

# Star Lake Handbook



Star Lake  
Protective Association  
2009 Edition

# FOREWORD

The first *Star Lake Handbook* was created and printed in 1995. John Sayles did most of the research and writing while Roy Djuvik created the map and lot data to identify who lived where. Peter Kress aided in the printing and the *Handbook* was distributed to Star Lake Protective Association members and others who expressed an interest. An increasing number of requests for a revised *Handbook* finally led to the second edition in 2004.

Roy, Peter and John spent countless hours originating and publishing the first *Handbook* and it is out of respect for their efforts that I have made my contributions. Much of the original text remains while other sections were edited and updated in the second edition. The map was improved and the lake owner directories were updated to reflect new owners. Color photos and charts were added and the fish stocking program was brought up-to-date. The fish spotter’s guide was completely revamped with color photos and descriptions of more fish found in Star Lake. Existing sections were expanded and a new section seeking harmony within the lake community was added. Desktop publishing software provided a professional look while condensing more information into a smaller package. In 2009, we ran out of copies of the *Handbook* and reprinting became necessary. Much of the information was outdated. A new cover was designed. Owner data and the fish stocking program were updated. Other minor edits and revisions were made to bring us to this 2009 edition.

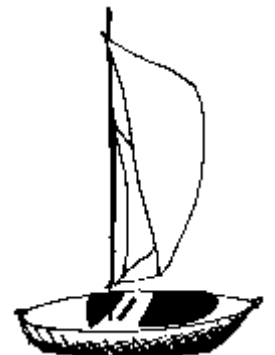
I, too, have spent countless hours on this project over the past five or six years; but it was a labor of love devoted to the most wonderful lake in the world! I hope you enjoy the *2009 Star Lake Handbook* in its revised but hopefully not final edition. —Bo Ritchings

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# THE STAR LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

The Star Lake Protective Association (SLPA) was founded in 1901. Its purpose is “to promote the protection and improvement of Star Lake and the surrounding property and environment.”



According to early Association minutes, which indeed go back to 1901, the founders were concerned, that without the active participation and contribution of owners and users, the lake might “lose its character through neglect.” Because of their foresight, the Association owns the land (lot #156 on the map) at the lake outlet to assure that the outlet will remain open and undeveloped. In earlier years, several social activities were scheduled during the summer. Recently, events have included two meetings per summer, an annual poker run, lake cleanups, and the Labor Day regatta.

A recurring theme, found throughout the minutes, is a concern for lake quality, safety, and security. Since the Association has no legal standing, nor the desire to establish and enforce “rules”, it relies on communication and good example of its membership to achieve its purpose.

Regular membership is open to persons owning property adjacent to, or with rights of way to, Star Lake. Associate membership is available for others who share an interest in the Association’s purpose. Two meetings are held each summer: one in early July and one near Labor Day. Officers are elected annually for one year, but usually serve for several terms. Minutes and other communications are available to members on the Association’s web site (<http://www.slpa.info>). The annual spring mailing serves as a membership drive and is sent to all lake property owners.

Membership dues, currently \$20.00 per year, are used to pay property taxes on the SLPA lot. Other uses of dues include funding the web site and making contributions to local groups such as FUND, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, and the Clifton-Fine Economic Development Corporation. Lake projects include printing this booklet and the purchase and placement of shallow water markers on the lake. We encourage all who share the lake and the purpose of the Association to become a member not only to provide financial support; but also to actively participate in the enjoyment and protection of Star Lake, one of nature’s most spectacular gifts to us.

## A SHORT HISTORY OF STAR LAKE

Star Lake was not always called Star Lake! The earliest indication that we can find that it was even known, to other than Native Americans, was its identification as “Big Lake” in an 1865 *New Topographical Atlas of St. Lawrence County, New York* from actual surveys by S. N. and D. G. Beers and Assistants. In 1876, Edwin R. Wallace’s *A Descriptive Guide to the Adirondacks* described a trip from Harrisville to Pitcairn and Fine; then up the East Branch of the Oswegatchie to Cranberry Lake. No mention was made of this most pristine lake in the Adirondacks! Theory has it that the many bays visually formed points to a star; and thus evolved the modern name “Star Lake.”



Full moon shortly after sunset

In 1885, Star Lake was identified as “Point Lake” on S. R. Stoddard’s “*Map of the Adirondack Wilderness.*” Finally, in Wallace’s 1894 *Descriptive Guide*, we find Star Lake! “... Star Lake in form, purity and brightness is one of the fairest of all the galaxy of gems adorning the Adirondack wilderness. On earlier maps it appears as “Point Lake” having thus been designated from its curiously scalloped shores. It has, but recently, received its more appropriate name. Its waters are crystal, objects being discernable at great depth. It is apparently one vast spring having no visible inlet or outlet. This many-armed islet-adorned and hill-enriched little loch, fringed here and there with golden sand presents a lake picture of peculiar and entrancing loveliness.”

And with “PR” like this, Star Lake began to emerge as a resort area. Remnants of the old Star Lake Hotel can still be seen in the Post Office Bay. The area became known as the “Catskills of the North” as many from downstate spent their vacations here at the numerous “resort” hotels on the lake. Many of our cottages are “century” cottages and many of the owners are third and fourth generation descendents of early Star Lakers. When grandchildren visit, some are even the fifth and sixth generation to swim in the “crystal waters” of Star Lake!

Statistics on Star Lake are from the *NYSDEC Region 6 Morphometric Atlas*. The aerial picture is an old post card photo taken from Maple Mountain, looking east.



The picture is a satellite view of Star Lake and the surrounding hamlet. For an interesting “tour” of the area, go to <http://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en&tab=w> and search for “Star Lake, NY”. Use the zoom and move features to “travel” around the lake in high resolution and great detail.



STAR LAKE STATISTICS	
We are “Pond Number”	281
Latitude	440902
Longitude	750232
Watershed	Oswegatchie-Black Rivers
Mean Depth	20.7 feet
Maximum Depth	64.9 feet
Volume	4290 acre-feet
Hydraulic Retention Time	2.69 years
Shoreline Length	4.6 miles
Elevation	1450 feet
Surface Area	236.7 Acres

## LET'S PROTECT THE LAKE!

We are blessed with a lake like this. Unlike some lakes, which people have managed to ruin or severely degrade, Star Lake has somehow remained nearly as pristine as it must have been 100 years ago. As we use and enjoy the lake, we need to also accept the challenge to pass it on to future generations in as good as or better condition than it is today! To quote Teddy Roosevelt, "*The nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased and not impaired in value.*" Besides this moral imperative, a healthy lake is important to our property values, our drinking water and our future enjoyment of the lake.

During the summer of 1994, the SLPA, in conjunction with the NYSDEC and the New York Citizens Lake Assessment Program, began a sampling and monitoring program. This enabled us to establish a base line of lake quality from which we can measure changes and compare our lake with others in the program. Recent partnerships with students and staff at Houghton College Star Lake Campus have continued water testing. In 2007, we surveyed the shorelines for invasive aquatic species such as Milfoil. Star Lake currently enjoys the highest lake rating for water quality. We must all try to keep it that way. Below are environmental factors that can negatively impact lake quality. It is important that we **ALL DO OUR PART** to avoid or minimize their impact.

