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Board Election Process to Begin Soon

This year, the applications for Board of Directors candidacy will be accepted in the CWC office from Tuesday, September 16th until no later than 4:00 pm, Tuesday, September 30. Application forms are available in the CWC offices beginning Tuesday, September 2nd from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Any shareholder or shareholder's spouse who is in good standing may run for election as a Director on the Board if they are certified by the Special Election Commission. Examples of issues which may interfere with certification are such things as fines

or assessments that have not been paid. Four people will be elected to the Board. This year, the three-year term expires for Randy Graves, Kristina Coolidge, Cory Eason and the two year term for George Steele. Eight incumbent Board members who do not come up for election this year are: Gary Mapes, Dee Rea, David McDaniel, Alan Koelemay, Mary Yoder, Jeff Patty, Cody Edmonson and Justin Simmons.

Consider running for the board and volunteering your time for the Lake Cherokee Community.



National Night Out (in Texas) will be Tuesday, October 7th

This is a community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. This generates support and participation in crime efforts; strengthens neighborhood spirit; police community relations; and lets 'outsiders' know we are organized and fighting back. During the event, residents are asked to turn on their porch lights and spend the evening with their neighbors and patrol officers. Events such as cookouts or block parties occur simultaneously throughout the property, city and State of Texas. Last year, we had 8 locations and over 250 shareholders participate in NNO event. Let's see if we can expand this in 2025. To do this, we need coordinators to help plan events, identify hosts and invite their neighbors.

If you are willing to be a coordinator this year, please let us know in the office and we can assist you with ideas and planning for patrol and others to stop by your event. Please call the office at (903) 643-3933.



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MESSAGE from the MANAGER

Happy September Lake Family,

Can you believe September is already here? Summer has quickly come and gone, the kids are back in school, football season is underway, and the cooler days are just around the corner. This truly is one of the best times of the year to be living on the lake, calm mornings on the water, crisp evenings on the porch, and the beauty of fall will soon begin to show.

I'm proud to say that we had another safe summer on the water. That doesn't happen by accident. It's because of you, our leaseholders, who made safety a top priority. Thank you for being mindful, respectful, and committed to keeping our lake safe. I also want to recognize and thank our Lake Patrol Officers, who worked diligently to enforce our rules and regulations with fairness and care. It takes all of us, working together, to keep this community safe and enjoyable, and I am grateful for the shared effort.

As I look around our lake and properties, I can't help but feel proud as I'm sure you are as well. The place looks absolutely incredible. Our maintenance department deserves special recognition for their hard work this summer, whether it was mowing, repairing, improving boat roads, or tending to countless details that often go unnoticed but make all the difference. Their dedication keeps our community looking its best, and I know you all appreciate their efforts as much as I do.

I also cannot forget our office staff, who keep the heartbeat of this community strong. Much of their work is behind the scenes, handling the business side, fielding daily phone calls, and assisting leaseholders face-to-face. Their days aren't always easy. Some days are long and discouraging, and negativity can creep in quickly. But they continue to show up, work hard, and serve with love for this community. I remind them often that while not everyone will always be supportive, there are so many more of you who truly value them, appreciate what they do, and are grateful for their efforts. That encouragement matters more than you may realize.

As for me, I want you to know that I manage this business not only with the health of the company in mind, but with one of our top priorities always at the forefront: protecting and growing the value of your property, while ensuring our community remains safe, beautiful, and thriving. That responsibility weighs on me, but it also inspires me. In a demanding role like this, the responsibilities go far beyond a job description, it is truly a calling that requires dedication, vision, and lots of heart. And while some days bring challenges, frustrations, or setbacks, I remain thankful for the opportunity to serve you and lead this community.

I truly believe we are building something special here. No, we may never reach 100% agreement on every issue, but we are closer than most communities will ever get. That's because we share a common bond: love for this lake, this community, and this way of life. Together, with dedication, respect for others, forgiveness, and a little grace for one another, I believe our best days are still ahead. (Ephesians 4:32)



Kevin Jones
General Manager, Lake Cherokee

Thank you for your support, your encouragement, and your trust.

Respectfully,
Kevin Jones, GM

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33

LAKE CHEROKEE SECURITY REPORT JULY 2025

FACILITY CHECK: 1992

OPEN DOOR: 11

**SUSPICIOUS
VEHICLE/PERSON: 16**

**WELFARE CHECK: 2
ASSIST SHAREHOLDER: 19
ISSUE TREE PERMIT: 25**

ANIMAL ASSIST: 4

**CLEAR ROADWAY
OF TREES/DEBRIS: 4**

**EXTRA PATROL: 156
DISTURBANCE: 2
ALARMS: 7**

**VEHICLE / BOAT ACCIDENT:
0**

**WATER RESPONSE/
BOAT TOW: 7**

**ASSIST AGENCY: 2
BURGLARY/THEFT: 3**

Welcome to
Lake Cherokee



July 2025 Transfers- 18

if you have any questions
regarding a property or stock transfer,
please feel free to contact Misty Conway
(903) 643-3933
misty@lkcherokee.com

Permits	
JULY 2025	
Permit Type	#
Accessory Building	2
Boathouse - New	1
Boathouse - Repair	3
Demolition	2
Dirt Work / Drainage	4
Driveway / Walkway	5
Fence	3
Home Repairs / Additions	4
New Construction	0
OSSF	2
Other	1
Outdoor Enhancement	3
Pool	0
Retaining Wall	3
Total Permits	33

Lake Cherokee Preservation Club

CHILI
COOK OFF

November 8th
Noon to 4:00pm

CHEROKEE WATER CO.

