

Aurora Lake Association Board of Directors	
Name	Present
Matt Kolar	Yes
John Vargo	Yes
T.J. Asher	Yes
Mike Laur	Yes
Joe Kovatch	Yes
Dawn Kohn	No
Dawn McLendon	No

2025/10/08 ALA

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Agenda

- Financial
- Lake Water Quality Season Update
- Lake Rules Revisions and Clarifications
- 2025 Lake Patrol Highlights
- Meeting between both ASHA and Hawthorn HOAs - Joe K
- Fishery and Vegetation Updates
- Athlete Recognition - Congrats ALA community member!
- Birds
- Northeast Inlet Forebay
- Aurora Detention Ponds

Action Items Recorded

- Action - Get a quote - Joe K will
- **Action:** Get opinion from EnviroScience - Vargo
- **Action:** Vargo to ask quantity opinion from EnviroScience as well
- Action: Joe K will follow up with Bill Eden if he would take role for goose nest destruction permit
- **Action:** Vargo Contact Enviroscience for opinion and quotes for a variety of lake health topics opinion
- **Action:** TJ to look into forebay in the watershed north of Aurora Lake Road, review 2018 report

Minutes

- Financial
 - Treasurer provided updated financial reports for review
- Lake Water Quality Season Update
 - Joe K described lake monitoring monitoring service, sampling activities, results
 - Matt mentioned expanding AquaDoc monitoring
 - Buoy probe has been beneficial
 - Consider converting the manual lake probe
 - Considerations, we own it and are responsible for covering damage
 - Need to calibrate it monthly
 - Action - Get a quote - Joe K will
 - Add microcystin, E. coli testing to panel
 - Add another 1 buoy sensor, with option for 2
 - Kelsey proposed Lake Patrol to use the lake probe during shifts to increase sample points with agreement
- Rules
 - Rules Procedure - Joe K
 - Joe K suggested to raise to ASHA board to add signature requirement to acknowledge acceptance of the rules for ASHA registrations
 - Zebra mussels - Matt K

- Add to language to rules
No watercraft, trailer, dock, lift, or equipment that has been in any other body of water within the past 30 days may enter Aurora Lake unless it has been properly:

Cleaned – Remove all plants, mud, and aquatic life from the hull, motor, anchor, trailer, and gear

Drained – Remove all water from bilges, live wells, ballast tanks, and motors before arrival

Dried – Allow equipment to dry completely before entering the lake

- Create a sign with information about mussels - Vargo to provide language
 - Include fishery / catch and release
- Signage - TJ will drive this
- Life jackets under 10
 - Current language is ambiguous
 - Consider refining language
 - Raised concern over confusion around boater's beach (marina beach has ropes) and how that impacts dam area
- Ambiguity of restricted areas
 - Make a change to designate ski zone as a no wake zone
 - Ambiguity of use of middle of lake
- Need communication, possible a meeting, between boards to decide what rules the communities want
- 2025 Lake Patrol Highlights
 - Themes
 - Increased presence on the lake
 - Increased engagement and rule reminders
 - Increased sass and belligerence from violators
 - Primary Activity Summary:
 - Jeff Wheeler involved and very engaged
 - Help with jump starting boaters
 - Towing boats into shore
 - Noted expired stickers
 - Removed trash, debris, logs (8' 200lb)
 - Educated on flag use
 - Educated those using kayaks paddle boards that life jackets were needed
 - Educated no anchor and swimming in the ski zone
 - Educated life jacket use for small children
 - Educated for correct direction in the ski zone
 - Provided orange flags
 - Educated boats too fast inside of buoys
 - Educated boats pulling skiers after sunset
 - Educated boats not using lights at night

- Ways to mitigate the sass
 - Ask HOAs to add reminder to boat registration to be polite
 - Information about patrol's role and activities
 - Build rapport with community
 - Suggest information campaign to "meet our lake patrollers"
 - Push some warning letter to give patrol more credibility through word of mouth that it's serious
- Way to contact lake patrol
 - Look to make it an on-call service
- Meeting between both ASHA and Hawthorn HOAs - Joe K
 - To discuss
 - Lake Patrol
 - Rules
 - Align on expectations
 - Clarify gray areas
 - Define process for fines and revoking lake privilege
- Carp Derby
 - 56 total (unverified)
- Carp Management
 - Joe K pursuing MAD to do carp removal again for 2026
 - Requesting to reduce cost
 - Fish study - Start looking at quotes for next fall
 - MAD quote - Joe K
 - Addon to carp service
 - EnviroScience - Vargo
 - Jones Lake Management - Joe K
 - Strongly recommended stocking 5000 bluegill (~\$0.99/fish)
 - **Action:** Get opinion from EnviroScience - Vargo
- Water Lillies
 - 120 installed
 - Joe K will get a quote to add more
 - **Action:** Vargo to ask quantity opinion from EnviroScience as well
- Athlete Recognition - Congrats ALA community member!

Maddie Wither:

Competed in wakeboard and surf at a regional comp at the Lake of the Ozarks

2nd in Wakeboard and 3rd in Surf at Nationals in Grand Junction Colorado

4th at Wakeboard World Championship in Boca Raton, Florida

Southern Ohio Challenge - Aurora Lake College Water Skiers

Mike Philips - Ohio State - 1st Trick - 5th Slalom

Morgan Joy - Miami - 1st Trick - 4th B Team Slalom

Joe Janzig - Dayton - Univ Dayton - 18th Slalom

Morgan's (Miami) and Mike's (OSU) ski teams qualified for nationals in California in a few weeks

- Birds
 - Geese - Need an owner to get the permit
 - Bill Eden, Mark Feldcamp, and Mike did the work last year
 - Joe K will follow up with Bill to own it
 - Cormorants
 - Newly emerging nuisance
 - Ducks
 - Also a problem and seems to be increasing
 - **Action:** Vargo - Add to message to ask about control options for cormorants and geese
- Northeast Inlet Forebay
 - **Action:** TJ to look into forebay in the watershed north of Aurora Lake Road, review 2018 report
- Aurora Detention Ponds
 - Ponds flow through the north watershed
 - ~1.5MM gallons of total containment
 - Plan to add vegetation to improve natural filtration of watershed area
- Unfinished Hawthorn homes
 - Matt K will send a message to Barry about asking homeowner/builder to implement/repair silt barrier to protect lake from erosion runoff
- Floating Stump
 - Request from community if there's anything we can do to remove it
 - Agreed to wait for spring as these have dissipated over winter in the past
- Dredging
 - Joe K: it's expensive and complicated
 - TJ: Must be a will from both communities to accept an assessment
 - Joe K: Suggest to assess based on property value
 - Needs a committee formed
- Motion to End Meeting - Matt K, Mike L 2nd