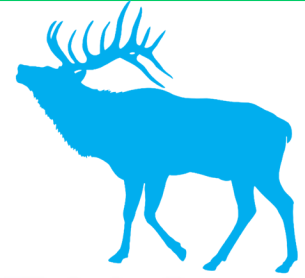


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**Elk Lake Property
Owners Association**

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Elk Lake Information:

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Saturday of each month
@ 9a.m.**

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Saturdays
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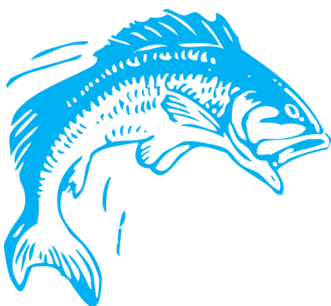
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President's Note

Bill Fister

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Those of us who like the hot weather here at the lake have gotten our wish these past few weeks. Not sure I ever remember an early summer heatwave like we've had but I'm enjoying the sun and the heat and the water and it gives me an excuse to goof off a little more, which my wife will tell you I didn't really need. Anyway, bring on those dog days. I'm ready.

Congratulations goes out to our Board member, Kelvin Patterson who got married here at the lake this past month to the very lovely Connie. I should make a joke here about what a great salesman he must be because she is way out of his league but I won't. Wishing both of them all the love and happiness that life can bring.

I am always impressed by the talented water skiers we have here at the lake. While the laws of physics as they relate to gravity, father time and general lack of coordination prevent me from any thoughts about water skiing, there may be folks who would like to learn more about it, discuss equipment and technique and maybe meet others who enjoy the sport. One of the members proposed the creation of an Elk Lake Water Ski Club. If interested, email me. I will collate the information and work to set up an initial meeting at the beginning of this next month. I'm told in years past, there used to be some skiing events here at the lake that parlayed into a fun day for the participants and spectators. Again, my email is wef5858@aol.com. (Continued on next page)

President's Note Continued

Speaking of clubs, later in this newsletter is an article about a fundraiser that is being held for the Sportsman's Club. Mary Duke is chairing an event where certain members of the lake community will open their houses for tours where you can see what ideas lake homeowners have used in their houses, satisfy curiosity about what the inside of a particular house may look like or just get out and meet your neighbors. I would assume some houses will have refreshments but if nothing else, the money raised will go to a good cause and you may get a chance to meet folks you've not had a chance to meet. I'm looking forward to being one of the tour homes and getting some feedback about some unfinished areas of the house. More to come.

As a full time resident of Owen County, I like to encourage those at the lake to attend local events and patronize the local businesses. As such, I am putting in a plug for an event happening on September 3 at the amphitheater below the winery. It is a music festival featuring all local talent starting at 5:00 and going till 11:00. There will be food trucks in addition to wine, beer and non-alcoholic drinks. You can bring blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy good music. Some of the bands playing have played here in the lake at various dock parties and are really talented. Tickets are very reasonable. If you need information, there are flyers at the winery or you can email me and I will scan and send you one. If you hear of other fun events locally, let's spread the word.

At the August board meeting, we will be discussing a lot of important topics. We had a quorum issue at the last board meeting because of vacations, a family emergency and the memorial service for one of our previous board members so we have two months of issues to resolve. We will be discussing, among other things, the idea of waiting one month to open the valve, dredging ideas, a dues increase and the algae issue. Please feel free to email me or attend in person if you have input you'd like to make about these or any topics.

Today's Poohism reminded me of how I'd look water skiing. "If possible, try to find a way to come downstairs that doesn't involve going bump, bump, bump on the back of your head." Have a great August here at the lake.

Financial Report

Jason Wainscott fullserviceauto@hotmail.com

July Board Meeting

7-16-2022

According to the most recent financials:

Available Funds:

We have \$667,254.31 available in our checking and savings account. This is the total amount of money we have in the bank. The Operating Account (Checking Account) Balance is \$318,906.19. The remaining amount (Savings) of \$331,453.83 is earmarked for items like the dam fund, vehicle fund, cash reserves, etc.

