

Spring 2014

HLCA news

Haliburton Lake Cottager's Association

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Key Points Of By-law 3505



1. The Shoreline Tree Preservation By-law No. 3505 applies to all lands, in the County of Haliburton, that are within 30 metres of a watercourse. The goal is to minimize the destruction of trees, in order to protect our water resources and sustain a healthy natural environment.
2. The by-law No. 3505 governs the removal or injuring of all trees with a diameter of 10 cm or more. Diameter is measured 1.37 metres from the ground.
3. If you suspect a tree was removed illegally contact the County of Haliburton.
4. If convicted of an offence under By-law No. 3505, a person is liable to a fine ranging from \$500 to \$100,000.
5. Exemptions include: removal of dead, injured or diseased trees, hazard removal, authorized building permit removal, removal within 5 meters of a dwelling or septic system and removal for a driveway or pathway to the water provided it is no more than 5 meters in width.

Letter From The President



This summer marks my eighth year on the HLCA board, and I am sorry to say it will also be my last one. This was a tough decision for me to arrive at as I have really enjoyed being a part of this process but ultimately I have chosen to spend more time with my growing family.

I'd like to thank everyone I have had the opportunity to work with and learn from, the existing board of directors, past board members and all the amazing volunteers. It really was a pleasure, not only collaborating with you but also getting to know you.

My family, both immediate and "cottage family" have been a huge support and for that I would like to thank them. They were always willing to help when I called upon them, they were there to bounce ideas off of and to give me the encouragement I needed continue on.

Looking forward I hope that someone or a few people will feel that it is their time to add their mark to this amazing association by joining the board of directors and even taking on the role of president. A specific skill set in running a board or a small business is not as important as a willingness to learn on your feet, ask questions and try out new ideas.

Even if a board seat is not for you, the HLCA is always looking for people to help. Some of the areas that we are currently looking for help with are, a magazine editor comfortable working with InDesign, a management personal to hire and oversee the summer staff, a social media person to keep connecting with our community, an events planner to run existing and new programs, a marketing person to reach out and be a contact with local businesses and anyone else who wants to help in anyway they can.

As outgoing president I will provide all the necessary support and guidance that is asked of me. I aim to make the transition as seamless as possible. If volunteering isn't something you can commit to but you know someone who can please give them a gentle push and let them know that you, the existing board and I will support them. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions please contact me via email at President@HaliburtonLake.com or at 416-550-7899.

See you on the lake,

Sue Drummond

Cover Photo Credit: Maggie Lawrence



Your Membership Fees at Play

Next to the water itself, the public beach on Hodgson Drive is the most utilized shared resource in our area. It plays host to multiple events every year, has been the meeting spot of lifelong friends and provides opportunities for land and aquatic sports and play.

The HLCA has recently made efforts to preserve and improve this resource for the enjoyment of our current and future members. Last year we purchased a brand new raft and ladder, and received a great deal on it thanks to our friends at Emmerson Lumber. We also purchased and installed a second volleyball court, again with great deals from the Fort Irwin Garden Centre, who worked through the rain to make sure it was ready for Regat-

ta! In the fall a storage bin was supplied and dropped off to the beach free of charge by the Municipality of Dysart, thanks to our local politicians Walt McKechnie and Murray Fearrey. This spring Dave Freeman is taking on dressing it up with a roof and a skirting.



did you know that ?

Coming to the Beach 2014

Watch for the planting of new trees, prevention tactics for Geese nesting, a new swingset and the ruts in the ground filled in and seeded! See you at the Beach!

