

Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association 2016 Annual General Meeting

Saturday, Sept. 3, 2016

Agenda



- 9:00 Call to Order, Determination of Quorum, Approval of Agenda
- 9:05 Review & Acceptance of Minutes of Spring Meeting
- 9:10 President's Remarks/Review of Key Activities for the Year
- 9:30 Updates on Key Initiatives
 - Roads & Neighbour Networks John Middleton
 - LYL Shoreline Assessment Jim Prince
 - Dam Remediation & Lake Levels Chris Riddle
 - Water Quality Testing Cam Douglas
 - Kennisis Lake Rd Clean-Up Day John Smith
- 9:50 Review of Financial Results David Austin
- 10:05 Norah's Island Review Jeff Pinkney
- 10:10 Q & A and Discussion from the Floor
- 10:30 Adjourn

Minutes of Spring Meeting



- Minutes of Spring Meeting Sat May 21, 2016
 have been posted on the KLCOA website since June, 2016
- Limited # of hard copies in room
- Motion for acceptance



Review of Key Initiatives - 2016

Tayce Wakefield President

Haliburton Forest – New GM



- Malcolm Cockwell has been involved in the HFWR since 2010, initially in research and subsequently, the Sawmill
- Professional forester Phd. Candidate U of T
- Lives in the community & committed to the area
- Objective is to continue improving Haliburton Forest to serve community & shareholders, building on work by Peter Schleifenbaum over past 25 years
- Malcolm will assume the role of President in December;
 Peter will continue to be involved as Founding Director
- Looks forward to open & constructive relationship with KLCOA & other stakeholders

Membership, Communications & Governance



- Membership package Septic Tips, LYL Shoreline Assessment, AOTD Brochure, Membership info – delivered to all ~1000 properties in early May – Joan Middleton
- Spring, Summer, Fall Kennisis Breeze Newsletters Tina Fagg – Thank you to our advertisers!
- Eblasts ~3 per month in summer Deb Wratschko & Tony Lepine
- By-Law Committee (Terry O'Connor, David Austin, Sheelagh Lawrance, Tony Lepine, Tayce Wakefield) reviewing KLCOA in light for ONCA & gaps/conflicts in our by-laws – May bring recommendations for changes to 2017 members' meetings

Public Affairs



- Provided input to Dysart on review of landfill options
- Letter to Dysart re: by-law regarding responsible use of fireworks
- Letter to Ont. MNRF Minister Bill Mauro re: new dock requirements
- Input to CEWF on Winter Ice Damage Chris Riddle
- Input to Dysart on Official Plan Review
- Enhancing Communications Connectivity Committee Tony Lepine, Clive Howard, Duncan Kent, Tayce Wakefield
 - Reaching out to communications companies re: enhancing wireless and wireline services to the lakes
- See Public Affairs Section of "News" tab on website

Recreational Activities



- Swimming Deb Wratschko
 - 51 students/97 session spots over 7 weeks
 - Self-funding (instructor, material, red cross fees covered by registration fees)
 - Thanks to Instructors Avondale Nixon & Julia Ranson and Volunteer Nicole Cooke
 - Thanks to Graham Beach & TimBr Mart for new dock & Doug Mahood for use of Marina property
- Sailing Jim Prince
 - Ontario Sailing Assoc BOOM program 16 sailors 8-15 years old, Self-funding
 - Thanks to Windermere Resort for use of their property

Recreational Activities



- Fishing Derby Mike Neely
 - 12 & under winners Clark & West Delaney 34.5 lbs
 - 13 & Over Cayla Beaton & Laura Neely 22.1 lbs
- Digital Scavenger Hunt Melissa Bouwmeister
 - 10 teams 43 participants youth, friends, parents, grandparents
 - First place winners were -The Baumers
 - Second place was "The Dragonflies of Doom"
 - Third place goes to "Rekt them"
 - Thank you to the judges & markers!
- Snowmobile Graham Beach
 - Thank you to Mic Chonko who fabricated & installed new gate at no cost at the trail head to Tall Pines 62 behind the Kennisis Dam – illegal access by ATV's and dirt bikes onto Haliburton Forest property has been an ongoing problem that this will address

