



Deer Lake Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF OUR BOARD

Greetings,

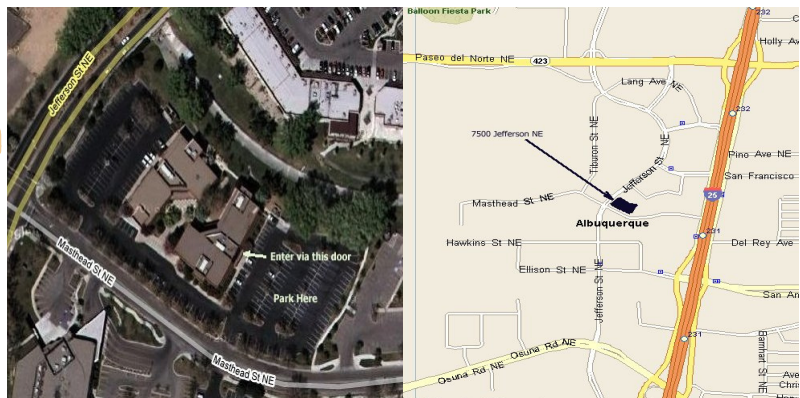
What a summer it's been... great fishing at the lake, Rainbow People, wild horses, ATVs, and bears! I don't remember a more diverse and active season. In this newsletter you'll find articles on all of this except the Rainbow Gathering which as far as I can tell passed without any trouble for Deer Lake. We have two events coming up which I encourage everyone to attend. First is the annual picnic on Labor Day weekend. There will be plenty of delicious food to share and a great opportunity to meet your neighbors, swap fishing stories, and catch up on everyone's latest and greatest adventures. Second, on October 14th we have our fall membership meeting. Some important issues will be discussed including ongoing lake improvements and possible changes to the covenants. Now I know everyone has opinions on these and other topics because I hear from you often. This is your chance to be heard and help make the association more productive. Lastly, I'd like to remind everyone that ours is an all volunteer association and it's success depends on members stepping up to help. There's plenty to do. If you're interested contact any board member.

*See you at the picnic,
Lloyd*

DATES TO REMEMBER

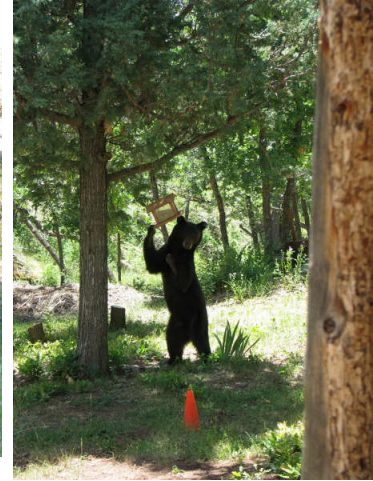
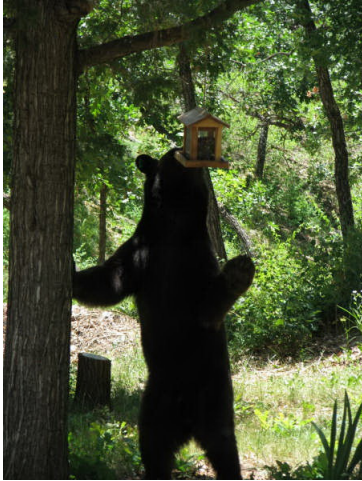
Labor Day Picnic
Sunday, September 6th
 Aspen Grove west of the lake
 Sodas will be provided

Membership Meeting
October 14—7:00 PM
 Bohannon Huston Inc.
 Journal Center, Masthead and Jefferson NE



[BEARS AT DEER LAKE!!!](#)

There have been a number of bears sightings and encounters at Deer Lake recently. It's important to remember that we're located in bear country. Make sure you keep all food and trash secured from bears. Don't leave pet food where bears can get to it, and take all bird feeders in at dusk or if you're going to be gone from your dwelling. You can find more information about living with bears at <http://www.bebearawaresw.org/>.



[DEER LAKE ATV TRAFFIC](#)

There have been several recent incidents of inappropriate ATV use at Deer Lake. Please be sure all ATV riders respect the property and privacy of Deer Lake residents by not operating ATVs on private property or in a noisy or unsafe manner. There are a number of areas where ATV riders have created trails across private property other than their own. Additionally, there have been several complaints of excessive speed and/or noise by ATVs operated on public roads. All the roads within Deer Lake are public county roads. There are recent changes to ATV regulations, especially concerning operation by young riders. You can find more information at <http://www.b4uride.com/>

[ANIMALS AT DEER LAKE](#)

Recently there have been some questions raised concerning animals at Deer Lake. Specifically, there have been some horses wandering loose from time to time. While permanent quartering of livestock is definitely prohibited on Deer Lake properties, the board considers keeping horses at Deer Lake for short term recreational purposes permissible. However, horses (as well as other animals) must be kept under close control and not allowed to wander loose to possibly cause damage to other persons' property. Likewise, dogs must be kept restrained, not allowed to wander free, and prevented from continuous barking.

