

Okauchee Lake Management District

Greetings from the Okauchee Lake Management District. We hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Winter and we are ready for the best Summer on Okauchee yet! Whether you enjoy boating, swimming, fishing, paddleboarding, kayaking, or just enjoying the change of the seasons, Okauchee never dissapoints! To keep our lake as beautiful as we can there are a few simple things that we can all do. It's important to continue to be responsible, remember the boater safety rules, clean/inspect your watercraft and trailer for aquatic invasives, and use the lake respectfully in order for everyone to enjoy! On behalf of the OLMD board of Commissioners, we thank you for your continued support as we look forward to many more days on the lake!

We wish you all a safe and happy Summer!

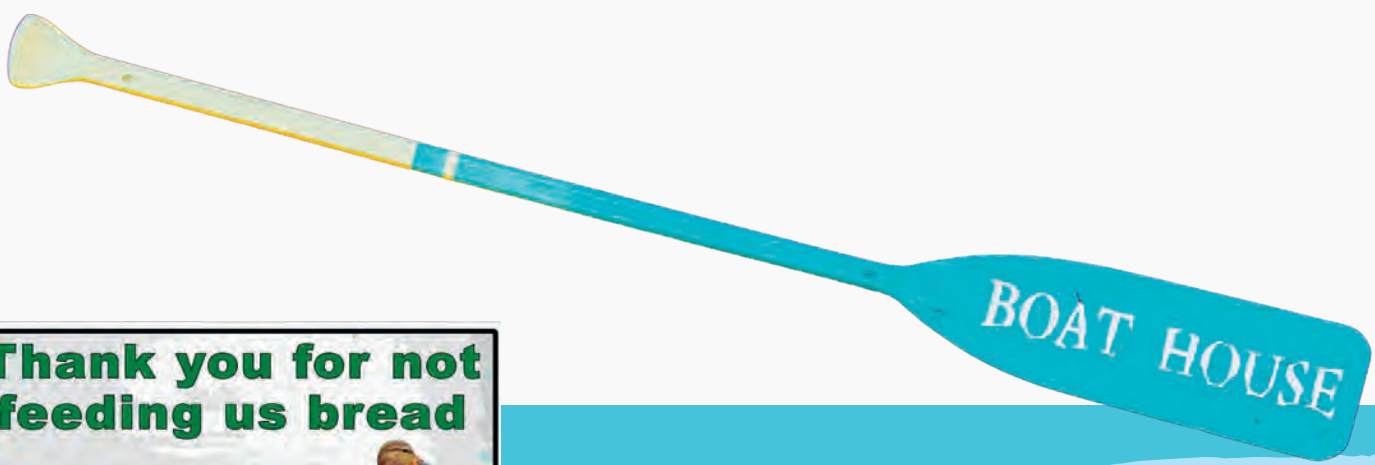


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Spraying Permit Information

The OLMD is in the process of obtaining a permit for the 2023 season from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to apply herbicides for the control of aquatic plants in Okauchee Lake. A copy of this application is available for your review at www.olmd.org. Any Questions you may have can be directed to Dee Schriver at 262-560-1487 or info@olmd.org. This notice is required under Chapter NR 107 of the WI Administrative Code.



Thank you for not feeding us bread



Why Not?

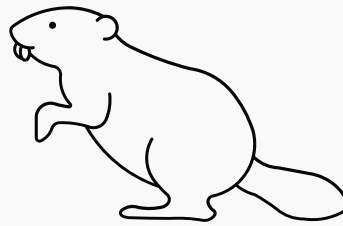
Bread makes our tummies hurt and makes us ill. Bread does not contain the right nutrition or calories that we need to survive. It makes us think we are full and then we don't eat the food we need.

It also pollutes our water and causes nasty surface algae, which kills our fish friends and gives us diseases.

What Should We Eat?

Half cut seedless grapes, chopped lettuce, birdseed, peas, corn, and oats.

Spring 2023



Muskrat Control Program

To avoid shoreline damage from muskrats or beavers, contact Arnold Groehler 262-490-9363 or jmgroehler@aol.com as soon as you see them!

GOOSE ROUND-UP

This year the OLMD will again cooperate with the USDA Fish and Wildlife Service to round up non-migratory Canadian Geese on Okauchee Lake. The Goose Round-Up will take place in mid-June when the birds are flightless. In order for this project to move forward, we need your consent.

We are required to have your consent to access your property before the Round-Up. Once you provide consent, you are no longer required to complete it annually.

IF YOU SUBMITTED THE CONSENT FORM TO THE OLMD PREVIOUSLY, YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILL OUT THE FORM EACH YEAR. IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE CONSENT FORM, PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED GOOSE ROUND-UP CONSENT FORM BELOW BY JUNE 14TH, 2023.