**Zebra Mussels and Milfoil** The introduction of non-native plants and animals is probably the single greatest threat to lake quality. Boats, motors, and trailers and live bait from other lakes and rivers are the main source of both of these contaminations. **Zebra mussels** can foul the public water intakes. For those who draw water directly from the lake, zebra mussels can migrate throughout the entire water system, effectively clogging it unless a costly filtration system is installed. Their razor sharp shells can severely cut swimmers and waders. Juvenile zebra mussels are microscopic--you might not even know they are on your boat or fishing gear!

**Milfoil**, if introduced, can grow rapidly and form dense mats of vegetation significantly degrading swimming,



boating, and fishing. Milfoil plants easily fragment into small pieces and each piece can form roots. A single whisp can multiply into 250 million new plants in one year! Milfoil has a fine, feathery appearance. Its leaves are green, and the stems are red or rust colored. Generally, each leaf has 12 or more pairs of leaflets. In the late summer, the plant forms mats on the water's surface and sometimes spike-shaped flower stalks emerge above the surface. **You can help** by removing even the smallest weed fragments; not just milfoil, from your boat, motor, trailer and fishing gear when you leave a body of water. Properly dispose of weeds and check your gear carefully before launching into Star Lake! For more, see the NYSDEC site <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/50121.html>



If you, your guest or renter have had your boat on another body of water, **before** launching it in Star Lake (or anywhere else!) please follow the procedures adapted from the DEC *1994-95 Fishing Regulations Guide*. These important steps can be found in the "Boating on the Lake" section, page 5 and at the above web site.

### Septic Tank Seepage or Overflow

Septic tank seepage into the lake can contain high levels of nitrogen and phosphates both of which can nourish weed growth. There is also the potential of direct disease transmission from raw sewage. The SLPA and the Star Lake Water Authority have made "red dye" tablets available free of charge at Todd's Supply. We strongly urge that you self-test your septic system. Instructions are available at Todd's.

### Lawn and Garden Fertilizers

Run-off of fertilizer is another source of weed nutrients. It may be attractive to have a nice green lawn; but we don't want a green lake! Please use with great constraint near the lake, taking care not to contaminate the water with fertilizers and other harmful chemicals or pesticides. A good source of environmentally-friendly lawn and garden solutions is <http://www.gardensalive.com/>.



## Purple Loosestrife

Purple loosestrife has been seen on the shores of Star Lake. This beautiful square-stalk plant with purple petals poses a threat to our delicate ecosystem. It is not indigenous to North America; however it is extremely invasive to our fresh water wetlands. According to the National Parks Service, purple loosestrife poses a real ecological threat to all states except Florida. "Purple loosestrife adapts readily to natural and disturbed wetlands. As it establishes and expands, it out-competes and replaces native grasses, sedges, and other flowering plants that provide a higher quality source of nutrition for wildlife. The highly invasive nature of purple loosestrife allows it to form dense, homogeneous stands that restrict native wetland plant species...and reduce habitat for waterfowl." For more information on how to identify and remove this swamp invader, see the following web site: <http://www.nps.gov/plants/alien/fact/lysa1.htm>.

## Litter, Contaminants and Other Pollution

The lake and surrounding roads are no place to dispose of cans, bottles and bottle caps, or any other trash! Every year, remnants of past littering and carelessness wash onto our shores. Every summer, we hear of someone stepping on a broken glass bottle, causing severe injury. All one has to do to witness the lack of concern over littering is take a walk on the road behind the lake. It's time we brought back the old '70's slogan: "Don't be a litter-bug!"

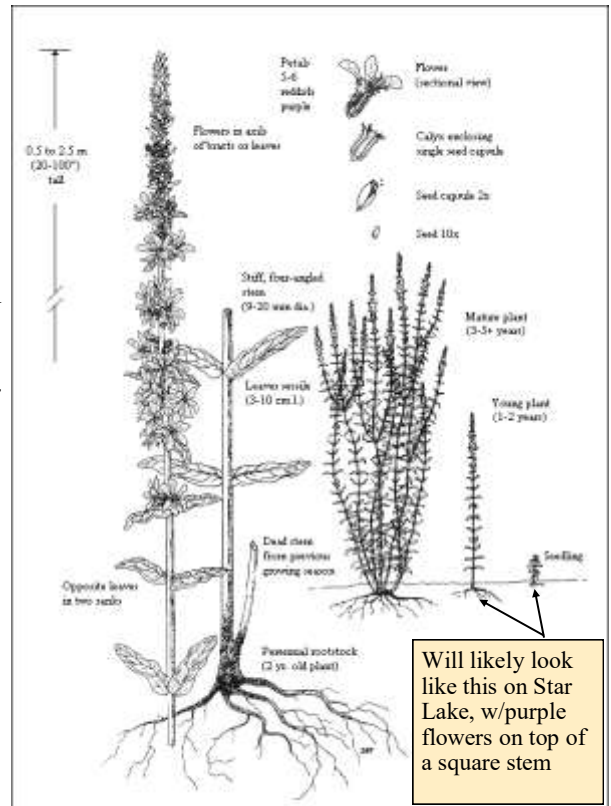
Please help by setting a good example for kids and educating them to the benefits of keeping our lake clean. Batten down the raft on windy days to avoid accidental littering. Try to avoid using glass containers on the lake to minimize the potential of injury from broken glass. Please be particularly careful handling gasoline, oil and anti-freeze to insure that spills don't contaminate the water or shoreline. "If you bring it in, take it out!" doesn't only apply to campers, hikers and Boy Scouts. If you see the litter of others, please help by picking it up and disposing of it properly. If you see someone littering, call them on it and tell them to stop! **It's everyone's obligation** to the lake community to help keep it clean and green.

Local air pollution has not generally been a problem here. However, residents around the lake should be aware that the Town of Fine passed an ordinance banning the use of burn barrels. Burning garbage and other refuse not only smells up the neighborhood; the noxious gasses are harmful to us and our environment.

Sound pollution such as incessant dog barking, loud music, and late-night partying can also be a problem from time to time. Please do your part to insure everyone's "quiet enjoyment" of their property.

## Shore Erosion

Boat wakes can cause shoreline erosion and damage to docks and moored boats. Evidence of erosion can be found at the end of Scott's Point, the north end of Lulu Island, and the first 500 feet of the south shore entry to Post Office Bay. Erosion is an imposition on the property owner. The washed-in soil silts the lake bottom and is a nutrient for weed growth. Most of us can't afford to lose any more valuable shoreline, so please be careful and watch your wake.



## BOATING ON STAR LAKE

**BEFORE Launching** a boat or other water craft into the Lake:

If you (or your guests or renters) have had your boat on another body of water, please follow the procedures below to avoid contamination of the lake: (adapted from the DEC 1994-95 *Fishing Regulations Guide*)

- ★ Remove pieces of aquatic vegetation and dispose of them on land well away from the water;
- ★ Wash the boat, motor, oars, and trailer with hot (over 120° F) water or steam at a car wash preferably shortly after taking the boat out of the water; definitely before launching in Star Lake!
- ★ Empty live wells and bilges on land, well away from the shore. Flush them with 120° F water;
- ★ Don't release unused bait into the water and don't dump your bait bucket water into the lake. Don't release fish caught in other lakes or streams into Star Lake either. Fish not native to Star Lake may be undesirable species that will negatively affect the ecosystem of the lake. We'd add, *don't ever use* baitfish from other than Star Lake or Little River.

### Please Study the Star Lake Map

Among other things, the enclosed map identifies rock shoals, shallows, and sand bars to help new people and their guests avoid damaging their props, keels, or centerboards. It also includes a 5 mph/100 foot from shore-line marking in critical areas around the lake to assist in keeping appropriate speeds, maintaining safety and minimizing erosion. Specific areas of concern are mentioned on the next pages of the *Handbook*.

