



Peaceful Valley Property Owners Association, Inc. Newsletter

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Welcome to June. Summer's just about here—if you're keeping track astronomically, it officially starts at 10:32 PM June 20th, which is also the longest day of the year with sunrise at 5:43 AM and sunset at 8:33 PM for a total of 14 hours and 50 minutes of sunshine. School's out for the summer, the Blues have been knocked out of the first round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs, and the Cardinals are off to a great start. COVID appears to be on the run and here at Peaceful Valley, it looks like we're going to be back to near normal, with the remaining CDC guidelines on mask wearing for non-vaccinated individuals and social distancing still recommended.

Get ready for the usual summer road repair projects. In the Owensville area, there are various road resurfacing projects planned, and two bridge projects, the first is on Route C between Hwy 19 and Bourbon, MO and the other is rehabilitation of the

US 50 Bridge over the Gasconade just west of Mt. Sterling. The Route C bridge will be closed for up to 3 months, so if you plan to head from Owensville to Bourbon, Sullivan, or Onondaga Cave State Park near Leasburg, you'll need to take Hwy 19 to Cuba and get on I-44 east. The Hwy 50 rehab will not be a complete shutdown but may be down to one lane traffic during the project. Our own road projects of replacing culverts on Lake Shore Dr. between the lodge and the bridge at the lower entrance has started. Shortly after that, we'll have contractors in to repair and resurface that same stretch of Lake Shore. We'll be putting in permanent speed humps like the ones on Lake Shore near the dam.

Now that summer is here, and things are much busier around the lake, we wanted to provide part two of our review of Peaceful Valley Estates Rules and Regulations.

--**Monday June 14th Flag Day.** If you have a flagpole, this would be a great day to fly the colors!!

--**Friday June 18th, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, PV Property Owner's Association Board of Directors Meeting.**
This is the regular monthly meeting.

--**Sunday, June 20th. Father's Day**

--**Monday, June 21st, 5:30PM to 7:00PM, Public Water Supply District #1 of Gasconade County Board of Directors Meeting.** This is the regular monthly meeting.

Boating, Swimming, and Fishing Rules

Many of us bought homes or lots here at Peaceful Valley so we could take full advantage of the lake and what it has to offer. To ensure safety of our owners and guests, the Boating, Swimming, and Fishing Rules are below. A reminder—the rules and regulations are in addition to Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations that govern these activities.

Boating Rules

- All motorized watercraft (e.g., boats and Personal Watercraft (PWC)) must be registered with the association using the PVPOA Security Information Form (see https://www.peacefulvalleylake.com/uploads/2/4/7/0/24700980/pvpoa_security_information_fillable_form_april_2021.pdf). Unregistered boats or PWCs are not allowed on the lake. After verifying ownership, we will issue two membership decals per boat or one per PWC. For boats, membership numbers and decals should be placed on the port and starboard sides of the boat as far aft as possible. For fishing boats that ride low in the water in the stern, place the numbers and decals on the port and starboard sides above the waterline, usually amidships. PWCs will be issued one decal to be placed on the “nose” of the bow, along with contrasting color membership numbers.



(Note: RSMo 306.040 prohibits placing anything other than registration numbers on the sides of the bow of the boat)

- All boats must be state registered in property owner's name. In accordance with RSMo 306.030, the pocket-sized “certificate of number” document received as part of the registration document must on board the boat whenever the boat is in operation.
- Only boat(s)/PWC(s) owned solely by the property owner and registered solely in the property owner's name may be brought onto the association property. Property owner(s) or a member of the owner's immediate family must accompany the boat when in operation on the lake. Members of the immediate family are not permitted to bring boats or PWCs owned by them or registered in their names on association property.
- No guest boats are allowed on the lake or in Peaceful Valley Lake Estates.
- In accordance with RSMo 306.100, All boats are required to carry the following equipment: (Note: PWC equipment list and restrictions are in paragraph 6 below.)
 - Standard red and green navigation lights on the bow and a bright white light aft.
 - A US Coast Guard-approved wearable personal flotation device suitable for each person on board or being towed.
 - A B1-type fire extinguisher
- Boats containing “Heads” or “Galleys” are prohibited from use on the lake.
- In accordance with RSMo 306.142, All Personal Watercraft (PWC) are required to carry the following equipment:
 - Each person on board or being towed must wear a US Coast Guard-approved Type I, II, III, or IV personal flotation device.
 - A B1-type fire extinguisher
 - If towing a person(s), the PWC must either have a second person on board to act as spotter, or the PWC must be equipped with an approved ski mirror in a position to observe the progress of the person(s) being towed.
 - The trailer and vehicle must be removed from the launching area after the boat has been launched.

