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KLCA Newsletter - July 2020
"Preserve the Heritage"



Happy Canada Day!

KLCA Virtual AGM - July 11th at 10 am

This year, the AGM is going virtual!

Below is the invitation for the virtual AGM and also for the AGM video. Please watch the video BEFORE the meeting in case you have any questions!

AGM video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c86jEepADkk>

Please REGISTER in advance for the AGM taking place on Saturday, July 11th at 10:0 am

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7CdmhzcVTAGqWtDkF8t-4Q (for members only)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

In an effort to minimize the duration of the live meeting, half of the AGM content has been put together into an AGM video, available

here. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c86jEepADkk>. You will have a chance to

ask any questions, about the video content and other topics of interest, at the live meeting.

The agenda for the live zoom meeting is outlined below.

10:00 Call to order and welcome – Kathleen Hedley

10:05 Adoption of 2019 AGM meeting minutes – Kathleen Hedley

10:10 Adoption of 2019 Financials – Cameron McGlade

10:15 Pandemic Response Update – Stefan Szczerbak

10:20 Presidents Update – Kathleen Hedley

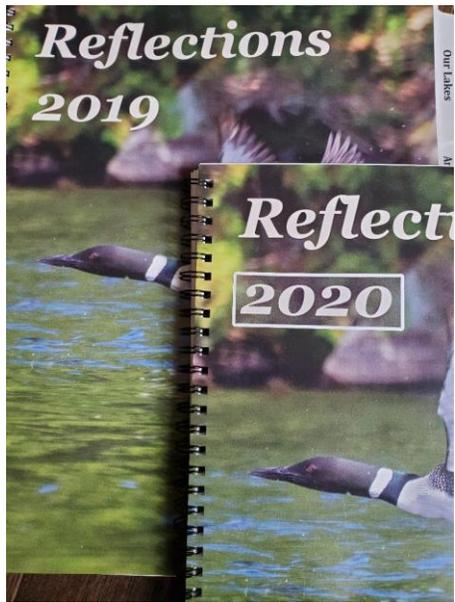
10:25 Q&A – All

10:45 Adjournment – Kathleen Hedley

We hope you will join us!

The KLCA Map is here!

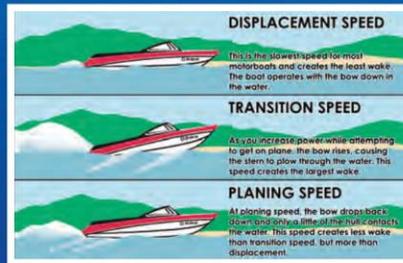
The KLCA has designed an awesome map of Kawagama and Bear Lakes and a map sized copy is available to all KLCA members for FREE!!!! To pick up your map, please go to Coldwell Banker in Dorset, beside the LCBO. You can pick up a 2020 label to cover the Reflections date mis-print at the same time. Thanks to Peter Evans at Icon Digital for donating the printing of the maps and to Greg Metcalfe and Mary-Lou Milligan at Coldwell Banker, Tall Pines Realty, for designing and donating the printing of the labels and handing out the maps and labels! Thanks to Sara Goodchild-Condie for spearheading this project!



Watch Your Wake!

More Tips

- Travel 30 metres from your dock to deeper water before accelerating to a higher speed. It's the law -- see the *Vessel Operation Restriction Regulations!*
- In the open lake far from shore, cruise at a speed that minimizes wake (Planing Speed).
- Coming off the plane, pass through the transition phase smoothly and safely, getting the boat level in displacement speed without delay.
- Operate your boat as far away as possible from shore, docks and other boats.
- Position your passengers throughout the boat, not only at the stern, in order to reduce the time spent while in transition speed.
- When passing another boat or shore structure, stay as far away as possible, as your wake may cause the operator of the other vessel to lose control or may cause damage to a dock or boathouse.
- When in shallow water, avoid churning up the bottom sediment.
- Look behind you to see and understand the impact of your wake. Adjust your speed to minimize impact.



Minimizing your boat's wake and wash close to shore will protect the shoreline, shoreline structures and fish habitat, while you continue to enjoy your favourite boating activity.

Resources

- Transport Canada - Office of Boating Safety
www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/debs-obs-menu-1362.htm
- The Enviro Boater Guide
www.cps-ecp.ca/PublicUploads/Enviro/EnviroBoater.pdf
- Muskoka Water Web - Boating
www.muskokawaterweb.ca/waterfront-living/recreation/boating
- Transport Canada - On the Water
www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/tp-tp511-onthewater-431.htm
- Vessel Operation Restriction Regulations
<http://laws.justice.gc.ca/PDF/Regulation/S/SOR-2008-120.pdf>

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Watch Your Wake!

