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Lake Kasshabog Residents' Association Inc.

Newsletter Spring 2010

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Michael Rosen

Spring Greetings to you all,

When Jennifer, my better half, called me on the afternoon of April 1 to tell me that the ice on the lake was out, I laughingly reminded her that I knew it was April Fools'. We were both right! Nobody I've since spoken with can remember the ice ever going out this early. Let's hope that it brings with it a summer of wonderful--and safe--cottaging.

Over the winter months, your

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LKRA executive has been participating in meetings of the newly-formed HBM Conference of Lake Associations, headed by Ruth Pezzack, of Jack's Lake. Belmont, Cordova, Jack's, Kasshabog, Methuen, Oak and Round Lakes have all been represented. I'd like to personally thank Jim Brickell, Secretary, LKRA, Rick Rye, VP, LKRA, and Terry Rees, Executive Director, FOCA, for their participation and input. It has been invaluable.

The intention of the association is to inform the HBM Council of our dissatisfaction with the current state of communication with the council. We feel that we have not been part of the public input process even though lakeside property owners represent close to 70% of both the voting population and the tax base. We have asked to be informed of council meeting agendas at least 10 days in advance of those meetings so that members of the HBM Conference of Lake Associations have the opportunity to attend. As well, we have asked that minutes of those meetings be posted on the HBM website, along with the current Official Plan. With a Municipal Elections year upcoming, the Conference is organizing an all-candidates meeting where each candidate can be asked the same pre-set

questions that impact lakefront property owners. Information and communication are vital if we are to have any influence in matters that so affect all of us. Any of you who would like to be involved in this, or in any other of the LKRA committees, please don't hesitate to contact the LKRA. It is up to all of us to be involved if meaningful change is to happen. Help is always welcomed, and always appreciated.

Check out the Stoney Point Marina web site for up-to-the-minute news, weather reports and events on the lake.

www.stoneypointmarina.ca

Have a great summer, everyone, and see ya on the 'Bog!

Editor's Note:

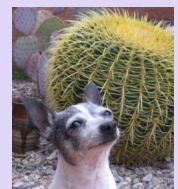
Once again I've put 10 pictures for your children to find this time called "Jumbo in Arizona". Good luck hunting!

Also included in this newsletter are a few great articles written by fellow cottagers... keep them coming!

If you have an article for the Fall 2010 newsletter please submit it to me at the below e-mail address no later than September 1, 2010.

Thank you.

Susy Hamilton
gsps@sympatico.ca





ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY JULY 17, 2010 10:00 A.M.

Lake Kasshabog Residents' Association Inc.
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given for the Annual Meeting of the members of Lake Kasshabog Residents' Association Inc. will be held at the Lake Kasshabog Community Hall/Library (across from Half Moon Bay Public Beach) on Saturday the 17th of July at the hour of 10:00 in the forenoon.

AGENDA

1. O'CANADA
2. Greeting from the Executive
3. Acceptance of Minutes of last year's Annual Meeting
4. Acceptance of 2009 Financial Statements Treasurer's Report—Hazel Higley
5. Proposed Budget for 2010
6. Brief comments from invited guest(s)
7. Brief committee reports: Environment (Sue McIntyre), Membership (Maureen Nunes), Library (Lois Galbraith), Regatta (Jan Prentice), Newsletter (Susy Hamilton)
8. New Business—if you have a topic of interest to add to our general meeting contact Jim Brickell at 877.1772 or email Jim_Brickell@tys.on.ca



ADOPT-A-ROAD *By Frank Nunes* frank@asddoors.com

As the new executive liaison, I'm slowly getting my feet wet in regards to what happens on the lake and surrounding area. I have much to learn, but in the meantime, I have a few ideas for our lake association.

I have been looking into the process of "Adopting a Road". I think this is something that could be a great community effort and could involve all areas of the lake, and also something that would involve young and old alike. I have received a lot of positive feedback regarding this. If anyone would like more information about "adopting a road", please contact me.

I am looking forward to this new year at the lake and also meeting many more of you.

I would encourage all of you to come out to the AGM and get involved with this great lake and the wonderful volunteers who work very hard on all of our behalf.

Kid's Klub 2010

by Lelia MacDonald, leliam@rogers.com

New for 2010 – Not just on Tuesdays anymore!

All kids are welcome including grandkids, friends, guests and renters. Come for one event or come for every event. The more kids that come, the more fun for everyone. It's a great way to meet other kids (and other parents) on the lake.

All events are free (donations are welcome). Here is the schedule for 2010. For last minute changes, check at the Library and Stoney Point Marina.

July 20 Build a Bat House and Swim-free-for-all

Bats are misunderstood mammals. They eat 100% of their body weight each night in insects. Let's make them homes that are safe and dry. Meet at the Library at 10am with Annamarie Daly and Clay Brough. Sponsored by Unimin who will erect the finished bat houses on their property. Followed by a swim-free-for-all.

July 27 Tour MRT quarry

Tour the quarry, climb a front-end loader and weigh yourself on the scale. The bus leaves the Library at 10am. Refreshments supplied by MRT Aggregates.

Aug 3 Tour Unimin mine

Tour the mine and view the bat houses that we built on July 20. The bus leaves the Library at 10am. Refreshments supplied by Unimin.

Aug 3,4,5,6 Hang-out-at-the-beach afternoons

Nothing organized. Just show up at the Regatta beach after lunch this week and play. Bring some snacks to share. Kids can meet new friends; adults can chat or relax with a book. This is a great way for older kids to connect.

Aug. 5 Karaoke at Stoney Point Marina from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

All kids (parents and grandparents) can sing for an appreciative audience. Marg will also create a Kids' Klub Dinner Special (in addition to the regular menu) so reserve a spot in advance.

