



KNIFE LAKE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB--Your Lake Association

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The weather has been absolutely beautiful and the fishing has been great! What more can you ask for from the start of summer!!

We had a great turnout for our annual general membership meeting. Thank you to those that showed up. We had a speaker from the DNR, Caleb Anderson, who filled us in on the walleye milking and a few surveys they have done this past year. The DNR has taken a special interest in Knife Lake, and are doing a great job of managing it.

We had some turnover on the Board this year. I would like to thank a few Board members that are leaving for their contributions. Shane Koning has been treasurer for the past several years and has done a fantastic job. Rachel Hamlin has been on the Board and in charge of the sportswear. She also chaired the WDOF and did an amazing job that will be very hard to live up to. And finally, Ed Hamlin who stepped down at the end of February. He left some pretty big shoes to fill and I will do my best not to mess up what he's built. Thank you all for your service to the KLSC!

Now for the new Board members. I, Jake Tillotson, will be the President for the next year to finish out the term. Harley Swoboda has taken on the Vice President position. Jes Milbradt has stepped up to take on the Treasurer position. We have two new Board members, Jess Harlan and Linda Freemon, and two returning Board members, Wayne Whited and Don Holznagel. Four incumbents also are staying with us: Wally Swanson, Dave Imholte, John Vlasin and Jared Milbradt. Thank you to all the Board members, past and present, for your service. Keep in mind all meetings are open to the membership. Stop in for any meeting the 3rd Saturday of every month.

It would be wonderful if our members reached out to any new Knife Lakers and told them about the KLSC. We would love to have more members and meet more of our neighbors.

Jake Tillotson, KLSC President 320-310-9560

KLID Report - June 20th

There was a dam inspection on June 9th. The dam looked good and there were only a few minor issues that were corrected within a few days: a pipe cover, and some trees that were growing where they were not supposed to be. A water clarity test was taken in May. It was 8' which is the deepest seen. Nuisance weeds will be getting sprayed before the July 4th weekend for those that applied for it. The KLID will be looking for a new Board member at their August 15th annual meeting. The meeting will be at 9am.

-Jake Tillotson, KLSC President, KLID Liaison



TAKE A KID FISHING RECAP



The winners were:

- 1st place \$100 – Kennedy - 12" walleye
- 2nd place \$75 – Charlie - 10" crappie
- 3rd place \$50 – Charlie - 9 1/2" perch
- 4th place \$12 – Sterling - 8 1/2" sunny
- 4th place \$12 – Robbie - 8 1/2" sunny

We had a new record turnout this year - 38 children! A bit windy but no rain. Each child was given a new rod/reel and a starter tackle box. Prize drawings were held after lunch. Every child was a winner! All of this was sponsored by the Knife Lake Sportsmen's Club. A big THANK YOU to all of our captains and to the Northwoods for sponsoring lunch. Thank you all for helping us put on this fun event. -John Vlasin, Board Member

Memorial Weekend 2026 Pancake Breakfast Recap

Under first time chair Dave Imholte, the pancake breakfast was a success. This was thanks in large part to the many hardworking veteran volunteers who knew what to do, and they did it well. Special thanks to new KLSC president, Jake Tillotson, who mentored Dave through the planning and preparation stages leading up to the big day. The cold rainy weather may have prevented people from choosing to enjoy their delicious pancakes and sausages under the outdoor tent, but there was a steady stream of people coming in the clubhouse door keeping the pancake flippers and sausage grillers busy. Thanks to everyone who participated, especially our Veterans. See you all at the next pancake breakfast on Saturday, the 4th of July! By Linda Freemon, Board Member

Side By Side/ATV Fun Run



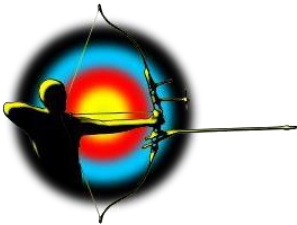
Come join us on August 8th for the annual KLSC SxS/ATV Fun Run. The ride starts at 9:00 am. We will meet at the Knife Lake Wayside Park. Rain or shine we will ride! From there we will ride up to the Soo Line/Red Top trails. We plan on stopping at Pour Lewey's, Isle, and Wahkon. We will have raffle tickets for prizes, which will be drawn after the ride at the Northwoods. Spread the word! Everyone is welcome.



-Jared Milbradt, Board Member

Gun Raffle

Don't forget! We have a gun raffle at the Northwoods SUPPORTING THE FIREWORKS!! \$10 buys you a raffle ticket for a **BROWNING X-BOLT 2 HUNTER MAPLE DELUXE .300 WIN MAG.** Only 300 tickets will be sold. The winning raffle ticket will be pulled on July 4th at 5:00 PM. Must be 18 to register. - Amy Smyser, KLSC Gambling Manager



KLSC ARCHERY

Annual Membership Sign-up Form

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

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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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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