



KNIFE LAKE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB--Your Lake Association

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Wow!!!! What a great turnout for the KLSC annual meeting. Thank you to everyone who attended! There was an amazing guest speaker, Matt Ward, from the MN DNR. He provided a PowerPoint presentation on the past few years of the Walleye spawning process and the current conditions of Walleye in our lake. I watched the guests as Matt was discussing this and I'll tell you, there was a lot of excitement in the eyes of the attendees. Thank you, Matt!!

On to the business end of the annual meeting. The financial side of the KLSC looks good. To boost the financial side, on 7/1/25, your KLSC will be a fully licensed MN Gambling organization. In cooperation with The Northwoods Steakhouse, the KLSC will be in charge of all gambling, with the proceeds staying within the Kanabec County area. Stay tuned for some exciting new gaming opportunities at The Northwoods. We made some KLSC Bylaw updates and changes at the annual meeting. Thank you to the general membership for the approval of those Bylaws. We also held the yearly elections. I have the privilege of remaining your President. Thank you, Terri Moeller, for remaining as Secretary, and Kevin Johnson, Amy Smyser, John Davis, Cyndy Swanson, and Nick Zielinski for remaining as Board members. Also, thank you to Harley Swoboda for stepping into a vacant Board member position. I saved the biggest Thank You for the end. Wayne Whited dedicated over 14 years to the KLSC board. THANK YOU, WAYNE!!!!

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KLID Report June 25

The monthly KLID meeting was short, with the annual KLSC meeting to follow. The KLID performed the yearly dam inspection and reported that everything looks great. Curly Leaf Pondweed treatment also went well. The annual KLID meeting is on 8/16/25 @ 9am. Please consider being at that meeting.

Ed Hamlin, President KLSC & Liaison to KLID



New Boater Education Law



On July 1, 2025 a new law goes into effect in the state of Minnesota which will require some adults and youth who operate motorboats and watercraft to have a valid watercraft operator's permit.

This means that people born after June 30, 2004 will need a permit to operate a boat starting July 1, 2025. The permit requirement will gradually apply to older groups over the next few years.

Young operators (people less than 12 years old) cannot operate personnel watercraft or boats with more than 75 horsepower. They can operate boats with less than 75 horsepower if they are with an accompanying legal operator.

You can obtain your Minnesota watercraft operator's permit in 4 easy steps:

1. Visit <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/boatwater/education.html>
2. Pay the one-time fee of \$34.95 (free unlimited retries of the final exam).
3. Study the Minnesota boater's safety course, and pass the final exam.
4. Print your Certificate of Completion, and receive your permanent Minnesota watercraft operator permit in the mail.

More information is available at the web site above.

- Doug Sabinash, Knife Lake Improvement District

Membership

Hi everyone! A quick reminder on memberships and renewals. The year listed after your name on the address label is the calendar year your membership is current to. Membership is only \$35 a year and helps support lake improvements, safe recreation, and community activities.

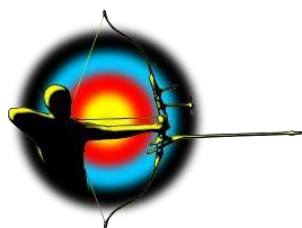
We have lots of new neighbors, so please help spread the word by pointing them to our website (www.knifelake.us) or Facebook page (Knife Lake Property Owners, Mora, Minnesota).

Let me know if you have any questions.
Shane Koning, Treasurer KLSC treasurer@knifelake.us

GAMBLING

As stated in the President's pen, your KLSC will be a fully licensed MN Gambling Organization. In the past, the KLSC operated under its 501C3 for temporary gambling permits. Events like summer raffles, WDOF, BINGO, and fishing contests with raffle prizes, all required a permit. This was a two-month process with a fee for every permit. In September 2024, the owners of The Northwoods Steakhouse approached the KLSC, inquiring about the KLSC becoming a fully licensed gambling organization and taking over all gambling at their establishment. After some deep digging into what was needed, your KLSC Board approved going forward with this new adventure. Little did we know then, it would become a painstaking process. There were days of required training, financial reports, Bylaw changes, and the waiting game with the Government. Needless to say, that is behind us now. July 1, 2025 became the GO DATE at the Northwoods. There will be no changes from the current gambling that Pokegama Lakes previously provided at the Northwoods, but we have some exciting new ideas to bring to everyone who enjoys gambling!!! This change will also cover our raffles, WDOF, BINGO, and fishing contests. Thank you, Amy Smyser, for taking on the role of Gambling Manager, and Thank you KLSC Board members for looking forward to helping our local community.

Ed Hamlin, President/CEO KLSC



KLSC ARCHERY

Annual Membership Sign-up Form

Archery membership can now be paid on our website, knifelake.us

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____ Phone _____

Membership (please circle one): NEW RENEWAL

Individual - \$40 or Family - \$75

Please make checks payable to Knife Lake Sportsmen's Club (KLSC) and hand to a KLSC board member, or Mail to: Knife Lake Sportsmen's Club, PO Box 254, Mora, MN 55051, or leave in the lock box on the archery range.

Non-member course usage is \$10 per day per person.

KLSC MUST HAVE A SIGNED "HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT" FOR EACH COURSE PARTICIPANT ON FILE



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Annual Membership Dues for 2025 -- \$35

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Lake address _____ Phone # _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # _____

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Membership (please circle one) New Renewal Additional donation \$ _____

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Thank you!

Dues can now be paid on our website, **knifelake.us**