

May 2013

Inside this issue:

Save a life. Learn CPR 3

Deer Proof Plants 4

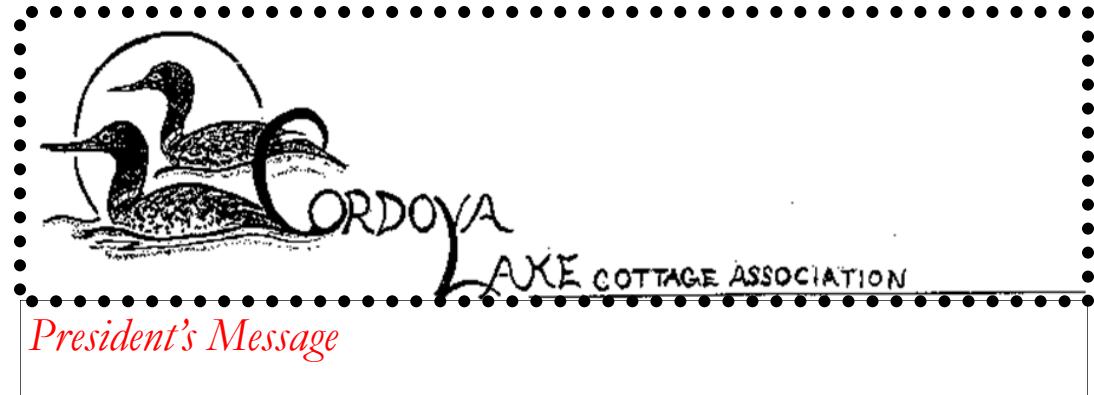
MACK Fest 2013 8

Magnificent Monarchs 9

Protecting Thriving Waterfronts 12

Biodiversity at the Lake 15

Building. Do you have an opinion? 16



President's Message

Spring has finally arrived, a little late but it is here. The last week has been beautiful, the warm dry sunny days have been very helpful in drying out some of those very wet properties.

You may be wondering why you are seeing our newsletter so early in the season. We decided that we would better serve our Members by issuing the first newsletter before the season officially begins on the Victoria Day weekend and issuing our second issue after the Labour Day weekend when many people have closed up and summer and the cottage is still fresh in their minds.

I think you will find this issue packed full of interesting and sometimes quite funny articles, we hope you enjoy.

As always we had another beautiful winter up here on Cordova, it always is unless of course there is no snow!! On the Family Day weekend we had our second Annual Bocce Tournament with Al and Joan Thomas taking home the tro-

phy. It was a very cold day but sunny and of course the bon fire was close by to keep us warm. It really is a lot of fun, you should consider joining us if you are around next Family Day weekend on the Sunday afternoon.

As many of you are aware the beach property was sold last year, if we are to have a regatta this summer we will need to find a new home for the event. Anyone with ideas or property that might be suitable please let us know. We hope to make up the financial shortfall by holding another 50/50 draw. We will start selling tickets on June 1 and hold the draw at Sam's on the Saturday of the Labour Day weekend. Please check with any

of the
Lake
executive
for
tickets.



We are also holding our second annual CPR course. It will be held at the Community Center in Cordova Mines on Saturday June 1

at 10AM. I highly recommend everyone knowing CPR besides Blake the instructor who gives the course is quite entertaining and a great teacher.

Oh, I almost forgot to mention, there is going to be a little contest. It seems that some people just skim through our newsletter and miss some of the really important information that we have spent many hours researching and preparing for you to read. If you can find the answer to our clue please go to our website at www.cordovalake.ca and in Contact fill out your name and email, a phone number and the answer to the clue. We will put all entries into a draw to be held on June 1 and the winner will receive a cheque for \$50.00. Now that's a good way to start the summer season don't you think??

Finally I'd like to wish everyone a very good, safe and fun filled summer.



"where does the oil and vinegar go?"

Special points of interest:

- Spring...the most dangerous time for outdoor burning
- Much needed good news for the ELA
- Many Benefits of Belonging
- Results of Loon Survey in
- Keep Fit. Good advice from a professional

CLCA Executive-Contact Information

President:	Joanne Butkevics	613-472-1819	jmb@orderline.com
Vice President:	Carolyn Callam	613-472-3962	carolyn_callam@hotmail.com
Secretary/Newsletter:	Melanie MacLeod	613-472-6166	melaniejmacleod@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Kim Woods	613-472-0524	Kim.Stephens-Woods@Niagarahealth.on.ca



We welcome
the news of
the birth of

Adalyn Grace, born in Mississauga on April 4, 2013 weighing 6lbs 9 oz.

Many congratulations are sent to Adalyn's mom and dad, Jason and Annette Vance, of Fire Route 57.

CLCA Membership Dues Due August 1

Would you kindly pay your \$20 annual dues to Melanie by August 1, 2013. You may do so by mailing them to:

Melanie MacLeod
RR1, Site 5, Comp. 63
Havelock, ON
K0L 1Z0

OR by dropping in to #201 Fire Route 59.

Cheques should be made payable to the Cordova Lake Cottage Association. If you mail cash, please be sure to include your name and the cottage address to which payment applies.

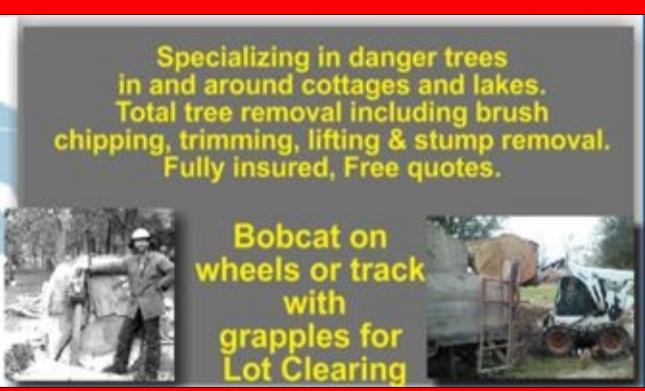
As a paid up member of the CLCA you are automatically a member of FOCA and entitled to its benefits.



