

Beaver Lake May 2023 News

Security – Summer 2023

Boating season is upon us; please take some time to review the 2023 boating regulations and laws. Beaver Lake rules and regulations fall under the state statute 37-1268 (violation of boating act regulations). Legislature mandates that anyone born after December 31, 1985, must pass and possess a certificate from an approved boating safety course before they are allowed to operate a boat or a personal watercraft (PWC) also known as a jet-ski.

All vessels on the water MUST have a current Beaver Lake sticker. This rule also applies to golf carts, UTVs and ATVs. Parents, please be aware of what your children are doing when you hand them the keys to a boat or UTV. Ensure they know the rules.

The most common violation and complaints I receive are:

- Violating no wake zones
- Improper boat lighting at night – don't leave your docking lights on
- Orange flag violations – make sure to use it when a skier or tuber is down and stow it when the boat is under way
- Loud music, particularly at night – Speakers pointed out the rear of a boat can be heard across the lake
- Slower boats please stay closer to the shoreline to allow faster boats to pass on the left

Spot checks will be made by law enforcement for underage drinking or under the influence. Remember, the legal limit of blood alcohol content is .08% for anyone who is 21 years of age and over. Minor under the influence will be defined as anyone under the age of 21 exhibiting the effects of having consumed alcoholic liquor by breath, possession of, or close proximity to alcoholic liquor. Meaning, if you are under the age of 21 and you are on a vessel where alcoholic liquor is in view, you will be checked for M.U.I. Please boat responsibly.

There are a few rules to remember if you are going to use the beach. Have your ID as well as lot number or address ready to give to security to gain access. If you are going to invite friends, YOU, as the lot owner, are responsible for their actions while at Beaver Lake. Please limit your guests to no more than 15 individuals on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Do not invite friends to Beaver Lake if you are not going to always be with them. They could be subject to a trespassing citation. While enjoying the beach and common areas, there are no pets, bikes, skateboards, roller skates, rollerblades, smoking, or glass bottles allowed on the beach or common area. Remember, all security personnel employed by Beaver Lake have the authority to enforce all Beaver Lake rules and regulations by giving a warning, rule violation citation, and/or removing you from the water and/or beach.

There is a curfew on noise in the Beaver Lake Association area from 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and midnight to 8:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Also, noxious or offensive noises would be classified as fireworks, barking dogs, (in a continuous pattern), loud vehicles, etc. Any time one violates another's peace within reason it's classified as disturbing the peace. The disturbing the peace violation carries a fine of \$50-\$500. The extra loud fireworks or explosions that occur are classified as offensive and are cited as such. If the fireworks are found to exceed what Nebraska regulates, a state charge of possession of an explosive device could be issued, which is a felony. Please think of your neighbors before acting on any activity that may end up costing you.

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The yellow strobe light on the east end of the Clubhouse beach will be the only indicator for 'no wake.' When the light is flashing that means proceed at a slow enough speed (under 5mph) so as not to create a wake with your vessel.

If you have any information regarding any crime and an arrest is made, you may be eligible for a reward. If you see any suspicious activity or behaviors, please call the Cass County Sheriff's office immediately. (Dispatch phone number is 402-296-9370.)

Help keep Beaver Lake stay a safe and beautiful place to live. Use common sense, respect your neighbors and practice safety. Let's have a fun and safe summer at Beaver Lake!

Numbers to remember:

Non-emergency Sheriff Office	402-296-9370
Emergency	911
Beaver Lake Security Office	402-235-2243
Maintenance Emergencies	402-235-2242

Meet BLA's New Security Director

Jesse Taylor is a seasoned security professional with many years of experience in keeping organizations safe and secure. As the Security Director at Beaver Lake, he is responsible for managing all aspects of security and safety operations, including operations on both lake and land.



Mr. Taylor is known for his collaborative approach to safety and security, working closely with all stakeholders to develop comprehensive strategies that prioritize safety and well-being for the community. He excels at building relationships and is committed to fostering a culture of safety and security throughout the Beaver Lake Association.

Jesse Taylor began his career in security as an Executive Protection Specialist for TD Ameritrade providing protection for employees both in the continental US and abroad. He became Director of Security, where he developed a passion for implementing effective security measures that balance risk and business objectives.

Mr. Taylor holds several security industry certifications from ASIS International and the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals. He has been a guest speaker for security topics at Bellevue University and the American Gas Association's annual conference in Dallas Texas. He is recognized for his excellent communication skills, strategic thinking, and ability to lead cross-functional teams.

