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Buck Lake News – 2015 May

Aquatic Invasive Species – Workshop

Submitted by Cheryl Savery

On March 13th, I attended a workshop in Perth on aquatic invasive species. The workshop was put on by FOCA (Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association) and OFAH (Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters) and was attended by about 40 people representing about 20 lakes and rivers from Eastern Ontario.



The main purpose of the workshop was to provide information of about the invasive species that may threaten our lakes, and to introduce an application called EDDMapS that it is hoped the various lake associations will begin using to collect information about the locations of invasive species in their lake.

An invasive species is defined as a harmful alien species whose introduction or spread threatens the environment, the economy or society. Aquatic invasive species generally become a problem by crowding out other native plants and their thick growth can impede boating and other water

activities that we all enjoy around Buck Lake. Invasive species are most commonly spread by boats when they are transferred from one lake or river to another. To prevent invasive species from entering Buck Lake, please inspect and clean the outside of your boat and drain the bilge water before you launch. To help remind boaters, the signs, as shown above, are being posted at the boat launches. Additional signs may be requested by emailing info@bucklake.ca.

There are 8 aquatic plant species that have the potential to become a problem in our area. They are:

Water Soldier – currently only found in the Trent River. Was first detected in 2008

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European Water Chestnut – This plant is a big problem in northeastern US. There is not much in Ontario – yet. It is found in 2 locations in Ontario – near Voyager Provincial Park and near Wolfe Island

Hydrilla – Not found in Ontario, yet, but is in many locations close by.

Eurasian Water-Milfoil – Found in many Ontario lakes, including Buck Lake.

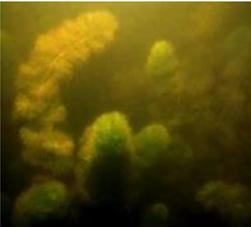
European Frog Bit – Floating leaf about the size of a toonie

Yellow Iris – Bright yellow flowers – there is a similar blue iris which is a native plant and is ok

Fanwort – Only found in one small localized area in Ontario. Can be purchased in pet stores for use in aquariums and get into lakes if not disposed of properly

Water Hyacinth – Forms dense, large floating mats. Shades out submerged plants and other organisms

More information about each of these species and how to identify them can be found in this presentation [Aquatic Invasive Plant Species Identification](#) that was given at the workshop by Matt Smith of Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters

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The other half of the workshop focused on the use of the EDDMapS System. EDDMapS is a database that was created by the University of Georgia in 2005, and is being used by many provinces and states throughout North America to monitor the spread of invasive species. It currently contains 2.2 million records (17,530 from Ontario). The request from FOCA is to have lake associations from Ontario, gather additional data about the current state of invasive species in their lakes. To assist with this, an app (iOS and Android) has been developed for entering data into the system. The app also has lots of information and pictures for all of the invasive species. It is worth downloading just to have a look. Search for EDDMapS in either the App Store or the Google Play Store.

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This summer, Terry Demers and I plan to do a survey of Buck Lake and enter the data into the system. Part of the survey involves taking pictures of anything we think might be an invasive species and an expert will review the images to ensure the data is correct. If anyone is interested in getting involved and helping out with the survey, let me know.

The following links contain more information and some of the other presentations from the workshop.

1. [FOCA AIS Prevention and Monitoring Program](#) (FOCA Presentation)
2. [AIS Monitoring Tutorial](#) (How to use EDDMapS) (Matt Smith, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters)
3. [Presentation from the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority](#) (Kaitlin Brady, Rideau Valley Conservation Authority)
4. [FOCA Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention & Monitoring Toolkit](#)



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All donations are
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For more information contact Ross Trudel– 353-3038

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Local Resident Raises \$13,000 to Support Fellow Student with Cancer

Annie Preston, a Buck Lake resident and grade 12 student at Sydenham High School, was instrumental in organizing a fundraiser at the school to raise money to support children with cancer and their families. This event was especially personal for Annie as one of her classmates, Sam Eastman, was recently diagnosed with cancer.

