



# BEACH TALK



**WELCOME BACK TO THE LAKE,  
SUMMER IS FINALLY HERE!**

## These Are a Few Of Our Favorite Things.

It's been a long winter and an even longer spring, but finally it's here. Summer. And with it, most are coming back to the lake for more of what we look forward to all those long dark months of winter.

Hopefully, everyone remembers those important little details that make this a great place to call home. Just in case, or if we have any new people (which we do), here are some reminders:

When you're swimming, stay out of the boat lane. Either swim close to shore, stay near a swim raft or boat or, if you have to cross the boat lane, use common sense and be quick about it and don't do it when boats are going fast.

Watch out for wildlife. We are lucky enough to play host to a number of different sorts of waterfowl, most often talked about being loons, but there are a number of others. We have Grebes, mallards, for a few short days every spring we even have Swans. Keep your eyes up when hauling skiiers or tubers and plan your path, and it shouldn't be a problem. If you have dogs, no it is not funny to let them chase the wildlife. Things like a hunter chasing a bird with young is stressful for the animals and we'd hate to drive them away or worse out of a few moments' thoughtlessness.

Watch out for each other and others' property. There are a number of off-lakers who have taken a shine to this

particular body of water and as often happens with higher traffic, we have already had some thefts this year. If you see someone suspicious, feel free to call the Sheriff. It's never a bad thing for people to see that there is a law enforcement presence here. It acts as its own deterrent.

Boaters travel in a counterclockwise direction. Use common sense and remember it's a small lake. If it's crowded, wait to pull your skier or tuber. It's more fun for everyone if nobody gets hurt.

Most importantly, have fun and enjoy the lake, it's why we're all here.

# President's Corner

Dave Horn, President SLIA

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is doing well after such a very long, cold, wet winter and spring. I think the lake is about as high as it can get at this point from all of the water. Last fall a couple of us got together and installed 4 of the posts on the South Launch including the Gate Swing Posts. Two weeks ago we hung the gates and right now we are working very closely all of the officers and the families next to the launches for exact verbiage. Marcia and John Cullinan are ready to help print the signs. Examples should be available during SLIA Meeting on 6-11-11. The Township Board asked us to hold back placing the last posts until they could decide how to manage the water run off.

My time at the cabin has been limited this spring so far, but I have been thoroughly impressed by the Water Skiing I have seen and look forward to watching everyone improve. We really are getting to

have some great water skiers on the lake.

I will use that as the lead to my safety reminder. Boats come out and return to docks very quickly on Sandy Lake. You may go from having no one out to finding yourself suddenly faced with 6-8 other moving boats all at once along with a couple floating craft, so patience is the key to success. If the lake is busy, sometimes with just a short wait you can have the lake to yourself. We have not had any boating issues in a long while, that I am aware of, so lets keep working to keep everyone safe. Historically, most accidents happen close to home in comfortable surroundings.

I see a couple of places around the lake are now occupied since last fall, lets please welcome them our new Sandy Laker's and tell them about the SLIA. I look forward to seeing you all around the lake over the next couple of months.

**With such high water please be considerate with your wake to prevent soil erosion.**

**Stay tuned for the first Secchi reading**

**First meeting:  
June 11  
10 am  
South Access**

**Don't forget to renew your dues**

**For more information on lake happenings go to [mysandylake.com](http://mysandylake.com)**

