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District of Powers Lake NEWSLETTER

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Lake Level

As of the time we are printing this, SE Wisconsin is in a moderate drought. Several weeks ago, we even had a statewide wildfire warning. As of today, we are 4.92 inches below normal in rainfall resulting in lower than normal lake levels.

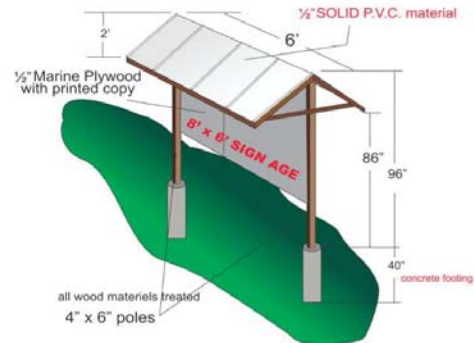
In 2016, we installed an Electronic Measuring Device so we can more efficiently and accurately monitor the lake level and tie it to our web site so we can continue to create an accurate historical perspective. Updated graphs with the results are on our website.

Boat Ramp Signage

The District is actively engaged in partnership with the Town of Randall to update the signage at both boat ramps in 2021. The initiative was initially spearheaded by Commissioner Lou Manfredini and the DPL Board. The Town of Randall Board has graciously embraced the initiative and has agreed to partner with us to design, install and fund the project.

This will be a two-step process whereby we initially install the following signage at the ramps with visibility when launching and retrieving boats.

The second phase will be to update the larger signage with a structure similar to the one below. We are collaborating with the Town on the final content and hope to have them installed in the near term.



We are appreciative of the Town Board's willingness to assist and partner with us on this project and hope the new signage will create additional awareness on safe, proper boating and best practices while enjoying Powers Lake.

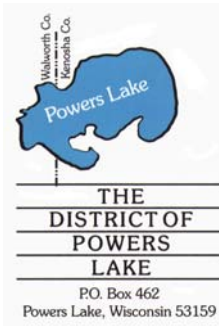
In addition, the Town is also in the process of creating new Slow No Wake Flags for when the lake is closed due to high water. This is also a work in progress and a great way to help make everyone aware in case the lake or Jefferson Bay is closed. The intent will be to raise these flags at the two boat ramps and the Rock Bar II when appropriate.

Water Safety Contact Number

We often get asked who we call when we see inappropriate activity while enjoying Powers Lake. Our first recommendation would be to seek out the Water Patrol if they are on the lake at the time. If not, we suggest calling the Kenosha County Sherriff 262-605-5100 to report any inappropriate behavior. As always, in the case of a medical emergency the best practice would be to dial 911.



26" x 12'



Elected Commissioners:

Neal Kuhn, Chair
Lou Manfredini
Dave Anstett, Treas.
Jim Michels

Appointed Commissioners:

Judy Jooss, Kenosha Co.
Bob Stoll, Randall Twp.

Sailboat Races

Sailboats always have the right of way. Be courteous and keep a safe distance from the race. Please respect our sailors during their competition in this popular sport on Powers Lake. They are only on the lake for a short time every week Saturday and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Reminder

Please remember to use phosphorous free lawn fertilizer. Most soils in Wisconsin naturally provide all the phosphorus your established lawn needs. Much of the phosphorus (phosphate) you apply actually runs off the lawn before penetrating the soil. Runoff into our lake could contribute to algae bloom and undesirable aquatic plants. Check the second number on the package formula. 15—0—10, for example, means zero phosphate. The first number is the nitrogen content, the middle number is the phosphorus content and the last number is the potassium content. Make sure the middle number on the bag is 0 indicating it is phosphorus free. If you use a lawn service, ask your applicator service not to use phosphorus on your lawn. If they are unwilling to do this, contact another provider or consider applying the no-phosphorus fertilizer yourself.

Website Signup

If you have not already done so, please visit our website and sign up for notifications of lake events such as E. coli advisory/closure at the Knolls Beach or Slow No Wake.

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Quarterly Board Meeting

Our next quarterly meeting will be held in person on Friday, June 18th, 2021 at Fire Station #2. on the corner of Bassett Rd.,/Hwy. F and Hwy. KD at 5:00 p.m. The meetings are open to the public.

DISTRICT OF POWERS LAKE MISSION STATEMENT

Within the scope of the powers vested in it under Chapter 33 and in furtherance of the Public Trust Doctrine of Wisconsin, the mission of the District of Powers Lake is:

To support, protect, preserve and enhance the native ecosystem of the watershed, shoreline, and waters of Powers Lake as a natural resource for generations to come;

To be responsive to the interests and concerns of the district residents and the public; and

To proactively advocate when faced with potential damage to Powers Lake's environmental values, wildlife, natural beauty, peacefulness, safety and/or recreational value.