Aug 10 Les and Lois Wood Project and Swim-free-for-all

Meet at the Library at 10am so you can build your own unique item to take home. All materials provided by Les and Lois. Followed by a swim-free-for-all.

Aug 17 Hike to Oak Lake Mountain and Swim-free-for-all

See Oak Lake and the Unimin Mine from the wonderful 360° view on the mountain top. Meet at Stoney Point Marina at 10am and then boat down Portage Bay to tie up on the shoreline. Wear running shoes for the 15 minute hike. Followed by a swim-free-for-all.

Contact Lelia MacDonald 705-877-1431

!! Kids' Klub is 15 years old!!



Cut out and put on your cottage fridge!



Kasshabog Lake

Art Show



**Join us again this year
for the Annual
Kasshabog Lake
Fine Art and Craft Sale**

Contact: Pat Moffat
905.430.7997
koshArtists@yahoo.ca
to **reserve your space**

**Regatta Weekend
Saturday, July 31, 2010
10 am - 4 pm
Kasshabog Lake Library**

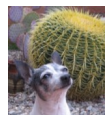
Unique work from our local artists

KASSHABOG COOKS --- ORDER FORM

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Prov./State _____
Postal Code/Zip _____ Phone: _____
Email address: _____

Please mail me Cookbooks @ \$12.00 each _____

Please make a cheque payable to:
LAKE KASSHABOG LIBRARY FUND
Cheques can be mailed to Lois Galbraith, Box 858,
Havelock, ON K0L 1Z0



REGATTA 2010

by Jan Prentice

Hi Everyone,

We made it through another winter and are well on our way into the spring months, and that means getting ready to plan our next Kosh Lake Regatta. It will be our 52nd regatta held on the lake for 2010. As usual, it is held the first long weekend of August on Saturday for the swimming events, horseshoe, canoeing and land race events over at Half Moon Bay. A book sale and an art show will take place at the library during this time. On Sunday we will run the sailing event and the waterskiing, volleyball, canoeing and kayaking events. If you are a new cottager to our lake, please come out and enjoy the day with us and get involved.

We had a few new suggestions for this year. Community hours for students (that is great- give me a call in the summer and we can get you involved these two days), a cottage tour was suggested- (Lelia MacDonald is organizing this event), bring back the bingo at lunch time- (this we can run with the help of volunteers) and a massage table set up on the beach (sorry Cathy Lees, I don't give good massages.) If you have any more suggestions for this year please call me and we can work with it. All volunteers from last year who still would like to be on the regatta committee this year, a meeting will be held on my dock Saturday, July 3 at 10:30.

GET PUMPED UP, GET PRACTISED UP AND GET READY FOR 2010 KOSH REGATTA. Watch for flyers at the marinas near the end of July for the regatta events.

Jan Prentice — Janice_Prentice@kprdsb.ca
H- 705-748-2012 or C- 705-877-3105



ADOPT-A-MARKER

by Marilyn Davison 705-877-8031

FLASHERS AND FLOATING MARKERS

The Flashers and Markers are located in the lake to assist boaters. Boaters must be responsible and use CAUTION at all times.

There will be buoys available again this season.

If you have a location where you feel a marker would be beneficial, please contact me at: mdavison@nexicom.net

If you would be willing to assume the responsibility of placing and removing a buoy at the beginning and end of the season please contact me to **Adopt a Marker**.

Flashers



The flashers have been taken out of storage and tested. All flashers are in good working order. New batteries have been purchased.



Always remember if at any time during the boating season you notice a flasher not working, please contact me so I can have it checked out, serviced and replaced if necessary.



Thanks to everyone who contributes their valuable time and effort to this program. Have a Safe and Happy summer.





Cottage Tour for the Dam Fund August 2010



 The idea is to offer a tour of 7+ cottages at a cost of \$25/person on a Sunday afternoon in mid-August (date is TBD). 







 Our goal is to raise \$1,400 for the Dam Fund and to have some fun too. As a fund raising idea, you may have heard of garden tours and house tours. Well, what about a cottage tour? 14 boats can participate, and we ask that each boat have at least 4 participants at \$25 each. All proceeds will go directly to the Dam Fund; no expenses will be deducted. 



 



 **If you would like to offer your cottage....** 

 We would like 7+ cottage-owners to join our efforts and open up their cottage for the tour. It would be terrific to offer a wide variety of cottage styles: new vs old, small vs large, fancy vs pioneer. Or maybe there is something unique about your property, eg a great view, extensive landscaping, unique shoreline, long history, etc. Each cottage would need parking space for 2 boats. Here is what is in it for you. 



 



-  * help build the Dam fund 
-  * your own private tour. On the Sunday before the tour, there will be a free private tour for the cottage owners and volunteers. 
-  * great way to meet other cottagers. 

 To ensure privacy, you can tape off any areas to keep visitors out. 



 If you would like to offer your cottage (or if you know someone with a really terrific cottage that just needs a little encouragement to join), email me at Leliam@rogers.com. A minimum of 7+ cottagers need to volunteer or the event will be cancelled. 



 **If you would like to volunteer to help....** 

 We also need 7+ volunteers who can help with boat parking at each dock during the tour. The benefits mentioned above also apply to you (plus you don't have to spend time cleaning your cottage!). If you would like to volunteer, email me at Leliam@rogers.com. 



 **If you would like to participate in the tour....** 



 Look for sign up sheets in Stoney Point Marina during July. There will be two signup sheets: one for boat owners/passengers (only 14 spots) and one for individual participants who would like to be matched up with a boat owner who has extra space. 



 











 * Registration will be at 1pm on the selected Sunday at the Stoney Point Marina where you will get your hand stamped, as only those with stamps will be allowed to view the properties. Please pay by cash or cheque to the *Lake Kasshabog Dam Fund*. 