Pup's Tree Service
TREE SERVICE
www.pupstreeservice.com

Specializing in danger trees in and around cottages and lakes. Total tree removal including brush chipping, trimming, lifting & stump removal. Fully insured, Free quotes.

Bobcat on wheels or track with grapples for Lot Clearing



50-50 Draw



Once again this year the Cordova Lake Cottage Association is going to have a 50/50 draw. The draw date will be the Saturday of the Labour Day weekend (August 30, 2013) at Sam's Place in Cordova Mines.

The tickets will sell for 3 for \$5.00 starting on June 1. Be sure to get your tickets as the prize this year promises to be the largest yet with three months for people to buy.

You may purchase your tickets from any member of the executive.

Melanie: #201 FR 59

Kim: #4 FR 58

Carolyn #122 FR 57

Joanne #9 FR 58



If you are an ardent cyclist you may wish to spin your wheels in cottage country.

With varied terrains, you can literally take your trail riding to new heights this summer. And riding on and around the world's oldest rocks is as fascinating as it is beautiful.



The best part? There are trails for all levels including those who enjoy a relaxed pedal and those who want to get really down and dirty. Gear up or gear down on these cottage-country trails and ride. To find more about mountain biking, touring or racing in our extended area, you may wish to visit www.explorekawarthalakes.com.

Orbitor 3500 Telescope, like new, used once. Look at the moon and planets from your dock or deck! Asking \$150.

Fireroute 59A #82

Phone Stephen at [613 472-1763](tel:6134721763) or [905 432-2933](tel:9054322933)
OR email Paolina at info@idoforyou.ca



Map of Cordova Lake

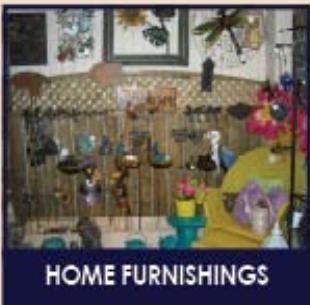
If you have been searching for a map of Cordova Lake either for yourself or to share with guests or renters...you need look no further than our website to find one. That's www.cordovalake.ca



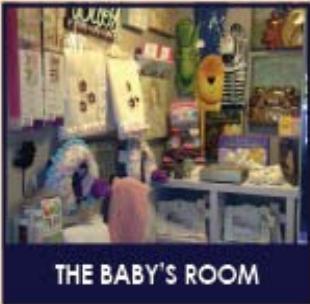
lei *boutique* inspiration



WOMEN'S FASHION



HOME FURNISHINGS



THE BABY'S ROOM



HOME DECOR

Enjoy shopping in our
relaxed atmosphere...
where personalized
service still exists.



Jewelry, Handbags,
Footwear, Personal Items,
Beautiful Gift Ideas and much
more for you to discover.

Sears
Catalogue Merchant

BMR

18 Forsyth Street, Marmora
613.472.0999 • www.bmr.co

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

Once again we are offering a course in CPR. Blake Hurst, who gave this course last year, will do so again this year on Saturday June 1 at 10a.m. at the Cordova Mines Community Hall. Blake is a very good instructor and at the same time quite entertaining.

It really is a good idea for someone in your family and/or someone staying at the cottage to be familiar with CPR as I am sure you are aware that up here on Cordova Lake we are a good 45 minutes away from the closest hospital.

The cost is \$20.00
per person and
you may pay at
the door.



Please email
Joanne at jmb@orderline.com if you plan to attend. Please note that if you sign up and are unable to attend at the last minute you will unfortunately be charged nonetheless.

Cordova Lake Cottage Wanted

Long time Cordova Lake Cottage Owners (3 generations) are seeking a Cordova Lake Cottage for additional family space.

If you are thinking of selling at a fair market value and would like to possibly avoid Real Estate Fees, please e-mail cordovacottagesearch@live.ca

House Cleaning

Are you looking for
someone to clean the
house or cottage on
Cordova Lake?



If so please contact
Joanne at [613-472-1819](tel:613-472-1819)
or by email at jmb@orderline.com.

We have had numerous requests from people looking for cleaning services and perhaps, if there is enough demand, we can get a service that will travel up to our neck of the woods. If you know of someone who has cleaning experience and is looking for work, please let us know.

"If a June night could talk it would probably boast it invented romance." Bern Williams

Salad in a Jar!



Easy, fresh and *not soggy* salad from home.

Just put your dressing in the bottom of a mason jar, add the veggies that won't get soggy and then the lettuce. When you are ready for lunch just turn it over, give it a shake and voila!! Fresh salad in a snap.

Dale Lowe was kind enough to forward the photo on the right of the Fish Hatchery taken circa 1951.

Deer Proof Plants?

I love to see the deer ambling along our road but don't think quite so fondly of them when I discover that they've eaten all of the heads off my geraniums and the flowers from the hostas. If you're 'in the same boat' you might be interested in this information extracted from Cottage Life.



"If deer are hungry enough, they'll eat practically anything. But like all of us, they do have food preferences. Offer up menu items that aren't very appealing and, hopefully, the deer will avoid your garden like it's the breakfast buffet at a low-rent motel. Some native, deer-resistant options include: black-eyed Susan, butterfly weed, nodding onion, lavender hyssop, prairie dropseed, and foxglove beardtongue, plus, in general, plants that are thorny, fuzzy, or stinky. You could also discourage the deer by spreading human or canine hair, or mothballs, in your flower beds, or by securing a homemade sachet of soap shavings to a stake driven into the ground."

For site-specific plant suggestions, check with your local nursery. Staff may be able to recommend native plants that will work for you—ones that look pretty and grow successfully in your soil conditions—but not the resident deer population."



Forest Fire Season: It's Around the Corner

April 1st marks the start of the 2013 Ontario Forest Fire Season. FOCA continues to work with their partners at the Aviation, Forest Fire and Emergency Services Branch of the Ministry of Natural Resources to encourage everyone to be FireSmart.