How you can
Wake Wise on the



Muskoka
WATERSHED COUNCIL

Lakes and rivers in Muskoka are fragile environments. Fish, wildlife habitat, shorelines and shoreline structures are vulnerable to damage from boat wakes.

Wake generated from some boating practices can also be dangerous to others using the waterways for recreational activities.

You are Responsible

The *Small Vessel Regulations* state that "no person shall operate a small vessel in a careless manner, without due care and attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons."

The fine for operating a vessel in a manner that endangers the safety of persons or property and for failure to control wake resulting in danger to the safety of persons or property is \$200.

You are also responsible for the cost of repair or restitution for damage and discomfort your boat causes to people, objects, wildlife and shoreline.

Except in limited circumstances, under the *Vessel Operation Restriction Regulations*, boaters are required to slow down when within 30 metres of shore. Failure to comply with this regulation can result in a fine.

This regulation aims to provide for enforcement of slower speeds close to shore to reduce wake damage. Responsible boaters should reduce speed near shore to PRODUCE NO WAKE.

What is Wake?

Wake is the disturbed column of water around and behind a boat as it makes its way through the water.

Wash is a specific component of wake consisting of loose and broken water and includes water thrown aft by the propeller and the waves that roll off the side of the boat.

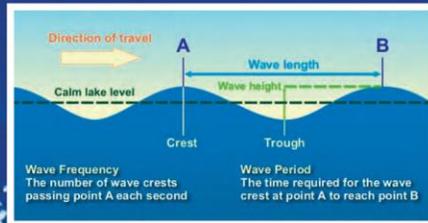
What causes Wake?

The size of a boat's wake depends on the hull size, boat speed, distance from shore, and depth of water the boat is operating in.

Naturally occurring wind-driven waves tend to have low frequency and are relatively slow moving.

Unlike natural waves, boat wake travels at the speed of the boat and wake frequencies are often high.

The combination of a wake's high speed, height and wave frequency makes it dangerous to others and damaging to shoreline areas, built shoreline structures and wildlife habitat.



What's the Big Deal?

Wake can create damage in a longer period, depending on

Wake striking our shorelines severe erosion, exposing the and causing the banks to coll

Wake impact and prop wash sediments, degrading the aq for plants, animals and cotta

Wakes can rock, swamp or ca Passengers can be thrown of overboard when another bo and too close.

Wakes can damage boats se large wake taken broadside o severely, no matter how tight dock. A large wake taken on pull mooring hardware from or both!

Wakes build on each other in boating traffic, increasing the shorelines.

Tips to Reduce Your

When the bow lifts and the s begins to build. Big wakes ar cruising with the bow high a (Transition Speed).

Within 30 metres of in narrow channels, r speed to LEAVE NO V

This brochure was published by the Muskoka Watershed Council with support from the Ministry of Natural Resources. To see this brochure in a larger format, please click on the link below.

https://www.muskokawatershed.org/wp-content/uploads/WakeBrochure_web1.pdf

Starry Summer Nights 2020



STARRY SUMMER NIGHT BASH
PRESENTS

THE
“NON-EVENT”
OF THE YEAR

NO WHERE TO GO, NO REASON TO GET DRESSED UP
WITH MANY REASONS TO GIVE

TICKETS \$150.00
PER PERSON
100% TAX RECEIPTABLE

Even though we are hosting a ‘non-event’, Moorelands Camp still needs our help. We have set a lofty goal of \$50,000.00 but we cannot achieve that without your help. By purchasing a ticket to our ‘non-event’ [HERE](#) you will receive a tax receipt for the full \$150.00.

We know this is a lofty goal considering there is NO event, but here are a few reasons why Moorelands still needs our help. Now more than ever:

- Like cottages, Moorelands still has to keep the camp running like building maintenance and repairs, even if there are no campers,
- Kids Camp is still running! It just looks a little different this year. Adapting to COVID-19, Moorelands is bringing “Camp to Kids” by generating engaging and supportive virtual programming that keeps kids safe, growing and connected to the Kawagama Lake community. But all that costs money. Check out some of their programs [Click here to learn more](#)
- Most importantly, the pontoon boat is on its last legs. As you know, the pontoon plays an important part in the kids experience at camp. The boat not only transports the food, gear, counselors and more to the camp, but it also provides safe passage and the trip of a life time for summer campers.

