DUTCH HOLLOW LAKE P.O.A., INC.

# Happenings at the Hollow



Pileated Woodpeckers Photo by Candi Vitalo

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### **2024 CHANGE FOR ALL GREENWAY USE HAS BEEN REVISED!**

The changes that were published in the newsletter that was emailed last week have been revised.

After receiving feedback, and further Board discussion the Board of Directors has decided to defer the rule change (vehicle ban on greenway) with the following stipulations:

An ad hoc Greenway Committee will be formed to review all rules and guidelines which includes dock access.

The ad hoc Greenway Committee will require each dock accessed (by any approved vehicles) to seek and appoint a neighborhood group to "take ownership" of their access path.

The intent and purpose of these groups is to monitor activity, establish rules awareness, and actively assist in maintaining these access paths.

The current Greenway Utilization Rules follow.

#### 2/14/2024

#### **Greenway Utilization Rules**

The greenway is considered one of the great membership benefits of the Dutch Hollow Property Owners' Association. The greenway consists of about 700 acres and includes nearly two thirds of the shoreline. Not only does it create a community nestled between woods, prairies, and grasslands, it also creates an opportunity for members and their families to enjoy the Lake and our surrounding nature. The greenway is owned by <u>all</u> of the members through the Association and the set of rules below are intended to allow <u>everyone</u> to enjoy the benefit of the greenway in a safe, practical and respectful manner.

- I. It is up to each property owner to know where their property boundaries are and where the greenway begins and ends.
- II. Permanent use of the greenway for such things as storage or parking of personal property is NOT permitted.
- III. Campfires are not permitted on the greenway.

#### IV. Permitted *temporary* greenway usage:

A. The greenways may be used for such items as kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, which may be stored in greenway areas to promote the enjoyment of the greenway and Lake, following the requirements below:

#### B. Requirements:

- 1. Items may not be stored within 20 feet of the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- 2. Items may not interfere with other members' use of the greenway.
- 3. Items on the greenway may be used while the Association docks are in the water after which the stored items need to be removed.
- 4. Items need to be neatly stored when not in use.
- 5. Stored items may not cause damage to the greenway and must be elevated above the ground allowing for air flow thus limiting shading and killing of the vegetative cover.
- 6. The Association reserves the right to remove and dispose of any items that are located on the greenway in an unsafe manner or remain on the greenway beyond the boating season.
- V. Maintenance

The greenway will not be maintained by the Association except where the Board decides it is in the best interest of all members. Members may <u>minimally</u> maintain the greenway by mowing paths and small picnic areas.

#### A. Guidelines/Requirements:

- 1. Members may not mow within 20' of the shoreline.
- 2. Paths should be kept to no wider than 60".

- 3. Mowed areas may be cut no shorter than 4".
- 4. Where practical, members should work with neighbors to minimize paths.
- 5. On steep slopes of > 10% the path should be mowed in a serpentine or switch back configuration to help control storm water run-off and to avoid mower tire rutting of the mowed grass.
- 6. Mowed picnic areas shall not exceed 250 square feet in size and needs prior approval by the Association manager. No permanent items (tables, chairs, benches, etc.) may be left in any picnic area without the prior approval of the Association Manager. Any approved permanent items left in a picnic area will be open to the use of all of the members of the Association.
- 7. Timber harvesting of the greenway is not permitted without the written permission of the Association.

#### VI. Vehicle use on greenway

- A. Vehicles are not allowed on the greenway except as defined below:
  - 1. Vehicles with turf tires are allowed ONLY to access a dock.
  - 2. Care should be taken to avoid damage to the vegetation.
  - 3. Vehicles are not to be driven on dock access pathways or greenway during rain and 24 hours after rain.
  - 4. Vehicles may not block dock access paths.
  - 5. Vehicle speed may not exceed 5mph on any greenway areas.