 * Each boat will be given a schedule and map with time slots for each cottage of 20 minutes (approx 15 minutes per visit and 5 minutes travel and docking time). There will be a “shot gun start” -- unlike typical garden tours where parking is unlimited and participants can tour at their own pace, this tour will be structured like a golf tournament, where each group does the full course but starts at different holes. Please make sure someone on each boat has a watch and can keep the group on schedule. 



 * Remember to wear loose footwear, as you will be asked to remove them before entering some cottages. 

 * If there is a large group, consider the possibility of renting the pontoon boat and driver from the Marina. Make it a party! Contact Marg for prices and availability. 

 * After the tour, come to the Stoney Point Marina for an informal meet and greet. 



 *Look for Tour Updates on a poster in the Stoney Point Marina and their website during July.* 

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Lelia MacDonald

Leliam@rogers.com



Facts about the Dam Fund *by Lelia MacDonald*

The dam was built in the 1940s by the Ministry of Natural Resources. The Crow Valley Conservation Authority is responsible for managing the water level by changing the logs. The ground on which the dam sits is owned by the two neighbours.

The Fund was created in the 1990s by the LKRA to assist the Ministry with future costs. Lakes which can contribute funds might be placed higher on the Ministry’s replacement list. The fund currently has a balance of \$13,500.

The Ministry inspects all lake dams occasionally. The results from Kasshabog Lake’s most recent testing is that the dam (both the cement and the logs) is still structurally sound.

LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

HOODIE AND SWEATSHIRT SALE

(PRE-ORDER AND DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED)

This year we are asking anyone who would like to order a Lake Kasshabog, 4-Colour Embroidered Loon Logo Hoodie or a ¼ Zipper Sweatshirt to do so with the order form below & send along with your cheque to me by June 30.

Hoodies	Adult:	Sizes	- small, medium, large, x-large, xx-large
		Colours	- grey, navy, red, green, pink, brown
		Price	\$45.00 each ** 80 cotton/20 poly
Hoodies	Children:	Sizes	- small, medium, large
		Colours	- ash grey, navy, red, forest green
		Price	\$ 35.00 each ** 50 cotton/50 poly
¼ Zipper Sweatshirt			
	Adult	Sizes	- small, medium, large, x-large, xx-large
	Only	Colour	- black, navy, sport grey
		Price	\$ 45.00 ** 80 cotton/20 poly

ORDER FORM:

	Adult/Child	Size	Colour	Quantity	Price
HOODIE	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
¼ ZIPPER SWEAT	Adult only	_____	_____	_____	_____
	“	_____	_____	_____	_____
	“	_____	_____	_____	_____

**** All orders must be pre-paid- cheque payable to “Lake Kasshabog Library Fund”**

**** Orders must be in my hands by June 30 - Pick up Regatta weekend.**

**** Please mail order form and cheque to: Lois Galbraith
Box 858, Havelock, ON K0L 1Z0**

NAME: _____ **Cottage #** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/PROVINCE: _____ **P.CODE** _____

HOME PHONE: _____ **COTTAGE PHONE:** _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

*****If you have any questions call me at (705) 877-3159 or**

email me at lois.galbraith@sympatico.ca

WEBSITE - UP & COMING NEW SITE

by Sue McIntyre

Our new website although it has encountered many long delays will be up and running shortly. Unfortunately I am unable to provide an exact date for this 2010 Spring Newsletter Edition. I will post notification on Stoney Point Marina's bulletin board, send out a mass email and with word-of-mouth, it is my hope all our residents will be aware when it is time to go on line. I am very excited about our "Classified" section so everyone keep in mind while out spring cleaning to make everything beautiful, if you have something to sell, trade or are looking for a specific item, please email your ad info directly to me at dmc_intyre@sympatico.ca and I will happy to post it.

There is a Wildlife photo section attached to our new, 'coming soon' LKRA Website. I'd love to receive interesting wildlife photos anyone has captured, in our local vicinity only, of course including fish. Please submit all photos detailed with approximate time of year, where it was taken along with the photographer's name to sue.mcintyre.kosh@gmail.com

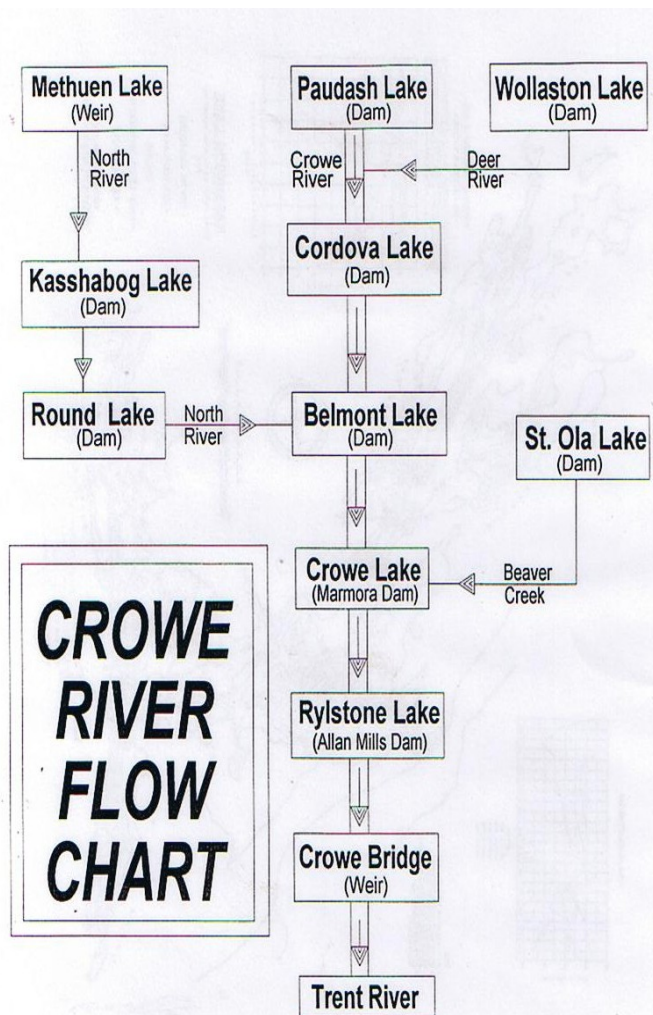
The site will soon be uploaded in a non-finished state with constant information being added as we go along so please keep checking it and I look forward to any suggestions or revisions you may have for this site. Cheers to a new cottage year!