Calling All Artists

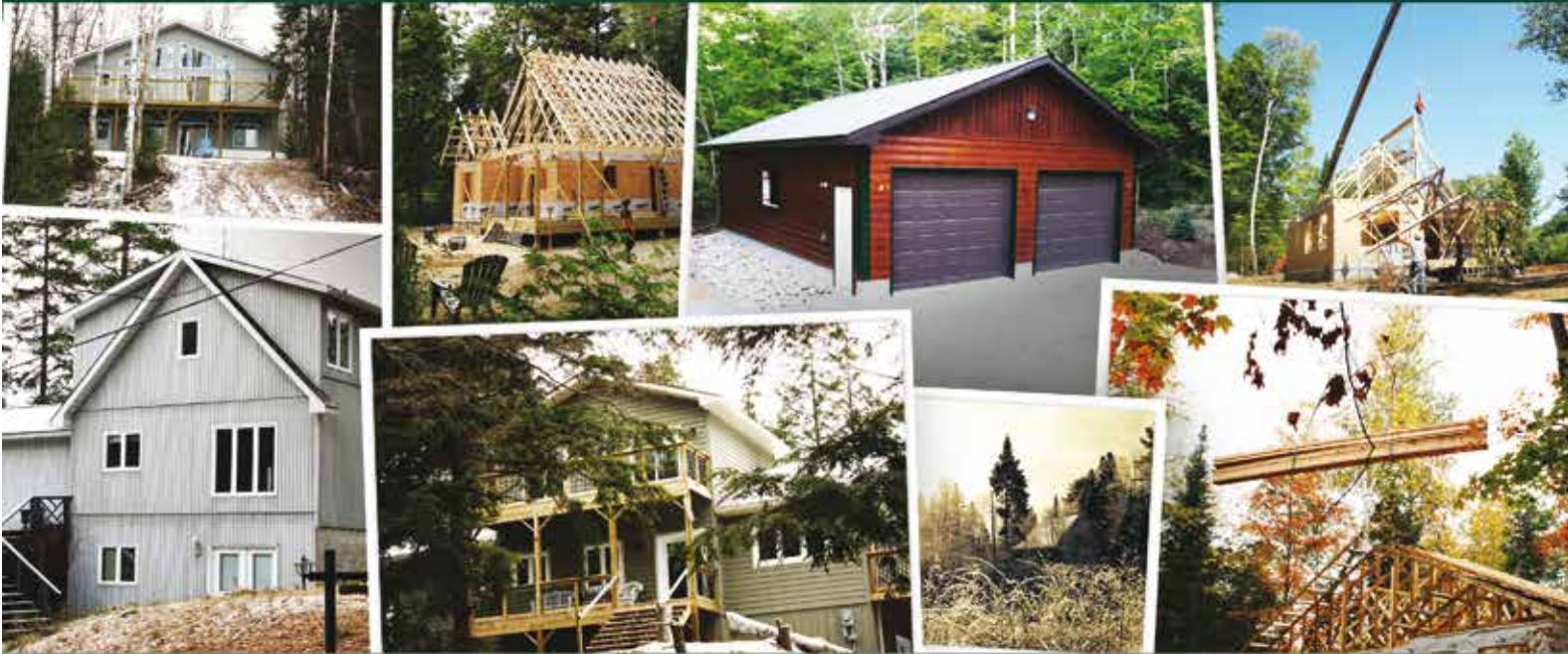
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Signs That Your Septic System Might be Failing



Slowing or backed up drains in your home

Spongy spots on or near the leaching bed

Sewage on the ground or near the bed

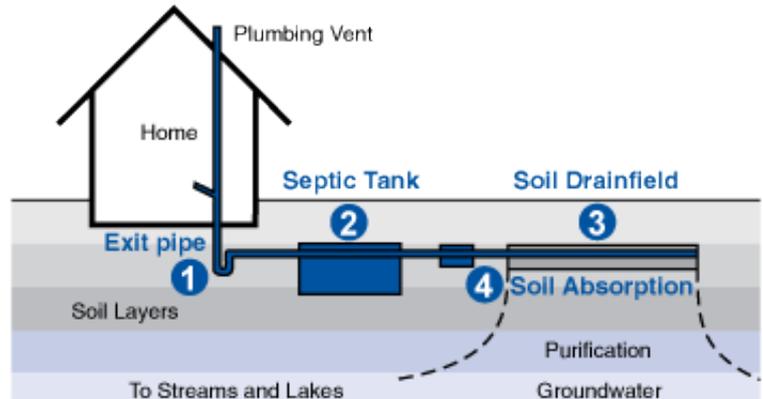
Odour in the basement or outside

Poor well or surface water quality



Septic

The Benefit to the Environment
By: Julie Scott



Septic systems are designed to contain and dispose of wastewater in an environmentally sound way. Septic systems act as wastewater treatment systems because naturally existing microbes undergo biodegradation to purify the water. The majority of properties on Haliburton Lake have septic systems, therefore it is important that property owners understand the importance of the system and how to properly maintain it.

A septic system ensures that

waste from a cottage does not cause pollution to the surrounding environment, including the lake. Waste entering the septic system is high in nutrients, such as phosphorus, that in large doses can cause serious damage to a lake. An increase in phosphorus causes the dissolved oxygen in the lake to decrease, and with lower amounts of dissolved oxygen it is harder for organisms and species in the lake to survive. Without these species, the health of the lake severely decreases and can become inhabitable.

Free Septic Pumpout!

Systems

In order to ensure your septic system functions properly, it is important to maintain the system. The system needs to be pumped out every three to five years and must be inspected during the pump out. The pump out allows the solids and grease that have built up in the system to be removed to ensure the septic continues working properly.