The 2012 season recorded a greater number of fires than the previous year, but with a smaller total area burned. At the official end of the season on October 31, there had been 1,611 wildfires recorded affecting a total area of 151,181 hectares. Causes were identified for most of those fires; 964 were due to lightning and **586 were attributed to human causes!**

Get tips about safe Spring burning techniques, as well as links to the Current Fire Situation and maps, pictures and video from AFFES by visiting www.foca.on.ca/firesmart

BE **FireSmart**®

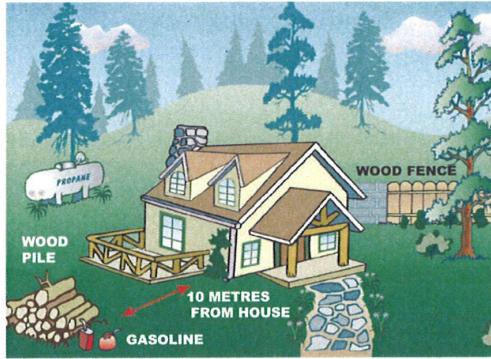


Is Your Property Protected?

Around the house



Around the property



Good Practices

- metal or tile roofing
- chimney above roof line – with proper spark arrester
- clean roof – no overhanging branches
- clean gutters – no flammable debris
- windows – tempered glass, double paned or thermal
- siding – metal siding, brick or stucco
- decks – screened in and crawl spaces enclosed with fire resistant material
- fencing – well away from the house
- wood stored a safe distance from buildings
- fuel, paint and other flammable items properly stored in outbuilding
- skirting around the base of buildings and decks
- area surrounding buildings is relatively free of combustible materials
- trees pruned to create vertical separation from the ground
- trees thinned out creating good horizontal separation
- clearly visible sign indicating house number at the entrance to the property

ontario.ca/fireprevention



*Registered trademark of Partners in Protection Association

"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness." J. Steinbeck

Cordova Lake Ice Bocce Tournament



It was a VERY cold Sunday on February 17th but not cold enough to keep away a few hardy souls.

A bonfire and some highly competitive folks made for numerous fun filled rounds of ice bocce that in the end was won by Joan Loughran and Al Thomas.



So mark your calendars for next Family Day weekend, **Sunday February 16th 2014, at 1PM** at the north end of the lake.

**MARMORA INSURANCE SERVICES, A DIVISION OF
NEWMAN, OLIVER & McCARTEN**
INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.

SINCE 1871
www.newmaninsurance.ca



LIONEL BENNETT
BROKER
marmora@newmaninsurance.ca

31 FORSYTH ST., P.O. BOX 339, MARMORA, ONTARIO, K0K 2M0
TEL. 613-472-2243 FAX 613-472-5565

Pinky's Pet Service

Professional Dog Grooming
Trusted care for over 20 years

Providing gentle and personal attention
All Breeds ~ Large and Small

Weekday, Weekend & Evening Appointments

Nancy (705) 653-5666 502 Gospel Road
Off Hwy 38 (Springbrook Rd.) between Campbellford & Springbrook



Building Materials & Renovations

WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING SERVICES

- Kitchen & Bath Centre ■ Flooring ■ Inspiration Boutique
 - Plumbing & Heating ■ Lighting & Electrical ■ Windows & Doors
 - Building Materials & Hardware ■ Seasonal Items & Landscaping Products
 - Loyalty Points ■ Rental Centre ■ Installations available ■ Gift Cards
- Locally owned & operated by: The Drummond Family

BMR-Boutique Inspiration
18 Forsyth St.
Marmora, Ontario K0K 2M0
613 472 0999

Drummond BMR
90 Matthew St. Hwy #7E
Marmora, Ontario K0K 2M0
613 472 2628 or 888 458 6237

BUILDING MATERIALS & RENOVATIONS

Since 1959

Hardware Merchandising Magazine
Outstanding Retailer Award 2011

www.bmr.ca
email: drummond@bellnet.ca



Hi I'm Stevie,

As you can see, I love Frisbee's. I have red ones, blue ones and purple ones, but the darn things keep getting away from me. If you happen to see any floating in the lake, or sleeping in the woods, ditches, or hiding in trees, I would be most appreciative if you drop them off at my home, FR 58 Lot 9. Thanks and good hunting. P.S. If you need any holes dug on your property, I'm good at that too!



"Deep Summer is when laziness finds respectability."
Sam Keen

Boat Wanted

Elise and David Harrison are looking for a 2006 or newer (7-8 passenger), 18-20 foot bow rider, inboard or outboard with 115 hp minimum boat. Primarily it is to be used for water sports. (wake boarding and tubing).



If you or anyone you know has a boat for sale they would be very interested in you emailing them with the details at earharrison@hotmail.com

Cordova Lake
Drop off / Pick up
82 F.R. 59A
613-472-1763

Kitchen·ology
Knife Sharpening
"For Passionate Cooks & Professionals"

Stephen Flicke
905-261-7308
www.kitchenology.com

ELA Reprieve?

The Experimental Lakes Area is a series of 58 lakes near Kenora in northwestern Ontario where whole-lake experiments have been conducted for nearly fifty years. ELA research was the first to make the connection that phosphates and detergents in household cleaners were impacting algal blooms in our lakes, leading to international changes in product formulations. The ELA has undertaken ground-breaking research into acid rain, climate change, fish management and essentially all the ways humans and industry impact our freshwater systems.

The world renowned ELA was slated for closure as of March 31, 2013 and FOCA has remained vocal throughout the fight to save this ecologically valuable programme by urging the governments of Canada and Ontario to negotiate in good faith toward a realistic transitional offer to alternate operators.

The Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (FOCA) is cautiously enthusiastic upon news that the Province of Ontario and the Province of Manitoba have committed to keep the ELA open through a proposed collaboration with the federal government, the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) and other partners. While no financial commitments have yet been confirmed, FOCA applauds the announcement of April 24, 2013 as a positive step toward saving this internationally-renowned freshwater research resource.

