
SKOOTAMATTA DISTRICT RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION INC.

*** JUNE 1989 NEWSLETTER ***

Dear Members,

I hope everyone has had a good winter, whether it was by enjoying the snow or by escaping to the sun.

Now that summer is here again, it's time to update you on the issues and events the Executive is currently pursuing.

Treasurers Report

As at May 22nd, 1989, Diane Tate, treasurer, reported we had \$3200.39 in our savings account and \$501.86 in our chequing account. Known expenditures are estimated at approximately \$2000.00 for the balance of the year.

Annual Meeting

Our 1989 Annual General Meeting will take place on Saturday, July 8, 1989 at 10:00 A.M. at the usual location (on the property above Trails End). Please note the earlier starting time which will allow everyone to enjoy the rest of the day. In the event of rain, the meeting will be held at the same time on Sunday. We hope to have as our guest speaker a representative from the Ministry of Natural Resources, Tweed, to answer our questions on such things as gypsy moths and our forests, new "Multi-Purpose Work Permits", lake levels, our Land Use Permit, etc.

A working demonstration of our new Emergency Fire Pump will take place afterward along with the usual feast of hot dogs and pop.

Membership

I am pleased to report that our Association paid membership continues to grow to record levels. With 1989's membership drive just underway with this newsletter, our membership count is:

153 - members paid to 1988
12 - members paid to 1989
1 - member paid to 1990

This represents just over 60% of the cottages on the lake. While this number is very gratifying, we must continue to increase our ranks in order to continue providing services like maintenance of the emergency equipment and fire pump, placement of marker buoys, beginning this year proper maintenance of the boat launch, dock, washrooms, parking lot, and property around Trails End, summer regatta and winter Snow-Fest, etc.

Enclosed with this newsletter is a list of all current paid members (88/89/90). If anyone you know is not on this list, please encourage them to join! The more people our Association represents, the better we can serve the interests of all residents on the lake.

If unsure of your membership status, you can easily tell by looking on your address label of the newsletter. The number in the lower right corner indicates the last year we received dues from you. ("0" means we have not received dues since 1986.)

We ask you to fill out the coupon at the end of the newsletter and return it, along with your \$10.00 dues to our address in Cloyne. Thank you.

Access Point Near Trails End

As you are aware, maintenance of the boat launch, dock, and property near Trails End is the responsibility of the Association through issuance of a Land Use Permit (issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources). Earlier this spring, the M.N.R. indicated that they felt we were not maintaining the property to the level when we took it over two years ago. We have come to the conclusion that a volunteer system is unworkable due to the amount and regularity of work to be done. Since we also feel that the control of this land and access point is imperative to the interests of cottagers, we have entered into an agreement with Brian Boys, the new owner of Trails End, to carry out the maintenance work to specified levels. This contract will be on a seasonal basis at a cost of \$400.00 per year and must be ratified by a majority vote of members present at the annual meeting in July.

Brian was selected by the executive for two reasons:

- 1) the high standards to which he is taking Trails End; and
- 2) because of his vested interest in maintaining the area surrounding Trails End

We believe he will do an excellent job to the benefit of everyone.

Lake Levels

As most of us are aware, last fall the lake level dropped to its lowest point in years. This was primarily due to the Moira Conservation Authority replacing the stop logs at the dam. Since the water level was already dangerously low last year, they were not able to complete the job (the lower 4 or 5 logs have yet to be replaced) and therefore, if the water level is sufficiently high this fall, they will attempt to complete the job.

The Moira Conservation Authority has PROMISED that they will inform us in plenty of time for our fall newsletter so that we may warn everyone of the changing water levels.

Announcement Board

At the time of writing, one announcement sign has been purchased and will be erected at the fork on Shel Drake Lake Road shortly. We had originally intended on two of these signs, however, it was felt that we should start with only one for financial reasons and also to see whether vandalism will be a problem. The purpose of this sign is:

- 1) to increase the awareness of our association among lake residents
- 2) post upcoming events and dates
- 3) list key contact people

Activities

The second annual "Skootamatta Snow Fest" was held on Saturday, February 18th on the ice in front of Trails End Store. Special thanks go to Barry Tate for running the snowmobile races and to Brian Boys for the hotdogs, soup, hot chocolate and coffee.

