



## Indianhead Lake Property Owners Association ILPOA

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## Central Arkansas' Best Kept Secret! 2023

### A Message from the Chairman

CHAIRMAN and VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE INDIANHEAD LAKE PROPERTY ASSOCIATION (ILPOA)

Your Lake Association Board strives to maintain a safe and enjoyable lake experience for its members. Last year was especially difficult to combat the alligator grass and Lilly Pads due to low water conditions, warm weather and the Association's inability to purchase the lake approved herbicide. The suppliers did not have the herbicide to sell so we provided at no cost, as much as we had to Association members and also carried out a Lake Board Association spraying effort as a courtesy in heavily infested areas. As an Association we realize that property values for Association members is impacted by the scenic beau-

ty of the lake as well as its fishery. As a Board we strive to maintain both. Let me introduce the members of the outstanding Indianhead Lake Property Association Board: Virginia Pierson, Our long time Secretary  
Jim Bailey, Our very diligent Grounds Co-Chair  
Dan Clemans, Rules Chair, retired USACE engineer  
Chris Torre, Media Chair, retired Astro physicist from Lockheed Martin  
Joshua Lafever, Media Co-Chair, MBA, Realtor for McKimney Realty  
Mary Farmer, Membership Chair, PhD Psychology and Statistics  
Jonathan Adams, Treasurer, CFO Arkansas Federal Credit Union  
John Lipscomb, Lake Chair, PhD Toxicology (and doesn't even drink)  
Chris Shahan, Lake Co-Chair, Arkansas Central



Tim Sweeney,  
Chairman

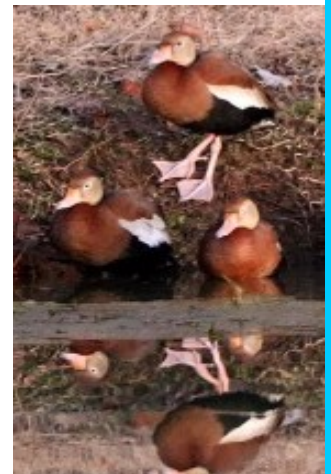


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Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Indianheadlake/>

Indianhead Lake and the surrounding wetlands are "Waters of the United States." This Federal Law prohibits dumping of any kind (lawn clippings) into our lake or associated wetlands. The main reason is that pollutants will destroy the lake over time; resulting in a marsh for a backyard with thousands of potentially disease carrying mosquitoes. Indianhead Lake operations is a non-profit Association: there are no paid Board Members and the only funds available to perform operations, maintenance, and improvements comes from membership fees.





## ILPOA

## Membership Status Update

2023



We'd like to say a special THANK YOU to all our members who renewed this year! Your renewal fees help the ILPOA manage our programs and promote a Clean and Safe Indianhead Lake. Please go to our website and renew your membership for 2023 before March 31 to avoid a late fee.

There are 3 levels of membership:

1. Regular Membership (resident) \$125
2. Senior Membership (over 65) \$100
3. Non-Resident Membership \$250

### 2023

#### ILPOA Board Members

**Chairman**

Tim Sweeney

**Vice Chairman**

Steve Brigman

**Secretary**

Virginia Pearson

**Treasurer**

Jonathon Adams

**Rules Chair**

Dan Clemons

**Lake Chair**

Chris Shahan

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Jim Bailey

**Media Relations Chair**

Joshua LaFever

**Asst. Media Relations Chair**

Sid Vincent

**Membership Chair**

Mary Sue Farmer

**Asst. Membership Chair:**

Ken Ganus

Thus far, for 2023, we have 196 members who renewed. These renewal fees help maintain Indianhead Lake and keep our neighborhoods clean and desirable. During the next 2 weeks members who paid in 2022 but have not paid in 2023, and have an active gate key will have their gate key deactivated. Remember that a current year boat decal is required to fish or be on the lake. If you want to remain an active member with lake access and fishing privileges, please go to the ILPOA website (<https://indianheadlake.com/>). The website has a form to **mail in your dues** or a **link to use PayPal** for your dues. Fees are \$100 for senior membership or \$125 for non-senior membership. We encourage you to maintain your membership, as all funds are used to keep the lake and dam in good condition, provide opportunities for residents to enjoy the yearly fishing tournament and picnic, as well as pay the required taxes on the lake.

We appreciate your membership and look forward to a great 2023!

Mary Farmer Membership Chair

Please like and share our posts to your Facebook friends! We have 577 followers on FB and want to reach everyone in the vicinity of the lake. This last year we fielded several questions on FB from various people about membership dues, fishing, motor size limits, dock sizes, swimming prohibi-





The Lake continues to be in good health, but we do have some serious concerns. We have experienced and are in contact with the City of Sherwood regarding the movement of trash and debris from city storm sewer inflow to the lake. Of added concern is silting-in from wash from construction, potentially along Maryland Drive.