For some, this may well be their very first boat trip ever. Remember your first boat ride.....yeah, we do too!

- Simply put, Sending a Kid to Camp helps kids create connections, build confidence, gain competence and develop character. They are the future. Send a Kid to Camp ([link](#))

Thank you again for your ongoing support of Starry Summer Night events and Moorelands Camp. Collectively, we are making a difference in the life of disadvantaged youth.

Buy a ticket, make a donation or Send a Kid to Camp at <http://https://www.moorelands.ca/starry-summer-night-2020/>

Ticks, A Ticking Lyme Bomb



Black legged tick (from left) larva, nymph, adult male, adult female (Photo: California Department of Health via Doppler online)

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge (HKPR) District Health unit is encouraging local residents to use a free app to help identify ticks, offering an easy way for people to determine if the tick they have found is a blacklegged tick (*Ixodes scapularis*). The app, eTick.ca, is a photo-based identification platform that can identify the species of tick quickly and accurately. If a blacklegged tick (*Ixodes scapularis*) is identified, people should contact their health care provider **only if the tick was attached to them for >24 hrs and was found to be engorged.**

The health unit is no longer accepting submission of ticks. You can protect yourself from ticks by:

- Wearing light-coloured clothing (which makes it easier to spot ticks) and tucking pants into socks and shirts into pants; and
- Using insect repellent such as DEET or Icaridin, following manufacturer's recommendations.
- Wear clothing infused with permethrin or other garments developed to protect people from ticks

When you return from being outdoors:

- Do a full body check of yourself, children, and pets; if you find a tick, remove it immediately; and
- Shower or bath within two hours to check private areas and wash away any loose ticks that may be on your body or in your hair.

If you find a tick attached to the skin, remove it right away. An infected tick has to be attached for more than 24 hours before the bacteria that causes Lyme disease can be transmitted. Use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible, and pull it straight away.

For more information on protecting yourself and your family from ticks and Lyme disease, see the health unit's website. <https://www.hkpr.on.ca/my-health/lyme-disease-tick-collection/>

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You will also find information about ticks and Lyme disease on the FOCA - Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations' [Lyme disease page](#).

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COVID-19 and YOUR SEPTIC SYSTEM

Septic owners should be mindful that every septic system has a finite capacity. If your system is stressed or overloaded beyond its capacity, you could end up messy, costly failure.

Self-isolation & shelter-in-place policies can stress septic systems – Are you spending more time at trying to keep the Coronavirus at bay? This can increase the load on your septic system. More food is prepared at home. Many people are washing more dishes.

More laundry than usual - Many families are washing clothes, linens, towels, etc. more often, especially if someone in the home is self-isolating or quarantined. Some people are stripping down and washing clothes after having been outside.

All this extra water usage and food waste going down drains increases the stress on septic system

Disinfecting wipes & other toxins - In an effort to prevent the virus from spreading, many families are using higher than normal amounts of wipes and cleaning products

We all have enough to worry about with the health and economic impacts of the Coronavirus. A septic system backup or leach field failure right now on top of everything else would be disastrous.

Septic Care Checklist

So what can you do to reduce the stress on your septic system and prevent overloading it?

- **Never use bleach & minimize antibacterial products** in a home with a septic system
- **Never flush wipes** of any kind – there is no such thing as a flushable wipe in a septic system.
- **Use regular, good old fashioned soap for hand washing.** There is no need to use soap containing anti-bacterial agents which are toxic to the microbes in your septic system.
- **Never do more than one water consuming activity** at a time – e.g. do not do dishes and laundry same time as this can overload your system.
- Only do Laundry when you have a **full load** and only do **one load per day**
- **Take showers of 5 minutes or less** instead of having a bath, which uses more water.
- **Never use chemical products** in your toilet tank, like cleaning pucks that turn the water blue. Stop them.
- **Add more needed bacteria and enzymes to your system** by adding 7 scoops of **Ecoethic Septic** once a month (*available at Organic Times in Minden <http://www.organictimesminden.com/>*)
- **Fix leaky plumbing fixtures** especially **toilet flappers** that can allow hundreds of gallons of extra water to leak into your septic system.
- If you have not had your **septic tank pumped** in 5 years, contact a septic service company (they are considered an essential service) and arrange to get it done as soon as possible.

