

The Buck Lake Association Inc.

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"To enhance people's enjoyment of Buck Lake now and for future generations"

Buck Lake News - July 2019

Highlights from the 2018 Annual General Meeting

The Buck Lake Association AGM was held at Perth Road Sunday School Hall on Saturday July 6th. The meeting was well-attended including Mayor Ron Vandewal and town councilors Ross Sutherland, Pat Barr and Randy Ruttan.

In his opening remarks, President Crawford MacIntyre introduced the board members and described the association's accomplishments over the past year. Crawford also announced the retirement of Duncan Sinclair from the board. Duncan has served on the board several times including a term as president of the association. Most recently Duncan worked on the Government Relations committee and assisted with the production of the newsletter. We are sad to see him leave and wish him well now that he has finally learned to say "No".



Several minor amendments to the BLA constitution were passed to ensure that the constitution more accurately reflects the objectives of the association. The details are reported elsewhere in the newsletter and will be posted on the website shortly.

This year was the third year for the Jim Manuel Volunteer Award. Crawford MacIntyre spoke about Jim and the reasoning behind naming this award after him. This year's very deserving recipient was Saundra Rider who has been involved in many committees around the lake including the Boatilla Committee, the Rider Cup Committee and heading up the Social Committee for the Buck Lake Association.

Presentations were then made from the various committees of the Buck Lake Association including: the Treasure's Report, Membership, Social and Outreach, Friends of the Lake and the Boatilla.

The meeting wrapped up with the election of officers. See below.

The complete minutes from this and previous Annual General Meetings can be found at: http://bucklake.ca/about-us/agm/

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The BLA Board

The BLA Board consists of up to 11 volunteers who are dedicated to make Buck Lake a better community. The current board consists of:

Crawford MacIntyre – President
Cheryl Savery – Vice President, Communications Chair
Greg Fisher – Treasurer, Government Relations Chair
Cheryl Dawson – Recording Secretary
Kathy McDonald – Archivist, Communications
Martha Scheinman – Friends of the Lake Co-Chair
Gillian Lash – Friends of the Lake Co-Chair
Mel Robinson – Social and Outreach – Chair
Cathy Ottenhof – Social and Outreach
Ria Berry – Social and Outreach
Randy Ruttan – Government Relations

Ron's Home & Cottage Services

- Plumbing, electrical, tiling, window replacement
- Bathroom renovations, maintenance
- Closing cottages for winter/water supply & drain systems & spring reopening
- Renovations of all types
- Call Ron at 353-6919 (Buck Lake Resident)

Amendments to Article 2 Of The Buck Lake Association Constitution and Article 11 Of By-Law 1

During the Buck Lake Association Annual General Meeting, the following amendments were passed. These changes were made to more accurately reflect the objectives of the association.

Article 2(c) and 2(f) of the existing Objectives of the Constitution previously read as follows:

- 2(c) To be aware of proposed developments in the Buck lake area and to ensure that such developments are legal and environmentally sound;
- 2(f) To **cooperate** with any organization whose objectives are wholly or in part the same as, or similar to, those of the Association;

They were amended to:

- 2(c) To be aware of proposed developments in the Buck Lake area and **of whether they** are legally and environmentally sound;
- 2(f) To **communicate** with any organization whose objectives are wholly or in part the same as, or similar to, those of the Association;

Article 2(h) was added to the Objectives

2(h) To communicate with the members, residents, and other users on matters relating to Buck Lake and its environs.

In addition, By-Law 1 was updated to change the fiscal year from July 1 to June 30 to January 1 to December 31

Jim Manuel Volunteer Award

This year's recipient of the Jim Manuel Volunteer Award was Saundra Rider. Saundra is a long time resident of Buck Lake and over the years has been involved in numerous committees including the Boatilla, the Rider Cup and as a director for the Buck Lake Association. The following words of praise, highlight some of Saundra's contributions to the community.

"I can tell you that Saundra truly amazes me. After Bob passed away suddenly, she showed incredible perseverance to forge ahead on her own at the lake and chose to embrace her Buck Lake community, which is not an easy thing to do by yourself. Although I mostly know Saundra through our social groups, and haven't worked that often with her......I can say this: "who wouldn't want to work with Saundra". She is a well organized, delightful, hard working, committed individual. But what sets her apart from many other hard workers, is her easygoing, gentle soul. Saundra naturally attracts people to help her implement her ideas, because she is wonderful to work with and to be with."



"Saundra's involvement has always meant

commitment of her time, enthusiasm, sound advice, and good old-fashioned doing of the work. Saundra has been responsible for the signage for the Boatilla from its inception; she conceived of that iconic "Send Kids to Camp" sign with the backward S and for the idea of decorating the boats. As far as the Rider Cup is concerned, she and the various members of her family who she dragooned into service, has been the principal driver, together with Marilyn O'Connor. Speaking of golf, I would mention also that she has been a mainstay of the Monday morning regulars and also of the North-South challenge. It is time to "sing" Sandra, our previously unsung hero. She's quite a lady."





Dog-Strangling Vine

Dog-Strangling Vine is an invasive species that is found in the Buck Lake area. The following information comes from the Ontario Invading Species Awareness Program website.