Road Loan:

We have received \$77,000.00 in Membership Road Dues YTD. Current Road Loan Balance is \$360,911.49. 2022 Road Loan Payment of \$69,793.88 was made in February.

Misc. Income:

Misc. Income is at \$47,956.83. These are monies that come from non-operational items like dock rental, lodge rental, initiation fees, etc.

Past Dues:

Letters were to be sent after the January Meeting. According to the Customer Balance sheet we still have around 14 members who owe 2022 dues.

Approximately 10 of those members owe more than one year's worth of dues.

Interest:

YTD Interest on our Checking/Savings account(s) is \$111.86.

X

Jason Wainscott
Treasurer



Lake & Dam

Kelvin Patterson

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Lake Aeration

Problem Statement

- Stagnant Water
 - Low Water Oxygen Content
 - Low Water Depth
 - Algae Blooms
- Muck Buildup
 - Mayflies and blind midges live in muck and emerge as adults in swarms coating lights, equipment, boats, homes
 - Muck contains high levels of nutrients that feed algae and aquatic weeds. As the muck layer grows, so will your problems with these aquatic nuisances. Muck can also be a breeding ground for leeches.
- Reduced Fish Count
 - Fish need oxygen rich water
 - Oxygen Depletion Leads to Fish Kill



Algae

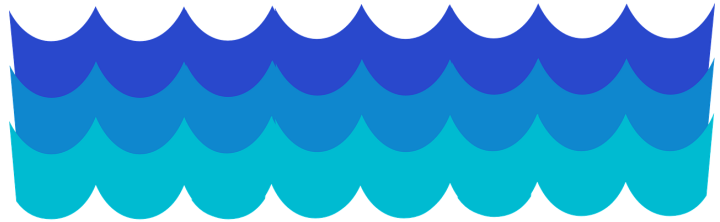
Algae blooms can occur when there are excessive nutrients in the water. Some algae produce toxins that are harmful to people and animals.



Lake & Dam

Muck

Decayed organic matter (leaves, grass, sticks, animal waste)



Types of Lake Aeration

Fountains



Pros:

- Attractive

Cons:

- Costly to purchase/install
- Costly to run compared to other solutions
- Introduces electrical current into lake
- Not built for continuous use with lower life expectancy than other options

Ram Pumps



Pros:

- Low Cost
- Built for continuous use

Cons:

- Unattractive
- Requires gravity fed water source
- Noisy
- Can lose prime

Lake & Dam

Aeration Systems



Pros:

- Built for continuous use
- Energy efficient: electric, solar, wind
- Quiet operation
- Provides excellent value spend versus results

Cons:

- Medium cost \$500 and up based on size
- Monthly electrical cost estimated at \$7-\$10 per month per acre
- Requires some periodic maintenance

For more information around how you can help with lake aeration feel free to contact me or stop by lot 960 where you can see my aeration system at work. “Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot. Nothing is going to get better. It’s not.” Dr. Seuss The Lorax.



Security

Cheri Fredelake cherifredelake160@gmail.com

Just a reminder that a sticker or pass is required to enter Elk Lake. All contractors and deliveries are signed in. If you are the property owner and do not have a sticker on your vehicle or are with someone in another vehicle you will be asked to write a pass for the vehicle you are in. This is to let everyone know that the vehicle has been properly checked at the gate.

When you write a pass for a guest please let your guest know that they can NOT have cars follow them in. They can NOT have people meet them at the gate and expect to bring them in unless those people have a pass as well. The guest pass is for one car and whoever is in that car. If additional people are going to show up or drive in they need a pass. Additional cars/people will be turned away if they don't have passes.

When expecting guests please be sure to have a pass filled out and ready for them at the gate. When guests arrive at the gate and there is no pass it can cause a backup/congestion due to the amount of traffic at the gate. Also if a property is in more than one name please let the guest know what name to ask for. Guests are asking for a pass in one name and it's actually in another name. This can also cause a backup/congestion when there is a lot of traffic at the gate.

A reminder once again that your dogs must be under your control at all times. Please do not allow your dogs to run off your property.