### Right of Way and Counter-Clockwise Direction of Travel

New York boating safety laws indicate that motorized boats, jet skis (personal water crafts) and rafts must yield right of way to sail boats and boats engaged in fishing. Sailboats must stay out of the way of boats engaged in fishing. All slower traffic should keep to the right, out of the main traffic channels.

Many years ago, the SLPA established some guidelines for safe motor boating and one of these was a suggestion to boat around the lake in a counter clock-wise direction. While not carved in stone, this has been a tradition for a long time. It is particularly important for fast boats, pwc's and water skiers to observe this rule to avoid accidents and maintain a safe traffic flow. Other slower vessels that choose to travel opposed to the general traffic should stay out of the main channels, particularly in "blind" areas where oncoming traffic might not be seen until it's too late. If all follow this convention, it should help to minimize confusion and avoid potential problems. This is not a law; it's a rule of tradition and common sense.

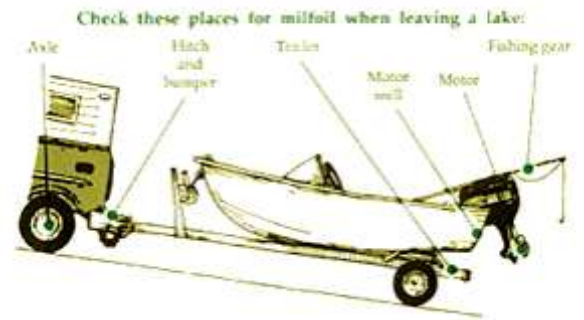
If you have guests or renters, please try to inform them of these general guidelines and, better still, make this handbook available to them. If you have children boating on the lake, please make sure they are observing the rights of others and that they are aware of proper boating safety rules. A NY Boaters' Safety course is recommended for younger boaters and is required for boaters (12-17) and now applies to all pwc (personal water craft) operators, regardless of age. In recent summers, the course has been offered on Star Lake for the convenience of its residents. If you are interested in taking the course, please contact an Association officer early in the summer for dates and times offered.

### Speed Regulations, Safety, Boat Wakes and Other Considerations

New York has boating laws which, when followed, strike a balance between safety, boating enjoyment, and infringement on the environment. Let's all be good neighbors and respect the rights of lake users by trying to follow some basic, common-sense rules. The following are excerpts from *The New York State Boater's Guide*.

"...speed is limited to 5 mph when within 100 feet of shore, dock, pier, raft, or anchored boat." Some counties have added swimmers to the list and this is probably a good idea. Swimmers who are a considerable distance from shore (swimming across the bay or lake, for example) should make sure they are extra visible to boaters.

Look at your wake from time to time. Five mph is a fast walking speed and the intent here is not only safety, but a minimizing of wake and the impact it has on shore lines and property. "... you must operate your boat so it will not endanger others. Your boat must be able to stop safely within the clear space ahead. A skipper is



responsible for damage caused by his wake... ” Some heavier, larger boats leave a bigger wake at 5 mph than if they were going full-speed! When going through the cut between second and third lake, around small islands or into narrow bays, it’s best to put the bow of the boat right down into the water and run at slow, idle speed; not half throttle with your “bow up” leaving a three-foot wake! Please use good judgment and observe your wake from time to time, whatever the speed. All boat owners should instruct those who use their boat about safety, wake damage and consideration for others.



For an idea of what 100 feet is, the mouth of Post Office Bay is a little more than 200 feet wide, so one half of this is just over 100 feet. The enclosed map marks the 100-foot limit in critical areas of the lake with a 5 mph symbol. There are some specific problem areas on the lake regarding the 100-foot limit:

- ★ The first area of concern is the north end of Lulu Island. The distance from the end of the island to the mainland is about 125 feet, so the speed limit there is 5 mph. Water skiing around the island, while traditional, is technically illegal since it violates the 100-foot rule. While skiers have traditionally skied around the islands, there is severe shore erosion on the islands. Those little islands can’t afford to lose any more shoreline! Entrances to most smaller bays and around islands fall within the 100-foot, 5-mph rule.
- ★ The second area is Sunset Bay where technically there appears to be “room;” however the sandbar poses a safety problem when water skiing into and out of the bay and avoiding the 100-foot limit on Scott’s Point.
- ★ The third area of concern is the Post Office Bay. The mouth is just over 200 feet wide. The bay then opens up for a short ways but closes to 205-215 feet for several hundred feet. This means that there is only a 5-15 foot legal “channel” through that stretch. If there is other traffic in the channel, then there is a problem with towing a water skier and still being 100 feet from shore. We suggest when water skiing, that you take a quick look before entering or leaving the bay. If there is traffic in the channel, then circle around or by-pass the bay until it’s clear. Slower traffic should keep right, out of the main channel. Swimmers should make sure they are clearly visible to boat traffic and should be very careful when crossing the channel.
- ★ Another area is “through the cut.” People should not ski or speed through this area for several reasons. First and most important, there are often people using their beach and dock in that area and safety is an issue. Second, it is difficult to determine if there is traffic on the other side at the speed required to ski; and last, there is the obvious erosion problem. This is clearly a 5 mph area.

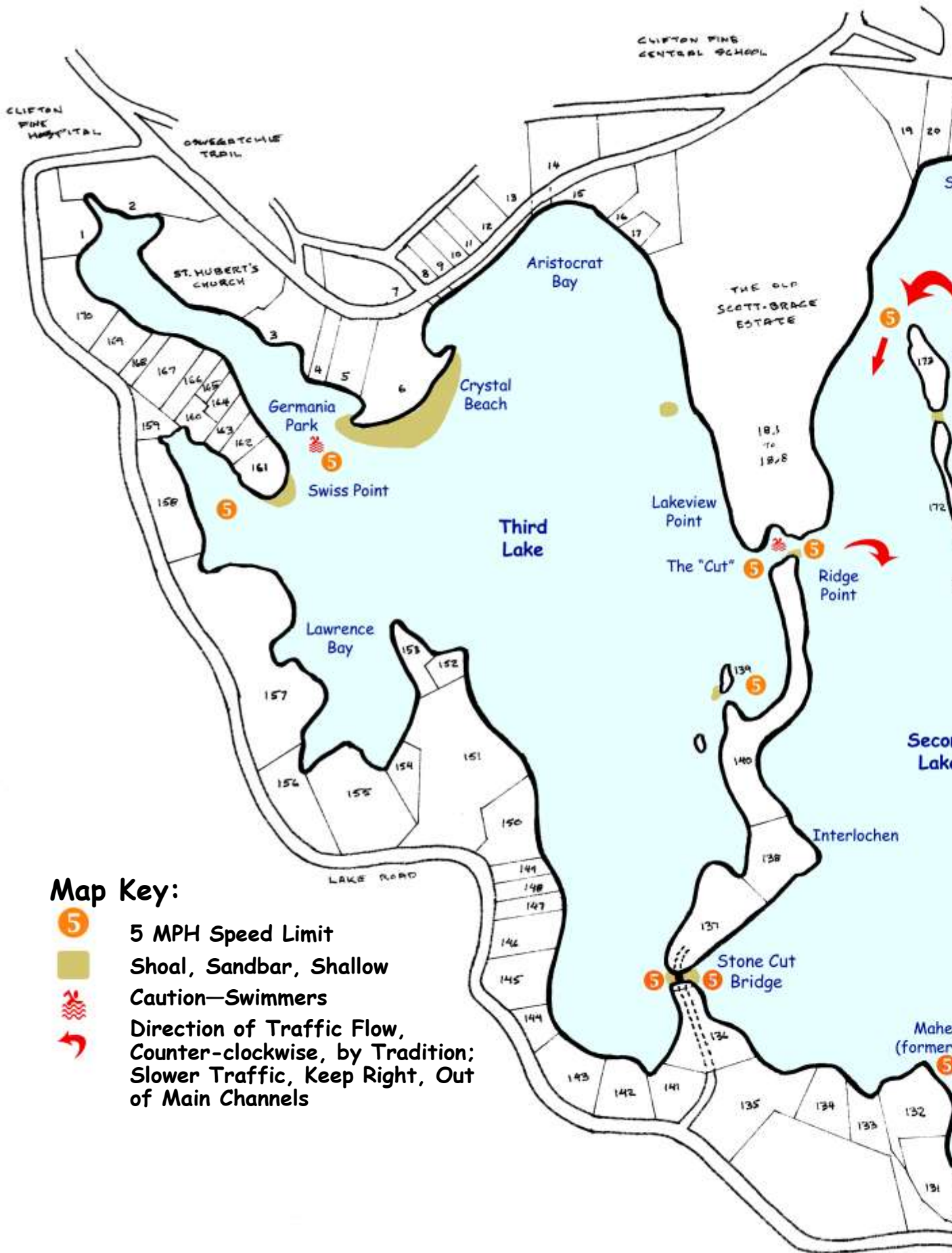
## STAR LAKE MAP AND DIRECTORY OF OWNERS