Sue McIntyre
745-7975 or
877-8160



ENVIRONMENT

by Sue McIntyre my new address:
sue.mcintyre.kosh@gmail.com



HAVELOCK BELMONT METHUEN NEWS

To the Lake Kasshabog Resident's Association Members

Once again we are entering another summer season, and it was an exceptional winter weather wise, however time seems to be flying by us.

This year is another election year and you should note that the election itself will be on October 25th, 2010, for another 4 year term. We will be utilizing vote by mail again as we have for the past four (4) elections. The new Council will not commence their term until the first meeting in December which will be December 7th, 2010. As rural residents of the Township, you do not get to vote for the Village Ward Council Member.

Council is again in the budget process and we are very aware that the decisions made by Council will affect all of us dollar wise, however, we continue to have to deal with downloaded issues that have a huge impact on the budget, but that we as the Township has little control. We do want to let you know, that we are very aware as we deliberate the budget, of the implications to all taxpayers.

The process of updating our Official Plan and the zoning by-law has taken longer than anticipated, as we had to wait on the County and the Province with respect to Places to Grow legislation. The figures are now in, but we are faced with a municipal election and Council will have to determine how far we proceed with the update to the Official Plan. We may be just addressing the places to grow legislation, to allow both Council and the public to have more time to address any concerns. Unfortunately, the new Council will be dealing with the updates to the Township Zoning By-law.

The Ethanol Plant we are hoping will be up and running by the first of April, however, approvals have held them up somewhat. We do know they are as eager as we are to see the project come to fruition.

The Waste Water Treatment Plant is up and running and we will work with it to determine when we can start taking septage from the Township ward. We have to do a gradual feed due to the strength of the septage. This we feel will definitely benefit the Township, however will be more costly than the lagoon system.

The Township has been doing their part for the CT Scan fund raiser for the Campbellford Hospital and must give a lot of credit to the committee as establish to develop events and the collection of funds. We have achieved over \$200,000. of the proposed \$400,000. which is a great achievement for a small community.

On behalf of Council we welcome you back to your home away from home and hope your summer weather is as good as our winter weather has been.

Reeve-Ronald Gerow 778-2092 Deputy Reeve-Andy Sharpe 778-7584
Councillor-Jim Martin 778-3764 Councillor-Larry Ellis 778-2898
Councillor-David Gerow 778-2714

LIBRARY REPORT

by Lois Galbraith

SUMMER 2010 - LIBRARY SERVICES

When I drive by the Library / Community Hall in the spring, I get enthused about the new season of library services.

We will get a small crew together and hopefully in May we will give the library a good cleaning in readiness for the summer. We have books to add to the "New Arrival" section and some to add to the general collection. We will prepare some 'bundles of books' for the regatta day sale and we will have Bruce Wilks turn the water back on for us.

When you are at the lake this season you are encouraged to visit and sign out some great reading on:

Thursdays 1pm – 4 pm

Saturdays 10am – 1pm

The Saturday mornings are covered by volunteers..... so please let me know if you will be able to help out.

See you at the library!

Lois Galbraith, M 110 705.877.3159 lois.galbraith@sympatico.ca



LIBRARY/COMMUNITY HALL REPORT

As we reported in the fall newsletter, our Council has agreed to help fund our project which is a ten by twenty foot screened-in porch for the west side of the building.

As you know our library is also a community recreational facility and as such we have continued to work on plans to increase space for future activities and events.

We spoke with Council and had a cold February visit to the building with the township engineer, the building inspector and the Chief Administrative Officer.

Drawings are being produced and the site has been given the okay. The project will be tendered and we hope to have estimates in place soon. What happens next depends on the estimates we receive and the amount of volunteer help we can recruit.

If you would like to volunteer some time or if you have a contact for building materials, siding, etc. please give one of us a call.

We will be selling books, mugs, etc. on the regatta Saturday to continue our fundraising for this project. Our current bank balance is \$5,887.54.



More news in the fall newsletter!

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Carol Wilks 877.3716 carol.wilks@sympatico.ca

Les Morris 877.3159 les.morris@sympatico.ca
Bruce Wilks 877.3716

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Hazel Higley

Interim Statement of Income and Expenses for As at December 31, 2009

INCOME

Membership Fees	\$ 9,776.24
Advertising	\$ 1,580.00
Donations	\$ 469.00
Bank Interest	\$ 17.93
	\$11,843.17

EXPENSES

FOCA Membership	\$ 1,354.25
Membership Expenses	\$ 477.88
Newsletter	\$ 1,519.84
Postage	\$ 1,612.82
Website Expenses	\$ 110.47
Regatta	\$ 1,424.96
Marker Program	\$ 552.69
Fire Prevention	\$ 542.38
450x\$2 to Dam Fund	\$ 900.00
Donations to Dam Fund	\$ 50.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,052.00
Bank Service Charges	\$ 46.00
	\$10,643.79

The Association is grateful for all donations received by cottagers and friends!

Excess of Income Over Expenses \$ 1,199.38

Funds on-hand	
December 31, 2008	\$10,768.81
Funds on-hand	
December 31, 2009	\$11,968.19

Dam Fund

Balance as at	
December 31, 2008	\$13,559.43
Donations	\$ 50.00
LKRA 450 x \$2	\$ 900.00
Bank Interest	\$ 169.49

Balance as at	
December 31, 2009	\$14,678.92

Environment Fund

Funds on hand	
December 31, 2009	\$ 316.43

Why be a member of the Lake Association?

