

Loch Erin News
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Meetings:

2nd Monday Every Month
(Except Holidays; 3rd Monday.
May meeting is 3rd Sunday at
2pm)

Cambridge Township Hall
7:00 pm

All members are encouraged
to attend.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Meeting & Elections-
Sunday May 19, 2024 at 2pm
Location Cambridge Township
Hall

Click here for the [Ballot](#)

**Loch Erin 5th Annual
Memorial Weekend event.**

****More info to come ****

MSU Boat Wash Station

June 2024

Email Tim Husband for more
info.

THUSBAND@sienaheights.edu

Loch Erin Garage Sale

Put on by The Friends of Loch
Erin

June 14th & 15th 9am-5pm

A message from our President Dan Fahrer...

It appears the Spring weather has arrived early this year, since March came in as a lamb and I hope it does not go out as a lion! The past Winter season was certainly different, and we had a brief period where the ice formation allowed some level of outdoor activity. Regardless, I am certain everyone is looking forward to the Spring season and preparing yard landscaping, spring plantings and dock installation (magnificent work by Kathy Z for the early dock installation within our various Parks) or accessing our numerous Parks within our Community. Spring is the season for our LEPOA general meeting in May, and election of Board members to serve on the LEPOA Board. Currently we anticipate 2 vacancies based on planned resignations upon completion of their term. As you know Board members volunteer their time to address the various issues that are raised by our LEPOA members, and I encourage you to get to know these individuals prior to the election process and consider submitting your name as a write-in candidate since the deadline for the actual ballot has passed.

Although the 'Goose Roundup' is not being authorized again this year due to avian flu concerns expressed by the State agency, however we will be proceeding with an alternative for goose population control this Spring, and we are obtaining necessary approvals from the various State agencies like last year. Also, I believe one of our residents continues to post photos of the majestic eagles that call Loch Erin home, which validates the health of our Lake and surrounding wildlife habitat. As part of our March monthly meeting, the Board introduced the topic of compliance and Bylaw awareness, we plan to develop a survey to obtain your feedback prior to any action plan development. We look forward to hearing from you on this topic. So, in conclusion, the Spring season is the gateway to warmer weather and numerous water activities on the Lake, so I ask that you review the various safety regulations associated with swimming, boating, skiing, tubing and fishing with your Family and friends to ensure everyone has an enjoyable day on the water.



Wakeboat Legislation Update

HB 5532 was introduced in the Michigan House on February 28, 2024 which if passed will require watercraft in “wake sport mode” to be 500 feet or more from a shore or dock and at a depth of 20 feet or more. The bill is driven by concern of the impact that wakes from such vessels have on shoreline erosion, damage to shoreline structures, bottomland/vegetation degradation, and degradation of fisheries. This bill does not prohibit wakeboats, but it does limit the use of wakeboat mode to certain areas.

Key Points regarding the Proposed Legislation include:

Analyzing all of the scientific studies available on the topic, MI DNR made the recommendation to restrict activity based on the water quality concerns (i.e. damage to shorelines, bottomlands, and fish habitat) which is the basis for the proposed legislation. Limits wake augmentation to depths of 20 or more feet and a 500 foot distance from shore or other stationary objects. In addition to the concerns about the fishery impact, there is concern that the increase in wave action causes safety issues for other boaters and recreational activities on lakes. Similar legislation already exists and/or is being researched in other states (OR, ID, VT, NH, ME, WI, MN) and Canada. Lakes vary considerably in Michigan. There are many examples of narrow, shallow, and low acreage lakes where wake activity is particularly problematic. The design of a wake boat is unlike any other vessel used on inland lakes and streams when the original boating laws were adopted. There was no way to predict the need for changes, much like when personal watercraft (PWCs) became popular and needed specific regulation. The value of the lake is in its water quality, the health of its ecosystem, and beauty as a natural feature. Restrictions on boating activities are intended to protect the waterbody and its ecosystem.

The current version of the Bill is on the Loch Erin Website or can be found at the Michigan Legislature website [Click HERE:](#)

This YouTube video provides a view of [wakeboat impact](#) to a Wisconsin lake.

Vehicle Sticker Reminder

Our vehicle stickers for 2024 are still purple! Make sure the correct sticker is adhered to the vehicle and is visible to avoid being towed. You must be a member in good standing and have paid your 2024 dues. To get stickers please call or email Jordin at the office.



Dock Slip Renters

Our docks are in! Our port a johns will be put in sometime in April. Please make sure to take a trip to the launch and make sure your gate card is working to prevent delays this spring. If you have any issues with your card please contact Jordin at the office.

Need a Gate Card?

Gate Card agreements are available on our website. Only members in good standing will receive a gate card. Dues for 2024 must be paid before submitting a request. The form is available on the website or you can reach out to Jordin at the office!

Association Dues

Loch Erin Association dues of \$175.00 are due May 1, 2024. Please pay these dues on or before the May 1st due date. Non-payment will result in no park use, no lake use, and gate card deactivation. If payment is not received or a payment plan established, a lien will be filed.

ATTENTION BOATERS

If you would like to get a boat slip this year now is the time. We have a limited number of openings so get your dock slip agreement mailed in soon! To lease a slip the dock slip agreement, \$175 annual dues per lot, and \$200 slip fee need to be mailed to our PO Box 302 in Onsted. Please let Jordin know at the office if you have any questions!

Important Numbers: EMERGENCY CALL 911

LEPOA General 517-467-4834 Drain Commission 517-264-4696
County Sheriff General 517-263-0524 DEQ (local officer) 517-648-5847
Boating/Hunting Laws 517-373-1230 Cambridge Twp. 517-467-2104
Road Com. /snow removal 517-265-6971 Franklin Township 517-431-2320

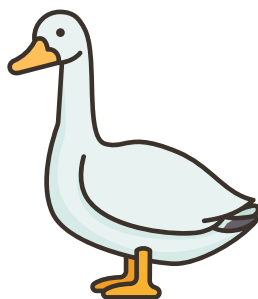
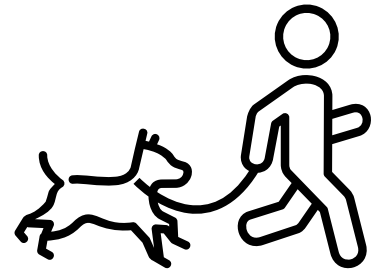


CAUTION: CHILDREN AT PLAY

Please remember to be cautious when traveling through the Loch Erin subdivisions. Children will be outdoors running, riding bikes and playing outside this spring. We encourage all members to travel at safe speeds to ensure the safety of all members. Help make every effort to keep our members safe!

Do You Have a Furry Family Member?

Please remember to keep your dog on a leash at all times. This is very important for the safety of others walking in the neighborhood as well as cars driving through the neighborhood. Please clean up after your dog and help keep our neighborhood a beautiful place for all to enjoy!



LEPOA will be contracting Goosebusters again this year to perform Egg and Nest destruction to help with the Goose population control. Any insight on nest location or questions can go to Christian Malcolm at cmalcolm@locherinpoa.com or Tom Kanable at 661-210-5035 or by e-mail: thkanable@aol.com.

Pickleball Anyone?

If you are interested in learning or playing Pickleball, please contact Tom Sollars for information on teams, game days and practices. Come on out and enjoy some fun! Email: tasollars@comcast.net