Lakeside at NK20 Cherokee Water Co.
\$5 Admission includes chili tastings

A portion of the proceeds will go toward 2026 Fireworks
Music will be playing so bring your chairs and blankets.
Soft Drinks & Water will be available.

If you think your chili is the best on the lake, then enter!
For Shareholders and Guests

For questions or to submit entry contact:
Deanna Kalmus 469-964-1765 - dkalmus@lisd.org



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS
CHEROKEE WATER COMPANY
Thursday, August 21, 2025**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Cherokee Water Company was held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, August 21, 2025, at NK 20 Lake Cherokee, Longview Texas 75603 with the following Directors present:

Gary Mapes, President
David McDaniel, Vice President- absent
Randy Graves, Treasurer
Dee Rea, Secretary
Kristina Coolidge
Justin Simmons - absent
Cody Edmonson
Cory Eason- absent
Mary Yoder
Alan Koelemay- absent
George Steele
Jeff Patty

President Gary Mapes called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
Dee Rea, Secretary, pronounced a quorum.

Dee Rea made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board of Directors Cherokee Water Company, Monday, July 14, 2025. Second by Randy Graves. **The resolution passed by unanimous consent.**

Dee Rea made a motion to approve the minutes of Board of Directors Cherokee Water Company, Thursday, July 17, 2025. Second by Randy Graves. **The resolution passed by unanimous consent.**

General Manager's Report:

Kevin provided an operation report including stats on administrative, patrol and maintenance departments. Other items reported on:

1. Kevin discussed the progress on the work of sealing the drainpipe at the dam. Divers have inspected the platform at the dam. The actual sealing the pipe will begin next week.

2. Kevin gave an update on the AEP Discharge Canal. Conversations with AEP continue as they plan on what will actually be done to repair the sides of the canal and removal of the sand bar at the exit of the canal.

3. Silt pond maintenance started in July. 5 ponds have been cleaned out and maintenance will continue working on the rest of the ponds until work is completed.

Kevin recognized Ronnie Davidson for 20 years of service with Cherokee Water Company.

Cathy Hite, Office Manager, gave an Office Update:

1. The lease management System has been upgraded. Communication about the process will go out via Email/Mail on August 21, 2025.

a) Lease Renewals will be done strictly online.

b) Lease Renewals will begin September 22, 2025.

c) Privilege Cards will be done electronically.

d) Auto/Watercraft Decals will be hand delivered for Lake Cherokee Mailing Addresses

2. Storage Unit Rentals AND Permits with fees will be online and can be paid in the portal.

Treasurers Report:

A motion was made by Randy Graves to certify the bills paid for the month of July 2025. Dee Rea seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Randy Graves to approve reporting of Financials for July 2025. Dee Rea seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Rules, Policy & Variance Committee
George Steele reported in the absence of David McDaniel
The Committee reviewed 4 variance requests:

NS 4/5: A variance was requested to build a swimming pool that will be closer than 75 feet from the shoreline. The variance was reviewed by the Committee, and they voted unanimously to approve the variance. George Steele made a motion to approve the variance, and the motion was seconded by Randy Graves. **The motion passed with unanimous consent.**

SK 20: A variance was requested to build with new construction a single-family residence closer than 75 feet from the shoreline. The variance was reviewed by the committee and all committee members voted to approve the variance. George Steele made a motion to approve the variance, and the motion was seconded by Randy Graves. **The motion passed with unanimous consent.**

SK 56: A variance was requested to build a new Shop Building and Swimming Pool closer than 75 feet from the water shoreline. The variance was reviewed by the Committee, and they voted unanimously to approve the variance. George Steele made a motion to approve the variance, and the motion was seconded by Randy Graves. **The motion passed with unanimous consent.**

SN 57: A variance was requested to build with new construction a single-family residence that will be closer than 50 feet to the lake road and closer than 75 feet to the shoreline. The variance was reviewed by the committee, and they voted unanimously to approve the variance. George Steele made a motion to approve the variance, and Randy Graves seconded the motion. **The motion passed with unanimous consent.**

**Proposed Rule Change
First Reading by Cody Edmonson in
David McDaniel's absence.**

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**Monday-Friday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm**

If you are unable to make it to the office during business hours, give us a call. We can help!