YOUR ANNUAL DUES OF \$20.00:

- Provides for and maintains ten fire pumps around the lake.
- Provides and maintains safety flashers and markers around the lake.
- Mails to each cottager regular newsletters
- Provides membership in the Federation of Ontario Cottagers
- Represents our lake on the Belmont-Methuen Conference
- Arranges for the annual decal for paid-up members
- Represents our lake's interest at the local Township Council
- Provides for our famous Annual REGATTA
- Provides for water quality monitoring
- \$2.00 from each membership is allocated towards the emergency dam repairs

ALL OF THIS FOR ONLY \$20.00 !!!!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Maureen Nunes

When I started to write this membership article, I was sitting at the window of the cottage looking out on an absolutely beautiful spring day. I thought how fortunate are we who call Kasshabog "home", whether it's year round or seasonal and what a huge responsibility lies with us to take care of what is so beautiful and rugged, yet so fragile. For this reason, please take a look at what your membership dues go towards, and how important it is that we all continue to contribute to the care of this wonderful lake.

So summer is just around the corner and with your spring newsletter you will receive a membership form and a self-addressed envelope for remitting your 2010 annual dues. Please do so promptly.

If you received only the 2010 decal....you have already paid for 2010.

Our paid membership for 2009 was 432 . Thank you to all, and thank you also for the wonderful notes of encouragement that came along with your dues. We also had some extra donations from people towards the dam. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

If you have a change of address email or home please send these to:
Beverley.duclos@gmail.com or to LKRA Inc. Box 858, Havelock, ON K0L 1Z0

Affiliate Memberships

If there are family at your cottage that would like to stay informed and receive the newsletter, you can sign up for an affiliate membership. The annual fee is \$10.00 and we would need the cottage number and current address of the affiliate. This assumes that the main cottage is paid at \$20.00 first. Send your information or questions to Bev Duclos at:
Beverley.duclos@gmail.com

Turtles – from the Road to Recovery – with your help!

by Nicole Dufort, MacDonald Bay cottager

One of the most attractive features of Kasshabog Lake and its surrounding area is the prevalence of marshes and wetlands. These bogs attract and are home to a diverse array of wildlife, providing ample opportunities for excellent animal and bird watching. We've all enjoyed watching a hungry heron or wary weasel along our shorelines.



However, as we rush to the cottage to commune with nature, we are severely threatening some inhabitants of that natural world. At least one species of local wildlife is being decimated on our local roads and highways.

Many people don't realize that seven of Ontario's eight species of turtle have been identified as being at risk. Others are surprised to hear that the Snapping Turtle was added last year as a species of special concern. As cottagers in a region that is home to several of Ontario's turtle species, we can all help this ancient animal.

There is no question that roads are one of the most serious threats to turtles. Many of the turtles that are injured or killed on our roadways are females on their way to nest. Having taken many years to reach reproductive maturity, the killing of a pregnant female takes a toll on the population for years to come. While a turtle will never run out in front of your car, they require a different kind of vigilance to help them avoid being hit.

Please take special care in watching out for turtles on area roads. If you see what looks like a large rock on the road, or the sun glinting off a possible shell, slow down and try to avoid it. In addition to steering around them, you can help even more by helping them off the road. Here are some tips to ensure that both you and the turtle make it safely across.

- * Make sure it is safe for you to pull over and help the turtle in need.
- * If you are helping an uninjured turtle off the road, always be sure to move the animal in the direction it is headed – even if that is away from the nearest water. Depending on the season, it may be on its way to a nesting or hibernation area.
- * Species such as painted turtles or Blandings turtles can be picked up by the shell and placed out of harm's way.
- * A snapping turtle can be coaxed across the road using a shovel or board or by allowing it to bite a long stick and pulling it across. A small snapper can be picked up holding the shell at the back, on each side of the tail. You can also slide one hand under the belly shell. Be careful as it may squirm vigorously!
- * Never pick up a turtle by its tail; you could damage its spine.
- * If you have handled a turtle, wash your hands thoroughly.

If you find a turtle that has been injured, consider bringing it to a rehabilitation centre. We Kosh Lakers are lucky to be in the vicinity of the Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre located in nearby Peterborough. It is a place where turtles that have been injured can be taken for treatment, and eventually released back into the wild. For more information, please visit them online at www.kawarthaturtle.org, or call at (705) 741-5000.

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FOCA is a non-profit, voluntary organization that represents over 500 community groups across rural Ontario – including over 50,000 waterfront property owners. We are a Province-wide voice, looking out for the long-term interests of Ontario's freshwater legacy.

Our mandate is to provide education and leadership on issues that include environmental stewardship, association management, and sustainable waterfront living. FOCA accomplishes our goals through member support and in partnership with our many stakeholders.

Over the last year, FOCA has been supporting waterfront communities:

- * Providing a detailed website www.foca.on.ca with cottage-related materials you won't find anywhere else
- * Spring and Fall seminars for members
- * Risk Management via comprehensive association insurance coverage
- * "Docktalk" shoreline education
- * Published the "Lake Planning Handbook for Community Groups", and "Take the Plunge – A Guide to Stewardship of Ontario's Waters"
- * As Executive members of the Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation (WRAFT), and the Coalition After Property Tax Reform (CAPTR)
- * Through regular communications with our members, through our FOCA Report to Membership, Lake Stewards' Newsletter, and electronic newsletters
- * As partner with the Ministry of Environment *Lake Partner Program*

FOCA provides advice and education on our members' priority issues; we ensure the voice of the rural waterfront property owner is heard, we support our local associations, helping to carry on the good work they do on our lakes and rivers across Ontario.