Ontario Premier Wynne noted, "I think the ELA is a gem. It's an important scientific endeavour and I don't believe that either provincially or regionally, nationally or internationally, we can afford to let it go."

FOCA will continue to provide input toward a robust plan for the continuance of the ELA.

AGM Date Change



The 2013 Annual General Meeting of the Cordova Lake Cottage Association will be held at 10:00a.m. on Sunday, July 14 at the Rec. Hall in Cordova Mines. Please note that this date has been changed from July 7 to accommodate a scheduling conflict at the hall.

We plan to have guest speakers bringing pertinent information with them and look forward to seeing many of our members at the meeting. Please put this special date on your calendar and plan to join us.

MACK Fest 2013

Page 8



On April 7 Ann and Roger Mittag attended the annual Marmora Area Canoe and Kayak Festival which took place at the Crowe River Dam-south end.

This year ten competitors raced in this timed event. Brendan Fasan finished with a time of only 59.06 seconds! Last year's winner did it in 55 seconds. There were a couple of injuries in the practice but everyone was fine during the actual race. Someone told Ann that the people racing are all very experienced because this run is a 4/5 level of difficulty.

Roger took a number of photos and there are three included on this page for your viewing pleasure.



Should you wish to attend next year's event, please go to their website at mackfest.ca to obtain the latest information.



GLORIA CAMERON-EDWARDS & CARL EDWARDS
SALES REPRESENTATIVE & BROKER
BOWES & COCKS LIMITED, BROKERAGE
DIRECT : 888-742-4234
TOLL FREE : 800-325-3428
BUS : 705-652-3364
The Gallery OF HOMES
carlandgloria@sympatico.ca
www.gloriaandcarl.ca
54 Queen St P.O. Box 99, Lakefield ON K0L 2H0

Don Barrons Excavating



Buyer of Logs and Standing Timber

Septic Systems, Land Scaping, Excavating

170 Jones Rd. Sand, Gravel, Top Soil

Tel: 613-472-3806

RR#2 Marmora Ont.

Fax: 613-472-3116

K0K 2M0 Hammer services now available!

Cel: 613-391-4237

Contact Information

Dan and Chris Lamers	Lake Stewards	613-962-8995	no email
Gord Bertrand	FR54/Ellis Rd.	613-472-0604	thebertrands@yahoo.ca
Don McGregor	FR18/FHRA	613-472-3335	FHRADon@hotmail.com
Rick Gubb	South End	416-540-7075	richardg@gdisales.net
Dave Carr	FR57	613-472-5474	dave.carr@omya.com
Gord Hogue	FR57	613-472-5851	hogueGG@aol.com
Rick Racey	FR59	613-472-3003	delracey@hotmail.com

Please Don't Feed the Bears!

Up until last year, when Ontario cottagers encountered a bear, they could call the Ministry of Natural Resources to trap and relocate it. But because relocation practices didn't seem to work — bears were often able to remember where they found food, and therefore returned to the same locations — calls to the Ministry started being funnelled directly to the OPP.



If a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety by being threatening or aggressive, call 911. This may include "stalking people and lingering at the site," entering or attempting to enter a residence, wandering into a public gathering, or killing pets.

You should call the toll-free [Bear Wise](#) reporting line (1-866-514-2327) if the bear is roaming around, checking garbage cans, breaking into a shed where garbage or food is stored, in a tree, moving through a backyard, but not lingering.

Please note that we are not aware of black bears creating problems at Cordova Lake as they are actually very timid animals but they are easily attracted to communities by things like garbage, bird and pet food and residual grease left on barbecues.



No Map? No problem for Monarchs!

According to a new study published in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, Monarch butterflies use basic orientation and landmarks to find their way as they migrate thousands of kilometres from Canada and the U.S. to wintering sites in Mexico. Much of the orientation work and Monarch collection was conducted in collaboration with Long Point Bird Observatory.

The researchers looked at how Monarchs' flight orientation changed when they were displaced from Ontario to Alberta, and also examined data from Monarchs tagged and recaptured throughout North America from 1952 to 2004. Displaced Monarchs flew in the same general direction as if they were still in Ontario, suggesting the absence of an internal compass. The flight patterns and data suggest that they likely use major geographic landmarks (such as coastlines and mountains) to funnel them to their destination.

FOCA Membership: Why Belong?

Thank you for your support!

Your association's contribution makes a difference. As a non-profit, voluntary organization, FOCA appreciates your support. We want to make sure you and your members are aware of the resources and benefits available to you.

Q. Who Supports FOCA?

A. Cottage/Lake/Road Associations and individuals who want to:

maintain and improve waterfront living in Ontario
make a positive impact in waterfront communities across Ontario
secure a healthy future for Ontario's freshwater

Tracy Logan, FOCA Programs & Membership Coordinator
#201-159 King Street
Peterborough, ON K9J 2R8
Phone: (705) 749-3622 Fax: (705) 749-6522 Email: info@foca.on.ca www.foca.ca

Q. What does FOCA do?

A. FOCA sits at the table where individuals cannot. Over the past year, FOCA has:

Reduced distribution rate charges for seasonal customers' electricity rates by \$2-million, through our work with the Ontario Energy Board
Presented MPAC's Chief Assessor at the FOCA Fall Meeting to answer members' questions about new property tax assessment notices
Secured Mining Act changes that enhance rural property owners' land rights re: exploration
Lobbied for clearer recognition of the significance of waterfront lands, through our participation in the Provincial Policy Statement review
Spoke out about the closure of the Experimental Lakes Area, changes to the Fisheries Act and the environmental impact of federal and provincial omnibus bills
Re-confirmed the Lake Partner Program agreement between FOCA and the Ministry of the Environment

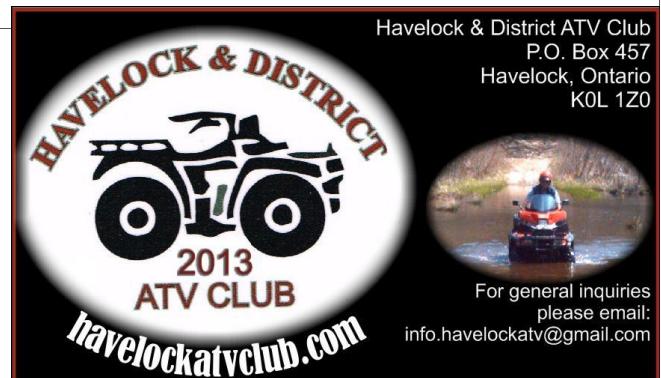
Q. What do you get for your hard earned money?