**barbara@lkcherokee.com
(903) 643-3933**

**Variance Deadlines
2025**

**9/2 -9/18 Board meeting
9/30 -10/16 Board meeting
10/28-11/13 Board meeting**

General Rules & Regulations, VI. Prohibited Watercraft Equipment
Current Rule:

No motors with open exhaust will be allowed to operate on Lake Cherokee
No sirens except by Lake Cherokee Patrolmen and law enforcement personnel on duty.
Proposed Rule Change, First Reading:
No motors with open exhaust will be allowed to operate on Lake Cherokee. (no changes)
Mud boat motor (surface drive or longtail motors) exhaust systems must be muffled using factory or factory offered equivalent muffler (BPS Q). Modifications that bypass or reduce the muffler's effectiveness are prohibited.
No sirens except by Lake Cherokee Patrolmen and law enforcement personnel on duty. (re-numbered only)
Rationale: To manage the noise and disruption that can result from these types of boats.

Natural Resources Committee Meeting

Dee Rea, Chairman presented the following report from the committee:

We began our discussions with areas around the Lake that would benefit from underbrush clearing. Our thoughts are that this is necessary to reduce wildfire dangers and to encourage timber growth. Plus, it may create a more esthetic appearance. The Dog Wood Circle area has been completed, and we think it looks great. Thank you, Kevin. Committee Members listed other areas that would benefit from this type of management:
Veterans Walking Trail on the north side
Arrowhead Park on the south side and areas in the SC and SB sections
Possible trimming of trees and underbrush on the 2 lots Cherokee Water Co. owns in the Beaver Run Road in the NT section.

We also talked about items to protect our most valuable natural resource, WATER. We had conversations about requiring contractors to provide proof of: General Liability Insurance



Pollution Liability/ Environmental Insurance
Jones Act/ Maritime Employers Liability
Insurance Environmental/Hazmat and Retrieval Coverage

There was thought that with the increased use of hydraulic equipment to build on the Lake and maintain the Lake, contractors should be prepared to handle an accidental spillage of fluids. (They are all toxic) Contractors should have an Oil Spill Response Kit on site at all times including absorbent booms and pads. Contractors should be fully responsible for spill containment, cleanup and restoration. These suggestions will be given to Kevin for consideration. A discussion was had concerning the next siltation removal site in Mud Creek. The design and construction of the siltation pond was discussed. Again, this information and suggestions will be presented to the full Board of Directors.

**Community Relations Committee Report
Kristina Coolidge, Chairman reported:**

The Cherokee Board Election is approaching, and we encourage our shareholders to join the table!! Candidate packets will be available beginning September 2nd for shareholders or shareholders spouses in good standing. Applications will be accepted from September 16 to September 30th at 4:00 PM. A Meet and Greet/ Q and A with the candidates will be held October 9th at 5:30 PM.

With no other business, Gary Mapes adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

ATTEST
Dee Rea, Secretary

Office Manager Report

Greetings,

You should have already received an email or letter regarding upcoming changes that will take effect beginning in October. If you did not receive this communication, please contact the CWC Office so we can confirm your mailing and/or email address.

Moving forward, our **primary communication channels will be email and the Portal.** We understand this may be an adjustment for some, but this shift will allow us to provide you with more timely and efficient updates.

Lease Renewals will open on **Monday, September 22nd.** When they go live, you will receive an email notification. Renewals will only be available through the Portal—**no paper renewal forms will be issued for 2025–2026.** You will need your Portal login and password to complete the process.

The CWC Office is here to support you. Assistance is available over the phone, in person, or by using the computer located in the lobby.

Most shareholders completed renewals online last year. The information you entered will automatically populate for your review and update. This year, a few additional details will be requested:

Date of Birth (DoB):

For shareholder and spouse/resident

Privilege Cards – Cell

Phone: Optional, but helpful as we transition to text notifications

Watercraft Type:

For reporting purposes

Communication Preference:

You may opt out of email communication, though we strongly encourage you to stay subscribed, as email will be our main method of communication moving forward.



Cathy Hite

Once your renewal has been processed, your **privilege cards and decals will be generated.** Privilege cards will now be issued electronically and sent via email. Shareholders with Lake Cherokee mailing addresses may pick up decals at the office or receive them directly from Lake Patrol.

Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to modernize our processes to serve you better.

Regards,
Cathy

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Growing Fish Fast - Supplemental Feeding

Introduction

Supplemental feeding programs for fish are commonly used in aquaculture and lake management to improve the growth rates of specific species, increase fish production per acre, attract fish to targeted fishing areas, and provide downstream benefits such as increased egg production from forage fish due to improved health. However, while fish trained to a feeder will often consume anything that hits the water, there is a science to designing an effective feeding program. In this article, we will discuss how to maximize the cost-to-benefit ratio of feeding fish and the different feed requirements for each species.