#### The Board reserves the right to change, modify or limit access to the greenways in the future as necessary.

#### Legal Disclaimer:

The Association is not responsible for any damage or loss of property that is left on the greenway. Further, the Association is not responsible for damage to your equipment, or injury while maintaining the greenway.

## DHLPOA

## Annual Meeting of Members

## Saturday, April 27th 10 a.m.

Location: DHLPOA Clubhouse, E2670 Clubhouse Drive, LaValle, WI 53941

Watch for Meeting Notice and Election information in March!

## Friends of DHL Annual Meeting will follow this meeting!



## Join the fun! Thursday, February 15th

Come to the clubhouse at **1 p.m.** Bring a favorite game if you have one. BYOB and snack.

See you there.

## **Seasonal Dock Slip Application**

If you plan to rent an Association dock slip this year for exclusive in-water parking of your boat, you must apply by April 1, 2024. An application must be submitted each year.

The seasonal dock slip fee for members is \$525 per marina area slip and \$555 for a subdivision slip near your home.

No overnight parking is allowed at the main dock located in front of the clubhouse.

All those that apply will be notified in April of the placement areas and will need to forward payment in full to receive their current sticker. (Association dues must be paid in full to be eligible for a dock slip.) There is always the possibility that more members will apply for a dock slip than the number of slips available. So, there is no guarantee that all members that apply for a dock slip will be assigned a slip.

#### Please DO NOT send payment until you are notified of your dock slip assignment.

#### **BEFORE APPLYING please read and acknowledge the following:**

- 1. When assigning slips, priority is given to non-waterfront members, as this is their only opportunity to park their boat in-water. (Waterfront owners may apply for an Association slip and will be granted one if a slip is available. But, when a non-waterfront member requests a slip in the same area, that member would get the slip before the waterfront owner.)
- 2. If there are more requests for slips at any dock than there are slips available, we will hold a lottery drawing for slips for that particular dock. Should you not be drawn for your preferred dock and you do not specify a second and third preference, you will not automatically be assigned a slip.
  - If a lottery drawing is held for a specific dock, one entry per lot owned by the applicant will be placed in the lottery. However, only one slip will be assigned to the applicant.
- 3. In many areas there is a high demand for slips. It is in your best interest to specify first, second, third choices if you have them. You will have a better chance of getting a dock slip.
- 4. Requests for a particular slip at any dock are not guaranteed. We must serve all members who apply by assigning slips according to boat type and size. It is important that applicants fill out the application completely and accurately for this reason.
- 5. Weather permitting docks are in place by mid-May each year. Due to weather and seasonal maintenance schedules, docks will be moved to their winter locations beginning the first week of October. All slips must be vacated by October 13, 2024 to enable maintenance staff to complete this work. \$50 per day additional fee will be assessed for any boats not removed by deadline date.
- 6. Marina docks have no access before 8 a.m. and after 10 p.m. when the main clubhouse gates are closed.
- 7. If rules are not followed, dock privileges will be immediately revoked and no refund will be given.

#### Return application so it reaches the Association office by April 1, 2024. Sorry, we cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

See next page for application to fill out and return.

#### Application will not be considered unless signed and dated!

2024 Seasonal Dock Application - due by 4/1/2024 Return to: Dutch Hollow Lake P.O.A., E2670 Clubhouse Dr., LaValle, WI 53941		
Lot #:		
_Email:		
d type of boat):		