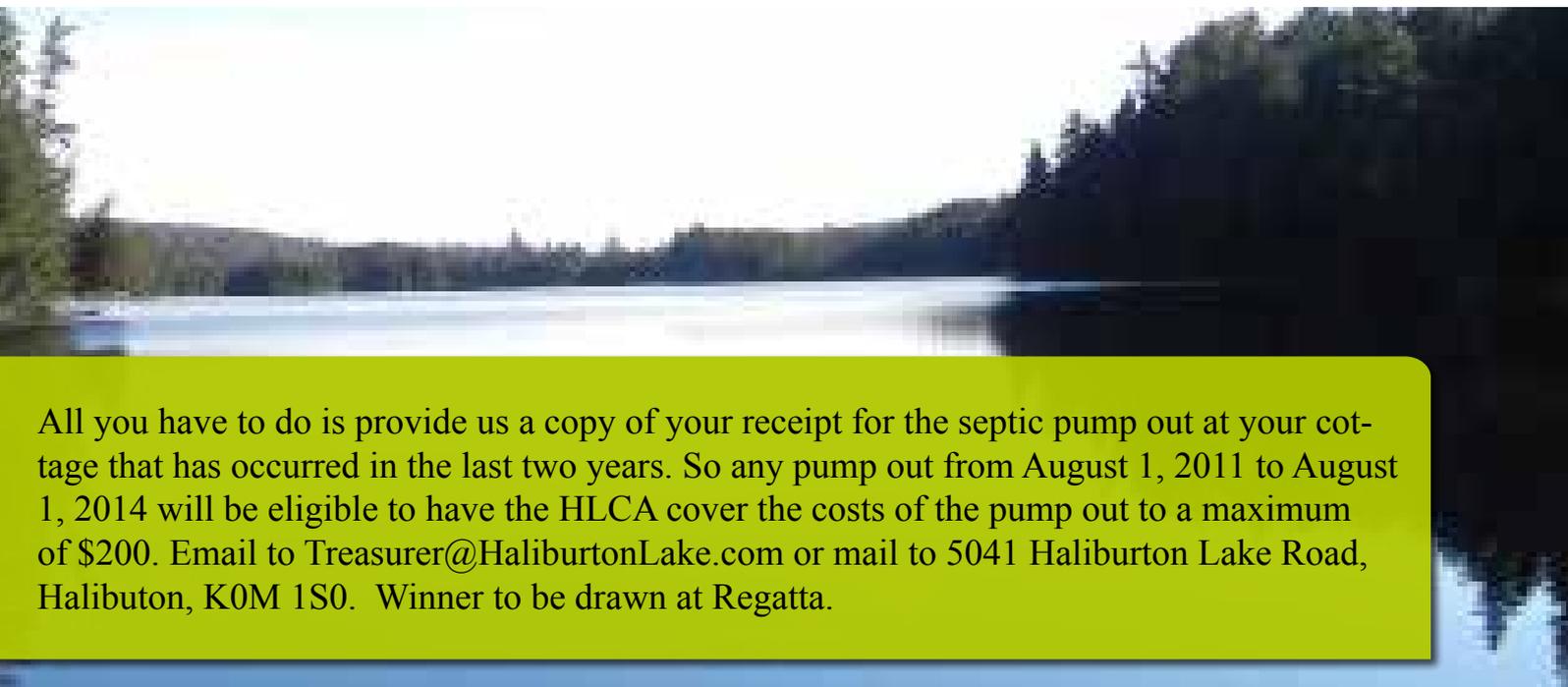
Another means of ensuring the septic system functions properly, is to be conscience of what is acceptable to put into the system. For example, backwash from water softeners should not be put into the septic system, but rather a separate leaching pit should be used for these liquids. Cleaning items such as bleach, cannot be used in conjunction with a septic system. If bleach,

or a like chemical, is used the microbes in the system will be killed, and the system will no longer be able to properly clean the water. Instead of harsh chemicals, biodegradable products should be used with a septic system, as they will allow the microbes to continue to thrive.

It is important to note that the Municipality of Dysart et al is planning to start performing septic system inspections on all the lakes under their jurisdiction. If a problem is found with a septic system it will be required to be fixed within a certain time period. Let's get ahead of the inspections and pump out our systems to help protect the quality of our lake water! The pump out will also show any problems with the septic system that can be dealt with on your own

timelines

The health of our lake is highly dependent on the health of the many septic systems that are utilized around the lake. Help protect the investment you have made in buying a property on Haliburton Lake, by protecting the quality of the lake water through proper use and maintenance of your septic system!



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 two years. So any pump out from August 1, 2011 to August 1, 2014 will be eligible to have the HLCA cover the costs of the pump out to a maximum of \$200. Email to Treasurer@HaliburtonLake.com or mail to 5041 Haliburton Lake Road, Haliburton, K0M 1S0. Winner to be drawn at Regatta.

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2014 Calendar of events:

Summer Fest – Saturday June 28 from 9:00 ‘till noon

The 8th annual Summer Fest will feature: a bake sale with homemade squares, cookies, tarts, pies etc; a coffee bar; and a yard sale. If you would like to have a space to sell your treasures please call Dianne Kelly 754-3009.

Our quilt and wall hanging will also be on display and tickets will be available to purchase.

Pancake Breakfast – Saturday August 16th from 9:00 ‘till noon

Bring your family and guests for a sumptuous breakfast of pancakes and sausages, juice and coffee or tea. Yes we also serve gluten free food.

Quilt Draw October 15th

Once again the quilt is spectacular. It has been in the making since last August when the ladies started sewing the fabric blocks. By January the ladies started the long process of hand quilting the design which keeps the quilt together. The finishing boarder is ready to go on and the pillow cases are ironed. During the same time another group of ladies were working on a cabin in the woods themed wall hanging. You will definitely want to buy tickets for this draw .

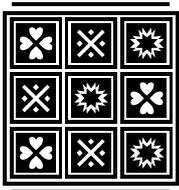
WHAT happens at FIRA?

