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I row on the lake, early morning in sculls, and at other times in a traditional boat. I also occasionally sail a Mirror dinghy. I observed the trial landing and take off of the Cessna Caravan aircraft in December. My observation is that the operation was so unobtrusive it was actually difficult to witness.

I have also lived in Sydney and have actually dived in Rose Bay (SCUBA) during seaplane operations. Prior to the dive we consulted the operator at Rose Bay who assured us that our surface craft and our buoy would be visible and no problem for the seaplane pilot. I also note that the seaplanes on Sydney harbour operate at times when the harbour is busy with all sorts of watercraft.

I have only two real concerns about the operations on the lake.

One is that I would like to see some monitoring in place of the wellbeing or otherwise of the wildlife in, on and around the lake, with appropriate powers to alter or terminate the operations if there is sufficient negative impact.

The other is that I hope that if seaplane operations commence, we lake users are not subjected to an over reaction in the name of safety or any other excuse by the NCA, the water police, CASA or any other well meaning body. By over reaction, I mean the application of on water exclusion zones, closure periods, regulatory restrictions and other measures which prevent or diminish the current use of the lake.

If my concerns are not clear to you, feel free to contact me.

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