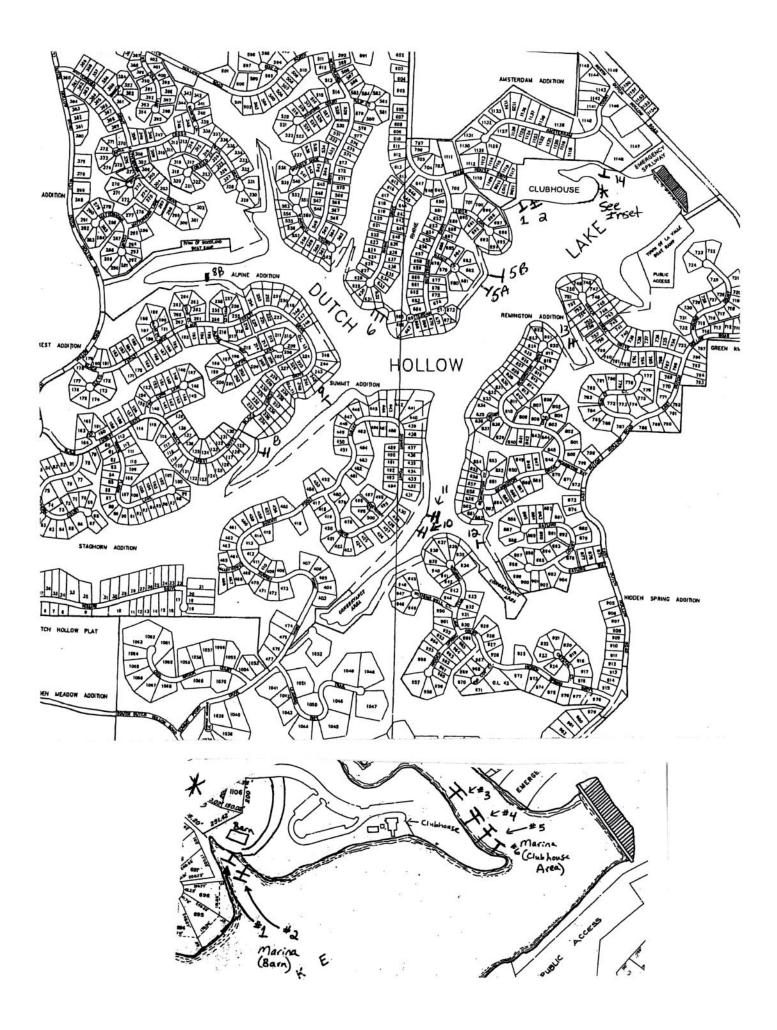
(\*Marina docks have no access before 8 a.m. and after 10 p.m. when the main clubhouse gates are closed.)

## I read and understand the rules in place for the assignment of dock slips and greenway use. I also understand that if the rules are violated the dock slip will be revoked and no refund issued.

Signature:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dock location map on next page.



### Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake

#### **Friends of DHL Board**

We have three board seats up for election in 2024. If you are interested in running for a 2-year term, please contact Pamela Vonderehe (<u>dhlpjb@mwt.net</u>). The election will take place at the annual meeting.





The 2023 Aquatic Plant & Hybrid Watermilfoil Surveys for DHL now available!

Also available is a summary of the report from our Consultant.

View both reports on our website.

#### Annual Meeting

The FDHL annual meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2024, following the DHLPOA annual meeting.

In the meantime, we are asking our members to consider re-upping their membership dues of \$5.00 a person to help us maintain our status as a Qualified Lake Association and continue the critical work of maintaining the health of our lake. (*Part of the review process when approving grants is the number of members of the Association. The more members we have, the better our chances of our grant being approved*). Each family member can join the Association. Please find membership information details below.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support and your commitment to the health of Dutch Hollow Lake.

Yes, I want to become a member (or refor 2024.	enew my membership) of the Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake, Inc.
2024 Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake	Membership (\$5 per person):
Please list members separately.	
Name:	Renewal or New Member \$5
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1 1 1	Additional Tax Deductible Donation: Total Enclosed:
     	Please make checks payable to Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake, Inc. Thank you in advance for your membership!



We are looking for housekeepers, lifeguards, and Dutch Treat attendants for summer 2024. Please email Pam at

dhlpjb@mwt.net; call or stop by for application.

### **Real Estate Tax Portion**

Each lot's share of DHL 2023 property tax expense is **\$13.49**.

