Osprey Lake

Environmental Etiquette

Wakes

The noise, hazard and chop caused by powerboats can compete with the desire of swimmers, fishermen and paddlers to enjoy Osprey Lake. OLPOA has joined other area lakes in limiting the hours for waterskiing, tubing, knee boarding and other wake-causing activities to the hours between 10 AM and 6 PM.

Noise

You would be surprised at how far voices and motor noise can travel across open water. Raucous conversations, loud music or non-stop chainsaws, whether next door or across the lake, will not endear you to your neighbors.

Milfoil

The tranquility of Osprey Lake combined with the need to control EWM has led OLPOA to strongly suggest that jet skis NOT be operated by owners or visitors. One pass of a jet ski can tear numerous sprigs from existing plants and quickly spread EWM throughout the lake. Just one sprig from one stem is all that is needed to spawn another plant.

Hitchhikers

If you bring your boat from another lake or river, be sure to remove all weeds from the hull and trailer, empty the live well and bait bucket, and otherwise help to protect Osprey Lake from invasive plants, shellfish and viruses.

Algae

Osprey Lake has some of the cleanest water of any small lake, thanks to our natural filtration system (bogs) and the lack of fertilizer (farms). To prevent algae blooms, please do not use fertilizer on your yard or anywhere runoff could be an issue.

Salt

During the winter, our gravel roads can get icy. To minimize chemical pollution, we discourage the use of road salt or calcium chloride unless absolutely necessary for safety, preferring instead to apply sand on hills and curves. Thank you for driving slowly.

Garbage

If your lake home is located in Hunter Township, you may buy trash stickers at Hilman's Market on County B, next to Robin's Nest Restaurant. Garbage and recycling is accepted next to city hall on County CC Saturday, Monday and Wednesday during the summer.

Help

Members of OLPOA are eager to share their knowledge with other property owners. For the latest news and alerts, visit www.OspreyLake.org or call (715) 462-3364