To help to get to know each other on the lake, we have put together a map and directory of lakefront owners. The material was drawn from the Township property records and the map was traced from aerial view maps in the assessor’s office. There are two listings: one by property “number” (which we arbitrarily assigned) and one alphabetically, by last name. The naming of land marks comes from old maps, old post cards, and “folklore” from some “old timers.” We have tried to make generous use of place names in order to increase familiarity with our lake.

Property changes hands regularly on Star Lake and while this information is current to July, 2009, it may not be accurate by the time you read this. If you are a new Star Lake property owner and are not listed, we apologize in advance and suggest you contact one of the Association officers with the updated information. We hope to update the list more often and make it available as a supplement to the *Handbook*, which was laid out so that the old map page can be torn out and replaced easily with the updated page. Again, your comments are welcome. We hope you will find this information useful as you learn “who’s who and where?” around the lake.

## Star Lake Property Owners by Name as of July 15, 2009

Map#	Last Name	First Name	City/State	Map#	Last Name	First Name	City/State	Map#	Last Name	First Name	City/State
81	Adams	Lewis	Star Lake NY	105	Healey	David & Cynthia	Star Lake NY	77	Rice	Tom & Rogene	Star Lake NY
92	Amos	Mary	Star Lake NY	16	Hitchman	Richard & Bridgit	Star Lake NY	161	Ritchings	Bo & Marty	Star Lake NY
170	Arbolino	Philip & Angela	East Dorset VT	15	Hitchman	Richard	Star Lake NY	162	Ritchings	Bo & Marty	Star Lake NY
72	Backus	Irmtraud	Lake Worth FL	33	Holding	Norma	Spencerport NY	100	Ritchings	Jon & Irene	Storrs CT
27	Bailey	Jessie & Ivy	Herkimer NY	35	Huiatt	Rovie	Norwood NY	29	Rose	Harold & Eileen	Star Lake NY
169	Baker	Charles & Cary	Cooperstown NY	171	Huiatt	Rovie	Norwood NY	86	Russo	Joseph & Margie	Star Lake NY
74	Baltazar	Dr. Cynthia	Colton NY	127	Hunter	Mary E.	Star Lake NY	87	Russo	Joseph & Margie	Star Lake NY
59	Bauerschmidt	Bob & Irene	Webster NY	112	Hunter	William S.	Star Lake NY	97	Sabad	Joe & Vicki	Canton NY
62	Bauerschmidt	Bob & Irene	Webster NY	21	Jarvis	Paul & Mary	Star Lake NY	98	Sabad	Michael	Friendsville TN
40	Bauerschmidt	Shawn	Ontario NY	32	Johnson	Tim & Pam	Star Lake NY	166	Sanders	Steven	Berwick, Ontario Can
167	Been	Richard	Star Lake NY	37	Jones	Anita	Star Lake NY	69	Sayles III	John M.	West Chester PA
168	Been	Richard	Star Lake NY	39	Jones	Anita	Star Lake NY	61	Schneider	Crystal	Liverpool NY
104	Bellanger	Ron	North Syracuse NY	45	Jones	Robert	Wilmington DE	80	Schuyler	Joel & Cheryl	Star Lake NY
31	Berg/Duchano	Roy & Renada	Star Lake NY	145	Kerr	Ann Rose	Star Lake NY	83	Shaffer/Cumick	Michael & Kathie	Erving MA
57	Besaw	Tim & Sandy	Star Lake NY	129	Kerr	Grant	Star Lake NY	139	Shelton	Feets & Dixie	Wimberley TX
134	Birchenough	David & Eileen	Star Lake NY	138	Kramer	Tom	Ontario NY	140	Shelton	Heidi	Pflugerville TX
54	Boyle	Ronald	Cheektowaga NY	18.4	Krauter	Marien	Skaneateles NY	150	Shene	Hester	Star Lake NY
18.1	Brace, Rod	Starmist LLC	Canandaigua NY	23	Kress	Peter & Marg	Star Lake NY	159.1	Sherman	Mary	Star Lake NY
36	Brooker	John & Lisa	Star Lake NY	12	Kuhn	Robert	Star Lake NY	163	Sherman	Mary	Star Lake NY
42	Brown	Mary Eileen	Cleveland OH	135	LaRocque	Paul & Dona	Schaghticoke NY	164	Sherman	Mary	Star Lake NY
132	Burns	John & Reta	Lyons NY	2	Laurin	Richard & Lorraine	Star Lake NY	165	Sherman	Mary	Star Lake NY
14	Burtick	Donald & Yvonne	Oswego NY	155	Leffert	John & Joan	Star Lake NY	156	Star Lake Protective Association		Star Lake NY
38	Cacciato	Charles	Fairport NY	3	Leffert	Kyle & Vanessa	Novi MI	4	Smith	Chris & Christine	Lacona NY
58	Cannell/Barton	Ronald & Sally	Gouverneur NY	115	Lomaglio	Jennifer	Rochester NY	116	Smith	Mike & Laurie	Williamsport PA
46	Capone	Sal & Sally	Star Lake NY	89	Lowell	Jonathan	Malone NY	116.5	Smith	Mike & Laurie	Williamsport PA