A. More than you might know...

Environmental stewardship resources and library
Cottage safety information (insurance, fire, boating)
Free water quality monitoring - Lake Partner Program
The Lake Planning Guide
Tools for working with your Municipality
Information on property issues (septic, taxes, land use planning, mining, energy and utilities)
Information on Government relations, and Policy updates important to you and your community
Members of your Association get access to over \$60 in value (see next page)

Please note: Effective April 1, 2013, the FOCA Board of Directors have implemented an increase in FOCA membership fees. Please see attached documentation for further explanation.

Thank you for your ongoing support – call or email the office if you have any questions or comments.



The Benefits of Supporting FOCA

* Reminder: **all paid members** can access the benefits listed below.

FOCA Insurance Program:

Access a FOCA discount! Get a quote today on cottage or boat insurance for you, or road or directors' liability insurance for your association. Call Bob Maynard or Darlene Cade: **416-234-9980**. www.cadeinsurance.com

Special Pricing & Discount Product Offers:

- **CAA Membership** - get discounts on all levels of CAA Membership – call **1-800-341-2226** and identify yourself as a FOCA supporter to access our group rates! See details at www.foca.on.ca/CAA
- **Cottage Life Magazine** - big discounts on renewals or new subscriptions: 1 year, plus 2 free issues for only \$24.00. (Use the FOCA code: "**FOCA12**") Plus, FOCA gives you discounts on Cottage Life show entry.
- **Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons** – FOCA supporters get \$10 off boating courses with CPS, including PCOC. Use your FOCA code: **238459** and enroll online at www.cps-ecp.ca/card.html
- **Boats & Places Magazine** – FOCA discounts on magazine subscriptions or DVD purchases online at www.store.lifestyleintegrated.com, when you use your code: "**FOCA**"
- **Canadian Canoe Museum** - All FOCA supporters can now redeem a free 1-year Individual Membership to the Canoe Museum. Use the FOCA access code: "**FOCA12**"

Advocacy & Government Relations:

FOCA is the only province-wide voice for Ontario cottagers and waterfront property owners. We keep you up to date on changes in legislation and other timely news. FOCA advocates at the provincial, regional and local levels on topics such as land use planning, taxation, the state of the environment and other priorities that affect waterfront property owners. Make sure that you **receive the FOCA Alert** to learn about updates on topics that matter. Find the red "sign up" box online at: www.foca.on.ca.

FOCA Programs & Resources:

Cottage Succession Seminar Series (Keeping the "Family" in the Family Cottage) – this series presents legal and financial planning considerations to help you prepare to leave the cottage to the next generation. Get the conversation started now, while you have the most options.

Lake Partner program – FOCA's Lake Stewards are the backbone of the largest volunteer program of its kind in the world, measuring phosphorus levels and water clarity in Ontario lakes. Find out how to get involved.

Visit the FOCA website at www.foca.on.ca to access cottager-specific answers to your questions. Use the **search box** in the top right-hand corner of the website to find information about particular topics.

Use FOCA's news and information from our FOCA Alerts, Newsletters and other print publications on your website and in your newsletters. We only ask that you reference FOCA.

Enjoy our monthly FOCA Alerts – our free monthly e-newsletter. Encourage your members to sign up for them as well on the FOCA website (look for the red "sign up" banner near the top right).

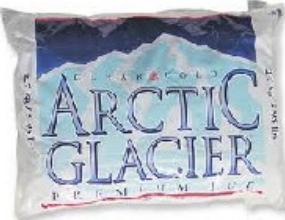
Attend annual FOCA events and meetings to network with other waterfront property owners & experts.

Updating Contact Information

As you know, I maintain a confidential database of contact information for property owners around the lake. This information is maintained for your benefit in the event that the CLCA needs to contact you. People tell me that they appreciate knowing if their dock has gone walkabout or if their dog has wandered and been found. Sometimes more vital fiscal information is shared regarding taxation or succession practices. In any event, I can only get in touch if I have the accurate information with which to do so. Throughout each year, many of our members move, change emails and/or phone numbers. Unless the information is sent to me, I have no other way of acquiring it. Perhaps the neighbour at your cottage is new and has no idea I exist. In this and all instances I would very much appreciate having my information brought up-to-date. Many thanks for your help in this regard.

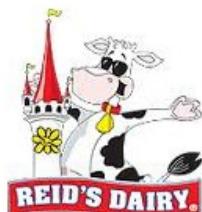


Melanie



The Beer Store
Approved Retail Partner

cashNgo
ATM Network



Sam's Place General Store

Cordova Mines

705-778-3815

www.cordovamines.com

samsplace@nexicom.net



Serving Cordova Mines and the Surrounding Lakes Since 2007



A Legacy of Leadership

Taken from "Year in Review-2012" written by executive director, Terry Rees

It seems timely to reflect upon all that FOCA has accomplished on behalf of waterfront property owners during the past five decades.

In 1963, a small group of cottage owners united as a provincial organization that has grown into a powerhouse representing 50,000 families across Ontario. The issues have evolved over time, but the motivation remains the same: to protect our waterfronts and freshwater resources for our kids, and for their kids.

During the 1980's FOCA fought hard for government action on the issue of acid rain, and lobbied to stop the use of toxic Dombind as a road-dust suppressant.