Starting a Feeding Program

Although fish are not typically considered highly intelligent, many species will quickly adapt to eating prepared feed. The key to successfully getting fish onto a prepared diet is consistency, feed quality, and understanding your target species. Not all fish readily accept artificial feed—species like bass and crappie, for instance, may never feed consistently. This is why most feeding programs in lake management, even those aimed at producing trophy bass, focus primarily on forage fish rather than sportfish.

Species such as bluegill, catfish, carp, and other omnivores are far more likely to respond positively to a structured feeding schedule. A consistent feeding regime is crucial—sporadic hand-feeding every few days or weeks is unlikely to train fish to rely on artificial feed. While you may see occasional interest from passing fish, establishing a routine where hundreds of fish actively feed at the surface requires a process of training.

Training fish to feed in a specific area takes time. Throwing out feed at the same times each day, or using an automatic feeder one to two times daily, will help attract and keep fish around the feeding zone. This not only boosts the health and size of forage fish but also improves sportfishing. The daily commotion of feeding can draw in predators like bass and crappie, creating a hotspot for anglers.

Even for those who aren't interested in fishing, watching hundreds or even thousands of fish aggressively feed at the surface can be an entertaining experience, especially for kids and nature lovers. Just remember: reaching this level of activity can take several weeks. Consistency—feeding at the same times every day—is the key to success.

Choosing the Right Feed

The next step in improving fish growth and attraction is choosing the right feed for your target species. A common misconception is that all fish feed is the same, and that if the fish eat it, they will grow. This is simply not true. Like any animal, different fish species have unique dietary requirements for optimal health and growth.

For example, bluegill require significantly more protein than catfish. Bluegill feed should contain 40–45% protein, with juvenile bluegill needing even more. In contrast, catfish only require 28–32% protein to grow efficiently. So, if you're feeding low-protein catfish food to try to grow larger bluegill, your results will fall short.

While high-protein feed is more expensive per bag, fish that require high-protein diets are typically more efficient at converting feed into body mass. This means that despite the higher cost per bag, the cost per pound of fish growth is often lower. Additionally, higher-quality feeds tend to be more palatable, reducing waste and improving feeding efficiency.

To get the best results, always select feed tailored to the species you are trying to grow.

When to Stop Feeding

Feeding fish is generally beneficial for promoting growth and attracting fish to your dock, but there are times when feeding can become harmful. In winter, when water temperatures approach or drop below 55°F, fish metabolism slows significantly. If fish consume feed during this time, it may not digest properly, leading to internal rot, infection, or death.

Although fish typically stop feeding at the surface during cold months, it's best to stop your feeding program in late November to early December and resume in March. This precaution helps prevent accidental losses and supports long-term fish health.

For more information on proper fish feeding contact:
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Lease Renewals 2025–2026

Important Dates

- **Lease Renewals Open:** Monday, September 22, 2025, via the Shareholder Portal.
- **Deadline:** October 31, 2025, to avoid late fees.

Renewal Process

- All renewals will be completed online through the Shareholder Portal (no paper leases this year).
- Need help? Office staff will be available to assist shareholders with online renewals.

Lease Amounts

- **Annual Lease Dues:** \$1,975
- **Split Payment Option:** Two payments of \$1,000 each (includes a \$25 processing fee).
 - First payment must be received by October 31, 2025.
 - If not, the **full amount** will be required starting **November 1, 2025**.

Payment Options

- Pay online via Visa, Mastercard, or E-Check/ACH.
- Or, pay by check—either by mail or in person at the office.
- **Late Fees:** \$100 if not received by **November 1, 2025**, plus an additional \$100 for each month thereafter.

What's New This Year

1. **Electronic Privilege Cards**
 - Cards will be created and emailed directly to the shareholder (or spouse) email on file.
2. **Decal Delivery for Local Shareholders**
 - Auto and watercraft decals will be hand-delivered to leaseholders with a Lake Cherokee mailing address.

👉 Keep an eye out for a reminder on **September 22nd** when lease renewals officially open on the portal!

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Lake Cherokee Photography Club

The August meeting of the Lake Cherokee Photography Club was August 12, 2025. The event was a 2 1/2 hour boat safari, captained by Craig Nichols. Although it was hot at the start and the predicted rain did not materialize, we all enjoyed the sunset on the return trip. Thank you once again, Craig, for offering your services. Pliny Mier, our guest speaker for September joined us as did Dottie, our newest group member. Welcome Dottie!

September 9, 2025 Pliny Mier will speak about "Birding, My Way". As a long time birding and nature photographer, he will show us techniques to improve our skills and set up creative backgrounds around our property. We hope to see everyone there at 6 PM at the lake office.

October 14, 2025 will be a business meeting. Things to be discussed are programs for the spring, and the holiday party in December. We should have time to share pictures too, and will address that at the end of the September meeting.