95	Carthy	Dr. John & Hiroko	Star Lake NY	9	Mackay	Patrick & Dianna	Star Lake NY	24	Smith	Schuyler & Judy	Syracuse NY
96	Carthy	Jack & Lisa	Duluth GA	10	Mackay	Patrick & Dianna	Star Lake NY	119	Snider	Herb & Connie	Star Lake NY
122	Cean	George & Brenda	Star Lake NY	157	MacNaughton	David & Rebecca	Du Bois 75116 Paris	120	Snider	Herb & Connie	Star Lake NY
123	Cean	George & Brenda	Star Lake NY	158	MacNaughton	David & Rebecca	Fra	126	Sokol	Paul & Patricia	Flemington NJ
113	Chandler	Phil & Ginny	Star Lake NY	63	Malady	Carl & Bonnie	Rochester NY	7	Sovay	Mike & Tammy	Star Lake NY
22	Chatelain	Leo & Elsie	Star Lake NY	137	Marien	Mike & Mary Lou	LaFayette NY	136	Sovay	Rudy & Betsy	Star Lake NY
172	Chauvaux	Barbara	Charlotte NC	48	McCain	Charles & Pamela	Chantilly VA	1	Star Lake Assoc.	Laura Caldwell Est.	Fayetteville NY
68	Chaveaux	Shawn	Parish NY	47	McCain	Rita	High Point NC	102	SL Campus	Houghton College	Star Lake NY
2.1	Church	St. Huberts'	Star Lake NY	143	McCoy	Dave & Terri	Star Lake NY	151	Stauss	Janet	New Berne NC
130	Church	Tom	Fulton NY	18.2	Michael Brace	Star Lake HOAssn	Boston NY	154	Stauss	Mark	Houston TX
130.1	Church	Tom	Fulton NY	90	Miller	Rod & Bridget	Baldwinsville NY	85	Stief	Bill & Anne Marie	Star Lake NY
118	Collins	Rosanne	Star Lake NY	26	Miranda	Margaret	Mechanicville NY	110	Stiles	Steven & Martha	Rensselaer Falls NY
173	Cooper	Jared	Star Lake NY	114	Mitchell	Jan & Patricia	Star Lake NY	125	Studholme	Audrey	Ft. Pierce FL
29.1	DaBoll-Lavoie	Joseph & Kathleen	Canandagua NY	92.1	Moshano	Hank & June	North Port FL	8	Szewczyk	Dan & Roberta	Star Lake NY
103	Dawson	Randall	Middletown DE	117	Mott	Joseph	Gouverneur NY	20	Taubenfeld	Mary Jo	Rochester NY
149	DeCora	Ed	Star Lake NY	143.1	Myers	Carroll & Jean	Star Lake NY	141	Testone	Vito & Pamela	West Monroe NY
70	Derby	Joseph	Star Lake NY	64	Myers	Tom & Katherine	Westminster MD	18.7	The Point at Star Lake LLC		Skaneateles NY
93.1	Dewitte	Daniel & Trudy	Ontario NY	18.6	Nelson	Abigail	Essex Junction VT	41	Thomas Jr.	Jack	Star Lake NY
94	Dewitte	Douglas & Wendy	Webster NY	146	Neptune	Pat	Craig CO	84	Thompson	John	Star Lake NY
153	Djuvik	Roy & Mary	Boiling Springs PA	18.5	Opalair LLC		Orchard Park NY	71	Todd	Walter & Karen	Star Lake NY
91	Downey	David & Judith	Star Lake NY	18.8	Opalair LLC		Orchard Park NY	28	Towne	Daniel & Diane	Star Lake NY
50	Duchano	Margaret	Star Lake NY	11	Padgett	Mark	Star Lake NY	60	VanEmmerrick	Edward	Oswego NY
30	Dudek	Gail Anderson & Dan	Eagle Bridge NY	124	Perrault	John & Maryalcyce	Star Lake NY	52	VanGelder	John & Lucy	Cocoa FL
131	Feerick	Denis & Janet	Star Lake NY	25	Persson	George & Anita	Star Lake NY	75	Versteeg	Paul & Chris	Star Lake NY
93	Flynn	Tom & Sharon	Star Lake NY	147	Peterson	Gary & Pat	Ft. Lauderdale FL	144	Vito	Margaret	Dix Hills NY
152	Gardner	Gordon & Lynn	Star Lake NY	13	Pilger	Charles	Tupper Lake NY	59.1	Vosburgh	Donald	Cortland NY
148	Gardner	Lenny & Linda	Waterloo NY	106	Pitts	Forrest & Naomi	Star Lake NY	101	White	Peter & Joyce	Star Lake NY
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53	Golden	Stephen	Redington Shores FL	108	Pitts	Forrest & Naomi	Star Lake NY	18.3	Wiles	Karl & Mary	Syracuse NY
49	Golden	Theresa	Syracuse NY	109	Pitts	Forrest & Naomi	Star Lake NY	88	Williams	Frank & Jean	Longmeadow MA
159	Grammo	Reynald & Grace	Stephens City VA	99	Pomerville	Jean	Star Lake NY	76	Willison	James	Webster NY
160	Griffin	Jeff	Star Lake NY	6	Popp	Joe & Judy	Star Lake NY	43	Withee	Charles & Margaret	Webster NY
82	Hall	Mark	Star Lake NY	133	Popp	Joe & Judy	Star Lake NY	142	Wojcicki	Michael & Deborah	Watertown NY
111	Halling	James & Eileen	Geneva NY	51	Reese	Richard & Karen	Pittsford NY	44	Ziaie	Reza & Rene	Liverpool NY
78	Hamm	John	Star Lake NY	34	Reeves	Paul & Judy	Somers CT	56	Zimmerman	Fred	Watertown NY
121	Hance	Ron & Debbie	Star Lake NY	17	Regelin	Joan	New York NY	79	Zois	Leon & Bessie	Newark NJ
55	Hawley	Steve	Star Lake NY	128	Reynolds	Bob	Star Lake NY				