Jesse has been married to his lovely wife Kelly for over 40 years. They have five sons, five daughters-in-law, and 13 grandchildren. He enjoys studying the Bible, weekly family get togethers, and just about anything that has to do with the great outdoors.

As the Security Director, Taylor is dedicated to creating a secure and welcoming environment for all residents, employees, and visitors of the Beaver Lake community. He believes that effective security is not just about protecting assets, but also about fostering a sense of safety, trust, and collaboration throughout the community.

2023 Spring Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 20, 2023 * 8 am to 5 pm
Parking Lot at the end of Weeping Water Ct

The Association is providing dumpsters for free disposal of unwanted materials. This is open to Beaver Lake Property owners only. We will also take metal products for recycling.

Please, No concrete, tires or batteries. No fluids allowed – ie: oils, fuels, cleaning agents, poisons, and etc.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to clean up around your house, in your garage or in your basement.

There will be Beaver Lake staff on site to help you dispose of your materials.

Full-Time & Summer Employment at BLA

The Beaver Lake Association is now accepting applications for full and part-time summer employment as well as a full-time water plant operator.

We need summer employees for: **Mowers, Security, Boat Ramp and Lifeguards.**

Find the Application for Employment in the Forms section of the BLA Website:
<https://www.beaverlakene.org/forms/>

Drop your application off at the BLA office or in the drop box in the Clubhouse parking lot.

Questions? Call us at 402-235-2241.

Beaver Lake Auxiliary Scholarship Recipients

The Beaver Lake Women's Auxiliary is pleased to announce the winners of its 2023 scholarships. The recipients are Jack Welch, son of Larry and Allison Welch, and Sophia Tegels, daughter of Justin and Amy Tegels. Jack is a graduate of Conestoga High School and plans to enter the field of Finance. Sophia is also a graduate of Conestoga High School and plans to study Environmental Science. Sydney Honaker, a graduate of Conestoga High School, was chosen as an alternate. Congratulations!



Welch



Tegels



Honaker

Infrastructure Comm – Committees, Clubs & Activities

Want to get involved in our great community? You have lots of options. Join a committee or club, attend a regular fitness or exercise class, or enjoy being part of an occasional or just-for-fun event. If you're interested in an activity not listed here, you can consider starting it yourself.



Committees

It takes a lot of work to make this place run smoothly. Employees, board and committees all do their part.

Committee members help the Association by doing some of the legwork so the Board and staff don't have to do it all. If you want to learn how this place works and you're willing to work, apply to join one of our committees.

Here's a brief snapshot of what each of our committees does.

Appeals

A great way to learn about the rules and regulations in our Handbook is to join the Appeals Committee. There you'll review member appeals of fines and building codes and make recommendations to the Board to reconsider a variance or fine if appropriate. The Board's decision is final.

The Appeals Committee meets when an appeal has been submitted to the office, often several times a year.

Election

The Election Committee runs our annual, and occasionally special, elections. Typically, the committee meets twice, in late winter and early spring, to prepare information and materials for Election Day – which is always the third Sunday in May. That's a busy day for the committee, but most years they haven't needed to meet any more after that.

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Finance

Do you have financial experience? Our Finance Committee reviews our financial affairs every month, and at the end of the year develops an Association budget plan for the next year.

Infrastructure

If your expertise runs to industrial, trade, or other relevant occupations, maybe Infrastructure is for you.

Infrastructure monitors our water and wastewater systems, roads, buildings, vehicles and equipment, and physical properties like access areas, the clubhouse complex, and boat ramp. The Infrastructure Committee meets monthly and develops both an annual and five-year capital projects plan to keep Beaver Lake operational.

Lake, Habitat, and Fisheries

Maybe you like to fish or know something about lake environments. The Lake, Habitat, and Fisheries Committee monitors the lake and lakebed, evaluates the stability of shorelines, reviews lake rules, and provides recommendations for fish stocking. The committee meets monthly.



Clubs

For those who'd rather just have some fun while meeting on a somewhat regular basis, BLA recognizes three official clubs: the Fishing Club, the Ladies' Auxiliary, and the Nature and Garden Club.

Fishing Club

The Fishing Club sponsors several fishing tournaments, an annual spaghetti feed, and the annual Kids Fishing Derby, which is open to any child under 12. We also have an annual lake clean-up day clearing trash from along the dam and access lots.



