

# CAMP CREEK WATER COMPANY

## SUMMER 2023 NEWSLETTER



Summer is finally here and the heat is on! We had a great turnout for the Memorial Day Fishing Tournament with 29 teams registered and 25 that weighed in the Bass Tournament and 31 kids fishing! Thank you to the Knight family, Randy, Kim and Jordan for all their weighing-in and hard work for so many years! And a special thanks goes out to Janice Bayer who has been the Committee Chair for the Social Committee for 3 years and her term expired in April, but she continued to lead the organization for this year's tournament! **Thank you Janice for all you have done!** We also want to thank our Board members Ralph Crum, David Greenwood, Bert Hart and Ken Hughes, Nancy Hughes' husband who volunteered to help with setup, cooking and being there for whatever was needed. Another big thank you goes out to Trudi Askew, LaNell German and Elizabeth Griffin who are on the Social Committee and helped pull the event together! This is a huge event, and it takes a "village" to plan, organize and make it happen! Thank you all for your help!



Summer is here, and we are all planning to have lots of fun! Please be sure that you have reviewed the Safety Reminders on the home page of the website [www.campcreeklake.us](http://www.campcreeklake.us)! It is important for all to have fun, but we must make Safety a priority! If you are a new lot owner or have a new boat, please bring your registration information to the office and get your boat registered!

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Saturday, Sunday & Monday - Closed  
Tuesday - Thursday 8:30am - 2:30pm  
Friday - 8:30 - noon

### **OFFICE MANAGER**

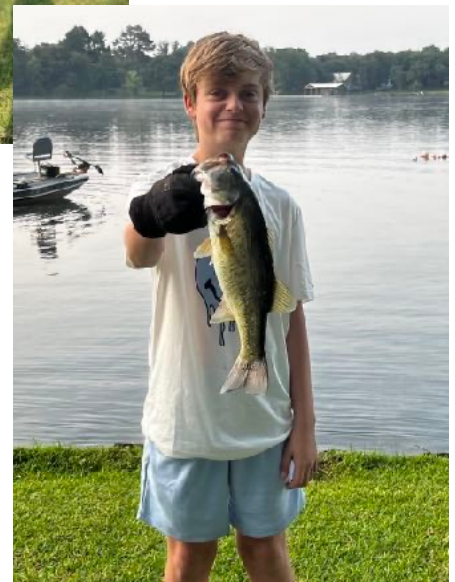
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**BROUGHT TO YOU BY  
THE CCWC SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

**ANNUAL FISHING TOURNAMENT**

The Annual Fishing Tournament had 29 teams register & 25 weigh in fish for the Bass Tournament and 31 kids fishing. There were some really big fish and everyone had lots of fun!



PLACE	LOT #	NAME	NAME	# FISH	WEIGHT
1	300	MIKE MAHLMANN	MIKE CONNALLY	5	17.87
2	231	MARK FITZJERRELL	TIM MULLINS	5	16.80
3	424	JEFF LEBLANC	RANDALL PATE	5	14.82
4	79	LARRY PATTON	DAVID PATTON	5	13.05
5	352	TROY CARRELL	JOEL CRAWFORD	5	12.99
6	232	RONALD JOHNSON	MARCUS BRUNS	5	12.65
7	231	JERRY REED	HAYDEN HURST	5	12.60
8	49	JEFF HELMCAMP	RANDALL HELMCAMP	5	11.97
9	230	JEFF GRITTER	ANDREW GRITTER	5	11.85
10	155	DOUG THORNTON	MIKE HOLDEN	5	11.81
11	288	ALAN KOPETSKY	BLAKE KOPETSKY	5	11.13
12	422	KIP KISSINGER	JAMES WALLACE	5	10.98
13	453	JEFF HAZELWOOD	ADDISON HAZELWOOD	5	10.83
14	140	TOMMY MARTINDALE	RANDEE MARTINDALE	5	10.75
15	295	SCOTT VIDRINE	RYAN RALEY	5	9.78
16	55	WILLIAM ASKEW	TRAVIS ASKEW	5	9.55
17	403A	JIMMY BRASHER	SHEA BRASHER	5	9.22
18	55	ERIC ASKEW	JIM ASKEW	5	9.11
19	81	ROGER SHERIDAN	JOE SHERIDAN	5	9.02
20	425	DAN GERMANY	RON THOMPSON	5	7.73
21	244	JACKSON HUTCHISON	KAMERON ANGELE	5	7.56
22	420	KEITH WILLIAMSON	LUKE CRENWELGE	5	7.10
23	78	DAVID JONES	MICHAEL JONES	3	6.94
24	136	MARK WESTHUSIN	RAY O'NEAL	5	6.67
25	122	GARRETT BROWNING	SYDNEY BROWNING	4	5.30
<b>BIGGEST BASS</b>					
1ST		MARK FITZJERRELL			6.68
2ND		JEFF GRITTER			5.51
<b>HOURLY BIG BASS</b>					
7-8		JEFF GRITTER			5.51
8-9		MARK FITZJERRELL			6.68
9-10		SCOTT VIDRINE			2.80
10-11		HAYDEN HURST			5.17