Ontario's waterfront property owners all benefit from the results we are able to achieve, through the support of our member associations.

FOCA – 45 years representing Ontario's freshwater legacy

HBM Conference of lakes presents: Meet the Candidates

2010 is Municipal Election Year, and you have the opportunity to influence the next 4 years of local government, and determine local priorities. The following events are your opportunity to meet with the people running for local office, ask your questions, and get to know them a little better.

Join us for an All-Candidates Meeting

#1 Round Lake Community Hall, Saturday, August 14 Noon until 2 pm

#2 Stoney Point Marina, Lake Kasshabog, Saturday, August 28, 10 am until Noon

#3 (Same day) 1 until 3 pm at the Lake Kasshabog Community Hall on Peninsula Road

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Friendship Found at Garage Sale

By Bev MacLeod

A book about Kasshabog was born in 2003 when I met Marina Puffer-Butland at her garage sale. I was looking for a pull out couch and found a lifelong friend. While our husbands loaded my purchases into the van, Marina and I instantly formed a friendship and a common interest in writing local history. That was the beginning of a thirty month odyssey – a quest that gathered memories, creativity and photographs between the pages of Docks of the Bays. With the financial and emotional support of our husbands and the design skills of Janine and Stuart Ellis we continue to be proud of our labours. Only a few books are left and will not be reprinted so if you do not have a copy please contact me at bmacleod8@cogeco.ca. When I thought about the birth of Docks of the Bays and my garage sale-ing days I was prompted to write this column:

I saw the first true sign of spring this week. GARAGE SALE! Forget the robins and crocus. Spring does not arrive until that first hand made sign appears. I take garage sale-ing seriously. So seriously that my friends and family don't visit on weekends now. One son, who insisted on getting married in garage sale season, still complains they had to have the ceremony mid week. I told him to look at the bright side; they didn't have any problem getting a hall, and we saved money with so few guests.

Garage/yard sales are an over looked major socio-economic contribution and should be part of school curriculum in my view. Since they're not, I am correcting the oversight with my quintessential guidebook. **Curbside Commando**.

It covers research, analysis and preparation. Equipment consists of the local paper and a map. Graph the sale area carefully to get to the most in the least time. My personal best is currently 87 sales but I am aiming for Gold. One hundred Yards before noon should do it. And don't drink any beverages unless you calculate pit stop time. There are many factors that slow sale-ing but that's in my second book, **Saturday Survivor**.

There are clues buried in the advertisement that will help you narrow the list.

Moving South for instance is of huge significance. Here lies an array of snow tires; toboggans; shovels; space heaters; skis and winter clothes.

Downsizing rates 9.5 on my chart. They are usually moving into an apartment and picnic benches; lawnmowers; power saws; hedge pruners are sprinkled among the linen, furniture and cutlery treasures.

Leaving the country is a dream on the lawn. I barely sleep the night before this one.

No early birds and the street will be plugged by day break, with the cops and CNN there by 7:30 a.m.

Garage salers fall into categories and here's an excerpt from book three.

Starsky and Hutch: The vehicle screeches to a stop, left wheel to the curb and a couple leap out – doors left open. They scope the tables and lawn in seconds. Make the purchase and vanish. I ache to have their skills.

Browsers: They have coffee in hand, two or three friends and an adorable puppy with them.

They are the connoisseurs of garage sales and take the time to expound on the beauty and functionality of each item. Vendors take note, they don't buy.



With thirty years experience I have some cautions for newbies.

Do not take children with you. They can afford this stuff and if they whine or beg for something you don't want at any price, the seller gives it to them free. That's the reason I have a corner in the basement filled with unfinished jig saw puzzles with missing pieces; a one eyed doll; a talking goat that doesn't; a Hardy Boy Mystery with the last page ripped out so the story still remains a mystery; a Sesame Street record that skips; and a wondrous array of unidentifiable objects that cost pennies and couldn't be resisted.

Storage is a problem I have yet to solve. On Monday, I was making my way to the washing machine. I say "making my way" because my garage sale treasures have overtaken the walking space. I had a flash of guilt when I wondered why I needed seventeen irons when most of my wash is permanent press. Four fireplace screens and we don't have a fireplace. Seven manual typewriters; 73 hand knitted afghans; twelve rolls of mismatched wallpaper and seven boxes of National Geographic. Remorse passed quickly when I realized it was only five days and seventeen hours until Saturday and the arrival of spring.

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Ontario Municipal Elections 2010

To address the lack of a voice of cottagers had at the local level of government, several years ago FOCA undertook the job of reforming the way local elections took place in Ontario. Municipal Councils are now able to pass bylaws empowering their Clerks to utilize alternate means to vote, including the vote by mail option. Note that the HBM Council passed a bylaw to conduct the municipal election using the vote by mail option their March 2, 2010 meeting. This means that if you are the voters' list, you will be able to vote for your local municipal representatives by mail-in ballot this Fall.

This summer, your association has a role to play in deciding how your local tax dollars are spent, and what local priorities get addressed over the next term of office. Note that the term for your local council is 4 years, so getting informed and organized is very important.

Get out there and vote!

The summer is an important time for residents to get to know the candidates running for municipal council this fall. Municipal government is your local connection to public services, and are the source of many important parts of your experience on the waterfront, including the establishment of an Official Plan for your area, creating and enforcing municipal bylaws, waste management, public roads, municipal fire fighting, parks and recreation, drinking water and wastewater, ambulance, police, and library services. Your municipality ultimately manages the municipal budget, which is paid for through your property taxes.

Changes to the Municipal Elections Act

Bill 212 received Royal Assent on December 15, 2009, and included several revisions to the Elections Act, including setting out the dates for nominations as a candidate (now January 4, 2010, until 2pm September 10, 2010), and the Election Day (October 25, 2010).

