

**SKOOTAMATTA DISTRICT RATEPAYERS'
ASSOCIATION INC.
JUNE 1992**

Dear Members,

I hope you all weathered the winter months. It was a winter wonderland for snow enthusiasts. The snowmobiling and skiing were just fantastic. Well, now that another season is behind us - it's time for some fun in the sun!

Your executive met on Saturday, May 16th for the spring kick off meeting to plan the summers events.

Treasurers Report

Sandra Vanderzee reported as at April 30th, 1992, we had \$256.33 in our chequeing account and \$2,682.34 in our savings.

Annual Meeting

The 1992 General meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 11th at 10:00 a.m. Once again, it will be held on the hill at the Trails End property. A barbecue will follow down at the lake front. Don't forget your lawnchair and sunscreen! Rain date will be Sunday, July 12th - same time - same place. See you there!

Wouldn't You Rather Be Sailing

Don't miss this years Sailing Regatta. The big event will take place on Saturday, August 1st, starting at 1:00 p.m. sharp (wind permitting). So, strap onto your windsurfer or jump into your sailboat and come on out for the fun. The race will start from O'Bornes point and run the usual route finishing at the sandy beach on Big Island (see map). Refreshments and prizes will be waiting at the finish line. All entrants must be cottagers within the association or friends of. The trophies remain on the lake. Let's make this an event to remember! Rain date: Sunday, August 2nd at 1:00 p.m.

Buoy Boys

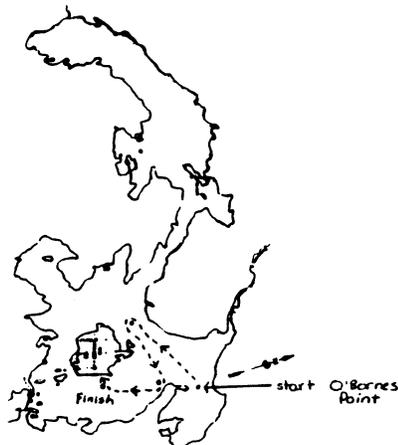
Thanks again to Dave Tate and Marty Carson for placing the buoys. We would appreciate if everyone would take responsibility for marking any hazard areas located near to their cottage.

Gypsy Moth Spraying

The Ministry of Natural Resources has cancelled the Gypsy Moth Spray program for this year. The M.N.R. heavily subsidizes these private-land sprayings. These funds are being reallocated to higher priority initiatives. Anyone who had applied for the spraying should have had their application fee returned to them. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the cancellation of this program, please contact Cathie Morris, Program Co-ordinator, Lennox & Addington County at (613) 354-4883.

Water Under the Bridge

Many of you may have seen the newly constructed bridge at the causeway. It appears to be lower than the previous bridge but the Ministry of Environment has assured us that the Canadian Coast Guard provided specs in the planning stages to ensure that it will be navigable. We hope to have someone available at the annual meeting to answer any of your questions or concerns.



Township Dump

Summer Hours: May 17th - October 17th

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Effective May 17th, 1992, only table scrap garbage and recyclables will be accepted at the dump on Sheldrake Lake Road. Large items and brush must be hauled to the dump just north of Kaladar off of highway 41.

There are several bins at the dump to separate your recyclables - clear glass, coloured glass, tins, plastics, newspapers, corrugated cardboard etc.

Announcement Board

The sign which the association purchased a few years ago and was located at the split of Sheldrake/Skootamatta Lake Roads was vandalized about a year ago. We received a cheque to cover damages and have decided that it is not feasible to replace the sign.

Waterway Regulations

The Ministry of Natural Resources has published a provincial speed limit policy.

The Regulations have established a blanket shoreline speed limit for vessels of 10 km/hour, within 30 meters of any shore. This restriction does not apply in small rivers less than 100 meters wide, or canals or buoyed channels. Exceptions are also made for vessels towing a person on water skis, a surfboard, etc. when the vessel follows a trajectory that is perpendicular to the shore or where the operation takes place within an area designated by buoys.

