

WOLA 2021 4th of July Activities



15th Annual Boat Parade begins at 10am

We're back! Thanks to activities in Illinois "opening up", we are continuing to hold our annual activities for the 4th of July. On Sunday the 4th, all members are invited to decorate their boats and join in the lake-wide boat parade. Pick a theme that you think will impress the judges: Patriotic, Sports Team, Historical, Silly, etc. Everyone who wants to participate should meet together towards the middle of the lake at 9:50 and a long-time member will lead the parade line for a couple of laps around the main lake, beginning at 10 am, including parading past the judges dock for inspection! Non-motorized boats welcome!!!!

**** 1st and 2nd prizes will be awarded for kids and adult categories ****

Members Beach Potluck starts at NOON

All members are invited to participate in the 4th of July potluck under the newly renovated pavilion. Please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Bring your own drinks or drinks to share in cans or plastic bottles.

2020 Update

4th of July Update amid this current Coronavirus pandemic

The WOLA Board has announced that there WILL be a boat parade, with prizes, on Saturday, July 4th. However, no other WOLA-sanctioned activities are scheduled, including NO group carry-in or sharing of food as a WOLA activity. Members can continue to use the beach and pavilion on their own with their family and guests provided they are following safety guidelines in place from the State of Illinois.

PARADE DETAILS:

Begins at 10 a.m. in front of the WOLA Dam area. Spectators welcomed!

Prizes for top three decorated boats and another special prize for a kids division entry (age 17 or under)

Prizes announced at members beach at 11:30. GET CREATIVE!

Any registered and stickered member-owned boat can enter the parade. No non-registered or guest boats may be used at WOLA at any time, per our rules.

Questions? Contact any WOLA Board Member (listed on this website).

Need to register a boat? Contact Mark Melody, Fish and Lake Committee Chairperson (also listed on this site).

BE SAFE and enjoy this fantastic weekend holiday!

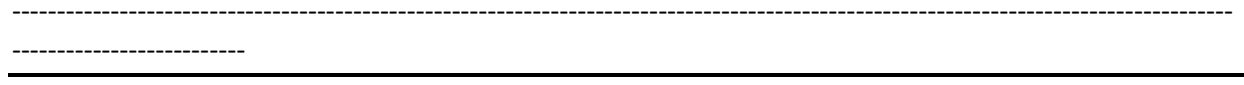
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2019 Update Celebrate the 4th of July on WOLA!



Join us on **Thursday, July 4th, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** for the annual WOLA Independence Day Boat Parade and Breakfast! Boaters of all type are welcome. Decorate your boat and join us at the dam for the parade procession of patriotic water lovers! We'll make at least one complete pass throughout the lake, guiding in one long line of decorated boats past lake judges, and for all to see at the dam. Fabulous prizes awarded to the best decorated boats. Creativity is always a plus.

Then, we'll head over to the newly remodeled beach area and pavilion for a shared brunch, including pulled pork and buns, and BBQ sauce from WOLA. **Everyone, please bring a dish to share.** If you don't have a boat, plan to watch the festivities from the dam and join us for breakfast. Plates, napkins, silverware and juices/sodas will be provided by WOLA.



Past Updates

2018

Fireworks Update for 2018 – NO FIREWORKS on WOLA DAM

A reminder that it is illegal to use most fireworks that “report” or “bang” in Illinois. Under no circumstance can fireworks be lit from the WOLA Dam. Many of our “off lake” members like to sit on the dam on those evenings so safety is of concern. Our WOLA rules call for no fireworks to be lit over the lake...we have always “looked the other way” on the 4th but a reminder that your personal activities on your own property are your own responsibility. Thank you for your caution and understanding,

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2017 Recap

4th of July Activities on White Oak Lake 2017

Another great weekend for the 4th of July Activities

23 boats participated in this year’s 4th of July boat parade – a new high! Thanks to everyone who participated and to those who brought food to share at the pavilion afterwards. Here’s some shots:



Winner's Circle! Category Winners Pose

Packed Pavillion with great food!



Boats were stacked up at the Judge's dock

Stars came out, too!



The Anderson's always decorate nicely

Winning entry "Barn in the USA"!



Winning entry – Race Car on the Water

Boats lined up at the dam for potluck



Alicia Curtis celebrating festively



Jon and Sally McKee pose at the pavilion



Another parade line shot from the front



Judge's stand Eagle pride!