On May 18, 2006 Bill 81, the Budget Measures Act, 2006, received Royal Assent. It included an amendment to the Municipal Elections Act, establishing a four-year (changed from three years) term of office for council members and school trustees. Four-year terms first began with the new councils effective December 1, 2006, so getting informed about the issues and the perspectives of the candidates in your area and making wise choices during the election are crucial.

MPAC will provide every municipal clerk with a list of eligible voters. The clerk is required to provide notice of the location of voting places, dates and times when voting places will be open, where voting proxies are available and how electors may use voting proxies, and (where alternative voting has been authorized by municipal by-law), exactly how the alternate voting will take place.

Key Dates:

- January 4th, 2010 Nomination and Campaign Period Commences
- June 1st, 2010 Deadline to pass by-law authorizing an alternative voting method
- July 31st, 2010 Earliest date to receive Preliminary List of Electors
- September 7th, 2010 Revision of Preliminary List of Electors begins
- September 10, 2010 Nominations close (2 pm)
- Week of September 27th, 2010 Voter Kits will be mailed out
- October 16th, 2010 Last day for returning ballot by mail
- October 25th, 2010 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. VOTING DAY
- October 26th, 2010 Clerk to Declare Official Results



Term of Office for Elected Representatives:

December 1st, 2010 to November 30th, 2014 (four year term)

For more information on what is happening or how you can be more effective in the upcoming municipal elections, please visit www.foca.on.ca for updates, and be sure to sign up for our free Elert electronic newsletter for all the breaking news on municipal elections 2010.

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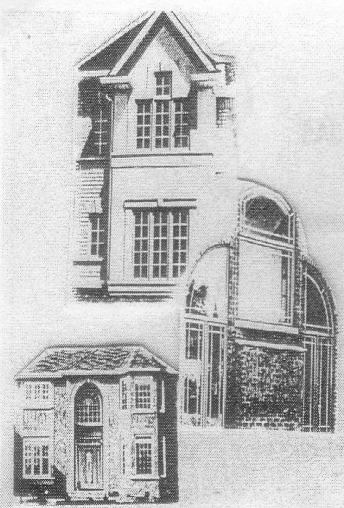
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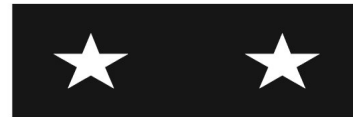
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1. En route to the fire, call for help by ringing the bell. Take along these instructions.
2. See that there is oil in the crankcase and gasoline in the tank of the pump engine (either clear or mixed gas as for outboards)
3. Set intake pipe in water with foot valve as nearly vertical as possible. Fill the pipe with water (foot valve prevents water from running out) and attach to pump, avoid damaging the foot valve screen.
4. Prime the pump by tilting it and pouring water into the output opening, fill to overflowing and then attach fire hose.

CAUTION: Do not run without water in pump or oil (SAE 30) in crankcase.

Starting: ~ ~ Old Pumps ~ ~

- A. Pull Choke Control
- B. Push Stop Switch away from the spark plug
- C. Use Pull Cord
- D. When Motor starts Push in Choke Control



To Stop: Push Stop Switch against the end of the spark plug.

Starting: ~ ~ New Pumps ~ ~

- A. Turn Ignition Switch to ON
- B. Move Gas Lever to ON
- C. Move Choke Lever to ON
- D. Use pull cord
- E. Turn choke off when motor starts
- F. Move throttle to FAST

To Stop: Turn ignition switch to OFF

AFTER USING: 1. Clean and dry suction pipe and hose before replacing in the pump house.
2. Report the use of the pump to any member of the Executive.

Note that the Lake Kasshabog Residents' Association is not responsible for ensuring pumps have gas and are operational. If you use a pump please leave it in good working order.

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- All open air burning done during daytime hours, being 2 hours after sunrise and up to 2 hours before sunset will require a permit, to be issued by the Fire Chief or his designate.

Any person setting, maintaining or allowing to burn, a fire and all property owners upon which a fire is set, maintained or allowed to burn in open air:

- shall, be responsible for any damage to property occasioned by said fire
- shall, if the fire is not permitted pursuant to the by-law or does not otherwise comply with the regulations set out herein, be liable for the payment of a fee comprised of the cost of any fire fighting equipment and personnel.

Complete By-Law regulations and Provincial Regulations are available at the Township Office or by calling the Fire Chief at 778-3183 Office. Or 24/7 by Calling Fire Dispatch at 705-778-3311

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE BEFORE YOU BURN

FIRE PUMPS & INSTRUCTIONS

Location of Marinas & Fire Pumps

MARINAS

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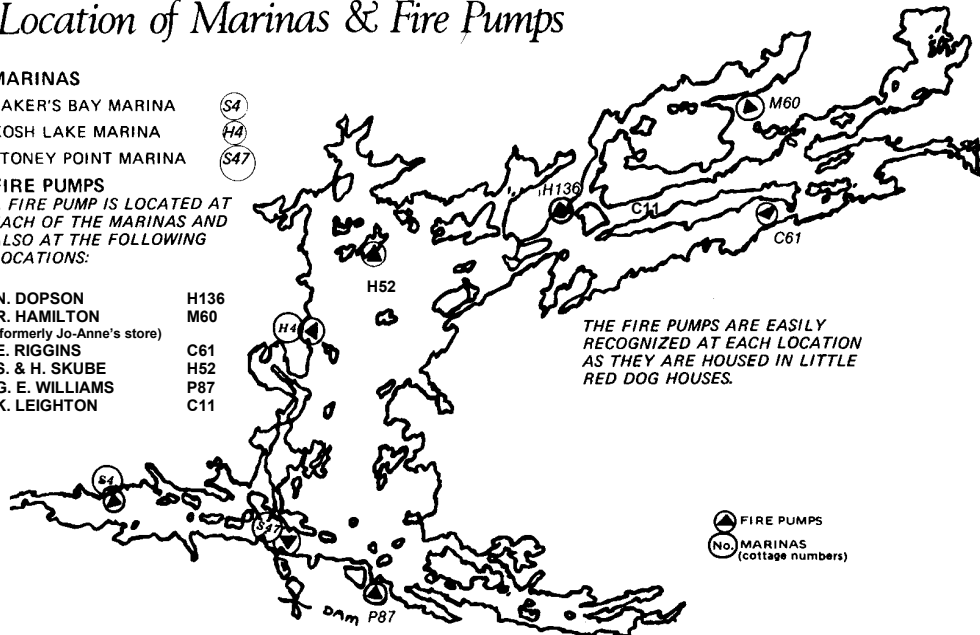
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Township Council Meeting Schedule