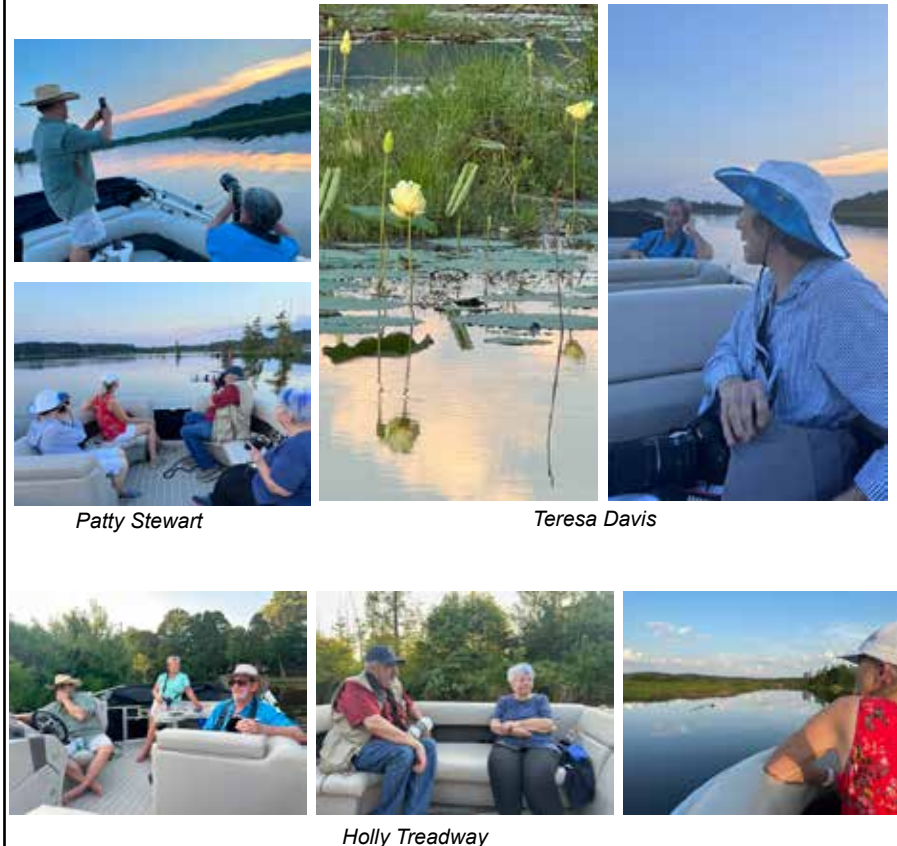
November 11, 2025 will feature "Patty Stew Photography Journey". She has a long history of photography including high profile, celebrity clients, and she is an excellent nature photographer as well.

December 9, 2025 will be the holiday party hosted by Deana and Jarett Harkness. As stated earlier, details will be discussed at the October meeting.

January 13, 2026 Marc Bailey has agreed to give us another lesson. Always entertaining, with some sort of show and tell practice.

We need ideas for February through June, so be thinking about speakers or something you can present to the group.

The Lake Cherokee Photography Club meets the second Tuesday of the month, downstairs in the CWC office, NK20, from 6:00 to about 8:00 at the latest. We invite all lake residents who are interested in photography to join us no matter skill level or equipment preferences. Many members are phone photographers, so don't be intimidated. The club has a Facebook page for photo posts and information. We also have an email list for reminders or changes several days before the scheduled meeting. Let us know if you want your name added. We have no dues or food to prepare (except for holiday party). We meet for the joy of photography. For questions, please TEXT Holly at 903-399-0066 (My phone blocks unknown numbers) or email me at greybiker@yahoo.com with Photo Club in the subject line and I will get back to you. Please feel free to just show up and see what we are all about.



NEWS FROM THE 19TH HOLE

by Alyce Clark

It was a hot day for our August, **Par 3 Tournament**. Thank you to all the teams who participated. First Place – Kevin, Michael, Phillip, & Kane | Second Place – David, Larry, & Greg

NOT JUST 1 HOLE IN ONE!

CCGA had two members with a Hole in One in August. Congratulations to Myron Foster who made his on hole #3 and Cherie Anglin who made hers on hole #14.

PRO SHOP hours for **September** are **7:00 am to 6:00 pm** Tuesday through Sunday. Closed on Mondays for course maintenance. The course will be open Labor Day at 7:00 am. The **Labor Day Fun Bunch** will begin at 8:00 am.

The **WOMEN'S** group play every Tuesday morning usually at 8:30 am depending on the weather. Hours may vary so please call the Pro Shop for the tee time.

The **CCGA LADIES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP** will be **October 6 & 7**. Please call the Pro Shop or check our Facebook page for tee time.

SATURDAY FUN BUNCH: every Saturday except for tournament days @ 8:00 am. It is a choose up style tournament and a lot of fun. It is a scramble format. Teams are picked randomly the morning of the tournament so plan to arrive early. Hours may vary so please call the Pro Shop for the tee time.

The **SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENT** will be the **String Tournament** held on **SEPTEMBER 13**, at 8:00 am. It is a **4 Person Scramble** and the cost is \$30 per player. Lunch will be available after the tournament.