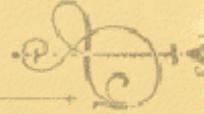
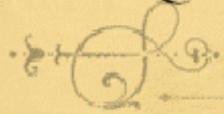
Since then, FOCA has secured the voting rights of waterfront property owners in their cottage ridings, and brought the attention of the Provincial Auditor and the Provincial Ombudsman to the shortcomings of Ontario's property taxation system. The fight for fair taxation under WRAFT now continues under FOCA.

FOCA developed a boating hazard marker program approved by Transport Canada, and put together the most comprehensive risk-management program for volunteers in rural environmental groups, through the FOCA Insurance Program.

In 2012, FOCA spoke out against the federal and provincial omnibus bills that gutted protection for our fisheries and fish habitat. This year also saw resolution in favour of land owners' rights during claim-staking, after a decade of behind-the-scenes work on the Mining Act by FOCA and others. Our important efforts continue on the Algonquin Land Claim which affects many of our members in eastern Ontario.

In addition to advocacy efforts, education and communication remain central to our mandate. Over the past decade, FOCA created the award-winning Lake Planning Handbook for community planning, and delivered face-to-face stewardship support to landowners across waterfront Ontario through the Docktalk program. For over 30 years, FOCA's LakeStewards have been at the core of the Lake Partner Program, the world's largest freshwater volunteer monitoring program. The work continues, and with the support of waterfront property owners and others, FOCA will continue to lead the effort towards a sustainable freshwater future for Ontario.

KAWARTHA HEATING SOLUTIONS



TSSA REGISTERED, WSIB, WETT CERTIFIED, INSURED, NATURAL OR PROPANE GAS, OIL & WOOD

LOCATED IN NORWOOD/HAVELOCK

WETT CERTIFIED, NATURAL GAS, PROPANE, OIL
TECHNICIAN(S)

SERVICE AVAILABLE

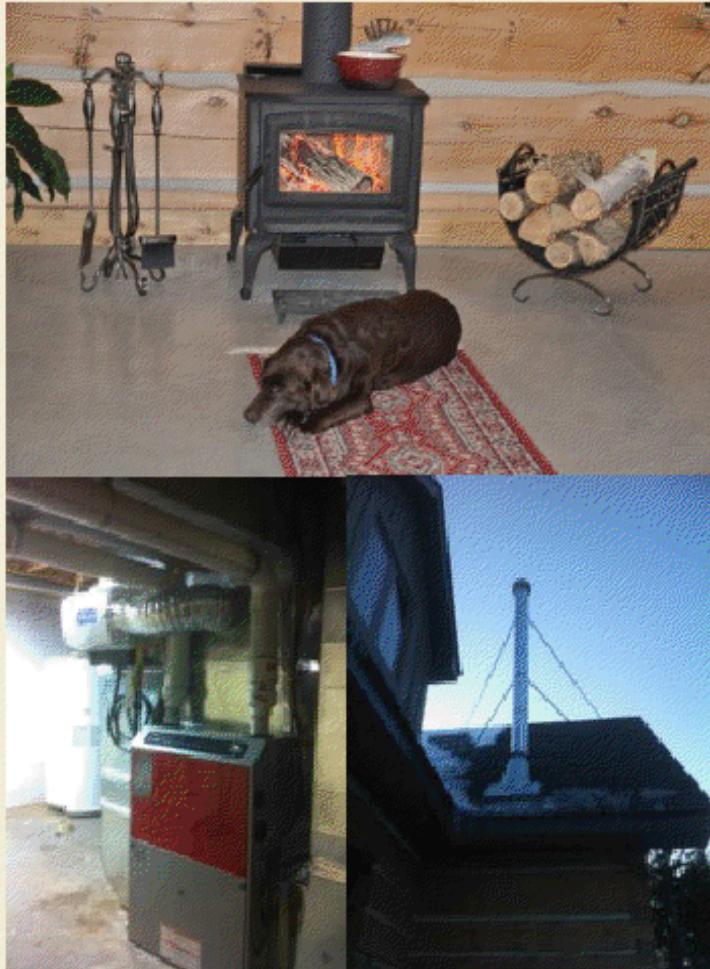
7 DAYS A WEEK.

WE UNDERSTAND
COTTAGE NEEDS
FOR WEEKEND
SERVICE AND
APPOINTMENTS

IF YOUR LOOKING FOR ANNUAL
MAINTENANCE ON YOUR EXISTING
SYSTEM OR THINKING OF A NEW
SYSTEM ALL TOGETHER GIVE "KHS" A
CALL. WE CAN ASSIST YOU WITH
REPAIRS, INSTALLATIONS, OR
UPGRADES.

WE CAN ALSO SUGGEST PRODUCTS
THAT SUIT YOUR NEEDS WITH MANY
PRODUCT BRANDS TO CHOOSE FROM

WETT INSPECTIONS COMPLETED
FOR REAL ESTATE AGENTS,
INSURANCE OR PIECE OF MIND.
ONLY LEVEL 2 OR 3 REG PRICE
175.00 +HST



1926 SIMPSON ROAD NORWOOD ONT (705) 639-1798 OR (705) 559-1602

Do You Remember This?

We know that these pictures were taken sometime before 1967 by the mother of longtime cottager Wallace Boustead. Perhaps you remember this happening on Vansickle Road at the north end of the lake.



 **BARRONS PLUMBING**

FOR ALL YOUR PLUMBING NEEDS

ADAM BARRONS
LICENSED PLUMBER
barrons.plmb@sympatico.ca

(705) 653-7326
(705) 632-0712

 #16 MACK TRAIL
RR #3 HAVELOCK
ON, K0L 0Z0
(705) 653-7326 

BELMONT ENGINE REPAIR & MARINE
Sales & Service to All
Lawnmowers - Snowmobiles - ATVs
Outboards - Chainsaws Etc.