## Star Lake Property Owners by Map Number as of July 15, 2009

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1	Star Lake Assoc	Laura Caldwell Est.	Fayetteville NY	55	Hawley	Steve	Star Lake NY	116.5	Smith	Mike & Laurie	Williamsport PA
2	Laurin	Richard & Lorraine	Star Lake NY	56	Zimmerman	Fred	Watertown NY	117	Mott	Joseph	Gouverneur NY
2.1	Church	St. Huberts'	Star Lake NY	57	Besaw	Tim & Sandy	Star Lake NY	118	Collins	Rosanne	Star Lake NY
3	Leffert	Kyle & Vanessa	Novi MI	58	Barton	Ronald & Sally	Gouverneur NY	119	Snider	Herb & Connie	Star Lake NY
4	Smith	Chris & Christine	Lacona NY	59	Bauerschmidt	Bob & Irene	Ontario NY	120	Snider	Herb & Connie	Star Lake NY
5	Giardino	Phillip & Lorraine	Star Lake NY	59.1	Vosburgh	Donald	Cortland NY	121	Hance	Ron & Debbie	Star Lake NY
6	Popp	Joe & Judy	Star Lake NY	60	VanEmmerick	Edward	Oswego NY	122	Cean	George & Brenda	Star Lake NY
7	Sovay	Mike & Tammy	Star Lake NY	61	Schneider	Crystal	Liverpool NY	123	Cean	George & Brenda	Star Lake NY
8	Szewczyk	Daniel & Roberta	Star Lake NY	62	Bauerschmidt	Bob & Irene	Webster NY	124	Perrault	John & Maryalyce	Star Lake NY
9	Mackay	Patrick & Dianna	Star Lake NY	63	Malady	Carl & Bonnie	Rochester NY	125	Studholme	Audrey	Ft. Pierce FL
10	Mackay	Patrick & Dianna	Star Lake NY	64	Myers	Tom & Katherine	Westminster MD	126	Sokol	Paul & Patricia	Flemington NJ
11	Padgett	Mark	Star Lake NY	68	Chaveaux	Shawn	Parish NY	127	Hunter	Mary E.	Star Lake NY
12	Kuhn	Robert	Star Lake NY	69	Sayles III	John M.	West Chester PA	128	Reynolds	Bob	Star Lake NY
13	Pilger	Charles	Tupper Lake NY	70	Derby	Joseph	Star Lake NY	129	Kerr	Grant	Star Lake NY
14	Burtick	Donald & Yvonne	Oswego NY	71	Todd	Walter & Karen	Star Lake NY	130	Church	Tom	Fulton NY
15	Hitchman	Richard	Star Lake NY	72	Backus	Irmtraud	Lake Worth FL	130.1	Church	Tom	Fulton NY
16	Hitchman	Richard & Bridgit	Star Lake NY	73	Wiggins	Dinah	Webster NY	131	Feerick	Denis & Janet	Star Lake NY
17	Regelin	Joan	New York NY	74	Baltazar	Dr. Cynthia	Colton NY	132	Burns	John & Reta	Lyons NY
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18.2	Michael Brace	Star Lake HO Assn.	Boston NY	76	Willison	James	Webster NY	134	Birchenough	Dave & Eileen	Star Lake NY
18.3	Wiles	Karl & Mary	Syracuse NY	77	Rice	Tom & Rogene	Star Lake NY	135	LaRocque	Paul & Dona	Schaghticoke NY
18.4	Krauter	Marien	Skaneateles NY	78	Hamm	John	Star Lake NY	136	Sovay	Rudy & Betsy	Star Lake NY
18.5	Opalair LLC		Orchard Park NY	79	Zois	Leon & Bessie	Newark NJ	137	Marien	Michael & Mary Lou	LaFayette NY
18.6	Nelson	Abigail	Essex Junction VT	80	Schuyler	Joel & Cheryl	Star Lake NY	138	Kramer	Tom	Ontario NY
18.7	Star Lake LLC	The Point at	Skaneateles NY	81	Adams	Lewis	Star Lake NY	139	Shelton	Feets & Dixie	Wimberley TX
18.8	Opalair LLC		Orchard Park NY	82	Hall	Mark	Star Lake NY	140	Shelton	Heidi	Pflugerville TX
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21	Jarvis	Paul & Mary	Star Lake NY	84	Thompson	John	Star Lake NY	142	Wojcicki	Michael & Deborah	Watertown NY
22	Chatelain	Leo & Elsie	Star Lake NY	85	Stief	Dr. Bill & Anne	Star Lake NY	143	McCoy	Dave & Terri	Star Lake NY
23	Kress	Peter & Marg	Star Lake NY	86	Russo	Joseph & Margie	Star Lake NY	143.1	Myers	Carroll & Jean	Star Lake NY
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25	Persson	George & Anita	Star Lake NY	88	Williams	Frank & Jean	Longmeadow MA	145	Kerr	Ann Rose	Star Lake NY
26	Miranda	Margaret	Mechanicville NY	89	Lowell	Jonathan	Malone NY	146	Neptune	Pat	Craig CO
27	Bailey	Jessie & Ivy	Herkimer NY	90	Miller	Rod & Bridget	Baldwinsville NY	147	Peterson	Gary & Pat	Ft. Lauderdale FL
28	Towne	Daniel & Diane	Star Lake NY	91	Downey	David & Judith	Star Lake NY	148	Gardner	Lenny & Linda	Waterloo NY
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30	Dudek	Gail Anderson/Dan	Eagle Bridge NY	93	Flynn	Tom & Sharon	Star Lake NY	151	Stauss	Janet	New Berne NC
31	Berg/Duchano	Roy & Renada	Star Lake NY	93.1	Dewitte	Daniel & Trudy	Ontario NY	152	Gardner	Gordon & Lynn	Star Lake NY
32	Johnson	Tim & Pam	Star Lake NY	94	Dewitte	Douglas & Wendy	Webster NY	153	Djuvik	Djuvik	Boiling Springs PA
33	Holding	Norma	Spencerport NY	95	Carthy	Dr. John & Hiroko	Star Lake NY	154	Stauss	Mark	Houston TX
34	Reeves	Paul & Judy	Somers CT	96	Carthy	Jack & Lisa	Duluth GA	155	Leffert	Jack & Joan	Star Lake NY
35	Huiatt	Rovie	Norwood NY	97	Sabad	Joe & Vicki	Canton NY	156	Star Lake Protective Association		Star Lake NY
36	Brooker	John & Lisa	Star Lake NY	98	Sabad	Michael	Friendsville TN	157	MacNaughton	David & Rebecca	Du Bois 75116 Paris
37	Jones	Anita	Star Lake NY	99	Pomerville	Jean	Star Lake NY	158	MacNaughton	David & Rebecca	Fra
38	Cacciato	Charles	Fairport NY	100	Ritchings	Jon & Irene	Storrs CT	159	Grammo	Reynald & Grace	Stephens City VA
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53	Golden	Stephen	Redington Shores FL	115	Lomaglio	Jennifer	Rochester NY	173	Cooper	Jared	Star Lake NY
54	Boyle	Ronald	Cheektowaga NY	116	Smith	Mike & Laurie	Williamsport PA				

## WHAT DOES STAR LAKE MEAN TO YOU?

Below is a compilation of some members' fondest moments on Star Lake. The Lake community is widely diversified; Star Lake means many things to many people. We enjoy it in different ways—sometimes together and sometimes alone. Where conflicts of use arise, we need to understand and respect each other so that everyone in our lake community can continue to enjoy these wonder-filled memories of the lake for years to come.

### “When you think of Star Lake, you might think of...”

- ★ Flights of Canada geese heralding the spring; and then, all too soon, the end of summer;
- ★ Anticipation of the season's first trip to the lake, and then, the sadness of leaving;
- ★ The call of the loon late at night, or seeing the osprey lifting off the lake with a trout in its talons;
- ★ Memories of the first time you could take the canoe out alone after passing your swim test;
- ★ The first time you made it “up” on water skis, and soon, the thrill of jumping the wake; water skiing tandem, and the thrill of swinging ‘way out’ on the inner tube;
- ★ Beautiful views of the lake, different with each new day and season; indescribable sunrises and sunsets glimmering on the water;
- ★ Stars on a cool, clear night or the harvest moon rising above the eastern horizon;
- ★ Fish caught and the fish that got away;
- ★ Hikes taken around the lake, nearby mountains climbed and rare sights seen by only a few fortunate people;
- ★ The joy and laughter of children swimming, playing on the beach or feeding the ducks;
- ★ Fireworks on the 4th of July, parties on the sand bar, picnics on the raft, bonfires by the shore, and visiting with good friends and neighbors;
- ★ The morning swim, or the early morning row on a quiet lake when the only sound is the rhythmic groan of the tholepins;
- ★ The wind in your face and the quiet rush of water past the hull as you reach across the wind with sails full, and the Labor Day Regatta;
- ★ Nature's fiery brilliance of autumn leaves reflecting on the glassy lake under a clear, blue sky;
- ★ The quiet solitude of the lake as it progresses through fall, preparing for another winter;
- ★ The big snow of \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the year) or the winter that wasn't (2001-02);
- ★ Ice fishing on a crisp winter day, or cross-country skiing to Streeter Lake, or snowmobile trips to Stillwater;
- ★ The white blanket of snow held on out-stretched white pine branches, or draped around the hemlock, and a warm and cozy fire.
- ★ And, too, a place of constancy in our transient world; “home” to come to throughout the years.



## LET'S HELP TO KEEP THE PEACE IN OUR LAKE COMMUNITY

A community is a group of people living in the same locality under the same government; it also refers to a social group of people with similar interests. This describes our lake community perfectly. We around the lake are all members of a wonderful lake community. We have great neighbors, beautiful homes and camps, and young or old, we all get to enjoy the lake in many ways. We also share the responsibility to protect the lake and try to get along with one another.

