

Water Sport Information

Personal Water Craft (PWC)

- Each person 12 years of age or older riding on or towed behind a PWC must wear a USCG- approved Type I, II or III PFD. Those under 12 years of age must wear a Type I or II PFD. Inflatable PFDs may not be used by a person of any age.
- You may not allow a child under 7 years of age to ride on or be towed behind a PWC, unless with a parent or guardian or designee of the parent or guardian.
- The lanyard of a PWC's ignition safety switch must be attached to the person, clothing or PFD of the operator.
- Operating a PWC between one hour before sunset and 8:00 a.m. is prohibited.
- PWCs must be operated in a reasonable and prudent manner at all times.
- PWC hours of operation are limited to 1 hour after sunrise and 1 hour before sunset.

Sand Lake Water Skiing

MI State Law: It is illegal to ski 1 hour post sunset or 1 hour before sunrise.

The SLALOM Ski Course is open to all residence:

- The course is set up in spring and taken down each fall.
- Do not use before 7 am or after 7 pm. (Per DNR permit).
- There are four (4) outer marker buoys to designate area.
- There are thirty(30) buoys all total.
- When skiers are present please try to avoid this area.
- Course Details: Designated speeds: 28, 30, 32 or 36 mph.
- Skier goes through the opening gates, round all six (6) buoys and exits the end gates.
- If skier falls during a pass, gather up skier and exit course quickly, so the next group can try the run.
- If the skier needs to rest at the end of a "pass", move away. To repeat a pass, "spin" at the end and try again.

- Driving through the course is difficult. Practice is encouraged. Seek guidance from qualified drivers you'll see out on the lake.
- Be careful around the buoys.
- Insurance is available through the U.S. Water Ski Assn. (Contact them directly).
- SLPOA is not affiliated with the course or permit. Contact Zeke Arzooyan with any concerns.

Sand Lake Sail Boat Races

- There are three boat classification – Sunfish, Catamaran, Open Class.
- No age classification.
- Registration and staging is historically on the western end of South Shore.
- The buoys are put into place a couple of hours before race (2-2:30pm).
- Winners are announced at the potluck following the race.
- Each boat classification has a revolving trophy.
- Race committee, consisting of 60+ years of sailboat races experience, has final decision.
- SLPOA is not affiliated with the sail course or this event.

The annual Newsletter will have more information and the Event section of this site will have details as the holiday dates approach.