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President's Message

Well that was a year, and it continues!

For the last fourteen months we have been living in and out of lockdown. For most of us Haliburton Lake has provided us some sense of normalcy, at very least an escape. We continue to work through the vaccination process and the hope that this will allow us to return to our new normal. The community needs to acknowledge the work of the essential workers and in particular those working in health care. We have included an article on our local hospital as we need to acknowledge the service and importance they provide us and the community. It is especially now more than ever for us to support them.

This summer we hope to get back some of the events that were unable to be offered in 2020. What they look like will depend on what restrictions that we are operating under as determined by local and provincial governments. Your Board will keep you apprised of all relevant information and all Board decisions about summer activities.

The focus of the magazine is to shine light on the successes of the HLCA and the community as well as focus on what goes on in the County. We hope you enjoy the 2021 version of our magazine and keep it on the coffee table for a quick reference, and even take it on vacation for a photo op, when we can do that again! This year we repeated two articles, one regarding our Lake Health and with respect to Watch your Wake - please make both of these a priority.

As always, we need to mention the production of this magazine would not be possible without our advertising sponsors. Please buy locally, especially at these times. Our website, links www.Haliburtonlake.com has the sponsors' websites under "Support Advertisers" plus we have an electronic copy of this magazine on our website under "HLCA Magazine".

Our membership was level at 382 full and associate members out of 625 properties on the lake, this is amazing! The HLCA would like to acknowledge and thank the membership for the record amount of donations received in 2020. The 2020 financial health of the organization was strong, details are at the back of the magazine.

Regular HLCA e-mail updates continue to almost 575 subscribers – there has been lots and lots of positive feedback.

Do not forget about our Septic Tank Pump Out Contest – the winner gets a free pump out!

I would like to thank the other Board members: Candice Bradbury-Endicott, Nick Mezzapelli, Larry Marion, Owen Blackwell, Kathleen Bass, Serena Bradbury and Connor Blackwell, Brady Siersma. The last year has been a busy year for the Board and their support and work is very much appreciated.

A big thank you to those members that volunteer to help out the Haliburton Lake Community! Special acknowledgement to Dave Freeman, Lindsay Bevan, Erin Scott, Kristen Hyslop, Brennan McLennan, Rob Newton, Moe Thompson, Bob Bevan, Sue Harrison, Paul Metcalf and the many others that support our community.

To all our members, thank you for supporting the HLCA. Please practice physical distancing and self-isolation while supporting family, neighbours and friends. The HLCA will continue to be here for the community today and in the future as the new normal is defined.

Brent McLean President@haliburtonlake.com

Let's Bring Back the Wave By Candice Bradbury-Endicott

As times change in our crazy world, I think it's important to stay connected to your community. Growing up on the lake, everyone waved to one another whether you knew them or not. To me it symbolized a sense of community welcomeness. I remember as a teen I had a friend up for the weekend and on a drive to the Marina (to fill up on candy and chips, no doubt) every car that we passed; we'd wave at each other. My friend said "Wow, you know a lot of people." and I simply replied, "No, it's just what we do around here!" Driving around on the roads the past few years, I have found no one waves anymore. Perhaps it is that properties have changed ownership over the years, people are visiting and or renting



and don't know many people. Or you are a lifer and feel weird waving to people that you don't know – this is me. I don't wave nearly as much as I used to for the fear people would think I'm silly for waving to people that I don't know! This is changing. I will be waving to people, all people, old and new and I invite you to do the same.

What Our Members Say, when they register

Thank you so much to all the volunteers!

Thank you for the hard work that the board does regularly—the emails are full of valuable information and are much appreciated.

As a long time HLCA family we believe strongly in your advocacy on this and other issues!

Keep up the good work!

Thanks for everything you all do, we have a great lake thanks to an amazing association.

Always a great job!

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of all the cottagers!

Thanks for all the executive does. We appreciate the weekly emails, fantastic work!

This is the most comprehensive coverage and recent revision of the changes I have seen. It answers all the questions I had. I very much appreciate your sending this out to the membership.

Always enjoy your updates— Thanks!

> We are very thankful for what our association does for cottage life on Haliburton Lake!

Scavenger Hunt

First annual HLCA Scavenger Hunt – the response was amazing and the weather cooperated!! Given that many of our regular summer activities had been suspended this year, we were looking for an idea to engage folks. The scavenger hunt certainly delivered. Judging by the number of slow moving boats, canoes and kayaks passing by lots of people took up the challenge. Thanks to all who hid items, to all who participated and to all who donated prizes including Dave Freeman, Kristen and Drew Bishop (Century 21), Laurie and Paul Hillaby and Carolyn Smyth.

Feedback has been very positive and judging from the photos that were sent in, fun was had by all!!

It was really fun to see who participated. Many multi-generational teams and a full spectrum of ages! We had 27 hunt teams submit their results with well over 100 participants.

Thanks to all who participated. Everyone had fun while completely respecting the privacy of all! A few lessons learned:

- there is no lack of the competitive spirit on the lake;
- given the challenge, many neighbours and strangers welcomed the excuse to engage with folks they would otherwise have not
- clearly some folks have much better eyesight than others and/or work those binoculars really well!

We cannot thank Sue Harrison enough for the suggestion and for taking a lead role in making the hunt happen.





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Swimming Lessons

Each year the HLCA operates a swimming program under the guidance of the Canadian Life Saving Society. This supports one of the association's strategic objectives of Safety and has been operating for many years. The program offers parent and tot, preschool and swimmer programs. The program is operated at breakeven but many years run with a shortfall which is covered off by HLCA membership fees. The program oversight is provided by Erin Scott. Week of swimming lessons costs \$40 for HLCA members and \$45 for non members.

For the summer of 2021, we are planning to proceed with offering swimming lessons. How they look or operate will be determined in mid-June, PLEASE FOLLOW THE HLCA EMAIL AND WEBSITE AS THINGS WILL CHANGE WITH COVID PROTOCOLS.

Sessions run every week starting Monday July 5 and the last week of lessons starts August 9.

If you aware of anyone wishing to take swimming lessons they can register online at

http://haliburtonlake.com/swimming-lessons/ or show up Monday mornings at 9:00 am and register, all lessons are at the Public Beach. Any questions email President@haliburtonlake.com.



Kids Softball

Did you know that the HLCA offers kids softball every Wednesday at the Public Beach This year it starts on July 8 at 3 pm. The HLCA provides adult oversight by our swim instructors, plus the equipment which includes balls, bats, bases and some gloves. Don't be shy; please join in. For the summer of 2021, we are planning on offering softball, pending changing covid rules.





It never hurts to help...rural living, be it seasonal or year round can pose some challenges that are somewhat out of the ordinary. Whether it is ice on the eaves, alarms on various mechanical components

chirping or doors and windows that open easily in August but require a kick in May. Lets not forget about the pitter patter of little feet that you hear in the attic or walls at night.

Yes it is all part of cottage life. For the past 25 years HomePro Inspections has been troubleshooting these very problems, identifying the concern and providing the solution. Getting to the bottom of your problems is what we do, wood stove backdraft or in need of WETT certification. Oh, yes even the peculiar smell, or the slippery slope. With some 6000 home inspections completed we look forward to the problem we have not seen yet!

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access a septic system is virtually impossible for the home and cottage owner. Latent defects often can go unnoticed for months or even years, slowly contaminating the earth and water bodies' alike.

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Labour Day Fireworks

Well we were able to make the Fireworks happen (a little later than normal). What a great show it was! We received lots of wonderful comments. Had a bit of rain about 4 pm which slowed the setup down for about 30 minutes, the firing team was wiring the display right up to start time. Thanks to our volunteers Serena Bradbury, Brent McLean and Billy Paterson for the set up and especially to the firing team of Brendan McLennan, Moe Thompson and Rob Newton seen below in the picture.

The HLCA would like to add to our "Fireworks Team" and are interested in two more volunteers to obtain their fireworks certification, at the Associations expense. Please email president@haliburtonlake.com if interested. Fireworks are scheduled for Saturday July 3, 2021 with the rain date being Saturday July 31, 2021.





Firing team Moe Thompson, Brendan McLennan, and Rob Newton













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Rock Bass Fishing Derby

First, thanks to Jay Kea for leading the charge this summer for a fabulous Rock Bass Fishing Derby, plus thanks to all the participants.