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month
Municipal Office Council Chambers at 7:00 pm

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FireSmart

The Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (FOCA) is a not for profit association of community groups from across the province, established in 1963 to speak for and to waterfront property owners and their local community groups. FOCA's 550 member associations represent almost 50,000 rural and waterfront property owners. Waterfront property owners together own more than 200,000 acres of forested lands, and are key stakeholders in fire safe living.

Ontario's cottage and camp owners are by sheer geography, a self-help group. As rural and often remote residents, they need to be independent when it comes not only to day to day living, but also to be prepared and able to respond in times of crisis and emergency.

FireSmart is an important complement to other FOCA programs such as the Cottage Watch Rural crime prevention partnership and safe boating initiatives with OPP, and fits nicely with our commitment to risk management for our volunteer community groups.

Forest fires are a fact of life in Ontario, and our members are among those who are potentially at risk from the threat of fire. The FireSmart approach to rural and woodland living helps each property owner to understand their risks, and to take proactive steps to make their families and their property safer.

Our member associations are often the only organized voice for their respective communities. By tapping into their trusted connection with property owners, the important message around reducing the risks from fire and also being prepared in the event of fire – are delivered, understood and can be acted on by property owners all across Ontario.

FOCA is spreading the information about FireSmart Cottages fact sheets at our special events, speaking engagements, and trade shows such as the Toronto and Ottawa Cottage Shows. FOCA has distributed FireSmart information through our member publications, on the FOCA website (www.foca.on.ca), and through presentations at our member events each spring and fall. FOCA, along with the Northern Ontario Tourist Operators (NOTO), are working with MNR to embed the important Firesmart messages with each property owner in forested Ontario. By taking simple steps on our respective properties we can protect ourselves, and others.

Every homeowner can do something, and at different times of the year they have different opportunities to make a difference. FOCA encourages landowners to plan ahead to protect their homes from the risk of forest fires and follow safe burning guidelines for brush and campfires.

Waterfront property owners can FireSmart their home with this seasonal checklist:

Spring

- * Do a home assessment prior to spring fire season to help you prepare for the threat of wildfire
- * Clean dead vegetation out of shrubs and other foundation plantings
- * Connect your garden hose to an outdoor spigot and attach a nozzle. Make sure other firefighting tools like shovels, rakes and buckets are handy
- * Move firewood and lumber piles to at least 10 metres away from your buildings

Summer

- * Clean gutters and remove flammable debris from roof.
- * Keep grass and brush cut around propane tanks and buildings. This provides a green barrier that fire will not burn
- * Keep the area within 10 metres of buildings relatively clear of combustible materials
- * Enclose soffits and areas under decks. Replace flammable roofing, siding, and foundation enclosures with more fire resistant materials
- * Post road signs or house number in reflective materials so they can be clearly seen in the dark

Fall

- * Prune trees after leaves fall. Pruning branches up to 3 meters above the ground, to help prevent fire from climbing branches into tree crowns
- * Prune branches that are overhanging roof and wires
- * Make sure your home is fire safe on the inside. Check chimneys, smoke alarms, and fire extinguishers

Winter

- * Plan the activities you want to do this year to make your property safe and encourage others to do the same
- * Check your fire insurance annually to make sure it is adequate to cover a fire loss

Safe Burning

- * Check with your municipality before you burn leaves and debris. You may be required to get a permit, there may be a restricted fire zone (RFZ) in effect, or you may be only allowed to burn at certain times in the day
- * Choose a safe day. Burn during the coolest, calmest, dampest time of day. Do not burn when it is windy
- * Never leave your fire unattended
- * A pile to be burnt must be no more than 2 metres in diameter and less than 2 metres in height

Safe Campfires

- * Use a fire pit for campfires. Dig a hole, ensure the area around the pit is free of combustible materials, surround your fire pit with rocks or stone slabs, and keep a bucket of water nearby
- * Make sure all glowing embers are extinguished before you leave your fire. In a fire pit, add water and stir into ashes. If water is not handy, mineral soil also works well to extinguish fire

FOCA encourages waterfront communities to discuss wildfire preparedness and create a community action plan, considering the following questions:

- * What will you do if a fire is approaching yours or a neighbour's residence?
- * Who will you call, and how do you sound an alarm to notify the community?
- * Does your community have fire equipment in strategic locations on the lake? Who is in charge of maintaining this equipment, and who has access to it?
- * Are there emergency exits clearly marked in community buildings?
- * Do you have a home escape plan?
- * Have you located fire safe areas in the community such as lakes or other wet areas, rock outcrops, and roads?

Report a Wildfire

- * Be prepared to give fire officials the following information; a detailed description of the fire location, how fire-fighters can access the fire, types of buildings in the area, cutting operations or other activities in the area, and the time fire was discovered
- * Central and South Ontario– call 911 or your local municipal fire department
- * Northwestern Ontario– call 1-888-284-FIRE
- * Northeastern Ontario– call 1-888-863-FIRE

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