Weekly Activities include: Fitness – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday
(Jane Jaycock is back leading the group Tues., Fri. and Sun.)
Cards – Monday evening
Quilting / crafts – Wednesday morning

Monthly - Pot Luck dinners

Many more Special events

All adults in the local area are invited to visit and join our year round Community Organization
Please call Barb Taylor 745-1139 or Graham Newton -754-3146 for more information.



Airing Your Dirty Laundry

DOH "X"

Don't Do more than 1 laundry load per day.

Don't Use chlorine bleach.

Don't Take a shower or bath the same time as doing laundry.



Woo Hoo "√"

Use washing soda or oxygen bleach instead of chlorine bleach.

Use phosphate free detergents.

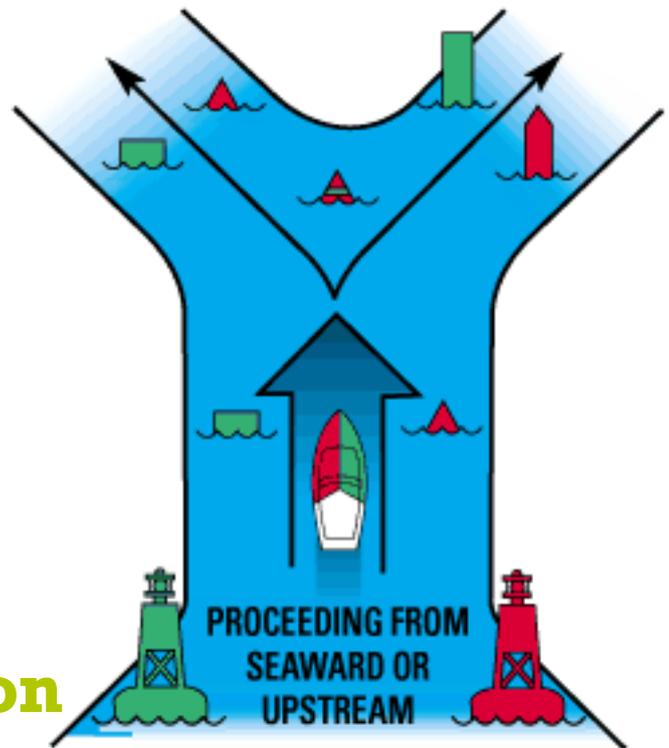
Use peroxide stain removers.

Wait for laundry load to finish before draining a bath or taking a shower.



Navigation

By Bob Bevan



Currently the HLCA has 28 navigation markers in service. Of these, 14 are the wheel and tire type buoys with red, green or yellow coloured posts, "spars," on top and 14 are inflatable rubber balls approximately 12" in diameter. The question has been raised whether to continue with the spar floats or replace them with rubber balls.

In favour of the spar-type buoy is the fact that they better comply with the International Buoyage System adopted by Canada and as such are consistent with the markers visiting boaters are used to in the Trent System, Georgian Bay and Muskoka. The spars are also visible from a greater distance and with the addition of reflective tape, can be seen better at night.

The rubber balls on the other hand are easy for one person to put in from a small boat and relatively trouble free. None were lost this summer. They are also less expensive, under \$20 each, and require only a light polypropylene rope and a concrete block for an anchor.

As each option has it's strengths and weaknesses the solution becomes clear, use a combination of both spar buoys and rubber balls. This season you will find spar buoys in the channels at South Bay, the North Island and the South Island. The channel at the marina will continue to have rubber balls as it is primarily used during the day. Spar buoys will mark the hazards found well out from shore, such as the shoal found South of the South Island, the large rock in South Bay, the rock just south of the middle Island and Hodgson's point sand bar. Rubber balls will be used on the remainder of the hazards that are more off the beaten path.



Geese Management

By Bill Drummond

Last August I had the opportunity to meet with Leora Berman of the Land Between and receive a tour of Head Lake Park in Haliburton to find out about their efforts at Canada Geese management.

Leora spent three years watching the geese at the park to learn about them and determine their patterns of behavior. Canada geese are magnificent, iconic birds who are native to Canada, mate for life, are highly communicative and intelligent, very adaptive and highly organized in their social structure.

Geese have three different habitat areas, one for nesting in March/April, a second for early foraging, where they eat when their young can't fly from May-July, and the third is foraging ground they fly to starting in August. For all three of these habitats they prefer open areas where they can see predators, on land but close to water, preferably with short grass close by. When geese find a suitable nesting site they will return year after year and will actually call up to the geese migrating overhead to join them at this suitable place they have found. Without action on our part, the geese problem can quickly become overwhelming and out of control.

Geese have 15 young per couple each year and each goose drops one pound of guano – goose poop- per day. The deterioration process of guano consumes oxygen, which adds heat to the water. This promotes the growth of algae and weeds and increases the bacteria count which has already lead to a temporary closure of the public beach once a year for the past three years.

Deterring geese from nesting is half the battle. Once they have nested they become quite fearless and will not abandon their eggs. The best way to accomplish this is through the re-natu

ralization of the shoreline. The project at Head Lake Park has reduced the number of mating pairs in the park from 40 to 4.

They accomplished this by planting native shrubbery that will grow to two feet high at the shoreline, blocking the geese's vision of foraging areas and predators.