Recreational Activities -**Regatta**



- Thanks to Susan Nixon & all the volunteers for a great event
 - Thanks to Catherine Ranson for the Committee Boat, to Gary Pike for the t-shirts for the volunteers, Russ Campbell for announcing
 - Thanks to Doug Mahood for use of Marina
- Refreshment Tent Gary Pike
- Horseshoe Tournament Graham Beach
- Sailing Regatta Jim Prince
- New activities this year:
 - Show Your Ride Gerry Sumara
 - Smiley Joanne George & Haliburton Pet Owners' Assistance Fund
- Welcome suggestions (and trophies & volunteers willing to organize) for additional events next year

Social/Cultural Activities



- Canada Day Fireworks Steve Ashfield & Crew
- Ladies of the Lake Luncheon Liz Austin & Sheelagh Lawrance
 - 120 Ladies many new to the lake and/or new to the event
 - Thank you to Janis Parker for hosting
- Art on the Dock Cathy Whittaker
 - 40 artists at 19 locations another great success!
 - Thanks to contributors, silent auction & visitor donations, raised \$2963.55 for Artists in the Schools program
 - Thank you to Parker Pad & Printing and Viper Marketing for sponsorship

Social Activities



- Many informal groups now going strong:
 - Kayaking Liz Austin
 - Appetizer Club Judy Kent
 - Euchre Joyce Sumara
 - Summer Bridge Suzen Van Geyn
 - Summer Reading Marilyn Hewitt
 - Childrens' Groups Nadine Thurston-Prior, Celia Ciotola, Sarah Flint
- Information through eblasts or Ladies of the Lake Luncheon & individual distribution lists

Other Community Activities



- Tree/bush planting program Graham Beach
- First Aid Training Instructor Kate O'Connor

AED Group Buy

- Automated External Defibrillator can increase chances of surviving cardiac arrest by 75%
- Graham Beach organizing Group Buy to keep in your cottage/home/car
- \$1399 for one to \$999 if 50 are interested (plus optional waterproof case for \$109)
 - 11 currently ordered at \$1299 if we get to 20, cost reduces to \$1199
- Contact graham beach@Hotmail.com



Other Community Activities



- Youngdale Fuels Heating Oil Discount Six cents per litre discount at time of delivery for members in good standing
 - Contact Valerie Pagnello 705 457 2500
 - (Please allow a few days to verify membership)
- **Superior Propane** Kennisis/Redstone Group Buy
 - Fixed rate offer for year for customers >1000 litres
 - Superior communicating directly with customers this year
 - Contact Jeff Voyer (<u>Jeff Voyer@superiorpropane.com</u>)
- Total Site Services Discount offer Buddy-Up Septic Pump Out offer - \$200 incl tax (Normal rate \$288)



Updates on Key Initiatives

- Roads & Neighbour Networks John Middleton
- LYL Shoreline Assessment Jim Prince
- Lake Levels & Dam Remediation Chris Riddle
- Water Quality Testing Cam Douglas
- Kennisis Lake Rd Clean-Up Day John Smith

Roads



- Condition of roads is an important concern for KLCOA
- Generally speaking, road maintenance is done well by Dysart winter and summer & Dysart responds quickly – e.g. Watts Rd wash-outs, Paddy's Bay Bridge engineering report
- Dysart has spent ~900k for resurfacing of our roads over past 2 years (doesn't include maintenance, wash-out, PB bridge)
- KLCOA does an autumn review of all municipal roads around the 2 lakes to provide prioritized recommendations for Dysart to consider and work into subsequent year budget
- Current focus Paddys Bay Bridge and maintenance of Kennisis Lake Rd from Paddy's Bay Rd to the dam
 - Awaiting information from Dysart on engineering recommendation for permanent fix to Paddy's Bay bridge
 - Working on solution to Paddy's Bay boat launch
- For immediate problems or repairs, call Dysart Roads Dept (Rob Camelon, rcamelon@dysart <u>roads.ca</u> 705-457-1830)