It was great to see some new young people fishing. Look forward to meeting many new children and families on the lake this year!! Thank you to all the fisher people and family members for making the derby such a success in the crazy pandemic summer of 2020

Rock Bass Fishing Derby on Haliburton Lake Goals of the Fishing Derby:

- Control the population of the Rock Bass to improve the Small Mouth Bass Population
- 2. Have a ton of fun fishing for this great sport fish
- Attempt to win one of the three weigh-in prizes:
 First = \$15 gift certificate;
 Second = \$10;
 Third = \$5 (Gift Certificate is for the Fort Irwin Marina)

Fishing Derby Plan:

- 1. Catch as many fish as you can over the course of the week
- 2. Place the fish in grocery bags in your freezer
- 3. Bring the bags of fish to be weighed in at the public beach on Sunday



Weigh in Sundays from 12:00-12:30 (July 22-August 13) near the play structure at the Public Beach (Hodgson Road)

Thank you for supporting the Haliburton Lake Cottagers' Association!! https://www.haliburtonlake.com







2020 Annual General Meeting

The 2020 AGM was a first in HLCA history, due to Social Distancing rules it was the first held via a zoom conference call with about 50 devices. One of the benefits of having a zoom conference meeting is that a video link is posted to the website for those who cannot attend.

Andrea and Walt were in attendance bringing the messages from Dysart.

We also had an excellent presentation from Tayce Wakefield, who provided an update on cell/internet service for Haliburton County.

The Board saw some changes to it for the balance of the 2020 year. A big Thank You goes out to Pat Berne and Jill Macgillvray, for their years of service to the HLCA board as they have stepped down. Those who agreed to remain on the board are, Nick Mezzapelli, Glenn Scott, Candice Endicott, Owen Blackwell and Connor Blackwell. We welcome Kathleen Boss, Serena Bradbury, Brayden Siersma and Larry Marion to the HLCA Board;





HHHS Foundation – a Foundation for the Health of the Highlands

With its mission of being a leader in innovative rural health care, Haliburton Highlands Health Services provides an integrated system of health care delivery, working closely with local and regional partners to promote wellness and provide access to essential health services, including Primary Care, Hospital (Acute Inpatient and Emergency Care), Long-Term Care, End-of-Life Care, Mental Health & Addictions Services, and Community Support Services.

What many don't realize is that the majority of equipment used today in the direct care of patients is funded by community donors, like you.

HHHS Foundation is a registered Canadian charity, with a mandate to support the hospital and health care facilities in the Haliburton Highlands through strategic capital campaigns, the purchase of priority medical equipment, and supporting its Community programs.

Since its formation in late 1996 to raise the major funds required to rebuild 2 hospital sites in Minden and Haliburton, the Foundation has raised over \$16 million. This is thanks, of course, to the outstanding generosity of individuals, businesses, and organizations – both in the County, and beyond.



Funds raised have supported major capital campaigns such as the recently built Haliburton Highlands Palliative Centre in the Haliburton hospital site, and have financed a long list of priority medical equipment over the years, including Ultrasound, Telemedicine equipment, new Cardiac Telemetry equipment, and most recently a brand new portable digital X-Ray for the Haliburton Emergency Department that can come right to the patient in urgent care situations.

Sometimes, the funding of new or upgraded equipment has also meant being able to offer a new service; case in

point – **Telemedicine Services**. Access to Telemedicine services – with equipment funded by the Foundation - has saved patients significant travel time and distance for medical consultations. Using the comprehensive telemedicine equipment in place, a **New Haliburton County Virtual Primary Care Clinic** is launching to support patients currently without a family doctor or nurse practitioner. The Clinic is based on successful models operating in other communities that have challenges with primary care capacity. It will provide primary care to anyone who is an 'unattached patient', which means they do not have a local family doctor or nurse practitioner to provide them comprehensive primary care (including acute and episodic care, chronic disease management, etc.) and connect them with local and regional services such as specialists and supportive programs. Patients of the Virtual Clinic will be able to meet with a Family Physician through a secure Ontario Telemedicine Network video session with the assistance of a nurse. The sessions use a large screen with a camera, speakers, microphone, and medical peripherals to complete appointments. The Clinic will ensure patients experience more consistency of care by having them work with the same physician over time.

It will also work with Health Care Connect and the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team to transition patients to a local family doctor when one becomes available. To book an appointment, unattached patients can contact HHHS Community Programs at 705-457-2941, extension 2294.

Many of HHHS' Community programs are also supported by the Foundation, including Hospice and Palliative care in the community and in hospital, mental health, as well as annual financial support for medically-required transportation and meals-on-wheels services.

<u>www.hhhs.ca</u> is a one-stop destination for information on all the programs and services offered through HHHS, and provides direct access for request of information. The website was recently redesigned and optimized for all devices, to provide improved overall accessibility for users.

Much is made possible by the generosity of donors. The HHHS Foundation continues to work to encourage permanent residents, seasonal residents, and visitors to express their appreciation of the access to care by supporting health care through a variety of ways that can be meaningful to them. A fundraising focus for 2021 will continue to be Emergency Department equipment in the form of new stretchers, IV pumps and other monitoring devices related to recently-funded Cardiac Telemetry equipment.

Traditionally, funds are raised through through personal, business & corporate donations, signature events, promotions, annual giving and a planned giving program. The COVID-19 pandemic has certainly had an impact on some of those delivery mechanisms, especially events, as we've pivoted to more online programming. We've seen extraordinary generosity this past year, with many salutes to our front -line health care teams, and we are so grateful for this ongoing acknowledgement of the contribution of those who are working tirelessly to keep our community safe.

We know that the diversity of experiences in Haliburton County makes this an ideal 4-season destination – and we certainly hope to be able to access and share all of those experiences again soon, in whatever form our 'new normal' takes. It's comforting to know that there is excellent medical care available when needed, with an integrated system of health care delivery and extensive community programs available. Thanks to your generosity, we can continue to support the Health Services financially to add the highest quality of equipment and program infrastructure to the highest quality of patient care.



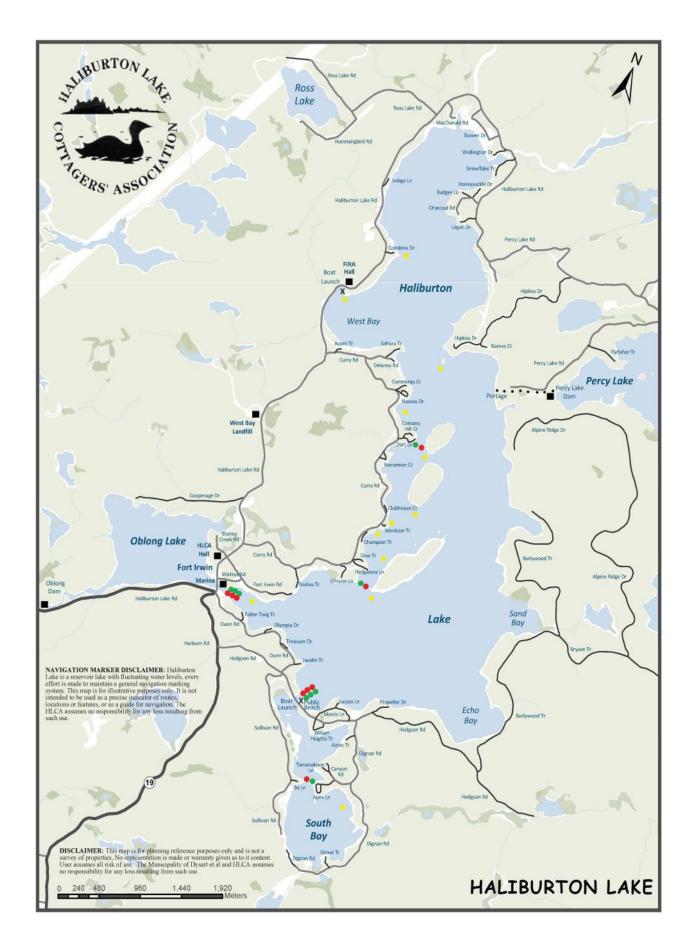
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Washed a load of pajamas so I would have clean work clothes this week.



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We've been on 20 walks today. Leave me alone.



Home schooling science lesson went really well this week.



Next week - marketing and distribution.



How to survive falling through lake ice

By: Randy Hague

Have you ever wondered what you would do if you went through the ice or how you could help someone else that had fallen through? Dr. Gordon Giesbrecht, a professor of thermophysiology at the University of Manitoba has some excellent advice on how to survive such an ordeal.