This process can take time to organize, design, plant and the vegetation needs time to grow. The HLCA is working in combination with the Haliburton Stewardship Program, The Fort Irwin Garden Centre and local politicians to implement a plan for this. We are looking at planting multiple rows of vegetation, which overlap but still provide access to the water and beach. We are working to find a solution that will take into consideration beach activities. The solution may not be ideal but the alternative is just not acceptable. We are also communicating with the association on Halls Lake, who haven't been able to use their public beach for years because of the geese and are just ahead of us in their planning and implementation of the same project.

In the meantime, the HLCA is setting up buckets with posts in them all along the beach shoreline. These posts will be connected with string and flashy material that hangs and flaps in the wind. This set up is aimed to scare the birds so they do not choose our beach as their nesting ground in March, April and May. By mid June these scare tactics will be removed as any geese that have nested are there for the season.

As we do our part to preserve our shared resources we ask that you do the same. You can help by keeping your shoreline as natural as possible, no manicured lawns, not feeding the geese, EVER, and supporting our efforts at the public beach by keeping these deterrents in place.

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Toilet Talk



Woo Hoo “√”

Use non- antibacterial soap.

Use biodegradable cleaners (phosphate and chlorine free).

Use peroxide cleaners.

Use single-ply toilet paper.

Limit the amount of toilet paper used.

Conserve water to avoid overload to septic system.



DOH “X”

Don't use automatic toilet bowl cleaners.

Don't use anti-bacterial hand soap.

Don't put paper towel, tissue, hair, baby wipes (even ones marked 'flushable'), or feminine products (no tampons) down the toilet.

Don't put anything down the toilet other than natural waste and toilet paper.

Regatta 2013 Results

Horseshoes:

1st Derek Hillaby and John Shaw

2nd Don Hillaby and Matt Skinner

Sandcastles:

1st: Catepillar - Gigi and Gabe Sasseville and Isabella Callvillo

2nd: Christmas in August - Lyndsey, Sarah, Megan and Abby McLean, Kaitlyn Griffiths, Rianna and Nathan Lang

Tie for 3rd: Octopus - Chloe and Noah Levy, Davis and Brady Valencia

Cupcake Swag - Shani and Cara Hicks, Allison Burns

Adult Egg Toss:

1st: Jordan Thompson and Emily Still

2nd: Mel Morrieiette and Mel Lancaster

3rd: Dave Drummond and Marc Farrell

Volleyball

1st: Smokin Loons

Ella and Sten Valge-Saar, Katria and Juhani Eistrat, Juri Meema-Coleman, Craig Ball, Mitch Bunn and Mark Saar

2nd: Meet the Blockers

John, Owen and Jocelyn Blackwell, Andy Orr, Kaan Yilmaz, Andrea Murray, Amy Gwyas and Kevin Feagan

Canoe Races:

Mens Single

1st: Mark Saar

2nd: Seah West

Womens Double

1st: Kaitlin West and April Lewtak

2nd: Leslie Reilly and Noeil Reilly

Mens Double

1st: Dave and Ryan

2nd: Don Barker and Reilly Barker

Backwards Paddle

1st: Don and Eric Barker

Crazy Canoe

1st: Don, Reilly, Peighton, Blake, Noeil and Eric

2nd: Mackenzie, Dave and Ryan

Marathon Swim

1st: Zoe Astill

2nd: Paul Le Roux

3rd: Peter Graham

Honorable Mention to: Genevieve Sasseville and Tyson Dyck



Swimming

Girls

9 Year Olds

Girls

1st: Amelia Shields

Boys

1st: Zoey Astill

4 and Under

2nd: Julia Kea

1st: Andrew Forester

2nd: Samantha McCad

Boys

3rd: Sophie Lame

2nd: Myles Radersma

3rd: Michelle Stevens

1st: James Bradbury

3rd: Cemeran Smart

Girls

7 Year Olds

12 & 13 Year Olds

1st: Riley Mcninah

Boys

Girls

Boys

2nd: Sophie Wark

1st: Ben Wark

1st: Abby Stewart

1st: Eric Riley

2nd: Matthew Simpson

2nd: Brynn Miller

2nd: Rilley Barker

5 Year Olds

3rd: Liam Miller

3rd: Kylie Nolan

Boys

Girls

1st: Gabe Sasseville

Girls

10 Year Olds

1st: Mackenzie Simpson

2nd: Nicholas Fryer

1st: Sophie Stewart

Boys

2nd: Jade Davidson

3rd: Kierah Burton

2nd: Shannon Hicks

1st: Josh Simpson

3rd: Mandy Mangeon

Girls

8 Year Olds

3rd: Brandon Munuel

14 and Over

1st: Emma Thompson

Boys

Boys

2nd: Summer Manvel

1st: Noah Oster

Girls

1st: Bruce Forrester

3rd: Avery Kelly

2nd: Liam Shield

1st: Gigi Sasseville

2nd: Maxime Forrester

3rd: Zack Smith

2nd: Vanessa Kozik

3rd: Jeff Miller

6 Year Olds

3rd: Ally Burk

Boys

Girls

11 Year Olds

Girls

1st: Nicholas St Jean

1st: Paighton Parker

Boys

1st: Noeil Reilly

2nd: Lucas Whitaker

2nd: Kaylie Kettlewell

1st: William Forrester

2nd: Olivia Emery

3rd: Cohen Bright

3rd: Cara Hicks

2nd: Seth Valee-Jarr

did you know that ?