If you itemize deductions on your income tax, you may be able to claim that amount.

## Newsletter and Website Advertising

We have many local businesses that advertise in our monthly newsletter and on our website.

Monthly or Annual ad packages are available.

If you or a business you know of would be interested in placing an ad, please contact the

Association office.



## Interested in placing a classified ad?

Dutch Hollow Lake Classifieds – \$10 fee for 25 words includes a one month listing in "Happenings at the Hollow" E-Newsletter. Additional words are 25 cents each (maximum of 50 words per ad). All ads must be paid by the 20th of the month for publication in the following month's issue.



Classifieds.docx

**Want to renew your ad?** If you would like your ad to run again the following month, please call the office at 608-985-7294 to let us know. Make sure we receive payment by the 20th of the month.



#### **FEBRUARY**

2/15 **EVENT:** Game Day

#### MARCH

- 3/9 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 3/14 **EVENT:** Game Day
- 3/22 **DEADLINE:** Seasonal Campsite balance due

#### APRIL

- 4/1 **DEADLINE:** Application due seasonal dock slips
- 4/13 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 4/19 Campground open (weather permitting)
- 4/19 Tennis & Pickle ball nets up (weather permitting)
- 4/22 Boats stored inside brought out this week (weather permitting) Pick up by May 6 if not continuing summer storage
- 4/25 **DEADLINE:** Dock slip rent payment due
- 4/27 Annual Meeting of Members
- MAY
- 5/17 **DEADLINE:** 2024 Assessments paid in full to avoid lien filing/charge
- 5/25 Pool opens for the season
- 5/25 Dutch Treat Snack Shop opens for season (weekends only May/June)
- 5/25 <u>EVENT:</u> Pancake Breakfast & Plant Exchange 8am to 10am
- 5/26 <u>EVENT:</u> Tournaments; Food Truck (Nemma's World Tour), Live Music by Tom Burr from 3pm to 5pm; Julie Bodendein from 5pm to 7pm
- 5/31 **EVENT:** DHL Garage Sales

#### JUNE

- 6/1 **EVENT:** DHL Garage Sales
- 6/1 **EVENT:** Kids Cast-A-Way Fishing Derby
- 6/8 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 6/22 **EVENT:** Parrot head Party 5pm to 8pm

#### JULY

- 7/1 Dutch Treat Snack Shop now open daily through Labor Day
- 7/6 **EVENT:** Flag Raising 9am
- 7/6 <u>EVENT:</u> Tournaments, Silent Auction, Brats & Burgers 6pm Live Music by Cougar Wagon 5pm to 8pm
- 7/13 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 7/27 <u>EVENT:</u> Food Truck Pig Pen BBQ 4pm-7pm & Live Music by DHL Jammers 4pm to 7pm

#### AUGUST

- 8/10 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 8/10 <u>EVENT:</u> Brown Bag Wine/Craft Beer with Live Music by Mark LaMere 2pm to 4pm
- 8/31 <u>EVENT:</u> DHL Races 8 a.m., Food Truck, Fireworks, Live Music by DJ Devo 7 - 10 p.m.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 9/1 **EVENT:** Tournaments
- 9/2 Pool and Dutch Treat close at end of day
- 9/13 **DEADLINE:** Apps for 2025 Beach House and Seas. Campsites due
- 9/12 **EVENT:** Game Day
- 9/14 Board Meeting 9 a.m.

#### OCTOBER

- 10/10 **EVENT:** Game Day
- 10/12 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 10/13 Campground closes
- 10/13 **DEADLINE:** Seasonal campers must be off sites (or have storage secured)
- 10/13 **DEADLINE:** All boats must be removed from Assn. docks (no exceptions)
- 10/26 <u>EVENT:</u> Halloween Party with costume contest, chili cookoff, Music by the DHL Jammers 4pm-7pm

#### NOVEMBER

- 11/9 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 11/14 **EVENT:** Game Day