

Galway Lake Campers Association, Inc.

25 Washington Road, Scotia, New York 12302
A Privately Owned Membership Lake Located in Galway, New York

October 10, 2010

Dear GLCA Member,

I am writing to you this day to ask for your assistance. During the September meeting of the GLCA Board we formed a committee, which will be headed by Mr. Jesse Aronstein, to review the current bylaws of the Association and make recommendations as necessary for proposed changes and updates.

The bylaws of the GLCA were last updated in the early 1980's and it is time for a review to take place. During this process we would like to have one member, who is not currently seated on the GLCA Board of Directors, from each grove participate. If you are interested in aiding your Grove, and the Association, in this task please contact your Grove Director. Each Grove's Director will be appointing a person to represent their Grove on this committee by November 19, 2010. If you are interested in taking part it is important that you contact your Director as soon as possible in order to let him/her know of your interest. This committee will work during the winter 2010 – 2011 and provide its recommendations to the GLCA Board during the Board's May 2011 meeting.

During the September 2010 meeting the following resolution was passed with regard to high-speed watercraft and the use of high-speed electric and hydraulically driven watercraft on Galway Lake. **Effective immediately, all jet skis and various forms of electrically powered personal watercraft are prohibited from use on Galway Lake. The total horsepower of any other battery-powered watercraft must not exceed three (3) horsepower. This extends the current restriction on the use of any gasoline, diesel or internal combustion engines on Galway Lake. Airboats and generators aboard electric watercraft are prohibited under this restriction.**

As you know this fall the GLCA is performing a deep drawdown of Galway Lake. During this time we would like to encourage lake front property owners to take the opportunity and perform waterfront and wall maintenance to limit future shoreline erosion. During this work you are not allowed to fill in the lake or erect permanent structures on the lakebed. You will also improve the enjoyment of your waterfront through the removal of lakebed vegetation as this material adds additional nutrients to the lakebed if left to decompose.

Please remove vegetative material to decompose on your property or burn it within a pile on the lakebed. We have been in contact with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to discuss the application of the current New York State burning law as it pertains to our situation. DEC has given permission to the GLCA and its members to burn weeds on the lakebed. Mr. Bruce Kniskern has been in contact with the Town of Galway to notify them of this determination by the DEC.

Please be aware that the lakebed can in fact be dangerous. There are areas of the lakebed that will not support the weight of a person on foot and you may become stuck in certain sediments. If you decide to move about the lakebed during the drawdown please be cognizant of this fact and take the necessary precautions to ensure your safety. I hope that you had an enjoyable summer season at Galway and that each of you has a safe and enjoyable winter. This season we were truly blessed with a beautiful and sunny summer.

Sincerely,



J. Glen Rundell
President