The event, Inside Ride, saw 30 teams of 6 students each dress up in costumes, pedal bikes and cheer on their fellow students. Inside Ride, donates 100% of the money raised to local charities that help children like Sam and his family. The school raised over \$13,000. Station 14 covered the event and here is a link to the video. <http://www.station14.ca/video.html?id=2225>



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Friends of the Lake Walk

Posted by Liz Whelpdale

On May 9, 2015 the Friends of the Lake hosted a lovely walk around the end of Milk Lake to Clear Lake. Great views of the North Branch can be seen from up there, and a gentle breeze kept the black flies away. Thanks to Ron Dickey for leading the hike and to Donna and Dave for letting us park at their place.

A second hike will be held sometime in June. Info will be posted in the Buck Lake Facebook group and on the BL website.

Interested in Biking South Frontenac?

Posted by Leslie Kirby

Hello fellow Buck Lakers! Check out a newly formed group, South Frontenac Rides, <https://www.facebook.com/southfrontenacrides>. A group of local residents have come together to promote all the fantastic on and off road cycling routes in South Frontenac Township. Come and explore some of the many beautiful landscapes our area has to offer (other than Buck Lake) - All ages and skill levels welcome! Check out their Facebook page for their upcoming kick-off event on June 7th. There will be a Bike Rodeo, BBQ and four on and off-road rides that they are highlighting for participants to get a taste of the many unique route options available in the area.

Buck Lake Boatilla makes it to Reader's Digest

Posted by author Leslie Fulton

Just wanted to let you know that my story on the Buck Lake Boatilla was printed in "Our Canada" (Reader's Digest). It runs a full two-page spread with four colour photos. I'll try to scan it (if I can find a scanner). It looks great! The tag line is "Cause For Applause" and the headline is "A Lake Community With Heart". YAY Buck Lake!

Coming Events:

Annual General Meeting for the Buck Lake Association Inc. will be held June 27th 9:00 am at the Perth Road Sunday School Hall (same place as last year). Doors will open at 8:30.

The annual Buck Lake BBQ will be held August 8th at the Harris Park in Perth Road Village. All Buck Lakers are welcome; bring your family and visitors.

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

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To join or to renew your membership in the Buck lake Association, please complete this form and mail it, along with a cheque payable to "Buck Lake Association Inc" or use this link to pay on line: [renew my membership](#)

___ I have enclosed a cheque for \$25.00 for my membership from January 1 through to 2015 December 31.

___ I have enclosed a cheque for \$50.00 to renew my membership from 2015 January 1 through to 2016 December 31.

I have enclosed a donation of \$ _____

I am interested in participating in the BLA: ___ Board Member
___ Committee Member
___ Lake Planning Project
___ Special skills, knowledge or Interest

Member Information

Name(s): _____

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Information collected will be used for BLA purposes only and will not be released to any third party.

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Crave Coffee House Caters to Buck Lake

Why is this important to Buck Lake residents? Adriana Goncalves and her husband Ed live on Buck Lake just north of the narrows on the south side and she is manager of catering. They have 2 daughters and a grandson. Adriana will deliver to your dock (both sides of the culvert) fully prepared food to feed a small or large gathering. Ice out to thanksgiving by boat or by car during winter months.

Memberships Can Now Be Renewed Online

Yes, that right! You can now renew your Buck Lake Association membership online. No more looking for a cheque and an envelope, and then remembering to mail it in. This service is provided to us by FOCA.

Here is the link to renew your membership:

<http://foca.on.ca/product/buck-lake-association/>

We mourn the passing of two well-known and beloved Buck Lake Residents.

Sylvia MacIntyre, wife to Crawford MacIntyre

Leona Sinclair, wife to Duncan Sinclair

They shall be missed greatly. May you rest in peace.

In order to promote the spirit of Buck Lake People, we invite your comments and suggestions for newsletter articles or announcements. Mail to: info@bucklake.ca

Lake Plan link: [Lake Plan Web Version](#)

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