1-10-1 Principle

1-10-1 is a simple way to remember the first three phases of cold water immersion and the approximate time each phase takes. Although the times are variable based on differences in body weight and water temperature, just remember 1-10-1:

1 Minute to get your breathing under control

COLD SHOCK RESPONSE. An initial deep and sudden gasp followed by hyperventilation that can be as much as 6-10 times greater than normal breathing. You must keep your airway clear and above water or run the risk of drowning. The Cold Shock Response will pass in about 1 minute. During that time concentrate on avoiding panic and getting control of your breathing. Wearing a lifejacket during this phase is critically important to keep you afloat and breathing.

10 Minutes of meaningful movement

COLD INCAPACITATION. Over the next 5-15 minutes you will gradually lose the effective use of your fingers, arms and legs for any meaningful movement. Concentrate on self-rescue initially, and if that isn't possible, prepare a way to keep your airway clear while you wait for rescue. Swim failure is one example of cold incapacitation, and will occur within these critical minutes. If you are in the water without a lifejacket, or something to hold on to, drowning is likely.

1 Hour before you become unconscious due to hypothermia

HYPOTHERMIA. Even in ice water it could take approximately 1 hour before becoming unconscious due to hypothermia. If you understand the aspects of hypothermia, techniques of how to delay it, self-rescue and calling for help, your chances of survival and rescue will be dramatically increased.

Dr. Giesbrecht, aka Professor Popsicle, is a world-renowned expert on 'freezing to death' and is a resource for the Canadian Red Cross first aid programs and the Wilderness Medical Society. He also teaches the BICO (Baby it's Cold Outside) program that is supported by our federal government. BI-CO training was created across the country with Search and Rescue teams including the O.P.P. The program is intended for professional responders however I believe it is available online for anyone to complete. Registration is free of charge. I enjoyed the learning experience and recommend it to anyone that enjoys the Canadian outdoors! https://bicorescue.com/

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Fort Irwin Residents (FIRA) By Carrie DiFrancesco

Want to add to your Haliburton Lake Experience?

Fort Irwin Residents' Association (FIRA) is a local social club that provides activities all year long. We work closely with HLCA and membership fees are discounted if you join both associations.



Seasonal cottagers as well as full time residents are welcome to join and support FIRA. Many members are cottagers who spend extended time here and enjoy making new friends. Dive into the great community spirit of our lake and benefit from our many features and events:

Although events for 2021 are subject to COVID restrictions, FIRA is doing a member review of activities and our hall to enhance our member benefits. Below are some examples of past activities and we are working on adding more in the future:

- Our hall, located near West Bay boat ramp, has kitchen & washrooms and is available all year.
 - Available to rent with a discounted rate for members!
- Group fixed price program for propane offers protection against rising costs.
 - These savings often exceed dues, depending on usage and changes in market rate.
- Fitness classes are scheduled almost every day except Wednesdays & Saturdays.
 - DVD classes for Zumba, Qi-gong, yoga & walking.
- Wednesday Ladies' mornings offer coffee and camaraderrie as well as interesting craft projects, workshops, quilting and knitting.
- Monday games Mahjong in afternoons & Bid Euchre in evenings.
 - Newcomers will be taught how to play!
- Happy Hours (BYOB & snack to share) every Thursday from 4-6 pm (except winter).
- Group Meals: Monthly pot luck, Fall pig roast, Harvest Lunch, Christmas dinner dance
- Special events for FIRA members
 - Silent Auction, Casino Night, Christmas cookie exchange
- Special Events for all in the community
 - Typically we kick the season off at our annual Summer Fest baked goods & craft sale
 - The 3rd Saturday in August features our Pancake Breakfast
 Enjoy music, pictures and local real maple syrup with your meal!

Past President: Glenn Smith, 705-754-3745, glen-eleanor.smith@sympatico.ca

To become a FIRA member or get more info, contact any Executive Board Member:

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Check out our website www.firahall.ca for calendar of events, etc.

FIRA Events 2019



Annual BBQ



Pancake Breakfast

Christmas
Dinner Dance



Life Announcements



Craig and Danielle Dunham, South Bay (and Scarborough) are happy to announce the arrival of Chloe Addison Dunham on Friday, March 19th, 2021. Proud first time grandparents are Marlene and Mark Starr – London, ON and Marian and Lloyd Dunham – South Bay (and Bracebridge, ON). A future Regatta volleyball player for sure...



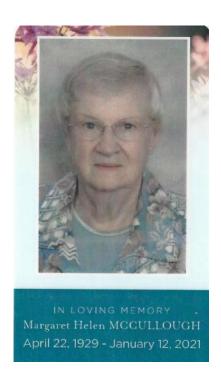


1. Billy and Ashley Paterson on South Bay welcomed baby girl Avery Lynn Paterson on November 13th 2020!

Yes that's right Friday the 13th of year 2020! What a year to remember!

2. Miss Aubrey Paterson daughter of Brad and Amanda Paterson on Haliburton lake with her cousin Avery!

These two have an amazing bond together and we cannot wait for them to enjoy adventures at the lake when they get older!



Margaret Helen McCullough— Passed away on January 12, 2021.

Margaret and Gord purchased the cottage at the sportsman show in 1954 and it was ready to use that summer. The family came up for the next 60 plus years to swim, fish, hike and in the early years during winter to try and skate on the lake. Margaret is survived by her three children, Bill, Ruth and Jay. Grandchildren Lisa and Matt, and great grandson Connor.





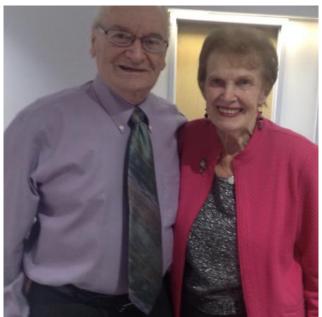
Another happening at the Barker Cottage—Grandson Reilly Barker graduated high school and is now attending university.



Lyndsey McLean - HLCA swim instructor, graduated high school and is now attending University of Guelph.

Bill and Roberta Barker—Hodgson Road.

Married 65 years—Original Cottage owners since development started





Janet Van Staveren Born April 25, 2020. Proud parents Jordan and Natalie Van Staveren, proud grandparents are Doug and Janet Van Staveren.

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Lake History - Barker Family By Roberta Barker

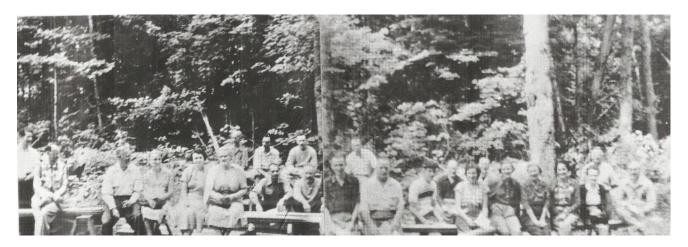
When the development of Haliburton Lake was started, my mother and I purchased a lot and cottage at one of the shows in Toronto. Later during the early part of May, we all went up to Haliburton Lake on a train. There we visited the lake sales office and looked at the lot that we picked. We liked the location and the style of cottage (The Northernaire) and finished the purchasing of the cottage.

Through the cottage purchase, I got a great job with Ridout Real Estate as the secretary to the Vice President, Stan Archard.

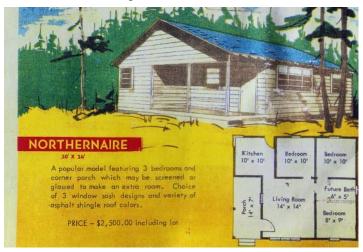
Our Cottage is situated across from what is now the public beach on Hodgson Road and we are still there. When my parents (the Henderson's) passed away the cottage was put in our names, Bill and Roberta Barker. The cottage was where we raised our four children and they still use the cottage.

As a little note of interest, when we took possession of the cottage, the Association was formed and I as Roberta Henderson, was the first secretary along with Howard Dignan, Bob Clark and Hugh Newton. My family has also served on the Regatta committee several times along with Bill Lewis.

We have had many many happy years on Haliburton Lake.



Roberta, is the 6th person in the front row from the left.