Our "Sailing Regatta" will be held on Saturday, August 5th (wind/rain date Sunday, then Monday) beginning at 2:00 P.M. at the usual spot near O'borne's point. All forms of sailboats and windsurfers are welcome to compete for prizes. Cold pop and suds at the finish line. (Spectators also welcome.) Later that evening, will be a game of slow pitch at the Cloyne ball diamond (just north of Cloyne on the east side of HWY 41) beginning at 8:30 P.M. Bring a glove if you have one.

Elections

This year we will have four openings on our executive. These positions are: President
Secretary
Directors (2)

I would encourage any interested parties to run for office and become more involved in the Association. Please contact me before the meeting in July at 336-2337 if you are interested.

Miscellaneous

Directors, Marty Carson and Dave Tate have been appointed "Buoy Boys" this year. Marker buoys have been placed at the usual danger points around the lake but if any have been missed, please let us know. A few extra buoys will be available at the annual meeting if you know of a spot that needs one.

As some of you may recall, every spring the M.N.R. removes a high percentage of the pickerel eggs from our lake in order to increase the eggs rate of survival. However, they have not, to date, met the Association request that they replenish our pickerel population when the fingerlings have hatched. To this end, Vice-President, Marty Carson, will be in contact with the M.N.R. this summer to reiterate our desire that they do so. Hopefully, we'll have more information on this at the meeting.

LISTING FOR SKOOTAMATTA LAKE
RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION INC

