

## **Lake Sawyer Community Club (LSCC) History**

- 1948** May 18, Lake Sawyer Improvement Club granted tax exemption status. Club disbanded some years later.
- 1952** Aug. 5, Superior Court decree orders Vern Cole Realty Company to begin construction of present dam and fish ladder at Lake Sawyer outlet.
- 1956** Jan. 7, King County Boating Regulations (Resolution 16896) adopted to allow water skiing on Lake Sawyer with speeds up to 20 MPH between 2:00PM and 6:00PM Mon. – Fri and 11:00AM and 3:00PM Sat, Sun and holidays.
- 1961** July 13, First meeting of lake residents as a club – the Lake Sawyer Control and Development Club. Early meetings held at the Black Diamond Eagles Hall.
- 1961** July 23, First Bylaws adopted. Memberships open to lake residents.
- 1961** Aug. 11, Articles of Incorporation of the Lake Sawyer Control and Development Club Inc. Club purpose to “bring together all persons in the Lake Sawyer area to consider and work on any and all problems confronting the area with the hope of welding together a fine community in which to live”.
- 1962** May 11, First annual meeting of club takes place. A contest to rename the club was conducted with a \$10.00 prize. Jack Hoy – first President.
- 1964** Rumors circulate of a garage dump being located at the south end of lake.
- 1964** Aug. By-laws changed to revise membership requirements to include many off Lake Residents. “Membership in the Lake Sawyer Improvement Club Inc. of Kent Wash shall be open to all persons who reside within the following boundaries: An area embracing the South Half of Sec. 33 and the Southwest quarter of sec. 34, both these sections being in Township 22 North and Range 6 East then also embracing in Township 21 North and the same Range 6 East, and the Eastern Half of Sec. 3. The Northwest Quarter of Sec. 10. The Northeast Quarter of Sec. 9. All four quarters of Sec. 4.”
- 1964/65/66** Red Cross swimming lessons offered on lake – approx. 15 - 20 kids took part each year.
- 1965** Feb. 15, Amended Articles of Incorporation to change name to Lake Sawyer Community Club (LSCC).
- 1965** Labor Day, LSCC wins 3<sup>rd</sup> place for float in Black Diamond Labor Day Parade; also had concession stand and Queen candidate.
- 1966** May, Failed petition attempt to change boating regulations to eliminate any speeds over 8 MPH (existing water ski speeds at 20 MPH). Plans for new clubhouse presented at annual meeting. Building fund used raffles, dances, rummage sale, etc. as fundraisers.
- 1966** May 18, By-laws changed to revise membership requirements to Lake Property owners only and created associate membership for other interested persons.

- July 4 1966** First fireworks display on Lake Sawyer (all set off by LSCC members, not an outside company).
- 1966** Aug. 30, Deed for Clubhouse property recorded.
- 1966** Sept. Clubhouse building permit application
- 1966** Oct. Survey of LSCC property
- 1967** Jan. Clubhouse construction begins
- 1968** Feb. Clubhouse plumbing permit received, septic tank installed
- 1968** Aug. Clubhouse electrical service approved
- 1968** Oct. Water District #105 proposes locating wells at north end of lake (at present well site).
- 1969** Clubhouse furnishings obtained: Rummage sale proceeds used to buy folding tables, folding chairs purchased by member donations. Dishes for clubhouse gotten by members through Richfield Service Stations offering of place settings to customers. Coffeemaker gotten by collecting MJB lids.
- Feb 1970** Clubhouse final building inspection
- 1973** Newspaper drives used to raise LSCC funds.
- July 4 1974** First Annual Fourth of July Celebration on Lake Sawyer.
- 1974** Clubhouse activities included a Pizza & Suds night, dances (teens & adults).
- July 4 1975** No fireworks display on the lake this year; dock flare lighting at 10:00PM.
- 1975** Clubhouse activities included belly dancing, exercise classes, rummage sale, several dances.
- 1976** June, Clubhouse building bonds paid off.
- July 4 1976** No fireworks display due to lack of funds and lack of available pyrotechnic licensed person.
- 1976** LSCC sponsored a Boy Scout Pack #146. New Years Eve dance sold out.
- 1977** Water District 86 discussions for providing sewers for Lake Sawyer properties continue.
- 1977** July, Boat Parade moved from morning to afternoon.
- 1978** Feb. Clubhouse was broken into. Taken were most of the carpeting and colored floodlights.
- 1980** Clubhouse roof replaced at cost of approx. \$2000.
- 1981** Feb. \$6000 Clubhouse building mortgage paid off.
- 1983** Black Diamond sewage treatment facility (lagoon) commences operation. Water quality of Lake Sawyer becomes a very big issue for the next several years. LSCC takes a very active role through letter writing campaigns concerning the failure of this Black Diamond sewer system. Clubhouse gets new refrigerator, sink & associated cabinets.
- 1983** Oct. Maple Valley School of Ballet starts renting Clubhouse.