Neighbour Networks



- Kennisis Watch neighbourhood security program started in Spring 2016
 - Security suggestions included in spring information package
 - OPP talk at spring meeting advised neighbours watching neighbours was a good security alternative
 - Equally helpful for wash-outs/rain damage, trees down, hydro outages or even property fire
 - Voluntary initiative using natural groupings around lake to identify a neighbour ("block captain") who keeps emergency contact information for people in their area – worksheet available on website
 - If desired, block captains can provide their contact info and the addresses for which they keep information to John Middleton (who is working with Fire Department to help them access best contact information for Kennisis property owners) (<u>imiddleton@sympatico.ca</u>) in the event that emergency services need to contact someone in their area

KLCOA – Primary Stewardship Focus Protecting our Lakes – Priority Area

Water Quality

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Three Areas of Concentration

Septic Health

Shoreline Health



Water Quality Monitoring



Healthy Shoreline Project Goals

- 1. Improve awareness
- 2. Make the Connection
 - Lake Health & Natural Shorelines
- 3. Take Action





More of this



Love Your Lake - Haliburton

- 2014/2015 20 Haliburton lakes surveyed (5500 properties)
- 2016 28 more lakes, 4500 Properties Completed!
 - ~12000 total on completion of LYL in 2017 with 60 lakes surveyed
- Kennisis Lakes were the largest lakes with 1055 Properties
- LYL Project is the first step
- Education, Awareness and Shoreline Restoration follow-up



Love Your Lake at Kennisis



Background & Project Purpose

- Love Your Lake (LYL) developed the Assessment Program
 - Canadian Wildlife Federation and Watersheds Canada Partners
 - This project is funded by CWF, a large Trillium grant and other grants from Haliburton County Development Corp, Canada Summer Jobs and lake associations at \$2.50 per property.
- This project is a long-term campaign to motivate and provide tools to property owners to encourage them to re-naturalize their shorelines.

If 75% of the shoreline of a lake is not in a natural state for a minimum of 100 feet back from high water, water quality will seriously degrade over time. Water quality is what determines property values and enjoyment on the lake.

Love Your Lake at Kennisis



How Did it Go!

- KLCOA Hosted Trent University May 11-20 as the Training Lake
- Shoreline Assessments completed May 24 to June 24 All from the water, 1150 Properties, 5 Weeks – All with Kennisis volunteers

- Over 500 volunteer hours, boating, billeting, data review

- 3 days on the water, 2 days for data entry
- Rigorous LYL Assessment Protocol followed by the trained Assessors – Shelby & Shannon

Love Your Lake at Kennisis - How Was it done!



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Assessors had survey data sheets with prepopulated property data – Address, lot & roll number

Completed the following assessment areas:

- Classification
 - Degraded, Ornamental, <u>Regenerative, Natural</u>
- Erosion
- Building Setback of Main Residence
- Aquatic Cover
- Shoreline Development
 - Structures, Docks and Walls
- Aquatic Substrate
- Structures
- Docks
- Other Observations
- Recommendations & Restoration Opportunities

LYL Data Sheet is posted on www.klcoa.org

Love Your Lake at Kennisis



What Did We Learn!

- 1055 Properties on the lakes
- ~950 properties with cottages/homes
 - ~60 empty lots, 40 other properties Islands, Municipal Properties, HF properties, KLCOA Properties
- Shoreline has been substantially modified but the lakes shorelines are generally in good condition
- Opportunities for shoreline restorations and naturalization

Love Your Lake at Kennisis



What's Next!

- Lake Level Report available in Fall 2016 post on <u>www.klcoa.org</u>
 - Data for overall shoreline condition Natural and Regenerative are good indicators
- Individual property reports one report will be generated for each property owned
- A letter or email for each property evaluated will be sent by LYL to each property owner at the address from the Dysart municipal tax roll.
 - Provides a <u>Survey Code</u> which the property owner then enters on the LYL Website.
 - This triggers an email from LYL giving access to property owner's copy of the report.
- Timing of reports: ~April 2017

LYL Shoreline Assessment KLCOA Volunteers May-June, 2016

Thank You!