The next **Board Meeting** will be on Thursday, September 11th @ 6:00 pm. It is an open meeting, and all are welcome to attend and ask questions.

Welcome to our new member, Lance Thornton.

FIRST TEE will begin their Fall Session on **September 6 @8:00 am**.

First Tee is a great way to introduce kids to golf and the valuable lessons that can last a lifetime. It provides opportunities for growth in golfing fundamentals, personal development, and even competition through golf tournaments. Whether a child is just starting or already experienced, there are endless ways to build skills and follow their interests.

The First Tee program offered at Cherokee County Golf is part of the Piney Woods Chapter at the Alpine Driving Range in Longview. The First Tee's



Myron Foster - Hole in One



Cherie Anglin - Hole in One



1st Place 3 Club

mission is to teach kids leadership and life skills through the game of golf. Our CCGC program offers a six-week session in both the fall and spring, as well as a week-long summer camp.

Our local program is led by Bill Blanks, who has completed several levels of First Tee training and has been a golfer since high school. In addition to coaching, Bill serves as the minister at the Church at Lake Cherokee and has over 30 years of experience working with children of all ages. Bill also offers private golf lessons.

For more information, visit the First Tee Piney Woods website: <https://firstteepineywoods.org> or call Bill directly at 903-521-3992.



2nd Place 3 Club

FREE GOLF SQ 05

The shareholders of the lot listed are the winners of FREE GOLF at the Cherokee Country Golf Association Course during the month of **SEPTEMBER**.

Any member of the shareholder's family should present their shareholder's card for one FREE round of golf, including the use of a cart.



6th Annual Lake Cherokee Trick-Or-Treat

**Saturday,
October 25th, 2025**

Participants:

Please text Lot # to 903-720-9108

We will post a complete list of participating lots on the Lake Cherokee Shareholder Facebook page closer to October 25th.

**Trick-Or-Treating
6:00 PM**



The Preservation Club met on August 21st following the board meeting. Exciting events are on the horizon for our lake community!

Our Family Fun Festival will take place on August 30th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a free event, so bring the whole family out to enjoy hotdogs (donated by Claytons Deli), games, Ice Cream (donated by Kristen Bates), and fun activities for all ages.

Looking ahead, the club is also preparing for Chili Fest on November 8th. Do you have a fabulous chili recipe? Gather a team, sign up, and compete for the honor of being crowned the best chili on the lake!

We invite shareholders to join our club and be part of the fun. Together, we plan exciting events and come up with new ideas that bring our lake community closer.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Family Fun Fest—don't miss it!

Deanna Kalmus
President

- + 80 Boats
- + 357 Participants
- + 100 Volunteers
- + 1 Beautiful Day
- + 1 Cool and full lake
- + 6 Outrageous Boathouses
- + 44 Generous Sponsors



2025 Wet & Wild Success

Congratulations to everyone involved with this year's event! Even though we had to postpone a week it was still very successful. It couldn't and wouldn't be done without each and every one of you. This year, the six boathouse themes were Camp Lake Cherokee, Country Club, Vegas Baby, Party in the USA, Luau/Flamin' Flamingo, and Out to the Ballpark.

With your generous support, we are able to preserve the beauty, health and well-being of Lake Cherokee. The Preservation Club has helped make the boat roads safer at night by furnishing lights to illuminate them, helped pay to connect the 2 islands with a Candoek, installed a sunshade over the sand pile to protect the kiddos and, helped pay for the stage I deck at the lake office. We have a few new ideas on the fire for the near future to help make Lake Cherokee the most beautiful, safe and re)axjng place to live.

Our prizes included many large towables, floating islands, water games, a TV, gift certificates, gift baskets and many others. We will be contacting you with information on our upcoming events for this year and volunteer opportunities. We hope we can count on your generosity in the future.

Thank you again, and we look forward to your continued support.

Sincerely,
Darrell Wolven
Lake Cherokee Preservation Club



Lake Cherokee Chili Fest

Entry Form (no entry fee)

November 8th, 2025



Team Name _____

Team Captain _____

Cell # _____ Home # _____

Lot # _____ Email _____

Team Members

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

5. _____ 6. _____

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If you have questions please call or email:

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Cherokee Fishing Club

By Bryce Tawney
– Secretary

August 2025

The August Meeting had 38 members and guests. Thank you to Pete and Carol Staiti for providing the meatloaf, mashed potatoes, and gravy. Cookie People who provided desserts and additional sides included Lori Klump, Larry Willis, Larry Lacewell, David Wilson, and Anna O'Brien.

CFC welcomes new members Jeff Traylor, Ron Bigler, and Jimmy Jones. Our new youth members who won the Coolidge & Company Real Estate and CFC Kids' Fishing Contest for fish caught during July: Alice Woody and Annie Box. Guests attending our meeting included Beth Matlock and Alice Berryhill of Coolidge & Company, Lisa Lobue, Samantha Denmon, Alice and William Woody, and Harrison Modisette.