BILL SEABROOK
R.R. #4 Havelock, Ontario K0L 1Z0
(705) 778-3838 1-888-567-2591
 

Planting to Attract Wildlife



Wildlife viewing makes for good cottage entertainment, but to get those critters near your doorstep, you have to make it worth their while: Bring on the food. To create your own wildlife restaurant, the recipe for success starts with native plants. The greater their variety, the more likely the animal sightings.

"Biodiversity is an important part of the ecology of all wild spaces and should be encouraged," says Chris Earley, an interpretive biologist at the University of Guelph arboretum. Swamp milkweed and Joe-pye weed serve as a dinner invitation to pollinators such as bees and butterflies, while serviceberries and mountain-ash berries feed foxes, chipmunks, and waxwings. Cardinal flower, wild columbine, and spotted jewelweed, on the other hand, are irresistible to ruby-throated hummingbirds. And when you plant flowers instead of hanging

a feeder with sugar water, "you reduce competition over the feeder," says Jan McDonnell, a biologist with the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Muskoka Heritage Foundation.

Buy seeds and plants from a nursery that grows its shrubs and trees from local seed sources. These plants are more likely to suit your cottage property and are less likely to be invasive species. Also, look for plants that match your soil conditions; the cardinal flower, for instance, prefers moist soil.

Mountain ashes

Birds: pine grosbeaks, evening grosbeaks, bohemian waxwings, thrushes, robins.

Mammals: chipmunks, squirrels, mice, moose, white-tailed deer.

Serviceberries

Birds: northern orioles, thrushes, waxwings.

Mammals: chipmunks, squirrels, bears, white-tailed deer, moose, foxes.

Blackberries and raspberries

Birds: ruffed grouse, cardinals, catbirds, rose-breasted grosbeaks, scarlet tanagers.

Mammals: rabbits, raccoons, bears.

Sunflowers

Birds: mourning doves, black-capped chickadees, sparrows, red-winged blackbirds, goldfinches.

Mammals: squirrels, chipmunks

Wild strawberries

Birds: cedar waxwings, ruffed grouse.

Mammals: chipmunks, squirrels

Taken from Cottage Life

Common Loon Reproductive Success in Canada

Photo by Roy Toft as published in National Geographic

Bird Studies Canada recently published an article in the journal *Avian Conservation and Ecology* summarizing patterns in Common Loon reproductive success between 1992-2010 across southern Canada, using data collected by participants in BSC's [Canadian Lakes Loon Survey](#). The reproductive success of the Common Loon is a good indicator of the health of waterways, especially in relation to mercury and acid precipitation. The overall goal of the study was to indirectly describe the health of lakes in southern Canada in relation to these pollutants.

The authors found that the number of young produced was higher in the western provinces than in Atlantic Canada; was lower in 2010 than it was 19 years earlier; was higher in larger lakes than in smaller ones; and was lower where lake acidity was higher. These relationships are likely linked to mercury exposure and acid-related reductions in food. The results show that citizen science is powerful for monitoring ecosystem health, and indirectly support action to reduce emissions of mercury and the harmful components of acid precipitation.



For a summary of the research from *BirdWatch Canada*, please go to <http://www.birdscanada.org/download/BWCwi13.pdf>

Point/Counterpoint by Jane Caution and Dan Buildall



Jane: Cottage country, that's what it's all about, enjoying nature, getting back to the basics. Our lake is just that. It's a nice simple place away from the hustle and bustle of the big city, where one can relax, look out over the bounty that Nature provides and enjoy the simple things like: swimming with children, going for long walks, ducks and geese playing on the water, canoeing, fishing and relaxing in the fresh air and sunshine. Our lake community is a simple uncomplicated place. Let's keep it that way.

Dan: What's all this fuss about set-backs from the water, lot coverage, nature buffers on the shoreline, and illegal boathouses? When I come to enjoy what the lake has to offer, I want to relax in comfort. I need plenty of space for all of my friends and family. I want big bathrooms, lots of hot water, a nice refreshment bar, a big deck, big dock and an even bigger boat. I need plenty of motorized toys for the kids so that us grownups can party on our own. Anyone trying to tell me my business can go fly a kite.

Jane: Dan, you pompous egotist. If you want all of that, just stay in the city. Nature is quickly being eaten up by our expanding population. We need to preserve it while we still can.

Dan: Jane, you shouldn't stop progress. Embrace it. Bigger buildings increase property value. Increased property values provides, more tax dollars for the Township to spend on improving public roads and facilities. Modern conveniences reduce pollution. Outhouses and grandfathered leaching pits directly enter the lake, modern septic systems don't. New buildings, decks, docks and boathouses increase the beauty of the shoreline. I'd rather have a new-build any day over warped and decrepit homemade docks and decks and the moldy old cottages.

Jane: You'll change your tune when through all your excesses you are confined to a hospital bed deep inside the concrete jungle of the city. By-laws and building enforcement agents are here to help us protect against gross offenders like you Dan.

Dan: Jane, you've been too near the goose poop. Wake up and smell the roses – Oh sorry, we can't plant roses because they aren't indigenous to the natural surrounding – boo hoo! The population is aging. Many people are experiencing forced retirement. In an effort to reduce costs and create an enjoyable lifestyle, people are selling their home and retiring to their cottages. Of course, they want to rebuild their cottage with the comforts of home and you want to stop them because you don't like the influx of people. Then figure out where they should go. Ta da!!

Submitted by a cottager who would prefer to remain anonymous.

If you have an opinion on this topic or other topics, email the Lake Association and we will consider your comments for our next newsletter.



Last year, we sent out an article written by one of our members about the use of fireworks. I have been asked by the same person to reprint that article in the newsletter.