MEMBER NAME	PAID YTD	MEMBER NAME	PAID YTD	MEMBER NAME	PAID YTD	MEMBER NAME	PAID YTD
AASS MR. & MRS. HAAKON	88	EENSILD MR. & MRS. ELMAR	88	MCKAY MR. JIM	88	TEED MR. & MRS. JIM	88
ANDERSON MR. & MRS. C.	88	FARROW MR. & MRS. WILF	88	MCKAY H.R.	88	TETTMAN MR. & MRS. LARRY & MAUREEN	88
ARTHURS MR. & MRS. WAYNE	88	FARROW JAN & KENT	88	MCKAY MR. & MRS. RON	88	TITUS MR. & MRS. HOWARD	88
BABCOCK K.M.	88	FETTES MR. RON	88	MCMURRAY MR. JOHN A.	88	VANDERZEE SANDRA	88
BABER MR. & MRS. GEORGE	88	FITZGERALD MR. & MRS. R.R.	88	MCWILLIAMS CARL	88	VUKOBRAT M.M.	88
BAILEY MR. & MRS. FRANK	88	FITZGERALD A. NELSON	88	MEIKLE MR. & MRS. K.M.	88	WATSON LEROY & GAY	88
BAILEY MR. DON	88	FRASER MR. & MRS. PHILIP	88	MERTENS FRANK	88	WATT MRS. BILL	88
BARAN MR. ANTHONY	88	GLECOFF ROBERT & MARGARET	88	MILLER MR. & MRS. GORDON	88	WEST MR. KENNETH G.	88
BARNES SHIRLEY	88	GLECOFF MR. ANDREW J.	88	MONTGOMERY MR. & MRS. IVAN	88	WICKETT DR. BEATRICE E.	88
BARNETT MR. & MRS. KEN	88	GLECOFF MRS. Z.E.	88	MORAIS MR. & MRS. J.G.	88	WILLOUGHBY WILLIAM	88
BARNETT MR. ROSS	88	GRANT MR. ROBERT	88	MORRISON MR. & MRS. ALLAN	88	WYLLIE FRED & AL	88
BASS LT. COL. EARL J.	88	GRIFFITH MR. A.W.	88	MURRELL R.C.	88	YOUNG MR. & MRS. JACK K.	88
BASS LT. COL. EARL J.	88	HALL MR. DONALD K.	88	O'CONNOR MR. & MRS. E.O.	88	ZALOT JOHN	88
BEAUPRE JOHN & BERNICE	88	HALPERIN BRENDA & MITCHELL	88	O'NEIL JOHN	88	DRYMAN, Q.C. GEORGE K.	89
BELYEA MR. & MRS. N.M.	88	HASLER MR. ROBERT	88	OBORNE J. ROSS	88	ENGLAND MR. H.	89
BIBLE MR. & MRS. DOUG	88	HENEY MR. BRAD	88	PAUZERS V.	88	GLOVER ALAN	89
BIBLE MR. ROY	88	HENEY YVONNE & BRUCE	88	PERCIVAL MR. & MRS. H.	88	HANCOCK MR. SEAN	89
BLAKE R.P. & E.M.	88	HENNIGER MR. & MRS. JOHN	88	PERKINS MR. & MRS. M.	88	HIGGINS MR. & MRS. W.G.	89
BLEECKER MR. JOHN I.	88	HERING WILLIAM & FLORENCE	88	PETTIE MR. W. E.	88	HUNTER KIM R.	89
BOYS MR. BRIAN	88	HITCHCOCK DON & LORI	88	POVINSKY MRS. CHARLENE	88	KOJRO MR. & MRS. J.F.	89
BROCKMAN HOWARD	88	HOLE MR. BRUCE	88	PRICE DR. JAMES A.	88	LAKE CLARENCE H.	89
BRUNDAGE D.H.	88	HOOVER ROSS W.	88	PUTNAM BRUCE & MARGARET	88	ORAM MR. L. W.	89
BURSEY LES & CAROL	88	HOWARD MR. & MRS. JOHN EDRIC	88	REEVE PHYLLIS	88	PEARSON MR. GEORGE A.	89
BUTTON MR. & MRS. W.S.	88	HOWELL DENNIS & DOLORES	88	RIVERS MR. & MRS. RAYMOND	88	PEARSON MR. GEORGE A.	89
CARR MR. CLAYTON	88	HUNTER MR. H. WILLIAM	88	ROBERTSON JOYCE & JOHN	88	PIERCE MARION	89
CAZALLY MR. LAWRENCE	88	HUTCHISON WM.	88	ROSE DON & DONNA	88	STEPHENS MRS. J.L.	89
CHAPMAN MR. JIM	88	INNES F.A.	88	ROSE MIKE	88	PARKS MR. KENNETH	90
CHAPMAN MS. HELEN MARILYN	88	JONES MR. DOUG	88	SABLINSKAS MRS. P.	88		
CHAPPELL MR. ERIC	88	KARLIK MILAN A.	88	SANDS MR. & MRS. J.C.	88		
CHINNICK MR. & MRS. JAMES H.	88	KEELER CAROL & DAN	88	SCHWENGER MRS. ELENA HELEN	88		
CLAPP FLOYD & PATRICIA	88	KENNEDY PATRICIA	88	SCHWENGER BRUCE & LESLEY	88		
CLARK DOUG & RITA	88	KING BOB & CAROL	88	SELLE MR. DON	88	TOTAL NUMBER OF PAID ASSOCIATION MEMBERS:	168
COLE MR. ROGER	88	KISSMAN MR. & MRS. GORD	88	SHEPHERD MR. & MRS. CHARLES S.	88		
COOKE MR. & MRS. M.A.	88	KOMARONI ELAINE	88	SHORTT LOIS C.	88		
COOKE DAVID & EDYTHE	88	LARMOND MR. J.C.	88	SILKE MR. ALFRED	88		
COOPER MR. & MRS. ROSS	88	LAW FRANK	88	SISSON SUSAN	88		
COOPER AUDREY & BRUCE	88	LEE MR. & MRS. ROBERT	88	SMITH MR. EDWARD A.	88		
COPELAND HAROLD & IRENE	88	LEMMON AUDREY C.	88	SONELY DR. E.G.	88		
COTE JEAN-CLAUDE	88	LEPAGE WINNIE & EDDIE	88	SOWDEN FRANCES	88		
COUCH R.F.	88	LEVEQUE GRACE	88	ST. AMAND MORLEY & ELEANOR	88		
CRONE HARVEY & DOREEN	88	LITTLE MR. ROBERT	88	STACEY K.	88		
CROW MR. ROBERT	88	MACLELLAN MR. & MRS. STEWART	88	STEVENS MR. RON	88		
DACUK MR. & MRS. DAVID	88	MACLELLAN MR. & MRS. DONALD	88	STEWART DR. & MRS. D.	88		
DACUK MR. & MRS. JOHN	88	MANGOLD MR. & MRS. FRANK	88	STOCKER PAT & BOB	88		
DOHERTY MRS. P.J.	88	MCBRIDE RONALD & JANE	88	STOKES MR. JAMES A.	88		
DUCKWORTH MR. LEM	88	MCDONNELL MR. KEN	88	SZKMYRA MR. & MRS. WALTER	88		
DURNO MR. CHARLES	88	MCINTRYE DR. & MRS. DON	88	TATES THE	88		
CARBON MARTY & LAURIE	88						

