

OTLPOA Lakes Cleanup Day

Official Rules

1. The OTLPOA Cleanup Day event is sponsored by the Ottertail Lakes Property Owners Association, Inc. and the Ottertail Lakes Property Owners Association Foundation.
2. The event objective is to clean up and remove debris from our Association lakes and to educate the public about our lake association and Foundation.
3. Participants in the Cleanup Day event (hereafter “event”) do so voluntarily and agree to abide by and be bound by the rules established for the event as set forth herein and as may be amended or later created.
4. All participants must abide by all laws of the state of Minnesota, including those laws that pertain to boating, swimming, diving, invasive species, respecting habitat and general recreation on the water.
5. The event headquarters will be at the public access at the river outlet on Ottertail Lake (near Zorbaz) from 8 am to 3 pm on the day of the event and will locate to Beach Bums Bar on Ottertail lake thereafter.
6. The competition portion of the event will officially begin at 9 am and conclude at 3 pm. Participants will be on the honor system when it comes to respecting these times.
7. Participants must register for the event either by downloading and completing the registration form that is available on the OTLPOA website or by registering in person on the morning of the event. Registered participants will be furnished with a wrist

band that must be worn during the event and during the photographing of their “catch.”

8. No debris or trash may be accumulated in advance of the official start time. However, scouting and pre-locating debris to be removed during the event is permitted and is actually encouraged.
9. Participants may use whatever means they desire to remove debris from the water, including but not limited to, ropes, winches, hoists, buckets, nets, inflatable ballasts and mental telepathy. Care should be taken to not damage native vegetation or other natural habitat. Any body of water that is part of the Ottertail Lakes Property Owners Association may be the subject of cleanup/debris removal activity for this event. These include the Ottertail River north and the following lakes: Ottertail, Long, Walker, Blanche, Deer, Round and Pelican Bay.
10. Large, heavy items that are located should be marked by a GPS location and/or a string with a buoy marker, so that the Ottertail County Sheriff’s Office Dive Team and Advanced Docks & Lifts may locate and assist with extricating the item.
11. Any item that is removed from the water by the designated Dive Team/Barge during the event will be credited to the individual or team that locates it and either marks it or reports its GPS location.
12. When teams and/or individual participants have concluded their harvest of debris on event day (prior to 3 pm) they must take a photograph that shows the entirety of the debris with at least one team member being visible with their wrist band. This photo must be submitted prior to 3:30 pm to the Event

Committee by message **or** email to: 218-639-3972 (text); dcarliisle@toddwadena.coop(email). The photo may be taken with a Polaroid or other similar camera and submitted in person by the 3:30 pm submission deadline.

13. After a team has concluded their harvest activity on the day of the event, they must dispose of all debris, trash and other objects removed from the lakes, in the roll-off dumpster provided for the event by Ottertail County Solid Waste which will be located at the public access near the river outlet on Ottertail Lake, near Zorbaz. Batteries must be separated and not mixed in with the general dumpster contents.
14. The OTLPOA will designate three individuals who will constitute the “Event Committee” for this event. The “Event Committee” will be responsible for administering the event; interpreting in their sole discretion, the event rules; resolving any questions or disputes that may arise before, during and after the event; judging the submitted photographs that depict the debris harvested and awarding prizes.
15. All event participants will receive a gift certificate to a local restaurant.
16. A \$250 cash prize will be awarded for the most unique item harvested during the event.
17. Event photos submitted will be ranked by the Event Committee based upon their interpretation of the volume of harvested debris depicted in the photos.
18. The team that submits the top ranked photo as determined by the Event Committee, in its sole judgment, will be awarded five hundred dollars (\$500) and the second place team will be

awarded two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). The “most unique” item harvested during the event will be awarded a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250) cash prize.

19. All participants, except those winning a cash prize, will be eligible to win a raffle prize. The raffle process and number of prizes awarded will be determined in the sole discretion of the Event Committee. If a participant wins a prize, they are ineligible to be drawn for any additional prizes.
20. By participating in the event, participants acknowledge that certain activities related to the event may be dangerous or present certain hazards to their health, including but not limited to: boating, swimming, snorkeling, scuba diving, handling sharp or rusty objects and related activities. Participants understand the risk exists of a boating accident, drowning, receiving cuts and abrasions, sun/heat exposure, hypothermia, and other non-enumerated injuries. Nonetheless, participants who wish to engage in the event agree to indemnify and hold harmless, the OTLPOA, its officers, Directors, agents and assigns and others working at the event from any injury, damage or other liability arising from or that is related to the event, whether known or unknown, foreseeable or not foreseeable and regardless of whether said injury, damage or liability arises at a later date.