[Deer Lake Defensible Space Clearing](#)

Lloyd met with Mike Bradshaw of Cedar Valley this weekend and it looks like he and his crew will be the only contractor working in Deer Lake this summer. He's offered to meet with any lot owner to discuss their fire protection needs or if they need tree removal or landscaping, etc.

Contact info:

Cedar Valley Field Services

Mike Bradshaw

505-402-5106 or 505-632-0868.



DEER LAKE ASSOCIATION 2009 FISHING REGULATIONS

1. Your Deer Lake Membership dues must be current in order to purchase a Deer Lake Fishing Permit. Sale of permits will begin May 1st, 2009. To purchase, contact any existing board member including, Scott Fitzgerald, Lloyd Wood, John Bailey, Marty Langelier, Larry Wiles or Monti Miller. Fishing season opens Saturday, May 23rd.
2. You must have your fishing permit with you at all times. If possible, please display your fishing permit in full view, e.g., on shirt or hat while fishing. Association members have the right, authority, and duty to ask fishermen to present their permit if one is not in full view.
3. The New Mexico Department of Game and fish has the authority to patrol the lake, look for trespassers.
4. You must keep the lake clean. Please remove all trash associated with your visit to the lake.
5. Live bait is permitted with the exception of minnows.
6. Grass eating carp are stocked in the lake to reduce vegetation in the water. Please return these fish to the lake if they are caught and handle them with care.
7. **Transportation Permit Form** – If you or your children do not have a State Fishing license, please use this form, available from the Association members selling permits. The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish require this document if you plan to transport fish caught at Deer Lake out of the Deer Lake area.
8. Catch and Release is encouraged. Use of barb less hooks is strongly recommended.
9. Only one Rod per person is allowed. Use of Trot Lines is prohibited.
10. Stocking Deer Lake will take place in early May or late April. Due to the time needed for the fish to acclimate, fishing will not begin until the Saturday Preceding Memorial Day Sunday.

PERMIT PRICES

Current Association Membership Dues is required to purchase a fishing license.

(an adult is age 13 and over. A child is ages 6 thru 12. Children under 6 are free when accompanied by an adult with a valid license.)

Association Members

First Adult Permit	\$16.00
Additional Adult Permit	\$12.00
Child Permit (Age 6 – 12)	\$ 8.00

Guest Permits

First Adult Permit	\$16.00
Add Adult Permit	\$12.00
Child Permit	\$ 8.00

NOTE: Guest permits are for the use of any guest of an association member for the duration of the current fishing season and are not issued to individual guests.

Possession Limits

Adult or Adult Guest Permit:	2 fish per day or a maximum of 6 fish per week
Child or Child Guest Permit:	2 fish per day or a maximum of 6 fish per week.

REMEMBER: NO SWIMMING OR BOATING ON EITHER LAKE! Fishing is for Deer Lake Association members and their guests only. Please be courteous and keep Deer Lake beautiful.

Contact Phone Numbers for Fishing Permits

Scott Fitzgerald: 505-238-7537
Lloyd Wood: 505-237-2540
John Bailey: 505-298-3254
Marty Langelier: 505-235-7136
Larry Wiles: 575-289-2044
Monti Miller: 575-289-2227

Deer Lake Fish and Lake Report

I believe it is safe to say that the rehabilitation of fishing in Deer Lake is a success. The fish introduced in the spring of 2008 not only survived the year, they flourished.

Fishing in the beginning of the season was excellent with many large fish caught. How many fish were caught nobody knows. Coming up with a system to help determine the fish harvest is something to be discussed. If anybody has any good ideas as to tracking the fish harvest please let us know.

We received an additional 500 fish in early June and they acclimated well to our lake.

We are making headway in weed control, but definitely have room for improvement. What we really need to control the weeds are more volunteers for the fish committee, we need your help. I believe we have most of the methods and techniques needed to control the weeds; unfortunately we have a shortage of manpower and time to control the weeds in a timely fashion. So if you have the time to fish, you can make time to help maintain the lake. To control the weeds I think the chemical treatments need to be done approximately every three weeks and each treatment takes about two hours.

So, if you are enjoying the fishing, please come to the next semi-annual meeting and sign up to be on the fish committee.

Also, Myself and everybody who drives by Deer Lake would like to give Dean and Barbara Rose a big thanks for keeping the weeds on the bank under control. Their efforts sure make the area around the lake look nice and fishing a lot more pleasant.