Please return the consent form to:

**OLMD
P.O. Box 526
Okauchee, WI 53069**



Permission for Entry to Property for Goose Round-Up

I authorize representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture - Wildlife Services and the Okauchee Lake Management District (OLMD) to access the property/properties listed below for the purposes of the goose round-up. Decisions on goose management will be made on an annual basis.

This permission form has no expiration date and remains in effect unless you request to be removed from the approved site list. Please contact the OLMD by calling its office at 262-966-0286 or by emailing info@olmd.org if you wish to be removed from the list, have problems with geese on your property, know of a nest, or have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your assistance!

Printed Name: _____

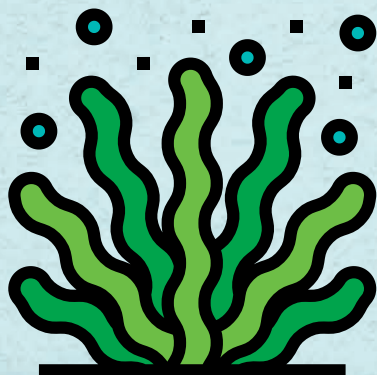
Full Address: _____

Phone: _____

Signature (Mandatory): _____

Please return this form as soon as possible, no later than June 14th 2023

WEED MANAGEMENT 2023



A friendly reminder to make sure weed piles are both visible and accessible for the barges to collect. End of the pier/dock is typically preferable, shoreline pile is acceptable if pier collection is not feasible and if barge is accessible. If a container is used to hold weeds for pick up, please use one with holes to drain water from weeds. Barging operations (weed pick up from pier) are due to begin just before Memorial Day weekend and will run Monday-Friday (with exception of holidays) until Mid October.

If you hire outside companies/individuals to collect your weeds, please remind these groups that our barge and crews will not pick up trash, rocks, large mud clots, tree limbs and fallen leaves. Thank you!

Okauchee Lake Independence Day Celebration Fireworks

Date: Sunday July 2nd, 2023

Time: 9:30 pm approx

Location: Inland Park

In front of The Golden Mast
Restaurant On Okauchee Lake



Our amazing fireworks display is funded by donations from residents and businesses. There are some very generous individuals and businesses that give, but it is all of us together that make this a great show! 100% of your donation goes directly to the fireworks. Visit the OLMD website for a link to donate!

<https://www.olmd.org/>

Want to join in on the lighted boat parade? Participants are always welcome! No registration needed, meet to line up at dusk, around 8:30pm in party island!



Okauchee Fireworks...

@OkaucheeFireworksFund



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The Okauchee Lake
Yacht Club will be
having a fundraiser on
Sunday May 28th.

*These are private events for
members and guests only.*

The Golden Mast will be
collecting donations at
their annual Living on
the Lake Party in May.

Supporters can also donate by
sending donations to:
Okauchee Lake Fireworks Fund
P.O. Box 41
Okauchee, WI 53069



BOATER/SWIMMER

SAFETY



Do you need a Boating License in Wisconsin?

Wisconsin law requires those born on or after January 1, 1989, to pass a boater safety course and to carry a boater education card if operating a motorboat or PWC in Wisconsin. Visit www.dnr.wisconsin.gov to sign up for a course online or in-person!



Drowning. It is human nature to think it can't happen to me--but it can. The majority of people who drown in boating accidents know how to swim but become incapacitated in the water. It is important to wear a life jacket at all times while boating. An accident can happen without warning. Usually, after an accident, the life jackets are not within reach--in cabinets, trapped under the vessel, floating far away in the water.

Make Sure Your Life Jacket has the right fit – it should be snug when fastened. You don't want it too large or too small. Is free of rips, water logging or mildew. Is fully dried after use and stored in a dry place when not boating.

For inflatable life jackets, be sure to test regularly to ensure it can inflate orally and hold air for 16-24 hours. Be sure to also inspect the cartridge for discharge or corrosion.

All vessels (including canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards) must have at least one USCG-approved wearable life jacket for each person on board. All vessels 16 feet or more in length must have one USCG-approved throwable personal flotation device onboard that is immediately accessible. Every person on board a personal watercraft must wear a USCG-approved life jacket. Sailboards and windsurfers are exempt from life jacket requirement but are highly encouraged to wear one.

HAVE THE RIGHT LIFE JACKET?

Right Style

Be sure it's U.S. Coast Guard-approved (Check the label printed on the inside of the life jacket).

Pets
(Harness with lift handles)

Standup Paddlers
(Belt-pack inflatable)

Personal Water Crafts & Sports
(Inherently buoyant)

Anglers & Open Motor Boats
(Suspender inflatable)

Kids
(Adult life jackets don't fit kids)



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Important info
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District Meetings

Okauchee Lake Management District Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every month from April through October at 7pm @ the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, located at the junction of Brown Street and CTH K. Check the website at www.olmd.org for agendas, minutes and updates. Please reserve the date of August 28th 2023 on your calendar for the Annual Meeting! All are welcome to attend. We hope to see you soon!

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