With cottage season rapidly approaching, a reminder to all at the lake about the setting off of fireworks. In recent years it seems that the use of fireworks has gone far beyond the traditional Victoria Day and Canada Day weekends, both of which are more than worthy of a glitzy light-show. However, while both occasions are certainly reason to celebrate, please remember that not everyone on the lake appreciates the constantly occurring succession of explosive bangs and pops intruding on the peace and serenity throughout the entire duration of the summer. Some folks (big and small) retire early, pets can become extremely frightened, and others just would prefer to enjoy the solitude of a summer night without the intrusion of sound-travelling fireworks. Every day spent a Cordova Lake is reason to celebrate, but let's remember that not everyone wants to hear it on an ongoing basis!!

The Corporation of HBM Bylaw No. 2008-84 requires that anyone setting off fireworks obtain a permit from the fire department prior to doing so. In addition the Bylaw states, "No person shall set off or hold a display of Family Fireworks on any land that is not owned by him or her, unless written permission for the setting off or the holding of a display of Family Fireworks on a date to be clearly specified in the written permission, has been obtained from the owner, lessee or the person in charge of that land." For those that rent, it would be beneficial to all concerned if standard rental agreements include a clause acknowledging the renter does not have the owner's permission to discharge fireworks on the property or, that if approval is granted, the renter is then responsible for obtaining the required permit for the specified date(s). Please pass this information along to family members and advise renters of this requirement.

<http://www.hbmtwp.ca/deptdocs/Fire%20Works%20by-law%20Dec%2008.pdf>



We Carry a Complete Line of Building Materials:

- Decks
- Kitchen Cabinets
- Windows
- Doors

HAVELOCK TIM-BR MART

R.R. #4, County Road #46

Havelock, ON K0L 1Z0

Phone: (705) 778-3391

Fax: (705) 778-3233

Zebra Mussels

This information has been extracted from an article by family physician, Dr. Charles Kaufmann.

As zebra mussels become more abundant in our lakes, they may also affect swimming areas. You will probably have to wear foot protection, such as sandals or water socks, when swimming or wading in order to protect your feet from the sharp edges of the shells.

Although the shells themselves do not typically raise concerns, the mud and dirt they're found in could be contaminated, so a tetanus shot is probably a good precaution.

Cuts, scrapes, and puncture wounds facts:

- Washing a cut or scrape with soap and water, keeping it clean and dry is all that is required to care for most wounds.
- Cleaning the wound with hydrogen peroxide and iodine is acceptable initially, but can delay healing and should be avoided long-term.
- Apply antibiotic ointment and keep the wound covered.
- Seek medical care within 6 hours if the affected person thinks they might need stitches. Any delay can increase the rate of wound infection.
- Any redness, swelling, increased pain, fever, or pus draining from the wound may indicate an infection that requires medical care.
-

As a Family Physician I recommend prevention. Keep your shoreline clean of debris. That includes foreign bodies that can cause injuries, such as glass, zebra mussels, shells, bottle caps, sharp sticks, and lost fishing lures. These are common objects that can cause injury to the feet. A day at grandpa and grandma's cottage can be ruined by a screaming grandchild with a cut foot.



"Do what we can, summer will have its flies." Ralph Waldo Emerson

Keeping Fit at the Cottage



After a long winter, many of us are anxious to jump into Spring cleaning, yard work and gardening with both feet but don't forget that, in order to avoid injuries, you need to start these tasks with a gentle warm-up and stretching. Start off by getting your blood flowing with a walk a couple of times around the perimeter of your yard. It's a perfect opportunity to make notes of all of things that need to be done. Taking longer than normal strides will help stretch out your leg muscles and pulling your alternate knees up toward your chest before you step forward is a great way to loosen up your lower back. Another great leg warm up/exercise is squatting. If balance is an issue, rest your hands on the back of a chair or railing, lower your body as if you're about to sit on a chair. Keeping a nice straight back and chest tall, make sure to glance down to be sure your knees don't extend past your toes! Count to four as you lower yourself and then rise up to another count of 4. Repeat 10-20 times depending on your level of fitness.

Gentle arm circles or simply exaggerated swings forward and back for one minute will have your chest, shoulders and neck ready for raking and other tasks that involve the muscles of your upper body.

Give yourself a hug and place your right hand above your left elbow, not right on the elbow joint, and apply a bit of pressure for a minimum of 12 seconds then switch sides. Your triceps and shoulders will thank you later! Next, open your arms as wide as you can with your fingers spread wide for one minute. For added stretch, place one palm against a wall or railing with your thumb up and pull away from your hand to really loosen up your biceps. Don't forget to do both sides!

You can even do the same stretches to help prevent, or reduce, aches and pains once you're ready to put the tools back in the shed for night.

Taking 5 minutes to warm up your muscles before jumping into the physical tasks around the yard can help prevent muscle soreness and injuries that will set you back days or even weeks.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours in Health and Fitness,
Tracy Woodcock-Russell

ACE, CanFitPro, FLCP, IFA, Yoga Exercise Specialist
Owner UFIT Studios
289.240.UFIT (8348)
www.UFITstudio.com

*not intended to replace the advice of your physician. Always check with your doctor before starting any physical activity or exercise program.

Emergency: Call 911

Non-Emergency Phone Numbers:

Ambulance: 705-653-3211

Fire Dept.: 705-778-3183

OPP: 1-800-310-1122

Poison INFO: 1-800-268-9017

Always know your emergency locator number and be prepared to provide it when you call. Posting it by the phone would be good for guests or children should they need to use it.



Upcoming Local Events

Please be aware of the following activities taking place in Cordova Mines in the upcoming months:

May 24-Pork Dinner-Rec.
Hall-6p.m.



May 25-Dance CANCELLED

June 19-Strawberry Supper-
5p.m. in Rec. Hall

June 30-BBQ, 50-50, Fireworks-6pm,

July 24-Kids Fun Day-11a.m. at Rec. Hall

August 21-Kids BBQ and Games-noon at Rec Hall

September 27-Beef Dinner-Rec. Hall-6p.m.

October 25-Lasagna Supper-Rec. Hall-6p.m.

November 16-Chili Lunch:11-1p.m.

November 30-Santa Claus Parade at 11a.m.. Line up at 10 a.m.