Ambulance and Fire Department Donations

Both the volunteer ambulance and fire fighters offer essential services to our community which could make a big difference in critical situations. It is important that we recognize these services and offer support. We would like to make a motion at the general meeting to make a \$250 cash donation to each of these services.

Outdoor Equipment Drive at N.A.E.C.

North Addington Education Centre in Cloyne is asking for our help with their outdoor, equipment drive. Greg Courtice, a teacher at the school is coordinating this project as a way to incorporate outdoor education into their curriculum. Funding is unavailable to purchase equipment so he is asking both seasonal and year round residents to donate any piece(s) of equipment, whatever its condition. The students and staff at N.A.E.C. will work to recondition any equipment received.

Here are some suggestions of things to keep an eye out for while cleaning out the garage, cottage, basement or boathouse this spring. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

canoes	camp stoves
tents	paddles
pots and pans	sleeping bags
life jackets	old BBQ grills
tarps	roof racks
camp plates	fishing equipment
ropes	cutlery
rain coats	back packs
plastic cups	cooking utensils
etc., etc.	

If you have any questions or suggestions, contact Greg Courtice at N.A.E.C. (613) 336-8991 or at home 374-1107. Items can be dropped off at Trails End or contact Greg for pick up of large items!

Elections

Your association is looking for people who are concerned about their lake and the issues that affect it. The following positions on the executive committee are open for nominations at the Annual meeting on July 11th, 1992.

President
Vice President
Secretary/Treasurer
2 Directors

I encourage you to get involved in your lake association. Executive members meet twice a year at the lake on May 24th and Thanksgiving weekends. The executive is responsible for addressing issues that are of concern to cottagers, coordinate events, run the annual meeting, keep members informed via bi-annual newsletters, etc. It does not involve a great deal of time - just a willingness to get involved!

Please contact one of your current executive members if you or anyone you know is interested in serving on the committee.

Shoreland Alterations

The Moira River Conservation Authority has published a pamphlet entitled "What You Need To Know" regarding shoreland alterations. Dredging, building structures (docks, dams, bridges, buildings, retaining walls) or grading and/or adding fill to shoreland requires permits from the appropriate agencies.

Agencies to Contact:

Moira River Conservation Authority
(613) 968-3434

Ministry of the Environment
(613) 962-9208
Zenith 33220

Ministry of Natural Resources
(613) 478-2330 (Tweed) or
1-800-267-0257 (Napanee)

Miscellaneous

We will report on results of the water sampling at the Annual Meeting.

Congratulations to Director Michelle Griffiths and husband Dave on the birth of their baby girl, Kayla Theresa Marielle Griffith arrived on May 21st weighing in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. - Mother and daughter are doing fine!



Diane Tate
President
S.D.R.A.

CALANDAR OF EVENTS - 1992

DATE	TIME	EVENT
SATURDAY, JULY 11TH	10:00 A.M.	1992 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - TRAILS END PROPERTY
SATURDAY, JULY 11TH	7:30 P.M.	BASEBALL GAME AT THE CLOYNE BALL DIAMOND - BRING A LOONIE!
SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST	1:00 P.M.	1992 ANNUAL SAILING REGATTA - STARTING FROM O'BORNES POINT
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND	1:00 P.M.	BEACH VOLLEYBALL BIG ISLAND SANDY BEACH
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH	7:30 P.M.	BASEBALL AT THE CLOYNE BALL DIAMOND - DON'T FORGET YOUR LOONIE!

Your Executive

Chairperson	Doug Jones	(416)586-3785
President	Diane Tate	(416)428-9957
Vice President	Marty Carson	(416)757-3196
Secretary/Tres	Sandra Vanderzee	(416)621-7708
Director	Dave Tate	(613)534-2583
Director	Wendy Thompson	(613)345-6951
Director	Beatrice Wickett	(613)741-1115
Director	Steve Lord	(416)696-8204
Director	Michelle Griffiths	(416)756-0201

Please find enclosed \$10.00 to cover my 1992 membership dues:

Please make cheque payable to:
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