Tables at the beach are first come first serve. You can not set a bag or anything else on a table then leave and return hours later and expect to use that table.

Remember the speed limit in Elk Lake is 15mph. This is for any type of vehicle driving within Elk Lake.

For health and safety reasons and just plain common decency please DO NOT enter the guard shack if you are Covid positive or even suspect you may be Covid positive. Whether you are wearing a mask or not it doesn't matter. We recently had members enter the guard shack and tell the guard after writing passes that they were Covid positive and were supposed to be quarantined. They then said that it was too nice of a weekend to be quarantined. By entering the guard shack you are intentionally putting the guards at risk for getting sick. That's just not acceptable behavior.

Please tell your guests that their pass must be displayed on their windshield or dash at all times while they are in Elk Lake.



Important Notices for Members



- ♦ **Do NOT park vehicles at the dam unless you are launching a boat which will be taken out the same day (All other vehicles will be towed)**

Reminder: if you have a property improvement permit & your job is complete, please call 859-802-1300 so we can do our inspection and return any road deposit checks

- ♦ ELPOA is accepting donations for any area that needs it! Donate to roads, beautification, security, lake & dam, etc. Please contact ELPOA office for additional information
- ♦ Please do **NOT** use the Post Office Box as it is only checked for election ballots or special Board mailings.
- ♦ Office mailing address: 445 Elk Lake Resort Road Owenton, KY 40359
- ♦ **New Member Committee meets on the third Thursday of the month @ 7p.m. Please contact vboerger@yahoo.com if you have any questions.**
- ♦ **ELPOA board meetings will on the third Saturday of the month and are open to all members.**
- ♦ **Boat/Trailer Storage at Lodge Parking Lot: \$25 monthly fee; Contact ELPOA office for more details, Parking for day/weekend is allowed, All other boats/trailers will be towed at owner's expense.**

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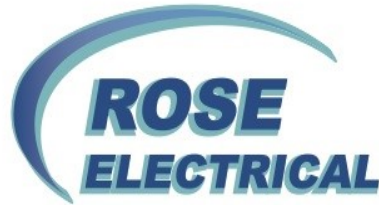
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Sportsman Club News



Bob Duke

SAVE THE DATE – ELK LAKE TOUR OF HOMES

The Sportsman's Club is excited to announce the Elk Lake tour of homes – **LAKEARAMA 2022**.

This fundraiser will take place on Saturday September 17th from 1-6 pm showcasing 10 homes of your neighbors and friends. **LAKEARAMA 2022** will feature a variety of styles, structures and designs from charming originals to more contemporary. Tickets will be a \$10 donation per person. This is a private event for Elk Lake homeowners, family and friends and all proceeds will go to improvements and the needs of our community here at the lake. More details about how to purchase your tickets will be available on the Elk Lake webpage <https://www.elklakeshores.net/>, the Elk Lake Shores Owner Discussion Facebook page and the upcoming September newsletter.

The Sportsman's Club has been in existence for over 30 years and has been able to donate money to help with many kinds of improvements at the lake.

The Luau on the Beach and the Auction are past events the Sportsman's Club has had the pleasure of hosting along with the current summer Fishing Tournaments. All these events have made it possible to donate monies for the following advancements:

- New sand at the beach
- Remodel inside of the guard shack
- Grass carp to help with the algae issue
- Signs throughout the lake and the newest emergency vehicle signs just outside the entrance

Your donations will always be put to good use for all of us and we hope to include some fun too.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions and comments to

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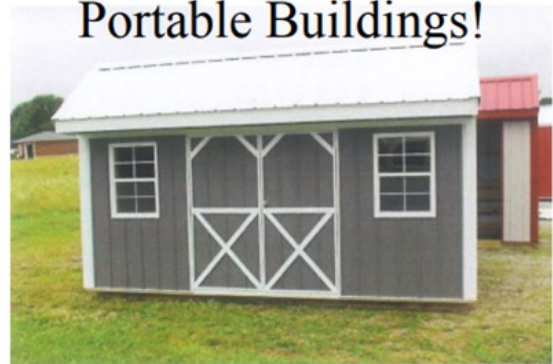
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