Lake History - Taggart Family By Wayne Taggart

Our family's journey to Haliburton Lake started with some mosquito bites and a swim in Lake Scugog in 1958. The mosquito bites on my arm became infected and my parents decided they needed to find a cleaner lake upon which to own a cottage. They had been told that Plan 395 or Price Yards on Haliburton Lake had some lots available for sale and they eventually settled on a sandy

beach lot at the 1958 price of \$29 per foot of frontage for 100 feet or \$2,900. A small 24x32 prefabricated cottage was erected the following summer and almost every summer weekend for the next several years became a party with loads of family and friends in attendance. Based on the first few letters of our first names, the Taggart cottage became known as "Way-Ke-Dor-Ke" derived from Wayne, brother Kerry, parents Doreen and Keith. We came to know the lake fairly well over the next several years and a chance conversation between my father and a cousin, Gerald Barry, at Haliburton Highlands Golf Course (with me present) had my father re-



gretting that the property near the small island across from the former Kia-Ora resort and marina was part of the property owned by International Cooperage and our cousin corrected him to state that he had worked at the sawmill at the north end of the lake the summer he was 16 and he was quite certain that a "lady from Toronto" owned the property. My father followed up with Dysart and tracked down Mrs. Hipkiss. She was quite elderly and she indicated that she had no use for the property and her son had no interest in the property either. The property included the small island, about 2,200 feet of shoreline and 200 feet of shoreline abutting the Kia-Ora Resort on Curry Drive. Three of the very best sand beaches on the lake and one of the highest cliffs on the lake were part of the property. The agreed upon price in 1966 for all of it was \$25,000. It did not include a road to the property because it was sold as water access only and there was no electricity either. \$25,000 was beyond the reach of my parents modest income and they recruited some friends and relatives to take a one-fifth share so each person contributed \$5,000 and selected one lot each. The original five owners were Keith and Doreen Taggart, Albert and Phyllis Barnes, Robert Gray, Gerald and Myrle Barry and Bruce and Lorraine Macpherson. Only one of original group of owners remains alive, that being Lorraine Macpherson. The group had the entire property surveyed as Plan 478, selected one lot each for themselves and sold off the remaining lots, some of which had buildings built in the 1920's on them. They then had a long and winding road built over some very rough terrain by Percy Lymburner's road building business and once the first cottage was built, an electricity distribution line was

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Some fun facts......The original road that was built in 1967 includes two discrete sections which are now part of the Percy Lake Road.

On our lot 11, there were three large hemlock trees which had all fallen in the same direction which it is believed toppled during Hurricane Hazel in October 1954.

Among the buildings that were on the property was a bath house and an ice house filled with sawdust.



Our beach was so popular with other Haliburton Lake cottagers that there were many buried cans and bottles and remnants of beach fires. During the years following the purchase by my parents, some of these cottagers returned with the expectation of resuming their fun on our beach.

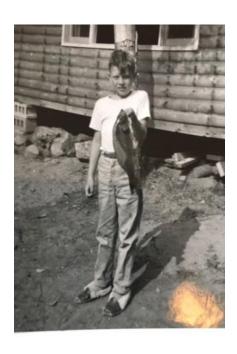
It's been a remarkable and memorable 53 years on Hipkiss Drive and another 10 years at the north end of the lake. Some of the earliest memories on Plan 395 included playing hide and seek in the sawmill and rolling down the big mounds of sawdust. The logs to be processed in the sawmill were boomed together on the lake in front of the mill and then each log was pulled into the mill for cutting. Some of the logs sunk during the period when they were boomed together. One time in August when the lake level was lower, I

was slalom skiing and fell. As I was catapulting across and under the water, I looked down and saw hundreds of sunken logs. Some of the items lost in the lake while waterskiing are a San Francisco Giants baseball cap, a pair of my glasses and my uncle's false teeth, victims of a waterskiing tumble.

My parents kept a log book that identifies the key activities and residents of each visit so for example I know that my uncle lost his false teeth on July 3, 1966.

Many of the original owners or their children still own their Plan 478 properties on Hipkiss Drive. Out of the 19 properties, 10 have linkages to the original owners, a real testament to the desirability of this south-facing shoreline.





Lake History—The Feagan Family By Marcia (Feagan) Blackwell

Last year I enjoyed reading the accounts of how other families ended up on Haliburton Lake and why they chose to stay. My family also has a long history as cottagers, so I thought I would share our story.

Through the early fifties, our family spent my Dad's two week vacation renting in Ontario's cottage country. In the summer of 1958, we rented a cottage on Haliburton Lake. It was off Curry Drive and is still there today. I guess my Dad, Harold Feagan recognized that Haliburton Lake was a very special place. That fall, he returned to the area with my brother Michael and my Grandfather, with the intention to purchase. I don't know how many properties they looked at but by the end of the day, Tom Hodgson had sold his property at 5848 Haliburton Lake Road, in West Bay, to my father. I believe Dad shared the purchase price of \$4,200 with my maternal grandfather, Harold Ridge.

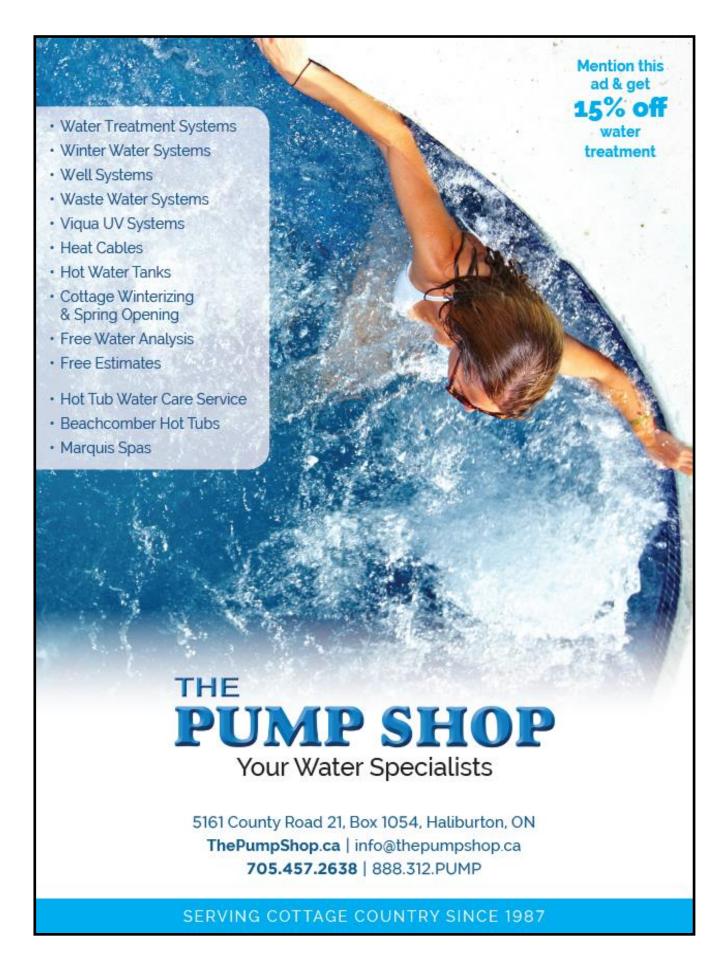
In the summer of 1959, we packed up the station wagon with Mom, Dad and six kids including my two month old sister, Gwen, and headed north from Toronto. My brother Marc was born two years later. In tow was my Dad's pride and joy, a Mahone Paceship with a 30 hp Evinrude. Mom and the kids settled in for the summer. Dad travelled back and forth arriving each Friday night with groceries for the coming week. He joined the family for his two week vacation, generally the last week of July and the first week of August. Many years later, my mother confided in me that those were some of the happiest days of her married life.

As kids we fell into a joyful, relaxed and carefree existence, swimming, reading Nancy Drew and Hardy Boys or rowing around in an old wooden boat. Usually, the evening included a camp fire before crawling into bed. We had no TV, no tele-

phone but plenty of board games, puzzles and cards for entertainment. We formed strong and lasting friendships with others who were lucky enough to spend their summers on the lake as well. Having a boat allowed for numerous rides to the Centre for after dinner ice cream cones. Waterskiing and surf board riding were quickly added to the list of favourite cottage activities. July first was the happiest day of the summer, too quickly followed by Labour Day Monday, the saddest.

Our teenage years were amazing with a large group of friends to hang out with and a fun place to hang out. Fort Irwin, or the Centre, which is how we referred to it, was thriving. There was Dart's grocery store, boasting its own butcher, a post office and a well stocked lumber yard. You could choose to eat at two different restaurants, the original being operated by Dot and Vern Skitch. Later came the Mr. Frostee, owned by the Bowskill family. I worked there for four years and my sister Julia took over when I left. The marina was also bustling. I recall Pat Hucal and later, my friend Bill Freeman, owning it. With lots of action and plenty of summer romances, life was great. During these years, around 1968 I believe, my Dad bought the property next to us, at 5858 Haliburton Lake Road, added some space and we all moved in there. The Thompsons bought our old cottage and are still enjoying it today.