- 1986** John Henry No. 1 Coal Mine begins operation in Black Diamond.
- 1987** Black Diamond sewage facility (lagoon) declared a failure by Department of Ecology & Environmental Protection Agency.
- 1988** Merger talks between Water District 86 and 105 begin.
- 1989** Lake Sawyer Fire Station construction completed (station fully operational in May 1990). Soundproofing (ceiling baffles) installed in Clubhouse.
- 1990** Fencing installed on north side of Clubhouse property.
- 1991** Pumping of water from Horseshoe Lake into Rock Creek (Lake Sawyer) becomes an issue. Silt coming into Lake Sawyer, possibly from the John Henry Mine becomes a concern. Boat ramp rebuilt by King County (later repaired at waterline due to erosion of ramp).
- 1991** June, Lake Sawyer volunteer marine patrol ended by King County Sheriff due to liability issues.
- 1991** Dec. New roof on Clubhouse – cost approximately \$4800.
- 1992** Telephone installed in Clubhouse (Ballet School to pay monthly bill for 9 months each year).
- 1992** Aug. Clubhouse exterior painted.
- 1992** Nov. Black Diamond sewer finally connected to Metro (after 9 years).
- 1993** April, New sign & railroad tie planter boxes for Clubhouse.
- 1994** March, LSCC starts Adopt-a-Road effort along 216<sup>th</sup> Ave SE & SE 288<sup>th</sup> St.
- 1994** July, First Annual Run/Walk/Bike around Lake Sawyer
- 1995** Incorporation efforts of Lake Sawyer into the city of Black Diamond starts.
- 1997** September 4, 1997, Black Diamond held a public hearing to gather input from anyone wanting to speak regarding the annexation.
- 1997** The oil furnace is replaced in the Clubhouse.
- 1998** January, Lake Sawyer becomes part of the city of Black Diamond.
- 1998** LSCC donates money for the purchase of the new Black Diamond Police boat.
- 1999** August, Dock Numbers assigned.  
August, Board discusses selling clubhouse due to cost exceeding revenues by an average of \$1633.33 over last 3 years. Rental fee increases to \$125.  
October, King County completes purchase of 165 acres park at south end of lake.
- 2000** August 16, Lake Sawyer Regional Park Citizens Committee initial meeting.  
November 15, Lake Sawyer Community Club and the citizens of Lake Morton meet with Washington Wetlands Network
- 2003** Oct. 15, Boat Launch closed while temporary repairs made, City plans permanent fix.

**2004 - 2007** Needs Help

- 2008**, New Metal Roof and Gutters, Replacing underlayment and siding, Outside painting of clubhouse, New Double Pane vinyl windows, Rebuilt toilets, New urinal and sink in Men's Room, New traps and pipes in kitchen sink, New water heater, plumbing and electrical in kitchen, Cyclone Fence, Light in hall closet.
- 2009** Oct. New lighting installed (under \$1000) and new dimmer switches with correct rating installed (\$1200). New fire doors installed (\$5000+). Men's & Women's Bathrooms finished. New stall doors in women's and new entry doors on both. Interior painting and millwork completed. Successful Candidate forum held for November Elections.
- 2010** February - Motion passes to donate \$5000 to Black Diamond Coalition in their appeal efforts of The Villages and Lawson Hills MPD's. Building inspector hired, reports dry rot and water damage to sub-floor.
- 2011** Posts and joists in crawl space repaired, new vent boxes and screens added, kitchen subfloor replaced under budget of \$11,000. New kitchen cabinets installed under budget of \$5,500. Furnace inspected and found to be in good working order.

### **Club Presidents**

Jack Hoy	1962 – 1963	Lynn Ward	1984-85
Ted Harris	1964 - 1965		
Alex Tibeau	1966		
Dave Carlton	1967		
Jim Jennings	1968	Jean Pettelle	1986
Dave Carlton	1969-1972	Grayson Connor	1987
Doug Neer	1973	Stan Johnson	1989
Tom Fyock	1974 - 1975	Jerry Corn	1990
Rudy Onstad	1976 – 1977	Doug Geiger	1991
Monet Lion	1977 – 1978	Bob Rothschilds	1992
Jack Graham	1979	Mike Cline	1994
Jack Gucker	1980	Lynn Christie	1995 - 1996
Ken Van Diest	1981	Mark Davis	1997–1998
Evan Morris	1982-83	Dave Peters	1999–2000

Steve Garvich	2001-2003
Cindy Wheeler	2004-2005
Lisa Garvich	2006-2007
Joe May	2008-2010
Alan Gangl	2011
Steven Frank	2012