AGES 0-11: Most Fish Weighed In (26): Reese Carrell  
 Biggest Fish (1.37): Reese Carrell  
 Heaviest 5-Fish Stringer (3.65) Corbin Prihoda

AGES 12-16: 1st Place (Biggest, 1.56 catfish) Andrew Gritter \$50  
 2nd Place (.50) Parker Matthews \$25  
 3rd Place (.48) Colt Prihoda \$25  
 Heaviest 5-fish Stringer Andrew Gritter \$50

Craziest Catch - 1.26 stick Samantha Yates  
 Smallest Fish - .05 Piper Bayer

Independence Day Boat Parade was held on Saturday July 1st! Thank you all for your spirit & decorations, love for our community, and gratefulness for our nation and those who serve to keep us free!



## Message from the Patrolmen: Tim Zradicka and Dennis Tharp

**SECOND REQUEST:** The EMS & first responders have commented that many of our houses are hard to find and are not clearly identifiable. Camp Creek has marked main roads with green reflective signs identifying "groups" of addresses, but some addresses are not clear. **Emergency personnel** have requested that each lot have the **Physical Address** and the **Lot Number** clearly posted at the entrance of your lot. The Patrolmen are also requesting that lot owners put reflective numbers on their boat docks. It is very difficult to respond to emergencies or calls when addresses and boat houses are not clearly marked.

The biggest concern is Lot Owners are violating boat, PWC & ATV registration rules. They are not registering new vehicles or tagging them with lot numbers. The Board approved implementing procedures to write Violation Tickets for lot owners who violate registration rules.

As always, if you need to reach a Patrolman the cell phone number is 979-906-8064 and posted on the website for quick access if needed!

## Water Safety

**Life jackets are required for all tubers, skiers and anyone being pulled behind a watercraft.  
A \$250.00 fine will be assessed for those not wearing a life jacket as required!**

- Refrain from alcohol when operating a boat or jet ski.
- Do not pull tubes with people on them down the channels.
- Boats and jet skis must travel in a counterclockwise direction in the ski area.
- Stay in boat lanes when possible.
- No swimming at the boat ramps.
- Be mindful and courteous to others on the lake.
- Please remember all boats and jet skis must be registered and tagged.
- Only annual permit holder registered watercraft are allowed on the lake.
- Guests and children over 18 need a pass while on the lake if they are not with a lot owner.
- The lake has many stumps so please travel in the boat lanes and be cautious in the water.
- Be careful swimming as hydrilla can be a safety hazard.
- Stumps can be removed for \$200/each by calling Josh Havel 979-492-9112.

Please refer to the updated Camp Creek Lake Rules & Regulations on our website: <http://www.campcreeklake.us> or call the CCWC Office if you have questions.

## Fire Safety

- The burn piles have cameras and are monitored by the patrolmen and the Office.
- Please observe no dumping signs and do not light the burn piles yourself. **We must notify the TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) prior to any burning and have Easterly Volunteer Fire Department monitor while burning.** Any unauthorized burning at these locations may jeopardize our burn permits.
- Hydrilla clippings must be piled separately from the wood to allow them to dry so please put them to the side of any wood pile.
- Approved materials include tree and wood products only without nails or screws!
- No household trash, plastic or glass of any type can be dumped!

## VEGETATION & FISHING

By Keith Ellis

We are seeing results from the carp, but more floating hydrilla. Bad news is Chemicals in the boat lanes are not doing much so Lochow is looking at other options. We just need to be patient and let nature do its job. Luchow reported by late fall we should see significant improvement and if not, Luchow may provide recommendations for additional carp.

If you want your dock area treated, see the CCWC website under Useful Contacts for information.

## BUILDING

By Ralph Crum

Two active boat houses under review. Ralph was notified about a sunken boat, and Josh Havel is providing estimate to remove it. Dilapidated boat house owners are being contacted to address plans for removal.

## COMMUNICATIONS

By Lisa Sawyer

The Camp Creek Website was published at the end of April with the same URL [www.campcreeklake.us](http://www.campcreeklake.us). We have received very good feedback and the website registration for the Fishing Tournament helped streamline the registration process! Also the "contact us" feature has been used frequently to ask questions and we are excited the site is providing lot owners easier communication. We are also in the process of learning how to maintain the site and update procedures will be developed to assist for on-going maintenance.