Unfortunately, in 1977, our father decided it was time to sell the cottage. He was excited about developing a country estate on fifty-eight acres in Bethany, Ontario. He also mistakenly believed that cottages would soon lose their value as gas prices were soaring. He offered to sell to some of his now adult children but we had to face the fact that sharing a cottage with seven people and their families just would not work, so it was passed on to strangers.



Fortunately, that was not to be the end of our story. My siblings and I had spent almost twenty years on the lake and could simply not let go. Over the years from 1977 to 2015 seven properties were acquired by members of the Feagan family.

My sister Julia Bright was the first. She and Dave are now permanent residents at 6236 Haliburton Lake Road. My husband John Blackwell and I were next. In 1984 we purchased our cottage at 5830 Haliburton Lake Road. My brother Michael and his wife Inge bought their place in 1996, located at 1029 Cummings Court. We were now all making our move. Next came my sister Gwen. She and her husband Kaan Yilmaz have owned their cottage at 6182 Haliburton Lake Road since 1999. Lynn Feagan, another of my sisters, is now a permanent resident at 1020 Indigo Lane. She built her home after demolishing the small cottage she bought in 2001. Finally, in 2015, two new locations were added to the mix. In July, our son Owen bought his cottage from the Mills family. It is presently water access only, with over five hundred feet of pine forest, sand beach, plus a rock face. He represents the fourth generation of the Feagan family now on the lake. One positive outcome of Covid was that he and his wife Jill were able to spend the summer working from their cot-

tage. In September, my brother Marc and his wife Nicole, who travel from Chicago, surprised us all with the news that 1041 Delaney Road now belonged to them. My sister Yvonne chose not to purchase, but rented a cottage at Kia Ora, a small family resort on the lake, for several years. She continues to

be a frequent visitor to Haliburton Lake. It is obvious that those early years had a lasting impact on each and every member of the Feagan Family. I think that many of us got to relive our childhood memories through our children's eyes. Jocelyn, Connor and Owen loved to do exactly the same things which made cottage life special for me. One thing we can all agree on, there is simply no place in cottage country that can compare to Haliburton Lake.

My wish and hope is that our cottage will remain in our family for generations to come and that it will continue to offer a refuge from the hectic pace of city life. A lot has changed over the past sixty plus years but the important things have remained the same. There is still an opportunity to spend meaningful time with family and friends, surrounded by natural beauty. We can all embrace those peaceful moments which soothe the spirit and feed the soul. It just never gets old!

In closing, I would like to say how fortunate I feel to have known so many of the members of the original families. I'm referring to the Hewitts, Crydermans, Hodgsons, Currys, Bishops, Darts, Gregorys, Cummings and Barjarows, just to mention a few. I loved their stories. They were the old timers. It is now a bit of a shock to realize that I am now one of those old timers myself.



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Septic Experience By Dave and Carolyn Duggan

August 2020

Getting an upgraded septic system does not sound like a fun time. But, for the Duggan Family on Dart Drive, this type of project proved to be both entertaining and educational! With the announcement of impending septic system inspections, Carolyn and David Duggan decided it was time to make a few improvements to their cottage and their property beginning with a new and approved septic system. At first it seemed pretty straight forward...a new bed at the proper setback with a standard pump chamber...easy peasy. Wrong!

Totally unrelated to the septic project, a shed was discovered to be within the required shoreline setback and 'had to be removed' before there could be any further consideration of the septic issue. So, on to a non-existent Plan B which turned out to mean re-locating the shed up the hill (every cottage has to have a



Emily, Liam, Claire and Rhys believe heavy equipment can be great fun!

hill). This necessitated relocating the septic bed above the shed. This now meant...at this new height, a powerful 240 Volt pump would be required. Again, no problem except that our cottage was being serviced by a mere 120 Volt supply. So, the hydro pole had to be replaced and a trench was dug to supply this upgraded 240 Volt feed to the cottage with, of course, a new meter and breaker panel installed. As a final touch, a plumbing contractor replaced bathroom fixtures and connected them to the new pump chamber. Whew!

After three years of planning, measuring, replanning and consulting we are ready to see if it all works. In retrospect... it has been an amazing project. Our Grandchildren loved all the trucks, the tractors, the digging and the rocks to climb on and our cottage neighbours lined the driveway to see the huge crane relocate our shed.

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Local Activities

The hills, trails and roadways of Haliburton beckon us to get off the couch and get outside! The scenery and the fresh air invite us all to hike, cycle, ski, snowmobile or go geocaching. Whatever activity you choose, there are a lot of resources close by. There is something for everyone whether you are training for an Ironman or enjoying down time with the family, the possibilities are endless! Here is an overview of some of the resources which are at our fingertips.

Hiking

I have never been quite sure when walking becomes hiking but I do know that fresh air and time on a trail or in the woods is always a good investment. The simplicity of wandering along a trail allows us to unplug and relax. The Haliburton Highlands offer scenic trails at every level of difficulty so you can use them to achieve your fitness goals, share the beauty of the area with family and friends or simply spend quality time with your favorite dog. See the following website for Hike Haliburton.

https://myhaliburtonhighlands.com/hiking-trails/

Haliburton Lake Road

A lot of people take a stroll along Haliburton Lake Road. It is close by and clear all year round. It provides a scenic setting with lots of curves and rolling and sometimes challenging terrain. It is also well travelled by vehicles which requires a shared awareness to ensure pedestrians, cyclists and cars co-exist in harmony.

Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve

Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve has over 400 km of forest roads of trails making it a great location for hikers and mountain bikers of varying skill levels. The following link provides detailed descriptions of many of the trails complete with an estimate of the level of difficulty and mileage.

Maps of each trail show their location and interactive trail maps are also available. These may be downloaded to your smartphone. Check out the trails at https://www.haliburtonforest.com/activities/trails

Fees apply to those using the trails in the spring, summer or fall. A day use permit fee of \$16/per adult applies but there is no charge for children under 17 years of age.

The trails vary so it is best to review the options before setting out. For example, the North Shore trail is 4.2 km and is ranked as difficult trail for hikers and an extremely difficult ride for mountain bikers. It is noted to be a great hike involving some steep hillsides.

The Sunday trail is 11.7 km which is described as a moderate trail with a few steep sections that may be muddy after heavy rain. The best time of the year to hike or bike the trail is August through October. If you are looking for a more relaxing trail, the Forestry Walk is an easy route close to the Base Camp meant for walkers only. It winds through a maple and beech stand and offers some information about the types of trees you are passing by. There are many more trails to explore which are outlined in detail on the website.

The Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve is located at 1095 Redkenn Road in Haliburton approximately 45 minutes from Fort Irwin Additional information is available at 1-800-631-2198.



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High Falls Hiking Trail

From the end of the trail you have a view of the top of the rapids upstream of High Falls and a view downstream towards the falls. High Falls is part of Algonquin Park and Permits are available at Pine Grove Point Lodge.

Length 2km, rated Easy Moderate

Access: Take Hwy. 118 east of Haliburton to Essonville Ln. (County Rd. 4) and then follow to Wilberforce. From Wilberforce, take County Rd. 648 through the village of Harcourt to Elephant Lake Rd. (County Rd. 10). Continue on Elephant Lake Rd. approximately 12km. You will find both parking and the trailhead 2km beyond the Kingscote Lake Access Point Road intersection.

Sir Sam's Inn

Overlooking picturesque Eagle Lake, Sir Sam's Inn offers over 23 km of cross-country and downhill trails traversing open meadow, hardwood forest and rock outcroppings. The trails vary from beginner to advanced. Mountain bikes may be rented on site. Trail use is \$20/day and includes a ski lift ride to the top of the hill to enjoy the view without the climb! There are 6 km of interpretive hiking and running trails available on site. Visit www.sirsams.com for more info.

Dorset Scenic Tower Hike

This is a must-see for anyone wanting to truly experience the Highlands. This trail can be hiked from the top of the "Dorset Mountain" down to the museum. If you want to start at the top (available May to October), a fee to drive up to the access point/picnic area is applicable.

Access: From the bottom: 1038 Main Street, Dorset. From the top: 1154 Dorset Scenic Tower Road (off of Highway 35 North, just north of the Town of Dorset).