Brian Evans, Gino Ariano, Cam Douglas, Roy Campbell, John & Brenda Smith, Terry O'Connor, Janis Parker & Ron Kozak, Tony & Leslie Lepine, Jeff Gardner, Chris Riddle, Arlene & Randy Burch, Patty Davis, Peter & Lea Bartlett, Deb Wratschko



Many Thanks to Shelby & Shannon









Love Your Lake at Kennisis-What's Next



- Overall Kennisis Lakes shoreline report Fall 2016
- Individual Shoreline Assessment Reports Spring 2016
- Identify restoration opportunities in 2017 and seek grants for funding
- Two restoration pilot projects have recently been identified on Kennisis and small grants have been awarded by Watersheds Canada:
- Damaged shoreline restoration
- Goose reduction and naturalization
- Progress report at the Spring KLCOA GM

Water Quality Testing



- MOECC continuing their water sampling this summer/fall
 - Early indications are positive although some continued indication of higher nitrate levels
 - MOECC still hesitant to say we have a real problem
 - But could be indicator of septic issues all members need to exercise responsible septic care
 - KLCOA will consider implementing our own spring/summer/fall testing program next year based on advice from MOECC



Dam Remediation & Lake Levels

Chris Riddle

Kennisis Lake Rd Clean-Up Day



- Haliburton County invited KLCOA to adopt County Rd 7/Kennisis Lake Rd from Rough Stone Trail to Wilkinson for 3 years
- Requires Spring & Fall Clean-Up
- Brenda & John Smith have volunteered to organize first two
- Need your help Sat. Sept 17th
- Sign Up after meeting or email b59smith@yahoo.ca



Financial Review

David Austin

Annual General Meeting of Members – Financial UPDATE

SUMMARY of KLCOA Projected Financial Update 2016 ESTIMATE ONLY AT THIS TIME											
	ESTIMATE 2016	BUDGET 2016	Variance from Budget	Actual 2015							
REVENUE											
Memberships	18,677	18,500	177	16,470							
Interest	, 25	, 30	- 5	24							
Total Membership Revenue	18,702	18,530	172	16,494							
Expenses											
Activities	10,500	11,000	(500)	12,449							
Membership	12,402	12,636	(234)	8,243							
Total Expenses	22,902	23,636	(734)	20,692							
Deficit	(4,200)	(5,106)	906	(4,198)							
Fundraising (Advertising)	6,450	6,000	450	6,350							
Surplus	2,250	894	1,356	2,152							

Annual General Meeting of Members – Financial UPDATE

- Funds in reserve:
 - Shoreline Assessment Project \$3,500
 - Septic Improvement Project \$1,325
- General Operations Reserve Fund:
 - \$10,405 with a goal to try to get to one year of membership fees or approximately \$18,000
 - Pre- 2013 \$4,505 plus added \$5,900 in 2015
- Lands:
 - Blueberry Islands
 - Two loon Island
 - Bull Frog Bay (three properties)





Norah's Island Update

Jeff Pinkney



Norah's Island Update



- Your Norah's Island Management Committee
- Eyes On The Island
- Haliburton Highlands Land Trust
- As always the BIGGEST thanks goes to the Carruthers Family
- KLCOA and HHLT strong ties – strong partnership
- 10th Anniversary in 2017





Norah's Island Update



- Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program (MFTIP)
- The Norah's Island Kennisis Lake Fund
- The Budget
- The Ash and Beech Trees
- HHLT's Wild About Nature Gala on October 23 at The Pinestone
- Get out and enjoy the island!



Summing It Up



- KLCOA provides extensive services and benefits in the areas of public affairs, recreational, social/cultural, economic and stewardship to the community
- Extraordinary number of volunteers contributing significant effort and expertise to make this a better community for all of us
 - Thank You to all the volunteers on behalf of the membership
- We welcome continued input on how to improve along with offers to do the work required!



Questions & Discussion