Impacts of Dog-Strangling Vine

- Dog-strangling vine forms dense stands that overwhelm and crowd out native plants and young trees, preventing forest regeneration.
- Colonies form mats of interwoven vines that are difficult to walk through and interfere with forest management and recreational activities.
- Leaves and roots may be toxic to livestock. Deer and other browsing animals also avoid dog-strangling vine, which can increase grazing pressure on more palatable native plants.
- The vine threatens the monarch butterfly, a species at risk in Ontario. The butterflies lay their eggs on the plant, but the larvae are unable to complete their life cycle and do not survive.

How to Identify Dog-Strangling Vine

- Grows 1 2 m high by twining onto plants, trees or other structures.
- Leaves are oval with a pointed tip, 7 12 cm long, and grow on opposite sides of the stem.
- Pink to dark purple star-shaped flowers have five petals about five to 9 mm long.
- The plant produces bean-shaped seed pods 4 7 cm long that open to release feathery white seeds in late summer.

What You Can Do

- Avoid using invasive plants in gardens and landscaping.
- Buy native or non-invasive plants from reputable garden suppliers. Native plants provide habitat and food sources for native wildlife.
- Dispose of invasive plants in the garbage. Do not put them in the compost or discard them in natural areas. Discarded flowers may produce seeds.
- When hiking, prevent the spread of invasive plants by staying on trails and keeping pets on a leash.

Gord McDiarmid

Barrister, Solicitor, Since 1979

(and a happy year-round resident on Buck Lake since June 2006)

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For more information on Dog-Strangling Vine and other invasive species check out the <u>Ontario</u> <u>Invading Species Awareness Program</u> website.

Music On The Water - Free Concert

Buck Lake, Sunday July 28th 1:00 pm to 4:00 p.m.



Once again, R-Banned will be performing classic rock and country from the deck of the red boathouse by the public boat ramp on the South Branch of Buck Lake.

Formed in late 2007, R-Banned came from a tight-knit group of friends and developed into a team of seven like-minded individuals, all sharing a passion for music. Their main focus is on entertainment and enjoyment, both for the band and for the audience. They continue to explore and expand their musical horizons playing a mix of popular classic rock and country. They last played at Buck Lake 8 years ago in 2011 and we are really excited to have them play again.





This is a watercraft only concert - come by motorboat, kayak, paddleboard, seaplane etc.

Note: The event will be cancelled if raining.



The Township of South Frontenac Wants Your Input

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Strategic Plan

The Township is seeking input in developing a Strategic Plan which will establish the focus of Council's activities over the next three years. Attend an **Open House** or complete the following Online Survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LSTMT8M

OPEN HOUSES

- Bedford/Glendower Hall August 1st 7pm
- Storrington Centre- August 7th 7pm
- Verona Lions Club August 13th 7pm
- Council Chambers August 20th 7pm



The Official Plan

The Official Plan guides growth and development in a way the considers the social, economic and environmental needs of the community for the next 20 years.

Attend an Open House to provide input into the vision for our community

OPEN HOUSES

- Bedford/Glendower Hall September 21st 9-11am
- Storrington Lions Club October 3rd 7-9pm
- Council Chambers October 23rd 5-7pm

Reminders:

Buck Lake Calendar NEEDS YOU!

Any time of the year is a great time to send in your pictures for the annual Buck Lake Calendar. If you have a great picture, you don't need to wait until fall to send it in. Please send your amazing Buck Lake pictures in full resolution to Cheryl Dawson at dawson.cheryl13@gmail.com . Please: no people in the photos.

The Buck Lake Community Directory

To be added to and receive the Buck Lake Community Directory, please email your contact information (name, lake address and up to 2 email addresses and phone numbers) to bucklakeassoc@gmail.com

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perthroadstore@xplornet.ca Monday-Friday 6:00am-7:00pm Saturday 8:00am-6:00pm Sunday 9:00am-5:00pm

Coming Events:

Monday Golf – Every Monday 9am

- Evergreen or Rideau Lakes Golf Course

- Contact <u>bucklakegolf@gmail.com</u> for more info

Education Night — Thursday July 25th at 7pm - Perth Road Hall

- Free will offering for Sandy Pines at the door

Speaker Janet Fenton

- "Squirrels, birds and deer oh my!"

These are just an example of some of the animals we see at Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre. Come discover what circumstances bring

animals to our care and what you can do to help.

Music On The Water Free Concert

- Sunday July 28th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

– Red boathouse by near the public boat ramp

- Come by motorboat, kayak, paddleboard

BLA Annual Picnic

- Saturday, August 10th - Start @ 4pm - Dinner at 5pm

- Hidden Valley Campground, Buck Lake

- Potluck

Meat, buns and corn provided
BYO drinks and lawn chairs
Crafts and games for the kids
And best of all, it is ALL FREE

South Frontenac Strategic Plan Open Houses Bedford/Glendower Hall - August 1st - 7pm
 Storrington Centre- August 7th - 7pm
 Verona Lions Club - August 13th - 7pm
 Council Chambers - August 20th - 7pm

20th Annual Rider Cup Golf Tournament - Sunday, September 8th

- Location: Rideau Lakes Golf Course

\$60.00 for 9 holes of golf and full course meal, tax 'n tip included
Donations the ticket draw/prize table accepted any time prior to

the weekend and also the day of

- For more information, contact Marilyn O'Connor at

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

Renew your Buck Lake Association membership on line. A receipt will be emailed to you to confirm your payment. A service provided by FOCA: http://foca.on.ca/product/buck-lake-association/