- (RSMo 306.125.3) Vessels shall not be operated within 100' of any dock, pier, occupied anchored boat or buoyed restricted area on any lake at a speed in excess of slow-no wake speed. *(Note: This law was enacted in 2018 and supersedes PVL's previous 55' rule)*
- All motorized watercraft traffic on the lake shall move in a counterclockwise course.
- Speed limit: 5 MPH in designated fishing area (southwest end of lake) and in no-wake areas in coves and near the dam. Dead slow in Marina area. Proceed at slow speed within 100 feet of sailboats, rowboats, canoes, fisherman, and swimmers.
- (RSMo 306.090) Maximum sound levels for watercraft must be less than 86 decibels on an A-weighted scale when measured from fifty or more feet from the watercraft. To compare, a household blender sound ranges between 80 and 90 decibels.
- Watercraft right-of-way: (1) Sailboats, (2) Paddle boats, (3) Rowboats, (4) Canoes, (5) Pontoon Boats, (6) Fishing Boats, (7) Speed Boats, and (8) Personal Watercraft.
- No boats or PWCs are permitted in the swimming area near the beach.
- Careless or reckless operation of boats and PWCs is prohibited. The watercraft owner and/or operator is responsible for damage caused by the watercraft's wake or the watercraft itself. Heavy rainfall causes logs and other debris to enter the lake. Use extra caution during these high-water periods.
- To maintain equality for every property owner, no boat shall be left for more than 48 hours on community property docks. After 48 hours, boats must be removed from the community docks for a minimum of 48 hours. If an infraction occurs, the boat will be towed at the owner's expense by an independent towing company and stored at the towing company's storage area at the owner's expense.
- Missouri State boating regulations shall apply. Notably, persons 14 and over must have a Missouri Boating Safety Identification Card. No one under the age of 14 is permitted to operate a motorized boat unless accompanied by an adult with a Boating Safety Card. No one under the age of 14 may operate a PWC at any time, unless a person 16 or older with a Boating Safety Card is aboard the craft (RSMo 306.127.)
- Nighttime Watercraft Operations: (Note: Nighttime is defined as ½ hour after sunset until ½ hour before sunrise. Current sunrise and sunset times at Peaceful Valley Lake are available at www.peacefulvalleylake.com)
 - PWCs are prohibited from operating at nighttime.
 - Non-motorized watercraft, such as kayaks, canoes, row boats, and paddleboats may operate at night, but must display a flashlight or lantern showing a white light, which should be exhibited in enough time to avert collision. (RSMo 306.100.3)
 - Boaters engaged in fishing at night do not need to display lights if they are within 50' of shore and either drifting or using a trolling motor. If another boat comes within 200' of their position, the fishing boat should display their white stern light to indicate their location. Full navigation and stern lights must be on when the boat is using any motor rated greater than 2 HP. (RSMo 306.100.6).

Fishing Rules

1. A fishing license is required in accordance with the Wildlife Code of Missouri.
2. According to RSMo 578.520, unlawful fishing in Peaceful Valley is a class B misdemeanor, and a 1-year suspension of the perpetrator's state fishing license. Either the property owner or a member of the owners' immediate family must be with their guests when fishing. If a guest is fishing and not in the company of an

owner or member of the owner's immediate family, or if the individual is trespassing, the state conservation agent will be contacted to issue a citation for unlawful fishing.