The club assesses fish stocking, shares where the fish are biting, and gives occasional special presentations. It plans for future club activities as well.

If you fish at Beaver Lake, please fill out the [creel survey](#) on our website to help us manage our game fish.

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Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary is a social and service organization offering an annual craft fair, an annual garage sale, T-shirt sales, different activities or crafts or outings, and the Christmas Dinner Dance.



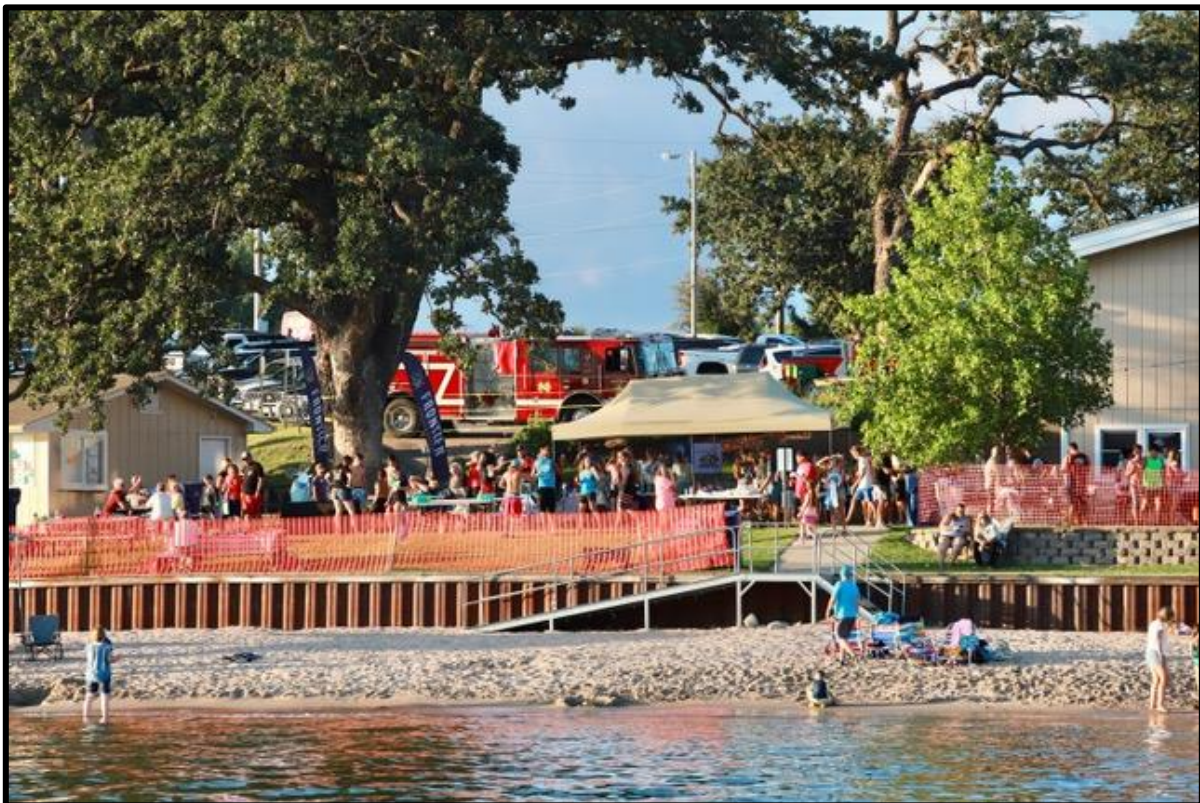
Nature and Garden Club

From April through October, the Nature and Garden Club meets. Meetings often include a guest who presents information relating to local birds and wildlife, gardening, or other topics of interest. We cap off our season with a potluck supper.



Activities

Our big annual event is the August freewill offering fundraiser for Murray Volunteer Fire & Rescue. Food, beverages, a band, and lots of fun are available for members and guests, and the benefits go to a very worthwhile organization that serves our local area.



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Kids can sign up for swim lessons, and for convenience there's our snack shack, The Coconuts, next to the beach and pool.

Regular exercise classes for adults have included water aerobics, fitness classes, and line dancing.

There's also a bunco group, and summers offer an impressive fireworks show, and several other activities.



