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## *Buck Lake News – September 2018*

### **Battle of the Buck Lake Branches 2018**

Throughout the golf season, a number of people from and around Buck Lake have played 9 holes of golf every Monday morning alternating between Rideau Lakes Golf Course and Evergreen Golf Course in Westport (weather permitting).

Fun and laughter were heard throughout the Evergreen Golf Course on Monday August 27th as the annual Battle of the Branches golf competition took place. We could not have asked for better weather or more wonderful staff at Evergreen Golf Course to help the teams enjoy the morning.

Comprised of two teams from each branch, competing in a scramble format, golfers managed to navigate the course (occasionally from adjoining fairways and several "Fore's") to get the round ball into its home on each hole.

In the end, during drinks and food on the deck, it was announced that the North Branch took the honour of receiving the Mike Rawes Trophy this year. Congrats to the "North" this year with the "South" indicating that next year will be a different outcome.

Thanks to all that participated to make it a really great memory regardless of the outcome.

If you would like to be placed on the "I want to play this Monday" weekly email communication, please let us know at [bucklakegolf@gmail.com](mailto:bucklakegolf@gmail.com). If you are on the list and do not want the "spam" please reply and we'll remove you from the distribution list.

Until next year,  
Bruce McDonald



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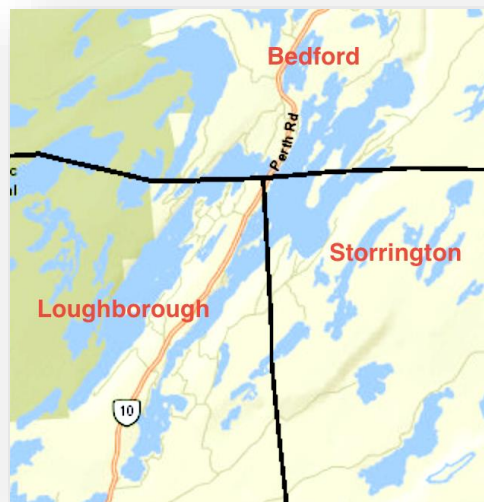
## Municipal Election 2018

Throughout Ontario, municipal elections will be held in October. All Buck Lake property owners are eligible to vote in the South Frontenac election regardless of whether they are seasonal or year-round residents. If you are not sure if you are on the Voters' List, you can call or stop in at the Municipal Office at 4432 George Street during business hours to confirm you are on the list. If you are not on the Voters' List, then you will have to stop in the office with id. (check out the link below for a list of acceptable id) Extra enumeration hours will also be held on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> (9am to 12pm).

South Frontenac is divided into 4 districts:

- Bedford,
- Loughborough,
- Portland, and
- Storrington.

Depending on where you live on the lake, you may be in either Bedford, Loughborough or Storrington District, as shown on the map. In the election, you may vote for Mayor, two Councillors and one School Board Trustee. You may only vote once in the South Frontenac Municipal Election regardless of how many properties you own or rent in the Township. You must vote in the district where you live.



Note: Voting will only be done by Internet or by telephone. **There will be no paper ballots.** A Voter Instruction Letter will be mailed directly to eligible electors and should arrive by October 15<sup>th</sup>, providing the voter with a PIN which allows individuals to vote 24 hours a day for 8 (eight) full days commencing **Monday, October 15, 2018 at 8:00 am** (Eastern Standard Time) and ending on **Monday, October 22, 2018 at 8:00 pm** (EST).

For more information, check out the South Frontenac website:

<http://www.southfrontenac.net/en/town-hall/Voter-Information.asp>

### \*\*\* All Candidates Meeting – Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> \*\*\*

There will be an all candidates meeting in the Sunday School Hall in Perth Road. It is on Monday October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. This is your chance to hear, ask questions and express your concerns directly to all of the candidates.

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## 2018 Rider Cup Golf Tournament

The 2018 Rider Cup was held on Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Rideau Lakes Golf Course. Close to 70 golfers from Buck Lake enjoyed 9 holes of golf and a wonderful steak dinner.

This year's overall winners were the team of Debbie and Orrie Michea, and Dave and Susan Curran with a score of 34.

Other winners include:

Longest Drive	Ladies - Anna Fummerton
	Men - Don Young
Closest to the pin	Ladies - Maxine Lemieux
	Men - Bob Benson



In addition to the golf, the tournament draw raised \$800 which will go to two charities: Buck Lake Boatilla Send a Kid to Camp and the Loughborough Christmas & Emergency Relief Committee which is a registered charity serving the needs of Loughborough and surrounding areas of South Frontenac for families who are in need, or who are experiencing unexpected crises such as fire, sudden death or utility disconnection.

Thanks to all the organizers, Sandra Rider, Marilyn O'Connor, Wess and Pat Garrod, Gord and Maureen McLellan, Boyd and Janet Barr, Rick Smith and Annie Moore for putting on this wonderful community event.