3. Live bait is restricted to shiner minnows, worms, crayfish, and insects (i.e. crickets, grasshoppers, etc.)
4. Fishing lines may not be left unattended over 24 hours.
5. Jug fishing and trotlines are prohibited.
6. Paddlefish (aka spoonbill, or spoon-billed cats) are raised in Peaceful Valley Lake by agreement between the Property Owners' Association and Osage Catfisheries. We allow Osage to raise the paddlefish in Peaceful Valley Lake. In exchange, Osage stocks five hundred 9"-12' catfish in the lake every year, and when they harvest the paddlefish, the association receives a percentage of the profits. Because of this agreement, the taking of paddlefish is prohibited.
7. Most of the shoreline is privately-owned. Because of this, fishing from the shore is only allowed in the following areas:
 - a. Anywhere along the dam, from the spillway during low water conditions, and along about 200' along the northern shore west from the end of the spillway
 - b. In the beach area along the peninsula reaching into the lake—however, no fishing is allowed in the swimming area between the beach and swimming rope.
 - c. In the marina areas on both the south side of the lake near the lodge, and on the north side of the lake off Woodson.
 - d. On Lot 36, Block 1, East Hills Sub 2, where the Water Company lift station is situated.
 - e. From the peninsula at the upper end of the lake, along the shore at the southwestern-most part of the lake.
 - f. For safety reasons, there is no fishing from the bridge at the lower entrance.
8. If cleaning fish, dispose of the carcass and entrails appropriately. Do not leave them near the shore.
9. Fish size and limits shall be as posted at the lodge and fishing areas and updated by the Department of Conservation.

Pool Rules

Daily Hours are Noon to 7 PM Daily, Weather Permitting

Water Aerobics Starts June 7th, then M-W-F from 10-11 AM (Adults only, weather permitting)

Use of the pools are limited to property owners and their immediate family, or guests accompanied by a property owner or a member of the property owner's immediate family. Peaceful Valley's definition of "Immediate family" is children and grandchildren of Property Owners. Water aerobics will start on Monday, June 7th this year. Note we do not have lifeguards on duty. Our pool monitors are there to ensure that only members in good standing and their guests have access to the pools. Much like hotel pools that have no lifeguard on duty, swimmers at Peaceful Valley use the pool at their own risk, and children under 14 are not allowed in without an accompanying adult who must stay with the swimmer inside the fence. The adult must be at least 18 years old. This is in accordance with our insurance carrier and is non-negotiable.

Except for service animals, no animal or pet of any type are allowed in the **SWIMMING POOL** area.



- Children must be 14 or older to enter by themselves.
- Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older.
- No running is allowed in the pool area.
- No glass containers are allowed in the pool area.
- No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the pool area.
- No cut-offs or street clothes will be worn in the pool.
- No "cloth" life vests will be used in the pool.
- No inflatable or styrofoam rafts, chairs, or tubes will be allowed in the pool.
- No "horseplay" is allowed on the pool deck.
- Enter the pool by using the gates--no jumping the fence.
- A parent or adult who accompanies a child inside the baby pool enclosure must stay within the enclosure while the child is there.
- All guests must be accompanied by their PVL Member sponsor.
- All members and guests must sign in before entering the pool area.

These rules for the pool are for the protection and safety of you, your family, and your guests. Please help our pool monitors in keeping your pool a clean and safe place to swim.

Skiing/Tubing and Swimming in the Lake Rules

1. (RSMo 306.120.) When towing a person or persons on water skis, or a surfboard, tube, or similar device, boats and PWCs must either have:
 - a. A ski mirror as approved by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, or
 - b. A person, in addition to the operator, in a position to observe the person(s) being towed.



2. (RSMo 306.120.2) Skiing, Tubing and Swimming are permitted only between sunrise and sunset. Never tow a person closer than 75 feet to any object.
3. (RSMo 306.126.2) If a person leaves a watercraft and enters the water between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and sunset, the watercraft operator shall display a red or orange flag measuring not less than twelve inches by twelve inches. The flag shall be visible for three hundred sixty degrees around the horizon and displayed only when an occupant of the watercraft has left the confines of the watercraft and entered the water. The

flag shall not be displayed when the watercraft is engaged in towing any person but shall be displayed when such person has ceased being towed and has reentered the water. If the watercraft is moored or anchored, no flag needs to be displayed. For safety reasons, swimmers must stay within 15 feet of a moored or anchored boat.

4. (RSMo 306.126.3) Watercraft encountering another watercraft displaying an orange or red flag (aka, flagged vessel) as described above shall either (a) stay 150 feet away from the flagged vessel at higher speeds, or (b) slow to no-wake speed if closer than 150 to the flagged vessel.
5. All swimmers must remain within 25 feet of the shore or nearest dock/swim platform.
6. No swimming or sunbathing is permitted on or within 25 feet of all Association-owned launch ramps.
7. To swim in the lake, children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older.

