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Emerald Green Property Owners Association Unofficial Lakes Newsletter

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Latest news and bulletin updates about *Your 3* Lakes from you neighbors

This weekend we will hear from our new EGPOA Board

We have a few items on <u>our</u> agenda that the EGPOA Board will soon need to consider regarding our lakes. Although the Community Finances are of great importance, so too are these: Battery powered recreational water sports equipment, NYS DEC CSLAP training and water testing. Aquatic Invasive plants and algae.

Recreational use of our lakes by our membership requires consideration of health and safety at all times. A long time ago the rules which prohibit fossil fuel on our lakes were created. At that time powerful battery operated motor and water jet engines were not a thought. What we know, the extreme speeds are 160 mph on a Jet Ski costing upwards of $17,000. Surely that speed on our small lakes is not appropriate. So do not buy one before the rules are discussed. That goes for anything over 10 mph. I reached out to a few sales organizations this week and found they pass off training of products to the manufacturers responsibility. I think once a committee ventures on exploring the safe use of equipment, the community will get the information to make the correct decisions. So do not buy, for now.

NYS DEC CSLAP Program
Opportunity for training and water testing for aquatic invasive plants and algae. I spoke with Nancy J. Mueller, Executive Director, NYS Federation of Lake Associations, Inc. NYFOLA has a limited number of lakes that can participate each year in the training program. We are going to be approved to have EGPOA volunteers take the training. Community members who have a lake interest and would like to be included:

<u>Sign up</u> now to volunteer for the Lakes Committee by sending your Name, Address, email, and phone to Rich Brown, reelfunny@gmail.com
The program will start next May 2023.

Did you know? Do you recognize this picture?
Treasure Lake 2016 – Google Earth.

https://rockhillny.org/rhhistory/changing-lakes/

Treasure Lake The lake which initially had homes only on Lake Shore Drive West in the early 80's has more recently been built up with the demand for waterfront property. My home was built in 1986-87. There were only 3 other lakefront homes on Surrey Streets. Since then, 7 others were built. The lake is a natural beauty with two wetland islands at each end. The beaver, and the large new otter have channeled cuts through the islands. The water channel around the lake has been managed with NYS DEC permit approval. Deepest point is 22 feet. On Surrey just off LSD W., there is general lake boat access for members in good standing. No docks are available.

Last Month we called for a Volunteer Drone Videographer. Thanks to a neighbor her friend stepped up to the task and do a test of Treasure Lake. We are awaiting the files. More about the donor soon.

The purpose is to evaluate if we can identify lake and water areas that need to be considered for invasive aquatic species. This drones photographic quality is excellent, and I am hopeful the test will prove beneficial enough to test the three full lakes come early next spring.

The Emerald Green Fishing Club is being brought back for your enjoyment. The first fishing club was started here in EGPOA in 1999. It had widespread interest and 40 active members. The Club's community involvement was responsible for the fish stocking. Healthy fish means healthy lakes. Over the years with people aging, and their moving away, there has been a slowdown of activities. The past president has moved to North Carolina in 2021.

Mark Kanterman, Markfox193@yahoo.com, and Mark Becker, Mbecker126@aol.com have now suggested reorganizing the club with an informal structure. Our community is certainly full of new energy and residents capable of enjoying the sport of fishing. <u>Please contact Mark</u> if you are interested in meeting, On Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 9:30 AM at the Pool Bldg. to enjoy a donut and coffee, to organize and share your thoughts with them.
PLEASE RSVP now to: <u>Markfox193@yahoo.com.</u>

Share the links to this newsletter with Friends. We have had very favorable response to this communication. More Committees giving feedback to the community via Online Newsletter eBlasts will clear the way for Transparency is all EGPOA affairs. This is published on the EGPOA website as an e-Blast and the Unofficial Owners Facebook Page.

Fishing Tips: Fishing line when not on your reel is a hazard. Please do not toss line (or other waste) into our lakes. When your line gets so snagged you cannot release it, bring your boat as close as possible for the Line breakoffs. Using more than 15 lb. test line is unnecessary for our fishing. Line disposed of for any reason in our lake can damage a motor. Please take your cutoff or tangles home with you.