## OIL & GAS

By Alan Beard

Gas production is steady, but the price of natural gas has fallen to under \$3 so we are estimating a shortfall in revenue of approximately \$100k. Comstock started to pull water on July 5th from the West End boat ramp. They have completed the water draw with no further draws planned this year. Estimated revenue is \$300k. This will help offset the gas revenue shortage we are facing.

## CHANNEL MARKING & SAFETY

By Larry Hubbell

We have remarked all channel markers to improve visibility. Several stumps have been removed near boat lanes. If you want to remove stumps, Josh Havel is removing them for \$200 each. Contact Josh directly at 979-492-9112.

## FINANCE

By Trudi Askew

We are fully funded for the budget this year from low owner's dues with 96% paid. We have only 19 Lot owners still have not paid annual permit dues and registered letters have been sent out. The Finance Committee recommendation is to stay the course and continue with the current Investment Policy with Merrill Lynch as the account is earning 4.9% and we will continue to review the status of the account on a quarterly basis. Financial Policies & Procedures Manual is starting to be developed by the Accounting Firm, Thompson, Derrig and Craig who will document corporate financial controls & procedures.

## **DAM & RECREATION AREA**

By Mark Schinzler

The Board approved proposals by Mitchel & Morgan Engineering for a preliminary Dam Analysis. The cost of the study is \$26,328 and will be drawn from the CCWC Dam fund. This is the first step in determining the integrity of our dam.

## **ROADS**

By Mark Schinzler

The earlier rains made it difficult to maintain the roads as well as the lake. Culverts have been cleaned.

## **SOCIAL**

By Janice Bayer

A huge thank you from the Knight family who volunteer their time for the Fishing Tournament, and we gave them \$100 gift certificate to go out for dinner. The July 4th Boat parade is planned for Saturday, July 1st with Color Guard, snowcones, waterslide and hot dog lunch provided.

This year is also my last year on the board, and we need some volunteers to lead the Social Committee! Please send in your contact information and bios if you are interested in leading this committee!

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

By Larry Hubbell

**BURN PILES:** We have cameras at each of the 3 Camp Creek burn piles which are monitored by the patrolmen and the Office. The burn piles are for lot owners only and are for trees and other vegetation (hydrilla) and wood with no nails, screws or other metal. They are not for household trash, plastic, glass, etc.

Once the piles get big enough, we have staff burn the piles under the supervision of the Easterly Volunteer Fire Department.

**PHYSICAL ADDRESSES:** The Emergency Medical Services personnel and 1st responders have commented that many of our houses are hard to find and are not clearly identifiable. **Emergency personnel have requested that each lot have the physical address and the lot number clearly posted at the entrance of your lot.**

The the lake patrolmen have agreed to order a sign for you if you would like. You can call him at the patrolman number or call and leave word at the Office.

**CPR TRAINING:** Robertson County EMS conducted CPR Training and we had 25 participants. We may look into additional training for fire prevention, water, boat and jet ski safety.

**Helipad Site:** Robertson County EMS Director select the site on Riley Green Road and a sign has been posted to ensure no parking and keep the area mowed. Nice to complete this effort for improved safety in our community!

**Pickleball Courts:** Pickleball courts are marked on the parking lot at the Office. Please call the Patrolman if you need the gate unlocked to play. All equipment must be provided on your own. Please be safe, have fun, leave the area clean and lock the gate when you leave! A big thank you to Donna Schrader, Ralph Crum & David Greenwood for their help painting the court lines!



**WILDLIFE**

By Alan Beard

**HOGS:** There is no easy solution to the ongoing hog problem around the lake. As most of us can see, they have again moved into the area as evidenced by the rooting's on the sides of our roads and venturing onto several lots. During this time of year, they are sometimes seen in the mornings and evenings before dark on the edges of our roads. If while driving you do see hogs, please feel free to call our Patrolman on duty, 979-906-8064. If possible, we will try and relocate a pig or two.

**NUTRIA:** The Nutria population has increased significantly over time, and they are causing problems around the lake along with Beavers, by clogging culverts as an example. Additionally, they will chew through electrical wiring and on wood decking on boat houses. They, like the hogs, are an invasive species and are in essence, a large water rat. Texas Parks & Wildlife encourages the elimination of Nutria to help control their numbers. Lot owners are allowed to take Nutria from their lots, (Rule; 25.7) and are encouraged to do so safely. Below is a picture of the common Nutria.





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Mark Schinzler

### Terms Expiring April 2026

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Bert Hart  
Jeff Hazlewood  
Nancy Hughes  
Keith Williamson

## BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

June 10, 2023  
September 9, 2023  
December 9, 2023  
March 2, 2023

### Annual Shareholder's Meeting

April 27, 2024  
4PM  
Franklin High School

## COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

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