Violation of any of the above rules and regulations may subject a member to fines and/or suspension of membership privileges.

COVID Operations at Peaceful Valley Lake

As we enter the summer season and with the CDC guidelines on COVID easing up significantly, below is an update on COVID operations as we start the summer season:

- **Office Operations**
 - The PVPOA Business Office is now open for walk-in business. Office hours are 9-2 Monday-Thursday. Phone is 573-437-2605.
 - The PWSD (Water/Sewer Company) Business Office will be open for walk-in business starting on June 14th. Office hours will be 9-2 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Until then, you can contact the PWSD by calling 573-437-7808
- **Pool**
 - Hours are daily from Noon to 7 PM (Weather Permitting)
 - There are no restrictions on the number of swimmers other than our normal maximum of 50.
 - When not actively swimming, we expect members and their guests to adhere with the current masking and social distancing guidance, which includes masks for unvaccinated individuals and no mask requirements for vaccinated individuals.
 - Swimmers are not required to wear masks but should maintain social distancing from swimmers of other parties.
 - The soda machine refrigeration unit is not working, we're looking at possible replacements.
- **Lodge**
 - Is available for rental with no limit on the number of participants other than our normal maximum of 100
 - Participants should adhere with the with the current masking and social distancing guidance, which includes masks for unvaccinated individuals and no mask requirements for vaccinated individuals.
 - Lodge rental is \$75/day with a \$200 security deposit
- **Gazebo at the Beach**
 - Is available for rental with no limit on the number of participants
 - Since it's an outdoor venue, participants should adhere with the current masking and social distancing guidance, which includes masks for unvaccinated individuals and no mask requirements for vaccinated individuals.
 - Gazebo rental is \$25/day and the PVPOA board approved reducing the security deposit to \$50.

- **Campground**

- Reservations are required—contact the office at 573-437-2605 or email at peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com
- 2 sites will be available for drop in camping unless all are reserved—usually on holiday weekends so check with us beforehand at the number or email above.
- Restrooms will be open when campers are present but locked at all other times.
- Campers should follow social distancing guidelines

- **Lake**

- Boaters and PWC operators must be at least 14 and possess a Missouri Boater Safety card
- A reminder that the lake has a counter-clockwise traffic pattern for all watercraft operating above no-wake speeds.
- Kayaks, canoes, paddle boards, etc. are much more prevalent at the lake—a reminder that Missouri state regulations and our rules require watercraft operating above no-wake speeds to stay at least 100’ away from the shore, docks, buoys, boats at anchor, and slower watercraft

Peaceful Valley Property Owners’ Association Board Officers and Committee Assignments

At the May 2021 Monthly PVPOA Board meeting, we elected new officers for the 2021-22 year. The new officers are:

- Vice-President.....Lorraine Andrysek
- TreasurerGary Hacker
- SecretaryMark Martinez

- President.....Julia Baker

In addition, committee assignments are below:

First	Last	Website & Newsletter	Social Media	Lodge/Office	Member Activities & Facilities	Insurance	Admin Review	Maintenance	Security	Roads	Building/Bylaw/Code Enforcement	Burn Pit/Trash	Pool	Campground	Storage Yard	Beautification/Playground/Tennis Court/Pavilion	Lake
Standing Committee		Administration (Secretary & Treasurer)						Operations				Member Facilities				Lake	
Lorraine	Andrysek				X	X		X									
Julia	Baker	X						X				X	X		X		
Gary	Hacker	X		X	X		X										
Dan	Hoemeke						X		X		X			X			X
Mark	Martinez					X	X		X		X			X			X
Bob	Oreskovic	X+6								X		X			X		
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Late Breaking News

