

The Value of KLCA Membership

Kawagama Lake Cottagers' Association membership is open to any permanent or seasonal resident of Kawagama and Bear Lakes. A vibrant membership will provide a strong and clear voice for sustaining and preserving these lakes for current and future generations.

How The KLCA Represents Your Interests:

Lake Plan Management: Working with various environmental and government agencies, we influence policies regarding water quality, fisheries, lake levels and shoreline protection. The Official Lake Plan is available on our web site, and we encourage you to read and keep a copy of this informative and important document.

Political Advocacy: We represent our members at local and provincial councils and governments on matters of concern to our members and any issues that will affect the well being of our Lakes.

Boating: We monitor, assess and make recommendations for recreational and safety issues on the lake and adjacent lands. Navigational maps are available at both marinas.

Planned Development: The association tracks proposed development in the area and actively participates in the planning process when the interests of Kawagama and Bear Lake cottagers and residents are concerned.

Environmental Awareness: KLCA supports members with a depth of educational material regarding environmentally responsible choices for cleaning products, natural plantings, shoreline restoration, landscaping, and septic system management.

How Your KLCA Informs and Involves Members:

Reflections: An annual yearbook highlighting topics of interest, family fun, history of the lake and its people, events, reference and helpful hints for cottagers.

The Annual General Meeting (July 11th - 10:00 am, Dorset Recreation Centre) affords members the opportunity to meet with the executive team, friends and neighbours, and features a keynote speaker on a relevant and timely topic.

President's Newsletter: An annual update of the current KLCA topics and events.

Our website: www.KLCA.ca provides the most current information on our initiatives and events, including directors' status updates. It also links to important sites of interest to cottagers/residents. You can even link to a web cam and weather sites in the local area.

Annual Regatta: Fun activities for the whole family. Races, trophies, food, prizes - it's an event not to be missed. The Regatta is held at Moorelands Camp on **Saturday August 8, 2009**

Participation: KLCA gives you an opportunity to share your concerns and ideas. By volunteering your time and talents, you can personally impact the future of our lakes.

Privacy: The privacy of our members is protected at all times and personal information is never shared or sold.

Dorset Fire Department Donation: KLCA makes a donation of \$5.00 for every member to the Dorset Fire Department, who is always available to protect you in case of fire, or to provide first response.

Supporting FOCA: KLCA is a dues paying member of FOCA (Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations), who actively support programs to benefit Cottagers' Associations. For example they have developed a new insurance program that provides us (and road associations) with liability insurance at a lower premium than previously available.

KLCA Supports WRAFT: KLCA is also a dues paying member of WRAFT, Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation. This organization has spearheaded the fight for relief from ever escalating assessments of waterfront property.

Join today - fill out application form on reverse side - additional applications on web site [www: klca.org](http://www.klca.org)