New "Multi-Purpose Work Permit" Requirements

We have been asked by the Ministry of Natural Resources to distribute the following information to our members:

May 1989

AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE PUBLIC LANDS ACT

Recent amendments to the Public Lands Act have resulted in changes to the approval process for various undertakings administered by the Ministry of Natural Resources on Crown land, and in some cases, on private land.

The two major changes involve the creation of a multi-purpose Work Permit which replaces various documents and "letters of permission" used previously, and the inclusion of private land within the scope of shoreline alteration approvals.

On Crown land, any logging, mineral exploration, industrial operation or road, trail or building construction can only be done under the authority of a Work Permit pursuant to Section 13a.(1) of the Public Lands Act.

These same operations on private land, if within 300 metres of a forest or woodland, and if within a Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Region still require a Work Permit under Section 15.(1) of the Forest Fires Prevention Act.

In addition, a Work Permit under the Public Lands Act is required for any shore land work. Shore lands are defined as public or private lands covered by the waters of lake, river, stream or pond and include adjacent lands that are seasonally under water. Farm ponds, artificial drainage courses, and most beaver ponds and other wetland areas which are not connected to a watercourse are not considered to be shore lands.

Types of undertakings usually encountered include dredging, filling, dock and boathouse construction, and the installation or repair of a dam or water crossing.

Anyone planning to carry out any of these operations must obtain a Work Permit from the Ministry of Natural Resources prior to commencing the work. A contractor hired by a landowner to do the work must ensure that the landowner has obtained a permit.

An owner and/or contractor found in contravention of this new legislation will be subject to a fine of up to \$5000.00, as well as a court order to correct the situation, if deemed necessary upon conviction.

These legislative and procedural changes will streamline the approval process, and more importantly, will allow for better management of the critical near-shore areas of fish and wildlife habitat so often affected by unauthorized construction and alterations.

More information on these changes, as well as Work Permit application forms, can be obtained from the Lands Branch of the Natural Resources office located on Spring Street in Tweed (Phone 613-478-2330).

In support of the Land O'Lakes Community Services, and their fund-raising efforts, the executive is pleased to provide space for the following message.

On behalf of Land O'Lakes Community Services, and the Fund-raising Committee for the proposed 60 bed nursing home in Northbrook, Thanks to the people on Skootamatta Lake, for their donations and pledges for this project. To those who have not yet donated or pledged, your contribution to this very important community undertaking would be appreciated.

Remember, this is a charitable organization and donations are tax deductible.

Teams of volunteers plan to canvass the lake in the next few months. Meanwhile, for information or if any questions, please contact 336-8145.

Thank you.
Harve McKay
Campaign Chairman

The executive wishes to thank Marg Perkins for paying for the postage of this newsletter in return for the following announcement.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COTTAGE REAL ESTATE MARKET??

Prices are up, supply is down. If you are thinking of selling or would just like to know what your property is worth, please call Margaret Perkins, collect at 416-294-1372 or 416-477-3929. Cottage: 613-336-8252



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Please note the coupon at the bottom of this newsletter which we ask you to tear off and return with your annual \$10.00 dues.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I wish you a safe and enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you at the lake.

Yours truly,



Doug Jones
President

Please remit your annual membership dues for 1989-90 by completing the following and returning to:

Skootamatta District Ratepayers Assoc. Inc.
P.O. Box 160
Cloyne, Ontario
K0H 1K0

OR: In person at the annual meeting, \$10.00 per family

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