Karley Salsbury of South Bay has volunteered to organize Regatta this year! Yay! Karley is a third year Marketing Management Major at the University of Guelph and has been cottaging on Haliburton Lake since 2011. She brings excitement, energy and experience to Regatta and we are thrilled to have her.

2014 Regatta Saved

Watch for some returning events and maybe even something new! Karley isn't going to be able to do it alone though so please send her an email and let her know how you can help out, either in preparation or on the day of: ksalsbur@uoguelph.ca Regatta is scheduled for Aug 2nd with a rain date on August 3rd



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Statement of Financial Position (HLCA)

Balance Sheet

	2013	2012
Assets		
Cash	\$ 10,846.73	\$ 10,214.71
Short Term Investment	\$ 2,559.10	\$ 2,528.75
Portoon Boat	\$ -	\$ 800.00
Total Asset	\$ 13,405.83	\$ 13,543.46

Liabilities and Equity

Association Equity	\$ 13,405.83	\$ 13,543.46
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Statement of Operations

	2013	2012
Membership	\$ 13,610.00	\$ 14,475.00
Regatta	\$ 3,822.00	\$ 3,306.00
Advertising	\$ 1,573.45	\$ 1,810.00
Swimming	\$ 4,751.00	\$ 5,165.00
Fireworks	\$ 2,503.80	\$ 3,300.00
Hall / Equipment / Mtce	\$ 1,580.00	\$ 2,040.00
Bingo	\$ 62.00	\$ 63.34
Bank Interest	\$ 31.72	\$ 30.01
Major Projects	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -
Clothing	\$ -	\$ 253.00
Revenue	\$ 29,033.97	\$ 30,442.35
Newsletter & Members Letter	\$ 3,060.47	\$ 1,630.68
Regatta	\$ 1,961.63	\$ 1,771.79
Swimming	\$ 6,498.86	\$ 6,786.59
Fireworks	\$ 5,772.91	\$ 4,985.56
Hall / Equipment / Mtce	\$ 1,916.29	\$ 2,288.85
Bingo	\$ 317.47	\$ 271.79
Meetings / Sp Events	\$ 553.75	\$ 1,091.45
Bank Charges (incl PayPal)	\$ 350.45	\$ 261.51
Utilities	\$ 435.65	\$ 929.34
Office / Website	\$ 213.57	\$ 113.00
Insurance	\$ 3,385.80	\$ 3,385.80
Bursary / Donations	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,550.00
External Memberships	\$ 915.25	\$ 869.00
Major Projects	\$ 3,331.03	\$ -
Property Taxes	\$ 185.08	\$ -
Misc Expense	\$ 73.39	\$ -
Expenses	\$ 29,171.60	\$ 25,935.36
Net Income	\$ (137.63)	\$ 4,506.99

Statement of Association Equity

	2013	2012
Opening Equity	\$ 13,543.46	\$ 9,036.47
Change in Equity	\$ (137.63)	\$ 4,506.99
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 13,405.83	\$ 13,543.46

Statement of Cash Flows

	2013	2012
Opening Cash Balance	\$ 10,214.71	\$ 5,736.47
Change in Cash		
Change in Equity	\$ (137.63)	\$ 4,506.99
Less: Non-Cash Interest	\$ (30.35)	\$ (28.75)
Add: Sale of Assets	\$ 800.00	
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 10,846.73	\$ 10,214.71

Treasurers Report 2013

Year over year revenue down about \$1400 in a number of areas, expenses higher primarily a result of investment in major projects. Equity position unchanged and the cash balance is up \$600 primarily from the sale of the pontoon boat.

Key Highlights

- Membership down to 218 (2013) compared to 232 (2012) Full and Associate members, 56% registered on line (Note-540 property owners on Haliburton Lake)
- Donation participation down to 45% (2013) compared to 50% (2012), donations totaled approximately \$3600 for Fireworks and Majors Projects
- Swimming program subsidy by HLCA about same year over year at \$1700 with 105 participants in 2013
- Regatta net revenue increased about \$500 year over year to \$2000 as result of an extra volleyball court and food sales
- Fireworks subsidy, after donations, up by \$1500 to \$3200 year over year primarily due to for new costs for setup and ignition (\$600) and lower donations
- Newsletter cost exceeded advertising revenue by \$800, as we moved to colour, (Note – 2014 forecast to break even), 72% requested electronic copies
- Additional cash from sale of non-functioning pontoon boat (Note - navigation deployment will be done with rented tin boats moving forward)
- Major Project costs resulted from expenditures for a new swim raft, installation of an additional volleyball court and initiation of Geese Management Program
- Note 2013 first year of incurred taxes associated with property given to HLCA behind Church/Hall



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New Arrivals



1. Oliver Orr

Congratulations to the Blackwell family on the birth of Oliver Patrick Orr, born October 22, 2013. Oliver is the son of Jocelyn (Blackwell) and Andy Orr. Proud grandparents are Marcia and John Blackwell who are also celebrating their 30th year on the lake this summer. Proud uncles are HLCA Directors Connor and Owen Blackwell.