In recent years, there have been conflicting opinions as to how the lake should be used. Some feel that the "letter of the law" should be applied to all who use the lake; others feel that "traditional use" such as water skiing around the island or in and out of the post office bay was "ok" then and is "ok" now. Controversy has ranged from meaningful discussion to loud profanities and obscene gestures on the water. Hard feelings have resulted in a decreased enjoyment of our lake environment by many, whether involved in the controversy or not.

There is clearly room for compromise between traditional enjoyment of the lake and the strict letter of the law. Boaters (including jet skiers) need to recognize their responsibilities to property owners, to others on the lake and to the lake itself. Those who object to motorboats need to realize that traditionally, there are favorite spots for skiing and boating. Annoyances and infractions should first be dealt with personally, in a reasonable, friendly manner, contacting those involved. "Zero tolerance" of infractions of "the law" or calling the sheriff onto the lake are not reasonable, productive responses to observed infractions. Such extreme action should be used only as a *last resort* to resolve a problem. A deputy recently said that "if you call us onto the lake for small infractions, we *will* patrol and enforce *all* infractions, to the letter of the law—and most people wouldn't want that." He suggested that people work out their differences.

Likewise, voluntary compliance "most of the time" by boaters would help to minimize safety hazards, erosion and the hard feelings of others. Boaters, for example, could try not to ski around the island as often as they normally might. A "slow cruise" into or out of the post office bay is not a bad thing if it helps to ease some tensions and, in fact, it can be very enjoyable. We ask that all users of the lake be tolerant of others' rights to their quiet enjoyment of their property and that they do so in a responsible, safe manner. Obscenity, threats and rude behavior won't solve any problems and have no place or purpose on this lake. Empathy and compromise will go a long way toward keeping the peace on the lake.



The "best government is self-government" and that is the government that we should all choose to live under in our lake community. There will always be controversy; it's how we deal with it as a community and as individuals that defines who we are. Compromise and understanding are essential to a healthy society. Please try to live within our community; not outside it.

## FISHING ON STAR LAKE

Star Lake, in recent years, has enjoyed a resurgence of fishing, thanks in main part to the NYSDEC stocking program. Much of the following is extracted from a 1990 NYSDEC lake survey (file OW-P281 10/91):

Star Lake is an oligotrophic lake. That is, it is lacking in plant nutrients and has a high level of dissolved oxygen. Summer surface water temperatures generally range in the low 70's F and the thermocline (the layer at which the temperature rather abruptly turns colder, to about 45 F) occurs at about 25 to 45 feet.

Historically, Star Lake has supported self-sustaining lake trout and brook trout populations and was first stocked with brook trout in 1889 (see the historical marker by Todd's Supply). Yellow perch and sunfish became established between 1931 and 1955 but in recent years have become scarce, as have bullheads and suckers. In the 1980's, rainbow smelt, smallmouth and largemouth bass were *unofficially* introduced.

Brook trout were stocked prior to 1962 and in 1988. Lake trout were stocked, as fingerlings, from the 1940's through 1979 but routine stocking was terminated due to poor survival. However, in 1989, 2500 surplus lake trout yearlings were stocked (and again in 1993). Splake (a cross between lake trout and brook trout) were stocked in 1956 and 1965 through 1973. About 1200 to 2500 rainbow trout were stocked each year, from 1965 through 1990. Brown trout were stocked from 1980 through 1986 but were discontinued due to a poor record of catches. (See below for an update of stocking from 1991-2004)

The netting of game fish in the 1990 survey, yielded no brook trout or splake, few lake trout, and, in increasing order of predominance, largemouth bass, rainbows, and smallmouth bass. A few large (26") brown trout were also netted. Smelt by far out numbered all other species. The establishment of smelt and bass has dramatically changed the balance of the lake. Smelt netted in the survey, ranged in size from 6.4 to 8.1". The smelt appear to compete with young game fish causing slow growth in early years, but fast growth in older gamefish as they, in turn, prey on the smelt. The DEC has recently stocked Atlantic salmon to take advantage of the smelt in deep water.

Casual observation would indicate that fishing has increased significantly and with much improved results in the early 1990's. Unfortunately, whirling disease was introduced with the 1994 stocking. In 1994 the DEC conducted a quick, informal survey to study the impact of this disease. Rodger Klindt, Aquatic Biologist with DEC, indicated (3/04) that there was no long-term effect on the lake system's fish population.

The most recent DEC survey of the lake occurred in June of 2003. Six sites around the lake were sampled using gill nets at a water depth of 15-36 feet. The chart indicates the summary of fish netted. The study noted several observations. Prey species such as pike are possibly present; however, the 2003 sampling methods used may not have been able to detect them. Second, rainbow smelt have apparently disappeared from the lake system, or they are at such low levels that they are undetectable. Yellow perch seem to be reappearing after a long period of decline. Judging from the numbers, rainbow trout and smallmouth bass seem to be in a close race. Rock bass are by far the most prevalent and easy for youngsters to catch.

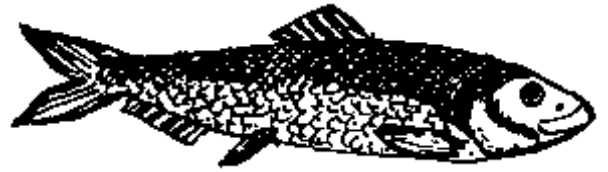


Common Name	Count	Avg. Length
Rock Bass	236	5.68"
Yellow Perch	28	9.10"
Smallmouth Bass	23	8.57"
Rainbow Trout	18	14.51"
Atlantic Salmon	9	13.60"
White Sucker	7	18.73"
Pumpkinseed	5	5.22"

## SUMMARY OF DEC STOCKING OF STAR LAKE

Stocking Year	Rainbow Trout		Atlantic Salmon		Brown Trout		Lake Trout	
	Number	Size	Number	Size	Number	Size	Number	Size
1991	3,400	8.5"						
1992	3,060	9.5"						
1993	3,000	8-9.5"			2,000	9"	3,000	7"
1994	3,130	9"						
1995	1,560	9.5"					3,000	9"
1996-97	No Stocking Due to Lack of Public Access Site							
1998					690	8"	5,000	4"
1999	5,000	10"	1,000	6"				
2000	800 3,000	9" 10"						
2001	1,410	10"	1,000	7"				
2002	1,900	9"	1,000	6"				
2003	2,000	9"	100	6"				
2004	1920	9"	1000	6"				
2005	2500	5.5"					1000	8.5"
2006	2000	8"	960	7"				
2007	1820	9"	1030	6.5"				
2008	1820	9"	1050	7"				

Table shows a history of the stocking of Star Lake from the 1990 survey to present, provided by the NYSDEC, Department of Fisheries