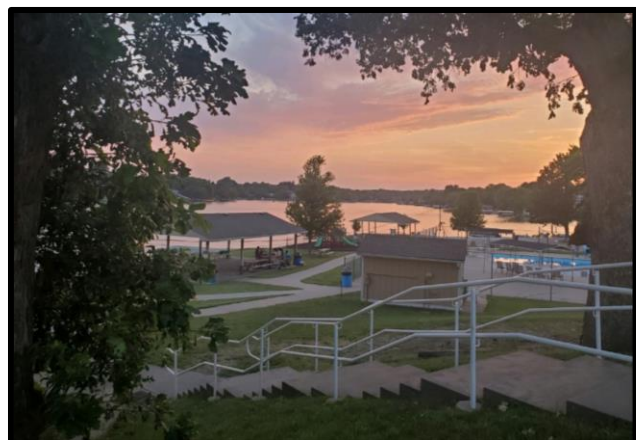
You can rent the pool, a pavilion, the clubhouse, or a campground spot for your private event and guests.



Beaver Lake offers plenty of opportunities for our members to meet people, learn, have fun, and find out more about our great community. Get involved!



-- Submitted by the
Infrastructure Committee



New Stickering Protocol for GAU Stickers

As of March 20, 2023, the BLA Board approved a change to the BLA Handbook. The protocol for renewing Golf cart, ATV and UTV (GAU) stickers has changed.

Members are now required to bring your GAU vehicle to the boat ramp during regular operating hours. (Currently: Monday-Friday 1-6pm and Saturday-Sunday 12-6pm.)

This applies to both new AND renewal stickers. It is now required that all vehicles are inspected each time they are stickered to ensure they are within regulation.

Members must bring their GAU vehicle, insurance card to copy, and \$50 cash or check.

Stickers will now expire May 1st of each year.

Thank you for your cooperation – BLA Security

Spring Boat Stickering Hours

Full Time: Full time stickering will begin Monday, May 1, 2023

Location: Boat Ramp

Monday to Friday: 1:00 to 6:00pm*

Saturday & Sunday: Noon to 6:00pm*

*All stickering is weather dependent and the temperature must be above 50 degrees.

Call the security office at 402-235-2243 with any questions.

All boats on the water must have a 2023 sticker by May 1, 2023.

Current Boating Regulations can be found on the Beaver Lake Website, as well.

[2023 Boating Regulations](#)

Murray Volunteer Fire Department Fundraiser



Save the Date! The Beaver Lake Association is excited to help host the annual Beach Party and fundraiser for Murray Volunteer Fire & Rescue. The event this year will be held on **Saturday, August 19, 2023**. More information will be available in the June and July News. Thank you for supporting this outstanding event!

Beaver Lake Auxiliary Garage Sale

The Beaver Lake Ladies Auxiliary will be participating in this year's Annual Beaver Lake Garage Sale as a Fundraiser for our scholarship program. Our Garage Sale dates and times will be Friday June 2nd from 8



We will be accepting donations of items on Thursday, June 1st from 9 am to 6 pm at the Beaver Lake Clubhouse – 9410 Clubhouse Circle, Plattsmouth NE 68048. Save yourself time and work by donating your **Precious Stuff** to us! We cannot accept clothing, shoes, large furniture, or large appliances.

As you are doing your spring cleaning, we do have some space to take items prior to June 1st. Please contact Linda Powers @ 704-906-4270 for your early donations.

On Fri, June 2nd, we will also be offering for sale: chili and homemade cinnamon rolls.... Yum!

From Your Friends at the BLA Office

2021 Water Quality Report Posted

The new 2022 Water Quality Report can be found in the Forms section of the Website, (under Information.) [2022 Water Quality Report](#)

2023 Calendar Reservations

2023 Clubhouse, Pavilion, Pool & Campground reservations can be made now.

Call the BLA office and speak to Heather about your reservation!

BLA Website: www.beaverlakene.org

The BLA Website is now your home for all official Beaver Lake News, Calendar info, Advertising, Handbook, Documents, Board & Committee minutes, and Information Make sure to check it regularly!

Online Payments

Don't forget you can now pay your Beaver Lake bills online by clicking [Pay Online](#) from the main menu of the website! Call the office if you have questions.

New Property Owners

- Check out the Beaver Lake Website! There is a plethora of useful information.
- You can also stop by the Beaver Lake Office for a Welcome Packet.
- We'd love to have you fill out a [Membership Information Form](#) if you haven't already!