As of June 6, 2021

Culvert Replacement Project Has Started

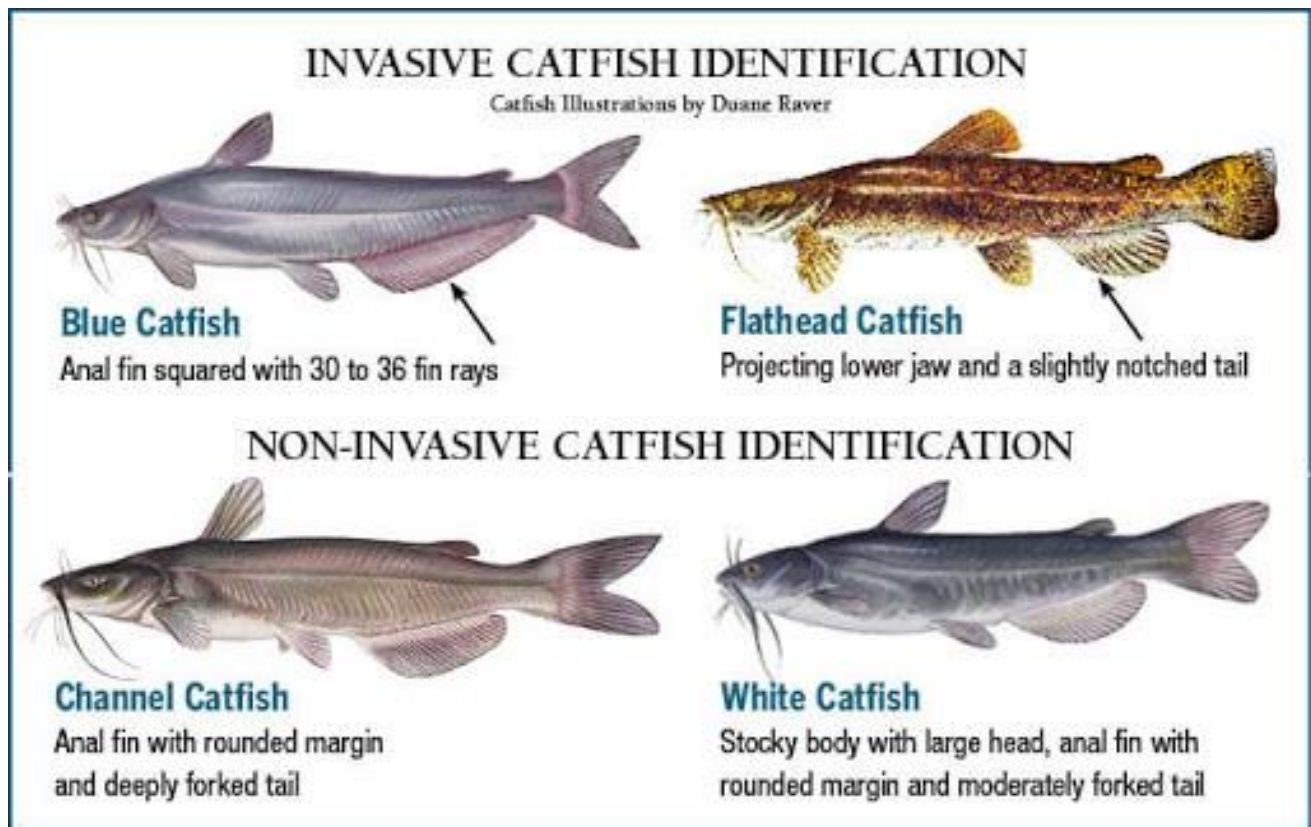
Our contractors have begun work on replacing the culverts on Lake Shore from the lodge to the bridge near the lower entrance. This will complete our culvert replacement project on Lake Shore and Woodson. The replacement culverts should last 50 or more years, if not longer. Work will be done sporadically as many of you have found out that hiring trades people during the last year has been a challenge. We will have to temporarily restrict access to parts of Lake Shore while they're working, so please be patient as we won't have to do this again for a very long time.

Baby Pool Temporarily Closed

A pipe in the pumphouse that connects the pump to the filter that processes the baby pool water broke a few days ago. We've had to temporarily shut down the pool while we get it repaired. Please be patient as we work through the repairs. Check our website and Facebook page for pool updates.

Catch and Release Request

Our success with eradicating the lake vegetation that plagued us over the past few years has a major downside for anglers—there's much less fish cover for smaller fish to hide while they grow. Also, the staggering increase in fishing last year during the pandemic ended up significantly decreasing the sport fish population in the lake. For the next year, we're asking anglers to practice catch and release for Bass, Crappie, and Bluegill to allow them to replenish the stock. We do ask that you help eliminate some invasive species, notably Drum, and Blue and Flathead Catfish. If you catch these please either keep them or dispose of properly.



Source: <http://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/invasive-species/>