Secretary/Treasurer Bryce welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bryce mentioned that CFC will hold elections in early 2026 for President, Secretary, and Habitat Director. All members who attend our meetings and actively support our activities are potential candidates for the CFC board. Bryce emphasized the need for a succession plan and encouraged interested individuals to contact him or any board member. CFC also needs more member volunteers to assist with monthly meeting support, fishing tournaments, and arranging programs.

Beth presented July's Kids Fishing Contest winners with their awards: Alice Woody for her .7 lbs. bream and Dawson Jaskiewicz for his 1.27 lbs. crappie. Unable to attend the meeting were Anthony Ward (bass 4.94 lbs.) and Annie Box (catfish 4.56 lbs.) The monthly contest continues through September, and rules for entries can be found in the Chatter and Facebook Lake Cherokee Shareholders group.

Bryce gave a financial update for July. Bryce reminded members of the upcoming 2025 fishing tournaments on September 17 (crappie) and October 18 (bass). Entry forms are in the September Chatter. Bryce noted that CFC is now using a texting service to remind members of the monthly meetings. This service is to replace the monthly phone call reminders. Please notify Lori Klump or Bryce if you did not get a voice message on Saturday, August 9. Also, if you elect to opt out at the prompt, you will not receive future notifications from CFC for meetings or other important messages. We recommend not opting out.



Big bream winner Alice

Gary Lindsey, Hatchery Director, reported the Florida strain bass fingerlings in the brood ponds were doing well. In early August, some of the bass were released into the lake, and the ponds were refilled with water. The remaining bass will be released in the coming weeks.

David Wilson, Tournament Director, noted he has new scales for use at the weigh-ins for the upcoming crappie and bass tournaments.

The evening's program was Fish Tales with members providing current updates and tips on recent catches. Nice bass are hitting topwater lures and wacky worms in the shallows and on worms on deeper inclines. Crappie are biting on the brush piles. The kids are catching nice bream and catfish around boat docks. Kayaker tips included securing your cell phones and staying alert to large alligator snapping turtles!

Congratulations to our Raffle winners this month: Tackle Gift Bags by Don Anderson, Jessica Modisette, Anna O'Brien, and Rod Diehl. ACC Crappie Stix rod by Gary Lindsey.

CFC members and any shareholders, privilege card holders, and CWC employees who would like to join or visit should mark your calendar for our next meeting on Monday, September 8.



Beth with big crappie winner Dawson



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- **Fish categories: Bass, Catfish, Crappie & Bream**
- **Contest runs April 1st – Sept 30th**
- **Winners will be presented with personalized certificate & \$50 prize at the monthly Fishing Club meeting! (Or checks can be mailed)**
- **A GRAND PRIZE will be drawn at the end of the season from *all entries received.***

Below are the contest rules:

1. **Enter catches simply by emailing a photo with contestant holding their fish on scale to fishing@lakecherokee.com**
2. **Weight of the fish and fish must be visible in the photo.**
3. **Email entries must include: Photo, youth's name, lot number, mailing address.**
4. **All submissions must be made to fishing@lakecherokee.com to be considered.**
5. **You will receive a reply to your submission to confirm you are entered.**
6. **All fish MUST be caught on Lake Cherokee.**
7. **In the event of a weight tie, the 1st received entry will be the winner.**
8. **By entering the contest, participants grant permission for the winner's photo to be published along with the youth's first name on social media and in local publications (e.g., Cherokee Chatter).**
9. **The monthly contest closes on the last day of each month at midnight & a new contest begins the 1st of each month.**

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Cherokee Fishing Club

2025 Crappie Tournament Entry Form

MUST BE A CURRENT CHEROKEE FISHING CLUB MEMBER

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Event Start Time: 6:30 A.M.

Event Weigh-in Time starts 12:15 P.M. through 1:00 P.M.

Must be in weigh-in line no later than 1:00 P.M.

Team Members

Name: _____ Name: _____

Name: _____ Name: _____

I have read and understand the tournament rules and also agree, I am responsible for my team and actions of the team. In the event of injury, death or property damage, I the undersigned do fully release and discharge the Cherokee Fishing Club, its officers, members and the Cherokee Water Company, its board of Directors and employees from any and all claims, demands, and/or causes of actions, including court cost and attorney fees.

Shareholder/Privilege Cardholder Information

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

Lake Lot #: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

CFC Annual Membership: Adult \$20, Youth (16 and under) \$10

Entry Fee: \$50.00 boat/2-member team, add \$25.00 for each additional person

CFC Membership: _____ Donation to Habitat: _____ Entry Fee: _____

Total Amount Paid: _____

Mail forms with payment to Cherokee Fishing Club, c/o Bryce Tawney, NG54 Lake Cherokee, Longview, TX 75603. Entry and payment must be received by Thursday, before the tournament. Entry forms may also be dropped off at CWC Office (NK20), no later than 3:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the tournament.