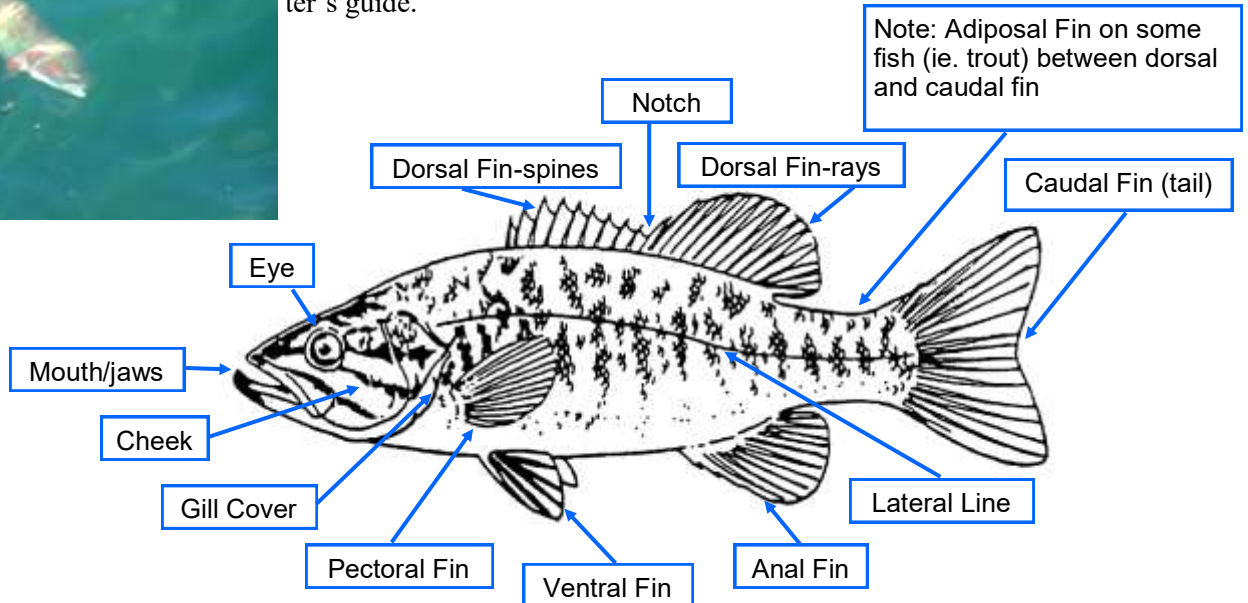
At present, there is no closed season for trout fishing in Star Lake. Lake trout must be a minimum length of 21" with a daily limit of three. All other trout must be at least 9" with a limit of 5 per day. Largemouth and small-mouth bass season starts the 3rd Saturday in June through November 30. Minimum size is 12" with a daily limit of five. Current regulations should be consulted each year.

During the summer, most trout appear to be caught with a "Christmas tree" rig and a worm close to the thermocline. When the lake surface waters are colder in the spring and fall, they may be caught with a variety of lures close to the surface. Bass are fished in a traditional manner. In 1994, Jack Leffert reported catching a 26" northern pike; since then, others have caught them also. The appearance of pike in our lake is less an anomaly and more an example of what happens when species foreign to the lake are intentionally introduced out of ignorance, to harm the lake.

## STAR LAKE FISH SPOTTER'S GUIDE



On the following pages, we have included an expanded identification guide for fish commonly found in Star Lake. It is not meant to be all-inclusive. Pictures are not to scale. Visual characteristics have been included that will help to differentiate between similar fish. Below is a quick reference to fish anatomy to help identify descriptive characteristics and terms that are used in the fish spotter's guide.





### Rock Bass

- ★ 6-10" long
- ★ Flat, deep body shape
- ★ Brownish w/ several dark bars or blotches on sides
- ★ 5 spines on anal fin
- ★ Bright red eyes



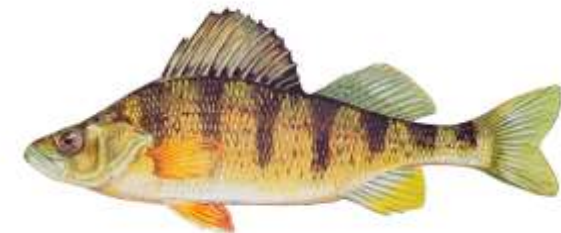
### Pumpkinseed

- ★ 4-8" long; flat, deep body
- ★ Golden brown w/ red-orange belly and blue/green lines
- ★ Edge of gill flap has pale border around bright red spot
- ★ 3 spines on anal fin
- ★ No dark coloring at back of dorsal fin



### Bluegill

- ★ 4-10" long, flat, deep body
- ★ Green/brown sides w/orange or pink vertical bars
- ★ Metallic blue/green shades on sides of head
- ★ Large, square-shaped gill flap
- ★ Dark blotch at back of dorsal fin
- ★ 3 spines on anal fin



### Yellow Perch

- ★ 6-12" long
- ★ Yellow-orange to yellow-green
- ★ 5-9 vertical black bars on side



### Brown Bullhead

- ★ 4-14" long
- ★ Broad, flat head w/dark barbells (whiskers) around face
- ★ 3 sharp spines: 2 on pectoral fins; 1 on dorsal fin—be careful handling them!



### Largemouth Bass

- ★ 10 scale rows eye to gill
- ★ 7 scale rows stripe to top
- ★ Deep notch, 12-13 rays on rounded dorsal fin
- ★ Dark stripe on side
- ★ Upper jaw behind eye

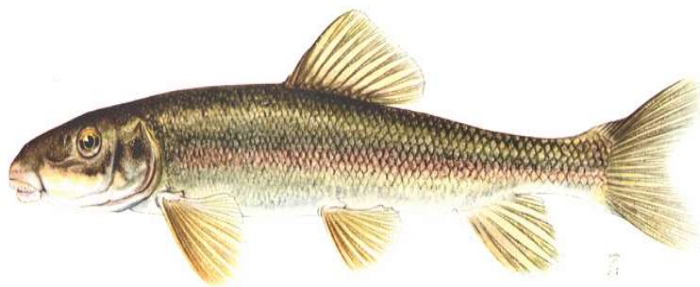


### Smallmouth Bass

- ★ 17 scale rows eye to gill
- ★ 11 scale rows stripe to top
- ★ Shallow notch, 13-15 rays on rounded dorsal fin
- ★ Dark vertical stripes/bars
- ★ Upper jaw in front of eye



### Star Lake Measuring Tape



### White Sucker

- ★ 6-20" long
- ★ Large, fleshy lips with underslung mouth
- ★ Has appearance and features of large minnows



### Great Northern Pike

- ★ Can be 25-36"; over 40 lbs.
- ★ Dark green/brown with light bean-shaped spots
- ★ No scales on lower half of gill covers
- ★ 8-12 pores under lower jaw
- ★ Gold markings both sides of head



### Lake Trout

- ★ 15-34", up to 30 lbs.
- ★ Light spots on darker olive, green, or almost black back
- ★ Deeply forked tail with white spots on tail, sides, dorsal fins
- ★ Red-orange fins/tail
- ★ Bronze/white belly
- ★ Teeth on both jaws



### Brown Trout

- ★ 8-20", up to 30 lbs.
- ★ Yellow/red-orange spots with halos on brown/olive body/fins
- ★ Spots are modified x's when fish are large
- ★ No markings on square tail
- ★ 10-12 rays on anal fin
- ★ Large spots on side
- ★ White mouth



### Rainbow Trout

- ★ 8-20", up to 25 lbs.
- ★ Silvery/olive back w/dark spots on head, back, dorsal/adipose fin, tail
- ★ Pink line on sides w/large spots
- ★ Forked, spotted tail
- ★ 9-12 rays on anal fin
- ★ White mouth



### Atlantic Salmon

- ★ 12-30" long
- ★ Dark back, dorsal/adipose fins, tail
- ★ Silvery with few dark spots on sides/often x-shaped
- ★ Slightly forked, pointed tail w/no spots
- ★ Fewer than 13 rays on anal fin

