

# Happenings at the Hollow



This turtle made its way to the open water at the edge of the ice in February! Since then, due to warm temps, the ice has rapidly left the Lake.

Photo by Mike Ray



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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 coming this month!

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



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**Special Pool  
Edition  
Coming Soon!**

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Thursday, March 14th

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## 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

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lot #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type & Size of Boat:** (Must include length, width and type of boat): \_\_\_\_\_

**Number by Preference** (1st, 2nd, 3rd):

\_\_\_\_\_ Clubhouse marina slip\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Barn marina slip\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Rhine Subdivision slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Summit Subdivision slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Black Forest Subdivision slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Woodland Bay Area slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Remington Subdivision slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Green Knoll Subdivision slip

\_\_\_\_\_ Amsterdam Subdivision slip

(\*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.**





## **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 all of the members through the Association and the set of rules below are intended to allow everyone 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:

### **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 minimally 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.

# Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake

## Annual Meeting

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

We have three board seats up for election in 2024. If you are interested in running for the FDHL board for a 2-year term, please contact Pamela Vonderehe ([dhlplib@mwt.net](mailto:dhlplib@mwt.net)). The election will take place at the 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 renew my membership) of the Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake, Inc. for 2024.

**2024 Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake Membership (\$5 per person):**

Please list members separately.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal or New Member \$5

Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal or New Member \$5

Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Tax Deductible Donation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake, Inc.  
Thank you in advance for your membership!*

Friends of Dutch Hollow Lake is a Qualified Lake Association that was formed in February 2020. This group was formed to preserve and protect a lake and its surroundings, and to enhance the water quality, fishery, boating safety, and aesthetic value of a lake.

- Friends of DHL membership and dues are **voluntary**.
- Dues are to be paid on a calendar year basis.
- Qualified Lake Association (FDHL) has **no powers** over the lake **community residents**.
- **Membership is limited** to those people with an interest in protecting the lake. It is limited to individual, family, business, or organizations that: **Own or lease property** within **one mile** of the lake. Reside on or within **one mile of the lake** at least one month each year.
- Incorporated under Section 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes to be **eligible for DNR or state funding**.
- Incorporated as a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization so that **contributions are tax deductible**.

Before the group was formed, the Dutch Hollow Lake Property Owners' Association (DHLPOA) performed all the functions of a Qualified Lake Association. However, a Property Owners' Association does not qualify for DNR and State grants so, the Association paid for all the costs associated with protecting the Lake.





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## 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.

**Clubhouse will be closed**  
**Friday, March 29th**  
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## Wisconsin Burning Permits

Required January 1st - May 31st (when there is no snow covering the ground)

Go to the Wisconsin DNR website to obtain your burning permit:

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/forestfire/permits>

## DHLPOA Member Cards

Thank you for paying your 2024 Association dues!

Member cards for use during the main season will be mailed out to you by early May!

Member Cards are used to identify members when using the amenities at Dutch Hollow Lake. This also allows Management to easily identify non-members utilizing Dutch Hollow amenities.

How the Member Cards will be used:

As a member, (when you are present with your family/guests) you will be required to show the following when using amenities:

Pool – Member Card and Season Pool Pass (show lifeguard)

Tennis/Pickleball – Member Card and Season Tennis/Pickleball Pass (Post on clip board on Tennis Court fence.)

Beach –Member Card (Manager will make rounds and ask for identification.)

Members (when you are not present with your guests) having guests are required to notify the Association Office in advance. In order for a guest to use the amenities, guests will be required to stop by office and receive a daily guest pass. Members must call in guests to office or they will not be issued a daily guest pass, the guest will have to pay the non-member daily fee.

## DHLPOA AREA

# RUMMAGE SALES

May 31 & June 1  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you'd like to be added to the list of sales, please contact the Association office.

The Association will assist with advertising and general signage.



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# IMPORTANT

It is important to follow the rules to maintain the safety and beauty for everyone at DHL.

- No camping on vacant lots. We have a campground available for your needs.
- The only permitted signs are a “For Sale” sign on a home, or a Lot identification sign that meets requirements.
- Waterfront property owners: Before making changes to your shoreline of any kind (clear cutting, structures, rip rap, etc.) you must check with the proper authority. (Sauk County, DNR, and/or the Association.)
- No ATV’s on the DHL Trail.
- Dogs must be leashed, or kept on your property. (Neighbors please be neighborly first and discuss issues. If difficulty continues contact the proper authorities.)
- No pets allowed inside the DHL gates which includes the clubhouse and beach area.
- No tree cutting/brush cutting on the greenway without the written permission of the Association.
- No driving on the grass at the clubhouse.
- There is a speed limit at the gate through the clubhouse parking lot. Important to follow!
- Most structures at DHL require a permit from the Architectural Control Committee. Please inquire before beginning a project.

Protect what you have and plan for your future



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**2024 MEMBERS  
ACTIVITY FEE SUMMARY**

**TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COURTS**  
\$5/court hour, or \$80/season

**SWIMMING POOL**  
\$10/person/day or \$125/family/season. Seasonal fee covers up to 8 family members or guests per day.  
Guest passes will only be issued on a daily basis - no exceptions.