Crest of Kennisis Hike

The Crest of Kennisis hike is ranked as moderate to difficult which begins at 1584 Big Hawk Rd, Halls Lake at the Log Chute Trail and ends at the Circuit of Five Viewpoints Trail. This 6 km hike traverses along towering ridges and leads to a stunning cliff-top view of the Haliburton Highlands. This hike has some of the most varied terrain in the area and offers those who travel it a true wilderness experience. Be sure to watch the trail signs carefully and carry a trail map to ensure you stay on the correct trail. Please be aware this is a linear trail, so you must have a car or shuttle to complete the trail in one direction or opt to double your mileage and hike back to the starting point. https://www.algonquinhighlands.ca/ deptdocs/AlgonquinTrails.pdf

Circuit of 5 Viewpoints

The 5 Viewpoints is a 5.3 km moderately trafficked loop with an elevation gain of about 229 m. The trail is located in the Algonquin Highlands, it features a lake and is rated as moderate to challenging. The trail is primarily used for hiking, trail running, and nature trips.

This hike along classic Canadian Shield country is overlooking rugged valleys, placid rivers and amazing fall colours!

Trailhead Address: 208\29 Little Hawk Road (County Road 13) – From Highway 35 North in Halls Lake, travel east on Little Hawk Road and proceed to the trailhead.



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Cycling

The Haliburton Highlands feature some of the best cycling in Canada. Ontario by Bike showcases the vast array of cycling adventures to be had from mountain biking to onroad routes and trail loops.

Cycle Haliburton

Cycle Haliburton advocates and promotes cycling in the Haliburton Highlands. Their website provides maps for 17 cycling routes in Haliburton which vary in length and intensity. Route K loops from Haliburton to Fort Irwin to Eagle Lake and back to Haliburton covering a distance of 50 km. It is ranked as moderate to most difficult so the trek is not for the lighthearted. Their website is http://cyclehaliburton.ca/maps.

Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition

The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition mapped and published 14 popular road routes across the County, ranging from 6 to 100 km. The Bike Haliburton County map features difficulty ratings, information on traffic levels, road surfaces and facilities en route, with options for all levels of cyclists. Paved shoulders are intermittent. Cyclists should expect to share the road with motor vehicles on all routes, and follow the rules of the road accordingly. For more information on routes consult the Cycle The Haliburton Highlands cycling map. http://www.ontariobybike.ca/great-places-to-cycle/ontario-highlands/haliburton-highlands.

Mountain Biking

As stated previously, Sir Sam's Inn and the County Rail Trail offer cycling opportunities too. Enjoy!

Geocaching

Geocaching is a relatively new phenomena with its origins rooted in 2000. The term combines

the words "earth" meaning the geographic location and "cache" meaning a hidden treasure. Geocaching is defined to be a recreational activity of hunting and finding a hidden object by means of GPS coordinates posted on a website. Recently it has become a popular hobby for many.

Who knew geocaching royalty was so close at hand? Highlands East is ranked as the number one geocaching location in Canada. Additional details can be found at http://www.geocachingcapitalofcanada.com.

Active opportunities abound within Haliburton. In many cases, they can be accessed year round and in some cases, users for the same trails vary as the seasons change. While enjoying the trails always remember the basic unwritten code - respect private property, carry all garbage out, take maps to ensure you know your location at all times and be well informed on the rules of use.

A wealth of information on all forms of active adventures in the Haliburton Highlands is available at the following website. http://www.myhaliburtonhighlands.com/outdoor-adventure-1. Whatever you choose to do, the scenery and natural beauty and outspoken scenery of the highlands will take your breath away.





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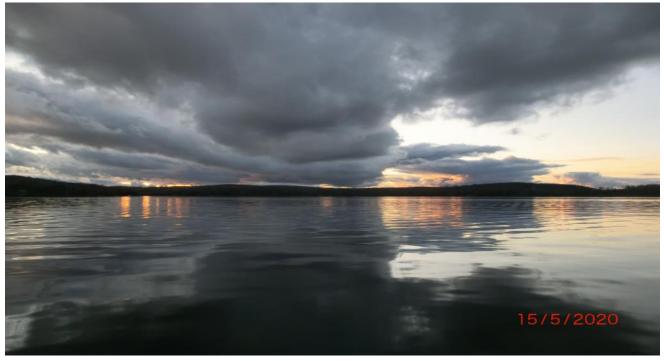




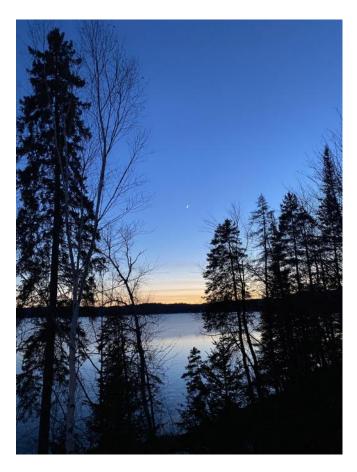
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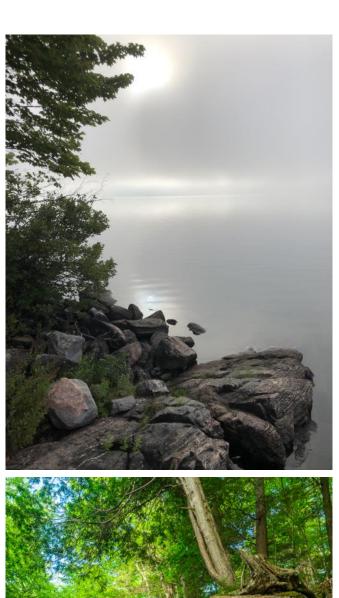


















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CEWF PRIORITIES FOR 2021

What is the CEWF? The Coalition for Equitable Water Flow, (CEWF), is a coalition of 32 member Lake Associations which includes 91% of the Trent Severn Waterway's (TSW's) reservoir lake storage capacity and covers the sub-watersheds of the Gull, Burnt & Mississagua Rivers plus Nogies, Eels & Jack's creeks. The Coalition aims to represent the interests of shoreline property owners in the "Haliburton Sector" of the Trent watershed, which includes 35 Reservoir and several Flow-Through (RaFT) lakes in Haliburton County and northern Peterborough County. The CEWF was originally formed in 2006 to provide input to the Panel on the Future of the Trent Severn Waterway. Since then, the mandate has evolved to provide effective liaison between the Coalition members and the TSW on issues of water conservation and management.

The Coalition is led by a nine-member Executive Committee. In early 2016, the CEWF concluded an agreement with the six local municipalities covering the RaFT lakes area: the Township of Algonquin Highlands, the Municipality of Dysart et.al., the Municipality of Minden Hills, and the Municipality of Highlands East in Haliburton County, and the Township of North Kawartha, and the Municipality of Trent Lakes in northern Peterborough County; to form the Upper Trent Water Management Partnership (UTWMP) to speak with a single voice at the federal, provincial and Trent Watershed levels on water management issues affecting the RaFT lakes. The CEWF Chair, CEWF Vice-Chair and one other CEWF Executive Member serve on the UTWMP Council.

The CEWF's Objectives

- To promote an Integrated Approach to Water Management at the Watershed Level that will improve water conservation throughout the Trent-Severn system while recognizing the environmental, public safety, social and socio-economic constraints of managing the water resource. For this initiative, the CEWF will work independently as well as through the Upper Trent Water Management Partnership.
- To maintain ongoing dialogue with TSW management to ensure mutual understanding of local issues with respect to TSW management of water levels and flows in the RaFT lakes.
- To promote shared information and knowledge of water management issues and practices primarily to Coalition lake associations as well as for all stakeholders across the entire Trent watershed.
- To promote approaches to ensure safe navigation, access to waterfront property, economic sustainability and the avoidance of negative environmental and economic impacts for residents on the RaFT lakes.









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CEWF PRIORITIES FOR 2021

- 1) The CEWF's main priority will continue to be advocating with the TSW for an Integrated Approach to Water Management at the Watershed level. In 2021, the CEWF will continue to emphasize and build on the excellent water management experiences in recent years with respect to drought conditions, extreme rainfall events, flood risk management and other issues and challenges.
- 2) The CEWF will, as and when requested by Parks Canada, provide constructive input on the draft of the new TSW Management Plan, having advocated at 2019 visioning sessions that integrated water management across the entire Trent River Basin be recognized as a core mandate.
- 3) The CEWF will continue to liaise with member lake associations to raise the level of understanding of water management issues with an emphasis on recent extreme weather patterns (floods, droughts and ice damage) and their apparent relationship to the medium-term climate change predictions for the RaFT lakes area.
- 4) 4) The CEWF will work with the TSW and UTWMP to encourage development of a proposed framework for climate change considerations for the entire Trent River basin as well as the Haliburton Sector.
- 5) The CEWF will continue to monitor the TSW Capital Program in the RaFT lakes area, provide regular updates to our members, and ensure the participation of our member associations in project consultations as appropriate.
- 6) The CEWF will continue to work with TSW to improve the information content of their water management web pages and improvements to lake-specific water level graphs.
- 7) The CEWF will continue discussions with the TSW on the CEWF's Preferred Water Levels Report filed with the TSW in 2017.