Alligator weed encroachment is a real problem. This invasive plant clogs banks, and accumulates silt, causing the water depth at the bank to decrease, and ultimately a loss of water habitat. The Lake Board has been as diligent as possible in spraying to control it, but environmental conditions like heat, water level, wind and rain substantially impacted our ability to spray this past year. We are contacting licensed professionals who have sprayed lakes for alligator weed in Arkansas Game and Fish Commission lakes recently and hope to engage them to spray our valued lake. We anticipate selecting a contractor and spraying when the weeds begin to grow - we will post notices. We plan to select a weed spray that is approved for aquatic application and which will eliminate alligator weed without the need to re-spray. However, this may take multiple applications, involving different spots over time. We have not yet determined whether we will continue to make weed control spray available to ILPOA residents, we would like to hear from you in that regard.

The boat launch ramp continues to have our attention. We have reached out to several contractors and failed to find a permanent remedy for the existing boat launch ramp. Its placement at an angle to the launch channel, the overall shallow depth of the channel and the annual accumulation of silt and wind blown debris complicate its use. We are actively exploring placing a new ramp near the willow tree and platform near the end of the peninsula at the ramp site. This is not an inexpensive endeavor, and requires much thought and input. The Board is in contact now with three interested contractors and in April will release a call for proposals with specifications in mind. If you know of qualified contractors, please let them know. Our efforts to dredge out the existing channel last year were not satisfactory – the channel is too wide for a “short-boom” machine to get all the way across, and the power line above the channel prevents safe use of a machine with a longer boom. And, that would still not alleviate the complications of the appreciable angle at which the concrete ramp enters the launch channel. Finally, the city’s drain pipe enters the channel at the end of the channel, preventing placing the concrete launch ramp in that location. It is, overall, something of a challenge, especially when the lake is low. However much of a complication the present ramp is, boaters still use it to launch and retrieve their craft, and our lake still offers much boater pleasure.

We have observed two areas of concern with the concrete spillways, both for the “main lake” and for our North Lake. Both are showing seepage and/or flow beneath the concrete spillways and are in immediate need of repair – again, not a cheap fix. The board had an initial discussion of this in March, when the situations were first discovered. We have since received one bid from a contractor and it is under consideration. Without attention, increased flow will cause increased damage, leading to severe loss of water in the lake, and resultingly increased repair costs.

The annual Fishing Tournament is May 13 and Lake Clean-up Day was held in March.

Our lake is an important part of our neighborhood, the central theme, and a valuable resource to us. Its continued protection, maintenance and upkeep MUST be at the center of our work. Please encourage your neighbors to join the ILPOA, pay their dues and continue to reap the Lake’s many benefits.





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## 2023 Fishing Tournament — John Lipscomb

2023

The fishing tournament was held Saturday May 8. Donuts were available at sign in, and 15 anglers participated. Hot dogs and lemonade were served at weigh in. No catfish or crappie were weighed in. Results are below. We took several suggestions and look forward to next year's tournament. Practice Up!



Age Category	Bass	Bream
<b>Boys &amp; Girls ages 5 to 17</b>	Xavier LaFever 1 pound, 8 oz	Xavier LaFever 2 oz
<b>Men 18 – 64</b>	Noah Elfrink 4 pounds 3 oz	Aaron Tubbs 3 oz
<b>Women 18 – 64</b>	Lisa Elfrink 2 pounds 5 oz	Lisa Elfrink 5 oz
<b>Men &amp; Women 65+</b>	Gary Underwood 3 pounds 7 oz	Chris Torre 2 ounces
<b>Best Overall Fish: Noah Elfrink, Bass 4 pounds 3 oz</b>		





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## 2023 Calendar of Lake Events

Jan 19	Board meeting. Begin membership drive planning
Feb 16	Board meeting. Continue membership drive planning
Mar 16	Board meeting. Membership drive, work day planning
Apr 17	Work Day. Bring gloves and rakes!
Apr 20	Board meeting. Plan fishing tournament
May 18	Board meeting.
June 14	Lake picnic for everyone! Election of board members.
Aug. 17	Joint Board meeting, old and new
Sep. 21	Board meeting. Begin planning/budgeting process
Oct. 19	Board meeting. Budgets submitted.
Nov. 16	Board meeting.
Dec.	No meeting

## Rule Update on Docks

The rules have updated to the following:

### Docks

1. The portion of Piers or docks extending over the lake waters are not to exceed 200 sq. ft. and should not extend above the normal water level more than 30 inches. Only patio umbrellas are allowed for shade or cover on the dock. The dock shall not extend more than 25' from the shoreline. A request for a waiver from a requirement may be submitted with justification, to the board for consideration.
2. Floating docks shall use UV stabilized polyethylene encased floats. Un-encased polystyrene floats are not allowed. Floating docks shall have a minimum of two separate points of anchorage and shall also conform with other rules stated for fixed docks.
3. All new construction designs must be approved by the ILPOA Board. The design shall consist of a dimensioned plan view of the dock/pier with a description of type of dock (floating or pier), owners street address, point of contact and phone number. This should be submitted to the IPO Board, attention of Rules Chairman. You can submit the documents to the board by emailing them to [indianheadlakesherwood@gmail.com](mailto:indianheadlakesherwood@gmail.com)

**Please note that anyone that has a dock or boat on the lake is required to pay membership dues. A notice will be sent out to everyone with a deadline to pay membership dues. If you choose not to pay membership dues you must remove your dock or boat from the property. Membership dues are the way we help take care of our beautiful lake and ensure it continues to be a great source of fun, memories and value for all of our properties.**



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## 2023 Annual Budget – Jonathon Adams

**2023**

### Chairman

Insurance	\$ 5,200.00
Taxes	\$ 410.00
Utilities	\$ 250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,860.00</b>

### Treasurer

Quickbooks	\$ 360.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 360.00</b>

### Membership

Picnic	\$ 1,500.00
Decals	\$ 400.00
Postage	\$ 250.00
Supplies	\$ 250.00
Entry Cards	\$ 200.00
Gate System	\$ 200.00
PO Box	\$ 166.00
Software	\$ 30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,996.00</b>

### Grounds

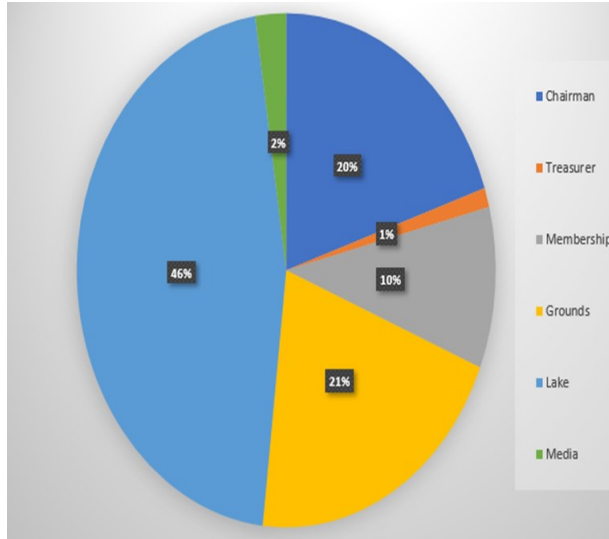
Mowing	\$ 4,500.00
Mulch	\$ 100.00
Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,100.00</b>

### Lake

Trapper	\$ 500.00
Tournament	\$ 200.00
Alligator	
Grass	\$ 650.00
Supplies	\$ 200.00
Boat Ramp	\$ 12,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,550.00</b>

### Media

Website	\$ 700.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 700.00</b>





### 2022 ILPOA Financial Results

#### Revenue

Membership	\$	21,612.90
Interest	\$	70.83
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$	<b>21,683.73</b>

#### Expenses

Insurance	\$	5,190.52
Mowing	\$	3,850.00
Picnic	\$	1,842.26
Taxes	\$	1,483.79
Subscriptions	\$	973.81
Supplies	\$	707.38
Lake Chemicals	\$	612.77
General Maintenance	\$	444.76
Trapping	\$	434.00
Boat Decals	\$	396.76
Utilities	\$	225.18
Tournament Prizes	\$	200.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$	<b>16,361.23</b>

**Surplus** \$ 5,322.50





The Grounds Chairmen has continued to ensure the maintenance of ILPOA properties. The mowing of properties has continued without any issues by a landscaping company the owner of which resides within the Association boundaries. The cost has remained the same for some years. This cost is reflected in the budget information provided in the Treasurer's report. The entrance to Austin Lakes on the Bay subdivision has flower beds to maintain and mulch. The past several years Leslie Durbin the previous Grounds Chair has done this pro bono with the Association paying for the mulch. It is anticipated that this expense will be incurred this year. The Grounds Chair position is vacant at present so if you have an interest in serving your fellow ILOPA members in this capacity send an email to, [indianhead-lakesherwood@gmail.com](mailto:indianhead-lakesherwood@gmail.com) expressing your desire.

The tornado blew down trees on our property. The Association hired a professional to remove the damaged trees.

There are several properties which don't provide any benefit to the ILPOA that we pay taxes on every year. The Board is looking at options to reduce this tax burden.

Jim Bailey, Grounds Co-Chair