**DOCKS**  
\$20/boat slip/day or \$525/marina boat slip/season  
\$555/subdv. boat slip/season (with approved application)

**STORAGE**  
Summer (Apr. – Oct.): \$235/unit (outside fenced area)  
Winter (Oct. – Apr.): \$235/unit (outside fenced area);  
\$310/unit (indoor; sorry no pontoons or campers in indoor storage due to space limitations)  
*Storage is assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited.*

**CAMPGROUND**

**Water/Electric sites:** (All water/electric sites have a designated parking space, a picnic table, and a fire ring.)

**Tent camping (on improved site):**  
\$37/day, \$185/week

**Camping trailer or Pop-up:**  
\$50/day, \$250/week

**Primitive area:**  
(Tent only)  
\$22/day, \$110/week per tent



## 2024 GIVE A HOOT AND REBOOT CHALLENGE



The 2024 Give A Hoot And Reboot Six Week Challenge ended February 17th with eight very successful participants. Participants needed to complete 150 minutes of cardio and 20 minutes of strength training per/week during this six week challenge. There were three meeting sessions during this challenge, but attendance was not required.

During these sessions along with a short workout, participants were educated on:

- the benefits of strength training,
- how to measure resting heartrate, target heartrate, and recovery heartrate,
- what is their personal target heartrate is based on their age, and how to use perceived exertion,
- goal setting, identifying obstacles, and planning on how to deal with these obstacles,
- the stages of behavioral change and identifying where they are with making the behavioral change of exercise as a priority, and
- the pros and cons of different workout structures: group classes vs one-on-one, training with a partner, home vs gym workouts.

Participants were eligible to win many prizes at the start and end of the challenge. Passes to the LaValle Center for walking, resistance bands, stability ball, 400 State Bike Trail pass, class exercise card, and one-on-one training sessions were won.

A few participants took the time to provide feedback on this year's reboot challenge indicating they would recommend it to a friend. "It was flexible enough no matter where you were starting. It also allowed individuality in the workouts you chose to do." "I was able to get back to a routine of working out many days throughout the week."

A big CONGRATULATIONS to all that took the initiative to GIVE A HOOT AND REBOOT FOR 2024.



# Nature Trail News

Submitted by Candy Bubolz

The daylight hours are becoming longer, and the temps are warming, that can mean one thing—Spring is Upon Us!!! My thoughts and urges are taking me outdoors to my gardens. My goal this year is to attract more butterflies to my gardens by expanding, adding more color, features and specific plantings.

## Host Plants/Nectar Plants

Butterflies lay their eggs on host plants. The resulting caterpillars then eat the leaves. Visit [gardenswithwings.com](http://gardenswithwings.com) and type in your zip code. You will find an illustrated list of butterflies in your area, the host and nectar plants you will need to attract those butterflies. Looks like I'll be adding more milkweed variety host plants and coneflowers, Mexican sunflowers and zinnias as nectar plants for attracting those monarchs.



## Resting Places

Butterflies like a place to rest and bask in the sun. Flat smooth stones provide a spot for them to rest and warm their wings for flight.

## Water Options

Butterflies often mingle on wet sand and mud to “puddle”; drink water and extract minerals from damp areas on the ground. Prepare a “puddling area” in your garden for butterflies. Place coarse sand in a shallow pan and insert the pan into the soil. Be sure to keep the sand moist. A birdbath is also a good water source for butterflies.

## PLEASE AVOID INSECTICIDES

These products kill insects, like caterpillars, butterflies and bees.

## **Plan, Prepare, Plant –They Will Come**



## The Trek of Monarchs

As spring approaches, instinctively monarchs are driven to fly north to find spring milkweed.

I have always been enthralled with the amazing migration of the monarch butterflies. I am currently reading *Bicycling with Butterflies* by Sara Dykman. It is her epic 10,201 mile bicycle journey following the monarch migration. I would highly recommend her book to quench your monarch migration thirst.



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Decks: paint, wash  
Autos: wash, detail  
Snow removal: decks, stairs, sidewalks

## Should I Clean up My Garden Early?

There is a very good reason to wait on cleaning your garden – pollinators. Many pollinators, like bees and butterflies, overwinter in dead plant material. They ride out the cold weather there and emerge in spring to do their good work.

By removing dead material too early, you risk destroying many of these pollinators. A good rule of thumb is to wait until temperatures are consistently about 50 degrees F. This will help protect habitat in the spring and ensure you have a robust and healthy pollinator population and overall garden ecosystem.





# EVENTS 2024

## 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 **EVENT:** Pancake Breakfast & Plant Exchange 8am to 10am
- 5/26 **EVENT:** Tournaments; Food Truck 3-7 pm (Nemmas'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 **EVENT:** Tournaments, Silent Auction, Brats & Burgers 6pm Live Music by Cougar Wagon 5pm to 8pm
- 7/13 Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 7/27 **EVENT:** 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 **EVENT:** Brown Bag Wine/Craft Beer with Live Music by Mark LaMere 2pm to 4pm
- 8/31 **EVENT:** 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 **EVENT:** 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