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Haliburton Lake Water Quality By Lindsay Bevan

In October of 2019, the Haliburton Lake Cottagers Association (HLCA) participated in a Community Benthos Biomonitoring project. The project was led by the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research and funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation. This project involved undertaking benthic sampling at two sites on Haliburton Lake to understand the status of the water quality, the results and interpretation of which are summarized in this article.

Benthic macro-invertebrates, commonly referred to as "benthics" or "benthos", are aquatic, spineless organisms that live on the bottom of water bodies. This broad grouping of organisms includes insects (e.g., mayflies, caddisflies, stoneflies, true flies, beetles and butterflies), snails, freshwater clams and arthropods (e.g., crayfish, "pill-bugs"). Benthics have been used as biological indicators for common aquatic pollutants as they spend part or their entire lives in the water. Due to this long-term contact with the water around them these organisms are exposed to compounds that are dissolved in the water. Certain groups of benthics are

more sensitive to stressors such as organic pollution (including excess phosphorus and nitrogen). The presence, absence or comparative number of each grouping in a body of water is a measure of the water quality. The use of benthics as an indicator of water quality has been used throughout Ontario since the early 2000s.

The benthic sampling on Haliburton Lake was conducted by Environmental Technologist students from Fleming College's School of Environmental and Natural Resource Sciences. The students were in the process of obtaining their Ontario Benthos Biomonitoring Network (OBBN) certification and were supervised throughout the sampling and analysis processes by an OBBN certified expert from U-Links and a member of the HLCA. The students used a sampling protocol developed in partnership with faculty at Fleming College and the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.¹

The results from their work provide our association with important baseline information on the current water quality for future comparisons.

Results 2

	Site 1	Site 2
Water chemistry	,	
Water temperature (°C)	12.6	13.2
Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)	10.13	10.55
Conductivity (µS/cm)	40.2	37.5
pН	7.23	7.18
Benthic analysis		
Number of benthos found	98 – 99	88
Dominant substrate	Gravel	Sand
Sub-dominant substrate	Sand	Cobble
Water quality (modified Hilsenhoff Biotic Index value)*	Fair - <u>fairly poor</u> (5.68 - 6.18)	Fairly poor (6.05)

* This value represents the level of organic pollution based on the presence of certain groupings of benthos.³ The value range is: 0.00 – 3.50 (excellent), 3.51 – 4.50 (very good), 4.51 – 5.50 (good), 5.51 – 6.50 (fair), 6.51 – 7.50 (fairly poor), 7.51 – 8.50 (poor), 8.51 – 10.00 (very poor).³



Interpretation of the results ²

The water chemistry values collected during sampling are fairly standard for a near-shore ecosystem during the fall. Water temperature at both sites was just above 10 degrees Celsius, which is expected as air temperatures begin to decrease in October. Dissolved oxygen readings at both sites were good and are expected considering the time of year and wave action on the day of sampling. Conductivity values are around where they should be for a Canadian Shield lake. Very few ions that would allow for the conduction of electricity through the water are dissolved from the hard igneous and metamorphic rock that Haliburton Lake rests on. pH values taken during sampling are slightly basic, but not outside of the normally expected range. Canadian Shield lakes are sensitive to acid precipitation due to their low buffering capacity (i.e. ability to resist changes in pH) compared to lakes located further south. These values indicate that Haliburton Lake can most likely resist acidification to some degree.

The benthic analysis values indicate that the water quality of Haliburton Lake is similar to that of the other lakes in the Haliburton region. The modified Hilsenhoff Biotic Index (mHBI) values indicate that there is some form of disturbance impacting both sites. This disturbance is likely from organic pollutants such as excess dissolved phosphorus and nitrogen. When the mHBI values of Haliburton Lake are compared to the other regional lakes sampled in 2019, Haliburton Lake ranks slightly inferior to the average but well within the normal range. These results are expected as Haliburton Lake has been developed for many decades. The number of very sensitive benthic groups of mayflies, stoneflies and caddisflies observed at both sites on Haliburton Lake were above the average across the other sampled lakes. This indicates that the water quality remains good despite these disturbances.



Conclusion

With this important baseline understanding established, the HLCA hopes to continue to collect and analyze this information on an annual basis going forward. Measurement of water quality and species diversity trends over time will enable us to understand whether the health of our lake is stable, improving or declining.

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Watch Your Wake

Courtesy of the Pike Lake Community Association



Cottagers derive a great deal of enjoyment from a host of boating activities ...

Those of us with our pleasure craft license studied specific rules of the water geared to safe & responsible boating; most of us are familiar with general boat safety & etiquette. We may not be as familiar with the impact of boat wake.

Impact of Boat Wake

- The larger the wake, the greater the potential for undesirable side effects
- Loons, & other birds that nest along the shore, choose locations that are protected from waves generated by the prevailing winds. However, boat wake, which can come from any direction, can & does drown the nests & the young, particularly in May & June.
- Inexperienced swimmers & young children are not usually in the water when wind- driven waves are high. However, they can be toppled by the size & energy of boat wake.

- Boat wake & prop wash can churn up sediments in shallow water which releases dormant nutrients that promote weed growth & algal blooms.
- Boat wake can cause erosion.
- Boat wake can cause docks & moored boats to rock severely & pull mooring hardware.

Waves

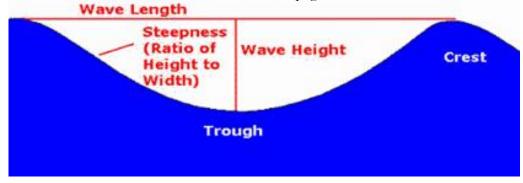
Three factors make up wind-driven waves: the speed of the wind, the length of time the wind has blown, & the distance of open water that the wind blows over called the fetch. Waves are measured by

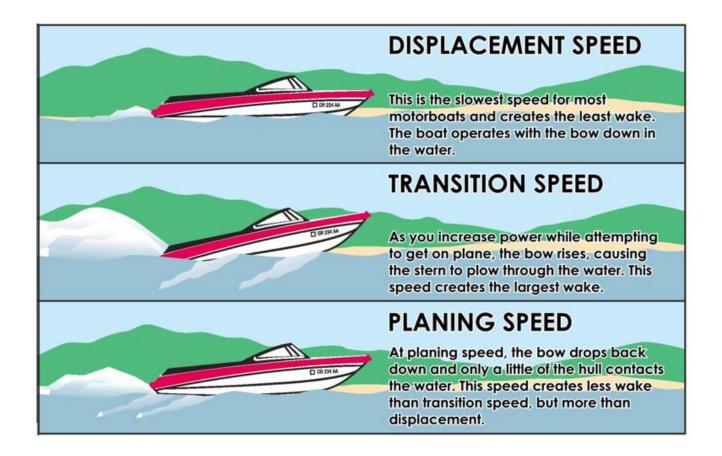
- Height (from trough to crest)
- Length (from crest to crest)
- Steepness (angle between crest & trough)
- Period (length of time between crests)

Diagram below - Source: Understanding & Utilizing the Secrets of Waves

Boats moving through the water create waves, commonly known as wake.

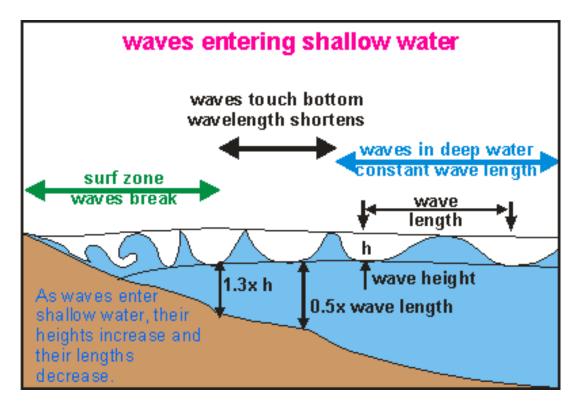
Observations made by the Oregon State Marine Board have shown the effects of three speed zones: displacement, transition & planing. These three zones are shown on the diagram on the next page.





As waves enter shallow water, they slow down, grow taller & change shape. (Source: Oceanography: waves, theory & principles)

The movement of the particles along the bottom of the body of water can disturb the sediment on the bottom &, thereby, release nutrients



Waves & Erosion

Natural causes of shoreline erosion include winddriven waves, water levels, ice, slope of the bank, & the absence of vegetation.