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## Phosphorus in Buck Lake

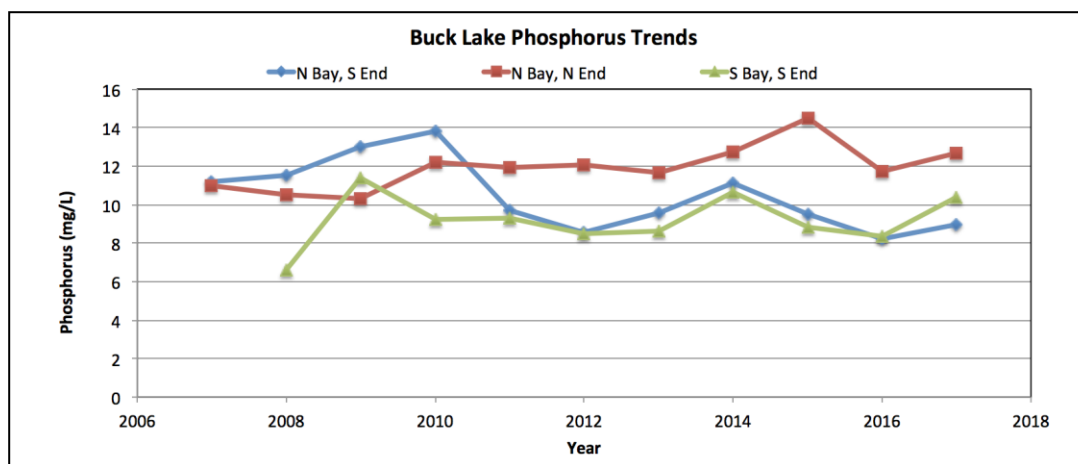
Phosphorus is an essential element for life. Plants need it in order to grow. This is why it is one of the three main components of fertilizers. Phosphorus also occurs naturally and runoff from the land surrounding lakes results in phosphorus from decaying vegetation and animal waste getting into the lake water. Some phosphorus is required to support life in the lake. However, as the phosphorus level increases, one sees increased weed growth and algae bloom.



In May, we presented the phosphorus data for Buck Lake for 2017 from water samples collected as part of the Lake Partner program. For details on the Lake Partner program and the sample locations on Buck Lake, please refer to the [May 2018 newsletter](#).

The Lake Partner Program has allowed us to collect water quality data over many years, and in this newsletter, we look at the longer-term trends. In the graph below, we show the annual average phosphorus levels for the three locations for which samples have been collected for over 10 years.

Phosphorus in lake water is generally accepted as good/normal if it is below 10 mg/L. The good news is that for two of the sample locations (the south end of both the North and South Branches) the phosphorus is at or below 10 mg/L. The north end of the North Branch, while slightly above 10 mg/L, appears to have been fairly constant for the past several years. The temporary increase observed in 2015 at that location was deduced to be the result of failure of a beaver dam on Labelle Lake and the subsequent passage of that large volume of high-phosphorus water through that part of Buck Lake.



Although these averages are at or just above 10mg/L, it is important to note that these are average values and there are often some measurements well above that during the summer and algae blooms are frequently seen in many areas of the lake. Thus, although the levels are not increasing, neither are they decreasing. In order for there to be a significant decline to what would be considered normal, originating solely from run-off and other natural factors, there would need to be a significant change in the phosphorus entering the lake from septic tanks and other human sources.

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## Meet Your New Social and Community Outreach Committee

The Buck Lake Association is really excited about our new Social and Community Outreach Committee. Mel, Cathy and Ria are all new to the committee and have already outdone themselves with the picnic in August and are now working hard on planning the Murder Mystery night in October.

The committee also has welcome packages available for newcomers to the lake. If someone new moves into your area, let us know and we will make sure they get one.

### Melanie Robinson

Mel and her husband Tyler Robinson moved to the lake last April and are loving every minute of it! They are living in the Frye Lane metropolis on the North Branch, along with their two Yorkshire Terriers, Burton and Roxy. Mel travels to Sharbot Lake every day where she works as a Health & Physical Education teacher at GREC. Tyler is an accountant at Queen's University in Kingston. They have truly found their "happy place" on Buck Lake, surrounded by such beautiful nature and people, and look forward to this exciting new chapter in their lives.



### Ria Berry



Ria, and her husband Fred, bought a cottage on Pillar Lane in October, 1987. They lived here each summer with their three children, Andrew, Janet and Steven and loved every minute. Their children are all married and have beautiful kids that Ria and Fred love to have over for "sleepovers". The cottage was torn down Sept. 2014 and a year round home was built. They moved in on April 16, 2016 and live here full time. They have been on the lake 31 years and are so thankful they found their beautiful spot.

### Cathy Ottenhof

Cathy grew up in her family cottage on Buck Lake. She has owned the cottage for the past 10 years and recently had to say good bye to the original building and build new again. She is very pleased with the new cottage and knows there are many more happy memories to be made there. Cathy and her family are located on Pillar Lane on the North Branch. Cathy spends time at the lake and her home in Kingston. She is recently retired after 34 years of nursing at KGH. She has 3 daughters who also enjoy cottage time with their family and friends.



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## Another Great Buck Lake Picnic

This year the Buck Lake Picnic was held on August 18<sup>th</sup> at the Hidden Valley Campground. A great time was had by all. Thanks to our new social committee: Mel Robinson, Cathy Ottenhof and Ria Berry for all of their work organizing this, and a special thanks to Alison Spratt for organizing all the kids' activities again this year.



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## Murder Mystery Dinners

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Mystery begins at 6:00 pm

Dinner at 7:00 pm

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## Upcoming Events

Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 7pm – **All Candidates Meeting**  
Perth Road Hall

Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – **Murder Mystery Dinner**  
Westport Legion

- Cocktails 5:00 pm
- Mystery begins at 6:00 pm
- Dinner at 7:00 pm

Proceeds to Legion Kitchen & Buck Lake Boatilla  
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We are also looking for donations for the silent auction. If you have something to donate, contact Mel Robinson at [robinsonmh@limestone.on.ca](mailto:robinsonmh@limestone.on.ca)



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