
THE HYCO LAKE REVIEW

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This is the second in a series of newsletters this year. We hope you find them informative. Your comments and/or suggestions will be appreciated.

HOW TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS

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They welcome your call.

Written comments/ suggestions welcomed.

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IRRIGATING FROM LAKE IS A VIOLATION

Irrigating lawns from the lake is a violation of the Master Lease between the Lake Authority and CP&L (now Progress Energy). Article 7 of your Lease Agreement with PCLA has the exact provision as the Master Lease. "The Lessee will not cause or permit any diversion of water from the reservoir". Letters have been sent to a large number of leaseholders advising them that pumps and pipes must be removed from the Lake. Failure to remove equipment from the lake will result in a \$300.00 penalty, and the shoreline will be posted with no trespass signs. In the event the equipment is not removed following the penalty, the Lease Agreement with PCLA will be terminated. Should the Leaseholder reinstall the pump at a later date, the Lease Agreement with PCLA will be terminated.

Removal of BUOY LIGHTS

Lights have been placed on buoy's to aid boaters who navigate the lake at night. We have had a number of lights removed from the buoys creating a safety hazard. If you see someone removing these lights, please call our Ranger Office with a name and/or description of the person(s). This is an illegal offense, and they can be prosecuted.



LOADING RAMPS NOW SAFER

Approximately 100 truck loads of soil, rocks and stumps have been removed from the area around the loading ramps, and piers in the launch area. The ramps and piers will be much safer now and when the lake level rises. Currently the lake level is about 44/45 inches below full. The lowest recorded level was approximately 36 inches. Boaters must exercise due caution when navigating the lake to avoid damage to the vessel.

COMMUNITY BUILDING AND COTTAGES

The Community Building and Cottages are available for rent. There are four Cottages, and they rent for \$50.00 per night with a \$50.00 returnable deposit. Cottages have both bunk and full size beds, and are equipped with a heat pump.

The Community Building rent is \$125.00 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.; \$150.00 4:00 to 11:00 p.m. All day is \$325.00 all with a \$150.00 returnable deposit. The Community Building is equipped with a large number of tables and chairs, a full kitchen, bathrooms, and a deck overlooking the lake. Make your reservations early with our Ranger Office to assure you get the date you want.

PARK GATE REMOVED

As customary, the Park Gate has been removed until April 1, 2008. All patrons are free to come and go as they please, so long as they obey all Park Rules.



BOAT STORAGE

Currently we are full, and have a waiting list for space in our Boat Storage Facility. Annual inside storage is \$470.00. You get a space and a key to the gate in order that you can access the facility anytime you wish to take your boat out and return it to storage. If interested, call and place your name on the list.

NATURAL LEARNING AREA

The main trail and a connector trail in the Natural Area has been paved. A matching Grant from the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund accounted for one half of the cost. This made a nice addition to the Natural Area, and will make walking much easier. Paving the trails also improved the beauty of the area. If you have not visited this area and walked the trails, you should consider planning a visit. There are eight Interpretive Signs located: along the trail and at the Bird Blind. There is a sixteen foot and a eight foot Gazebo located along the Trail for resting and can be used as a classroom or meeting place for groups. There are two decks located along the waterfront with a great view of the lake and boating activity. Soft trails traverse the woods and a Scout Camp with a fire ring is available for use by Scout Groups.



COLD WEATHER TIPS FROM BD MEMBERS

- ❶ Winterize boats, jet skis, and lawn mowers
- ❷ Drain gas from the tanks of small engines. Old gas will cause starting problems in the Spring. You can use a fuel stabilizer to avoid this problem.
- ❸ Remove leaves so the grass can breathe. Do not blow leaves into the lake, this is a violation that could result in a citation by our Rangers. Remember, burning of any nature below the 420 foot contour line is a violation that can result in a citation by the Rangers.
- ❹ Drain your water hose before storing - turn off all outside faucets to prevent pipes from freezing or bursting.
- ❺ It is a good idea to keep your boats riding high in your lifts to avoid problems should we have heavy rain. Hyco has a very large catchment area, and can rise very fast with heavy rain(s).
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