Human causes include the removal of rocks, trees, shrubs, & other vegetation along the shore-line, retaining walls, & wave action from passing boats.

The size of the watercourse affects the potential for erosion to occur. The greater the distance the waves are generated from shore, the more opportunity they have to dissipate before reaching shore.

Wave height is one of the most important factors in shoreline erosion. Observations made by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources have shown that

- a wave that is 12.5 cm high (the height of a compact disk case) when it reaches the shore does not cause significant shoreline damage.
 Waves this high are created by boats operating at speeds under 10 km/h a speed that is generally considered reasonable when operating close to shore
- a wave that is 25 cm high is four times more destructive than a 12.5 cm wave
- 62.5 cm high waves are 25 times more destructive (Source: Shoreline Erosion caused by Boat Wake)

Runabouts & waterski boats produce a 25 cm high wave at the stern of the boat when at planing speed.

Wakeboard boats create a wake of half a meter or more.

The large waves produced by wakeboard boats don't always have the distance needed to dissipate before reaching shore on many of our lakes in eastern Ontario. Hence, they can create a greater negative impact than other boats.

However, all boaters need to be aware of the size of wake they create.

Legislation & Recommendations

The Small Vessel Regulations stipulate that the legal speed limit for all motor boats is 10 km/h within 30 meters of any shore.

Waterski & Wakeboard Canada strongly recommends that wakeboard boats stay a minimum of 50 meters from any shore & in a minimum of 2 meters depth of water to reduce the effect of shoreline degradation & turbidity.

A number of governments & government agencies, as well as local organizations in Canada & the US are struggling with how to deal with the erosion & safety issues associated with wakeboarding. For example,

- The Safe Quiet Boating Association in the Muskoka Lakes area is working to change the legislation so that wakeboard boats operate 100 meters from shore.
- The District of Lake of the Woods Cottagers Association has recommended that wakeboard boats operate 300 meters from shore to allow waves to lose their energy before reaching shore.

How You can be Wake Wise

- 1. Be aware of the size of your wake during displacement, transition & planing speeds.
- 2. Position your passengers through-out the boat in order to reduce the time spent in transition speed.
- 3. Look behind you to see & understand the impact of your wake on shorelines, docks or other structures. Adjust your speed & direction to minimize the impact.
- 4. Respect the shoreline zone. Reduce your speed to less than 10 km/h within 30 meters of any shore including the narrow channels between islands.
- 5. Water-ski, tube, & wake-board well away from all shorelines. Try to make use of the entire length of the lake.
- 6. Consider the size of the wake produced when purchasing a new boat.

Septic Pump Out Contest

All you have to do is provide us a copy of your receipt for the septic pump out at your cottage that has occurred in the last three years. So any pump out from August 1, 2017 to August 1, 2020 will be eligible to have the HLCA cover the costs of the pump out to a maximum of \$200. Email to President@HaliburtonLake.com or mail to 5041 Haliburton Lake Road, Haliburton, K0M 1S0 or drop off at Marina. Winner to be drawn August Long Weekend. If you have already submitted your receipt last year it automatically is included

this year. The great news is Shepard Environmental is sponsoring this year's contest.





HLCA Statement of Operations

HLCA Statement of Financial Position - 2020

		2020	2019
Membership	\$	20,780.00	\$ 22,430.00
Regatta			\$ 5,715.00
Advertising	\$	3,100.00	\$ 4,620.00
Swimming			\$ 5,473.00
Fireworks	\$	5,355.00	\$ 4,480.00
Hall/Equipment/Mtce	\$	1,675.00	\$ 1,600.00
Major Projects		3,740.00	\$ 3,085.00
Clothing	\$ \$ \$	45.00	\$ 472.00
Revenue	\$	34,695.00	\$ 47,875.00
Newsletter & Members			
Letter	\$	6,441.60	\$ 4,542.54
Regatta	·	•	\$ 2,958.58
Swimming	\$	100.00	\$ 6,739.70
Fireworks	\$	6,072.35	\$ 6,727.00
Hall/Equipment/Mtce	\$	2,038.26	\$ 3,538.92
Navigation	\$	761.97	
Bingo			\$ 431.54
Meetings/Sp Events/			
Rock Bass	\$	385.00	\$ 1,160.14
Bank / Pay Pal Charges	\$	345.02	\$ 367.43
Utilities	\$	681.72	\$ 742.64
Office/Website	\$	821.20	\$ 864.72
Insurance	\$	4,328.64	\$ 4,328.64
Bursary/Donations	\$	1,200.00	\$ 1,100.00
External Memberships	\$	1,889.50	\$ 1,889.50
Clothing			\$ 254.46
Major Projects	\$	2,091.35	\$ 2,973.96
Property Taxes	\$	449.64	\$ 413.68
Expenses	\$	27,606.25	\$ 39,033.45
Net Income	\$	7,088.75	\$ 8,841.55
		2020	2019
Opening Equity	\$	53,706.16	\$ 44,864.61
Change in Equity	\$	7,088.75	\$ 8,841.55
Ending Equity / Bank Balance	\$	60,794.91	\$ 53,706.16

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	Full	Associate	Total	Yr over Yr	# Donated	% Donated
2020	335	47	382	-7	173	52%
2019	347	42	389	9	177	51%
2018	347	33	380	36	166	48%
2017	322	22	344	2	159	49%
2016	314	28	342	58	148	47%
2015	268	16	284	96	123	46%
2014	172	16	188	-34	77	45%
2013	203	19	222	-10	99	49%
2012	210	22	232		117	56%

Membership Communications

	Advertising Rev	Ltr, Mag, Plack	Net
2020	\$ 3,100	\$ 6,441	-\$ 3,341
2019	\$ 4,620	\$ 4,542	\$ 78
2018	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,563	-\$ 63
2017	\$ 4,663	\$ 4,729	-\$ 66
2016	\$ 4,180	\$ 3,888	\$ 292
2015	\$ 2,350	\$ 3,644	-\$ 1,294
2014	\$ 2,150	\$ 3,209	-\$ 1,059
2013	\$ 1,573	\$ 3,060	-\$ 1,487
2012	\$ 1,810	\$ 1,630	\$ 180

Swimming

_	Revenue		Costs		Costs Net		Net	Participants
2020		\$	100	-\$	100	-		
2019	\$ 5,473	\$	6,739	-\$	1,266	129		
2018	\$ 4,295	\$	5,435	-\$	1,140	105		
2017	\$ 4,740	\$	5,475	-\$	735	112		
2016	\$ 5,656	\$	5,953	-\$	297	129		
2015	\$ 5,659	\$	6,220	-\$	561	125		
2014	\$ 5,134	\$	5,573	-\$	439	108		
2013	\$ 4,751	\$	6,498	-\$	1,747	105		
2012	\$ 5,165	\$	6,786	-\$	1,621			

Regatta

	Revenue			Costs	Net	
2020	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	
2019	\$	5,715	\$	2,958	\$ 2,757	
2018	\$	6,590	\$	1,528	\$ 5,062	
2017	\$	4,825	\$	2,085	\$ 2,740	
2016	\$	5,745	\$	2,569	\$ 3,176	
2015	\$	5,260	\$	1,875	\$ 3,385	
2014	\$	3,751	\$	1,650	\$ 2,101	
2013	\$	3,822	\$	1,899	\$ 1,923	
2012	\$	3,559	\$	1,771	\$ 1,788	

Fireworks

	Donations		Costs			Net
2020	\$	5,335	\$	6,072	-\$	737
2019	\$	4,480	\$	6,727	-\$	2,247
2018	\$	4,650	\$	5,500	-\$	850
2017	\$	4,775	\$	6,050	-\$	1,275
2016	\$	3,485	\$	5,119	-\$	1,634
2015	\$	3,159	\$	4,070	-\$	911
2014	\$	1,955	\$	5,041	-\$	3,086
2013	\$	2,583	\$	5,772	-\$	3,189
2012	\$	3,300	\$	4,985	-\$	1,685

Operating / Bank Balance

	Year End Balance		Net Income
31-Dec-20	\$ 60,794	\$	7,088
31-Dec-19	\$ 53,706	\$	8,842
31-Dec-18	\$ 44,864	\$	8,611
31-Dec-17	\$ 36,253	\$	4,951
31-Dec-16	\$ 31,302	\$	11,058
31-Dec-15	\$ 20,244	\$	8,547
31-Dec-14	\$ 11,697	-\$	2,159
31-Dec-13	\$ 13,856	\$	313
31-Dec-12	\$ 13,543		

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