2. Emily Suits

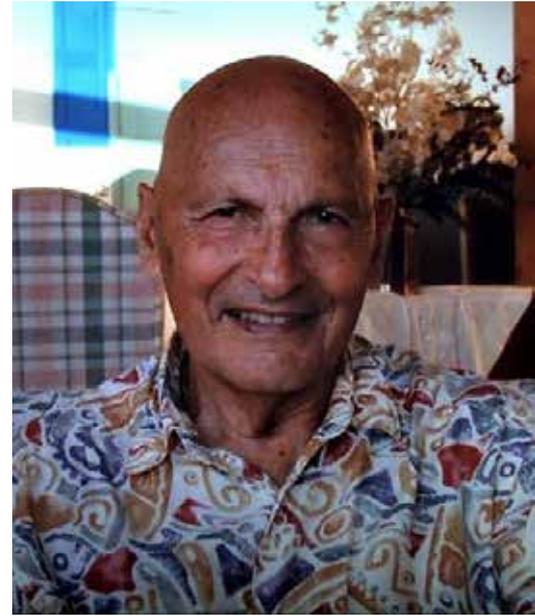
David Duggan has been a cottager on Haliburton Lake for over 40 years. He and his wife Carolyn love spending time there with their twin daughters Ashleigh, and her husband Bryden, and Kristin, and her husband Troy. Both girls are nurses in the neo-natal intensive care unit at Sunnybrook Hospital and last year on June 28th, 2013, Ashleigh gave birth to a beautiful little girl named "Emily Carolyn Kaldamae Suits". She is absolutely adorable and we all look forward to sharing happy times with her this summer at our cottage.



LIFE NOTICES:

Vincent DeMarco

Peacefully at his home in Keswick on February 21, 2014 in his 95th year. Vince had 9 children (Including Mary DeMarco and Kathy Burroughs), 16 grandchildren (Including Brandon and Damien Sutton, Kalyn and Andra Burroughs) and 3 great-grandchildren (Including Sophie and Nate Lamb). As well as being a caring and loving father, he was a highly successful businessman and builder, a carpenter, artist, poet, athlete, pilot, world traveller, pilgrim, benefactor and honorary Augustinian priest. Vince was a frequent visitor at Mary's and Kathy's cottages on Haliburton Lake. He was legendary for his ability to tell jokes and will be fondly remembered by the many friends he entertained at the lake.



Joan Smith

With great sadness, Kathleen and Michael Smith share that Joan Smith passed away on February 21, 2014 – her battle with lymphoma was just too great. Joan always looked so forward to Spring anticipating her Summers at the cottage for the past 50 some years. We miss her everyday!



David Saunders

Roberta Saunders is saddened to share the passing of her husband David Saunders in August 2012, after more than 50 years of cottaging on Haliburton Lake.

Pat Dart

Edwin Dart is sad to share the passing of his wife Pat Dart on October 13 2013 after 52 years on Haliburton Lake.

TIED THE KNOT:

Rick and Denise Ludwig of South Bay are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter Danielle to Tyler Heemskerck. The happy couple were wed on October 18th 2013 in downtown Hamilton, Ontario. Siblings Jillian and Matthew and his girlfriend Samantha Vink were happy to share in the celebration. Congratulations Danielle and Tyler!



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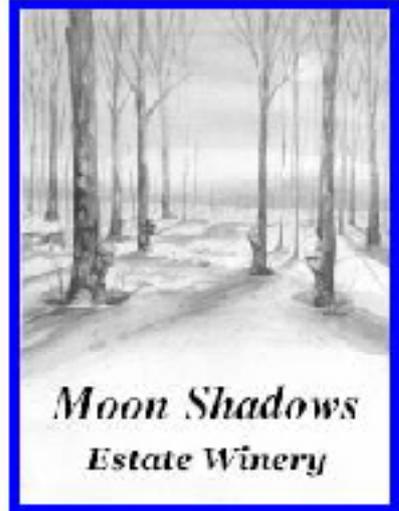


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Protecting Our Water Today

By: Julie Scott

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Property owners on Haliburton Lake depend on two types of water, surface water and groundwater. It is important to protect the health of the surface water in order to ensure our lake remains healthy and can support the surrounding ecosystems. Groundwater is finite and there are many ways it can become polluted through human actions. If enough pollution occurs, the groundwater may become dangerous for human consumption.

There is a large amount of garbage littered on the sides of the roads as well as in the forests around Haliburton Lake. As the garbage begins to biodegrade, there is a chance the chemicals from the garbage will enter the groundwater and be flushed into the lake. The chemicals are toxic to the health of the lake and all the organisms within it. The good news is that this chemical seepage is simple to prevent! Don't litter and if you are going for a walk, bring a bag with you to pick up any garbage you find on the way.