For questions, call David Wilson 903-235-6458 or Genia Holland 903-738-2444.

Cherokee Fishing Club

Registrant or One Team Member must have 2025 CFC Membership

Fall Bass Tournament Entry Form

October 18, 2025

Event Start Time

6:30 A.M.

Event Weigh-in Time

Opens 1:00 P.M.

Must be in weigh-in line by 3:00 P.M.

Team Members

Name: _____ Name: _____

Cherokee Fishing Club Member Information (CFC Member is Shareholder/Privilege Card holder/CWC Employee) Adult Member \$20 (Youth Member \$10 – 16 yrs old and younger)

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

Lake Lot #: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Entry Fee is \$50.00 for a boat/ 2-member team or single-lone fisherman.

CFC Membership: _____ Entry Fee: _____ Donation to Hatchery/Habitat: _____

Total Amount Paid: _____

Mail entry form to Cherokee Fishing Club, NG54 Lake Cherokee, Longview, TX 75603, must be received by Thursday, before the tournament. Or drop off at CWC Office (NK20), no later than 3:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the tournament.

For questions, call David Wilson 903-235-6458 or Bryce Tawney 281-433-6660.

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The art and logic of bidding is sometimes intimidating to new bridge players. A new online game, "BridgeWar" is an easy and friendly way to bring people to the bridge table. A combination of the game of bridge and the children's game, War, it is a perfect way to learn to take tricks without the bidding process. It's fast, it's intuitive, and it's designed to get players engaged in the play of the hand. Visit bridgewar.com to see for yourself.

At our CWC club weekly games we try not to go to war with each other, but the person with the high score for the room each Wednesday does get to put his or

 **AUGUST 2025
BRIDGE
CLUB**
By Jeanne Collins

her name "On the Wall". Bridge play at the CWC club is very informal, and men and women of all skill levels are welcome. If you do not know how to play, we will teach you. We play every Wednesday at the CWC Library, next door to the CWC Office. We start at 11:30 am and play four rounds, usually finishing around 2:30 pm.

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Jeanne Collins

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The First Friends Ladies met for lunch at Spudz in Lakeport for burgers, baked potatoes and pizza. The August meeting was all about just gathering and visiting for lunch - no agenda or program this month. We did get an update on the cookbook and steps are still headed in the direction of doing a cookbook in 2026. Any project of this nature takes time and tons of effort and pre qualifying and preparation and all the things, but we are excited to get it off the ground.

A big group in attendance today - 17 of us! Judi Morgan, Barb Robar, Susan Deeds, Joan Strong, Teresa Davis, Jeanne Collins, Marge Morris, Lisa Goettle, Donna Mitchell, Nan Henderson, Carol Ehl, Beth Schreiber, Gail Fowler, Patty Slusher, Ruth Burnsed, Karen Franklin, Penny Dant. Door prize furnished by Jeanne Collins and was won by Marge Morris.




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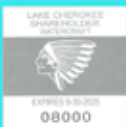
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AUTHORIZED WATERCRAFT



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PROHIBITED BOATS ON LAKE CHEROKEE

- Boats > 28 feet in length
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- Boats with sanitation facilities
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- Airboats or swamp boats
- No motors with open exhaust



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- No closer than 100 ft to carp fence
- No boating in the SWEPCO canal or City of Longview water intake area
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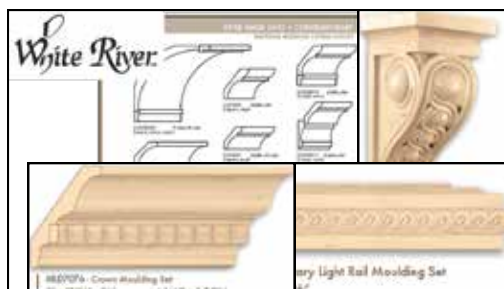
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7	8 Grandparents' Day	9	10	11	12	13
	Monthly Cleanup - September 8 – 12th 10 am to 5 pm					
	Fishing Club	Community Gardeners Photography Club	Bridge Club	Golf Course Board Mtg Patriot Day		
14	15 Board of Director Candidate Filing Period Begins	16	17 Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	18 First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club	19	20
21	22 1st Day of Autumn	23	24 Bridge Club	25	26	27 CRAPPIE TOURNAMENT
28	29	30 Variance Deadline Board of Director Candidate Filing Period Ends				

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OCTOBER 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 2025-2026 Annual Lease Renewal Due Bridge Club Luncheon	2	3	4
5	6	7 National Night Out (TX) National Night Out	8 Bridge Club	9 Golf Course Board Meeting	10	11
12	13 Fishing Club Columbus Day	14 Community Gardeners Photography Club	15 Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	16 First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club	17	18 FALL BASS TOURNAMENT
19	20	21	22 Bridge Club	23	24	25
26	27	28 Variance Deadline	29 Bridge Club	30	31 Halloween	





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