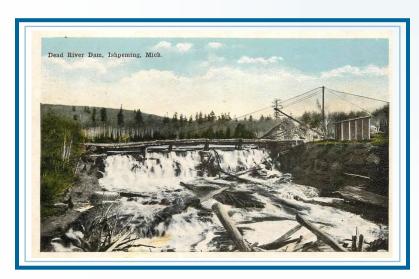
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DEAD RIVER CAMPERS NEWS





The 2019 DRCI Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, 29, 2019 at Westwood High School. Many topics were covered ranging from Boating Safety, Invasive species, forestry management to the financial health of DRCI.

We had 253 shareholders participate in the DRCI election. Jim Grundstrom and Bruce Bussone were both re-elected to 4 years terms on the DRCI Board Directors.

In July the DRCI board of directors awarded 10 different road groups a matching fund grant totally \$24,000. Road improvements are being done all around the basin this summer.

Logging is currently being done in the area of South Camp Road, Holli Forest Products are doing the cutting and plan to be finished by mid September. Please be cautious of the logging trucks and equipment.

The DRCI is once again sponsoring the Kids Fishing Derby, put on by the Fish & Wildlife Committee. Please join us on Saturday, August 17th at the East End Boat Launch.



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2019 Dr. Bruce Turino Memorial Fireworks Saturday, June 29th, 2019



Photo Credit: Angie Butler

Real Estate for Sale:

DRCI currently has 2 pieces of property for

sale:

Ishpeming Township:

Road One (on the Little Dead)

Lot dimensions: 200 x 197 x 394 x 389

\$39,100

Champion Township:

Stickney Road (Lot 4, Plat 23)

Lot dimensions: 200 x 835 x 200 x 783

\$80,400

For more information please contact the

DRCI office at (906) 485-1975

Mark Your Calendars:

When: Saturday, August 17, 2019

Registration at the East End Boat

Launch @ 8:30 am

Fishing Time: 9am to 11am

Ages 16 and younger

Lunch, Gifts and Prizes — East End

Boat Launch @ 11:30 am
RAIN or SHINE!





UPSET Tip Line: (906) 228-1002



Looking for new Dead River Apparel? Stop by 213 East Pearl Street and check out the new shirts, sweatshirts, hats and license plates.



DID YOU KNOW???

A Word from the HANDBOOK of Michigan Boating Laws and Responsibilities

ONTHE WATER...

Unlawful and Dangerous Operation:
Michigan law designates these operating practices as illegal.



Reckless Operation of a vessel or reckless manipulation of water skis, a surfboard, or similar device is defined as operation which disregards the safety or rights of others or endangers the person or property of others. Some examples are:

- Weaving your vessel through congested waterway traffic or swerving at the last possible moment in order to avoid collision.
- Jumping the wake of another vessel unnecessarily close to the other vessel or when visibility around the other vessel is restricted.
- Chasing, harassing or disturbing wildlife with your vessel
- Causing damage from the wake of your vessel

Failure to Regulate Speed is operating a vessel at speeds that may cause danger to life or property of any other person or at speeds that will not permit you to bring your vessel to a safe stop. It is illegal to operate a vessel:

- In excess of 55 mph unless you are at least one mile offshore on the Great Lakes or Lake St.
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- At greater than "slow, no wake speed" when a person is in the bow of a vessel without proper seating
- Faster than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions (weather, vessel traffic, etc..) **Improper Distance** is not maintaining a proper distance while operating a vessel or towing a person. To maintain a proper distance when you are operating at greater than "slow, no wake speed" (except in channels that are not posted), the vessel or persons being towed must not be within 100 feet of:
- A shoreline (if operating in water less than three feet deep)
- Any moored or anchored vessel
- A dock or raft
- Any marked swimming area or person(s) in the water



"Slow, No Wake Speed" means the slowest speed at which it is still possible to maintain steering and which does not create a wake.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT. . .

When preparing to go out on a vessel, the operator must check that the legally required equipment is on board.

Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs)

- All vessels must be equipped with a personal flotation device (PFD), sometimes called a life jacket, for each person on board or being towed.
- The USCG requires that all vessels have at least one Type I, II or III PFD that is USCG—approved, wearable, and of the proper size for each person on board or being towed. Sizing the PFDs is based on body weight and chest size.
- Michigan's PFD law permits a vessel that is less than 16 feet long, or is a canoe or kayak, to choose to have either wearable (Type I, II or III) or a throwable PFD (Type IV) for each person on board.
- In addition to the above the requirement, on USCG-approved throwable device must be on board vessel 16 feet or longer and be readily accessible.
- Michigan law requires all children under 6 years of age to wear a USCG-approved
 Type I or II PFD when riding on the open deck of any vessel while underway.
- Each person riding on PWC or being towed behind a PWC or other vessel must wear a
 USCG-approved Type I, II or III PFD. Inflatable PFDs are not allowed on PWC or while
 being towed behind PWC or other vessels.
- All PFDs must be in good and serviceable condition and must be readily accessible.

Type I: Off-shore life jacket Designed for surival in rough, open water. Will turn an unconcious person face up. This is the best PFD to keep you afloat when rescue may be slow coming. Type II: Near-shore vest The "Classic" PFD designed to turn an unconscious person face-up in the water. Less bulky and less expensive

Personal Flotation Device Categories













LOT NO. C. 57853199

Readily available

Children must wear