Pollutant runoff can be a contributor in decreasing the health of our water. Pesticides or herbicides can become entrained in runoff and drain directly into the lake. These chemicals can also seep through the soil and enter into the groundwater. Pesticides and

herbicides have been known to have extremely harmful chemicals which kill a vast amount of fish each year. The effect of the chemicals is long term and consumption may be dangerous in large doses. The use of pesticides and herbicides is not suggested, especially on a property that is located directly on a lake. It is best to leave the grounds natural, in order to best protect the lake.

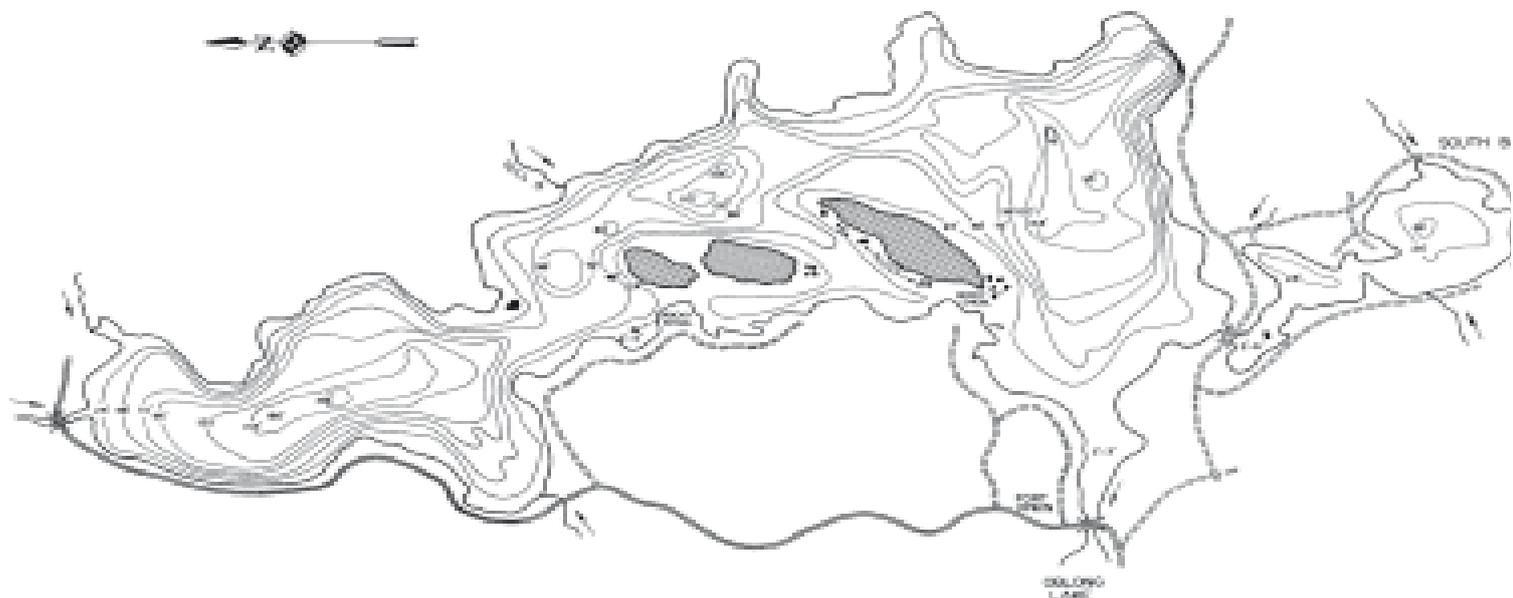
The improper maintenance and use of septic systems can also be a contributor to the pollution of our water. If a septic system is not kept up, the water will not be properly purified and the pollutants that are contained in the water may be discharged from the system and enter the groundwater or the lake. It is important to have your septic system regularly inspected and pumped out in order to protect our lake.

A means of specifically protecting surface water is by ensuring the natural buffer between a cottage and a lake is adequate. A natural buffer means having an area of undisturbed land by the lake, such as natural trees or shrubs. Clearing all the existing trees and replacing the area with grass is not natural, and contributes to the decline of the health of our lake. In order to enhance your buffer, native shrubs and trees can be planted. Once enhanced, the buffer will work to minimize pollutant runoff as well as erosion and will work to maintain a habitat for fish and wildlife.

In order to protect our lake and groundwater in the future and ensure it remains healthy and useable, it is important for us to protect it now!



Haliburton Lake Depth Chart



This map is intended for general information purposes only. It should not be used as a guide for navigation. For detailed information, please refer to the current edition of the chart and consult with your local marine service.

We need some volunteers!

The HLCA could not be the successful association it is without our volunteers. There are so many who help out every year and it means so much to all of us.

There is always room for more so if you think you may like that rewarding feeling we all get after having done something nice for others, send us a note to president@haliburtonlake.com. There are an array of ways you can help, behind the scenes, from your home computer to the front lines. You may be surprised that you possess the exact set of skills we are looking for and if you don't there is always someone willing to teach you. We will accept help in any area but are in specific need of board Members.

Board Members - Approx 1 meeting per month and helping at events when available

- attend phone meetings once a month if not less over the "off season"
- attend in person one meeting at the start & one at the end of the summer
- help with the organization and running of the association
- vote on important decisions

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