat
Call Tom Jordens at 920/625-3294 to claim.

Logo

A few years ago, a resident on Potters Lake was good enough to have a logo designed for the Carp Out & Jamboree that we held each spring. Well, that resident isn't on the Lake any longer and we were thinking about updating our logo and stationary. Are you, or someone you know, able to create a logo for Potters Lake? Since we are always looking to spend your money wisely, we'd prefer to have the services either donated or provided at a deep, deep, discount (i.e., next to nothing!). If you've got a suggestion, give one of the Commissioners a call.

Boating Safety

As a reminder, spring is the perfect time to check your boat for all of the necessary safety equipment – PFDs for each passenger, a throwable PFD, an oar, a fire extinguisher (make sure it's filled and you know how to use it), a small first aid kit, and marine flares (make sure they haven't expired). You can't be too safe!