The Basics – reduce water use and spread it out over the day and week

- **Do not let any antibacterial product down your drains &**
 - **Supplement the good bacteria and enzymes once a month**

Sample Buffer Planting Plan to Naturalize your Shoreline

Sample Buffer Planting Plan

Keeping the View

It is possible to naturalize the shoreline and retain a view of the lake! Diverse plantings can accent and even improve views. As with any project, identify which views the landowner wishes to keep and enhance, and which areas they wish to screen—then plant accordingly. As most houses and cottages are situated well above the water line, it is simple and easy to preserve and enhance the vistas while still reducing the impact on the environment.

Taller shrubs and trees can be placed at the edges of the property, with shorter shrubs, grasses and perennials in the middle, framing the view of the water, and providing much needed shade in the summer months. Lower limbs of trees can be trimmed to allow views through or under the canopy. Strategically placed trees or shrubs can screen more undesirable views such as a shed or a neighbour's boathouse, while still allowing the beautiful view of the water.

Working Together,

Select plants for the buffer well together and are appropriate for the site. Consider a certain range of sunlight, temperature, soil type, and moisture. Plants sharing similar requirements are generally found together in natural communities. By matching plants that have similar requirements, other you will be able to tolerate a broader range of natural conditions. Some species depending on the site and therefore will be at a wider variety of species depending on the site.

Instead of simply planting (such as a large tree or middle of the lawn), try to group them together and add shrub perennials to create layers. These layers are essential to structure and variety to support a wide variety of wildlife species for feeding. Take a look at the site or forest area. Note how different layers of vegetation, such as canopy, smaller trees (understorey), and then groundcover species make up the floor. Consider the species that occur naturally in the buffer area.

Planting Legend:

- A Sugar Maple
- B White Birch
- C Eastern White Cedar
- D Elderberry
- E Red-Osier Dogwood
- F Heart-leaved Willow
- G Snowberry
- H Winterberry
- I Woodland Sunflower
- J Purple Cone Flower
- K New England Aster
- L Wild Columbine
- M Canada Wild Rye
- N Pickerel Weed (in water)

Reprinted from “Working Along the Shore“ a comprehensive document referring to many issues around shorelines – specific to Lake Simcoe but applicable to all sized lakes. See original document at:

<http://stewardshipnetwork.ca/files/2012/07/Working-along-the-Shore-A-Professionals-Guide-to-Shoreline-Management-for-Lake-Simcoe-OMNRDSLNSN2014.pdf>

Note: The C.H.A. recommends that you substitute Red Maples for Sugar Maples in

this area

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Dockside delivery comes to Kawagama and Bear Lakes

This summer, during this unprecedented time, the chef team at Bigwin Island and Port Cunnington Lodge have begun offering a delivery service of several premium produce items, meats, fish, baked goods, snacks, and beverage items to Lake of Bays cottagers. They are now extending this service to the families of Kawagama and Bear Lakes. Ordering and payment is done online, and delivery is carried out by boat by several of the lakes' teenagers right to your dock.

For a list of all available items and to place an order, please visit: www.chefspantrymuskoka.com

Deliveries are Thursday and Saturday afternoons by boat to your dock.

Orders need to be placed by 3:00 p.m. Tuesday to be delivered on Thursday afternoon and by 3:00 p.m. Thursday to be delivered on Saturday afternoon.

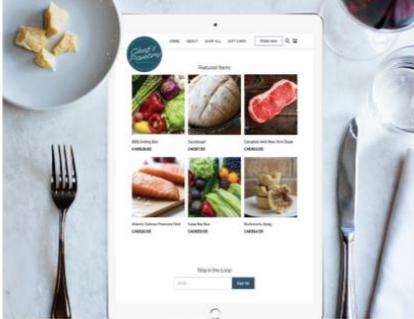
Use promotional code KAWAGAMA10 for 10% off all orders (good until July 5th).

The initiative behind providing this service to our lakes is to help support local business and keep local staff employed. It is also an initiative to provide some of our lakeside youth with a chance to earn money and learn skills as so many youth programs have been cancelled this summer. Additionally, this convenient and efficient service allows cottagers to remain safe at their cottages during the uncertainty of the time.

Our growing lakeside teenage delivery team looks forward to meeting you in the coming weeks with boxes of goodies to help make summer on Kawagama stress-free and memorable.

Happy cottaging & stay safe.

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Port Cunnington Lodge

We are a team of culinary professionals that have joined forces with local and Canadian food companies, all of whom are committed to food safety and regulatory standards.

Our goal and commitment are to provide an essential service to our community by choosing quality ingredients selected at their peak of freshness, available for dockside delivery or pick up.

We have developed an online ordering system that allows minimal contact from the supplier through to you, the customer.

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