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Buck Lake News – July 2021

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Happy Canada Day weekend to all Buck Lakers!



After a challenging year we wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer on the lake with family and friends. We invite you to join the BLA Board as we begin to plan in-person (COVID protocols permitting) social and educational events for 2021-22. Contact our president, Gillian Lash, if you are interested at gil_paris@yahoo.com

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President's Message

Gillian Lash

A dry hot summer has certainly arrived! With summer, we welcome back those who have summer residences here, the non-ice fishing anglers, the boaters, the swimmers and those who appreciate the influx of various migratory birds!

Unfortunately, summer has also brought with it a surplus of Gypsy Moth caterpillars. I will not belabour this topic, but suffice it to say that I can certainly attest to the premise that each caterpillar eats 1 square meter of leaves or needles during its stage in the lifecycle.




Photo: Janet Robb Thompson

July looks to be a great month. The BLA Directors Cheryl Savery and Randy Ruttan have organized the Buckstock music event (and boat parade), while Martha Scheinman, also of the BLA Directors has worked with FOCA (Federation of Cottage Associations) to bring us an informative webinar on cottage succession planning. Not to be “outdone”, the Township of South Frontenac will launch their inaugural Lake Ecosystem Grant Program! Read on for further information on all of these events.

In the meantime take advantage of the warm sunshine while it lasts and I will look forward to seeing a lot of you (with the 2m between us) at Buckstock!

Do you want to get more involved in your Lake Association?
 We Currently Have the Following Committees Active
 & Would Always Welcome Volunteers

<p>Friends of the Lake Martha Scheinman (co-lead) Gillian Lash (co-lead) Nora Lapp</p>		<p>Government Relations Randy Ruttan (lead) Nora Lapp Crawford MacIntyre</p>
<p>Community Outreach & Social Vacant</p>	<p>Nominating Gillian Lash (lead) Don Young</p>	<p>Member Services Cheryl Savery (lead) Don Young Crawford MacIntyre</p>
		<p>Communications Martha Scheinman (lead) Cheryl Savery Kathy McDonald</p>

The next directors' meeting will be held on Sunday, June 13 @ 9 a.m. via Zoom.
 Note: All Buck Lake Association members are always welcome to attend any board meeting. If you are interested, please email [The Board](#) for more details about how to attend/access any forthcoming meeting.

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You're Invited: Cottage Succession A to Z

The **Buck Lake Association** invites you to attend a free webinar: “**Cottage Succession A to Z**” with estate lawyer Peter Lillico, brought to you by the Federation of Ontario Cottagers’ Associations, and co-hosted by BLA and CALA.

Saturday, August 14th, 2021 10:00am – 11:30am EST by Zoom

The event will be held live. Registration does not include access to an event recording. The presentation concludes with a live Q&A session with the estate lawyer.

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

[Click Here to Join](#)

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If you have family members who wish to join the event from different email addresses/locations, they must register their names/emails as well, as the links sent out will be unique by email address.

Your Buck Lake Association Board of Directors

President:

Gillian Lash

Vice-President:

Don Young

Treasurer:

Cheryl Savery

Recording Secretary:

Cheryl Dawson

Archivist:

Kathy McDonald

Directors at Large:

Nora Lapp

Randy Ruttan

Crawford MacIntyre

Martha Scheinman

Pre-register to receive a reminder email before the event, and event follow-up including slides:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dTVv9JbGRp2bC2c3b6tMRw

More about this event: “**Cottage Succession A to Z**” is the recommended introductory session in the “FOCA Family Cottage Succession Seminar Series” with estate lawyer Peter Lillico. The session provides a planning overview highlighting fundamental legal, tax and family

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By signing up or renewing that way, you'll also become a member of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations for free. As a member you get lots of perks: Information on rural property issues; Environmental programs; and, Discounts from merchants.

considerations. This guides through decision-making paths to lead to the best cottage succession plan, with factors including: the age of the parents, number of children interested in continuing cottage ownership, risk factors, financial abilities, capital gains considerations, inheritance timing considerations. If you have any technical concerns prior to the webinar, please email:

communications@foca.on.ca

BLA Buckstock 2021

Saturday July 24th

Boat Parade starting at the Culvert South Branch -11:30am

Concert by R-BANNED at Hidden Valley Campground – Noon



We are planning to hold a Boat Parade this year on Saturday July 24th. Due to social distancing rules, instead of a picnic following the boat parade, we will be hosting a concert on the water at Hidden Valley Campground featuring local band, R-Banned.



[R-Banned](#) will be performing classic rock and country from a stage set up at Hidden Valley Campground. 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 have played several time at Buck Lake last played at Buck Lake 2 years ago in 2019 from the top of the red boat house by the boat launch and it was amazing. We are really excited to have them play again and help support Camp Merrywood.

We will begin by meeting near the culvert on the south branch around 11:30am and follow a boat parade around the lake and head down to Hidden Valley to enjoy some great music. To make this year's event extra festive, we are encouraging everyone to decorate their boats for the parade. So, get creative, pack a lunch and beverages and come out and enjoy a great concert on the lake.

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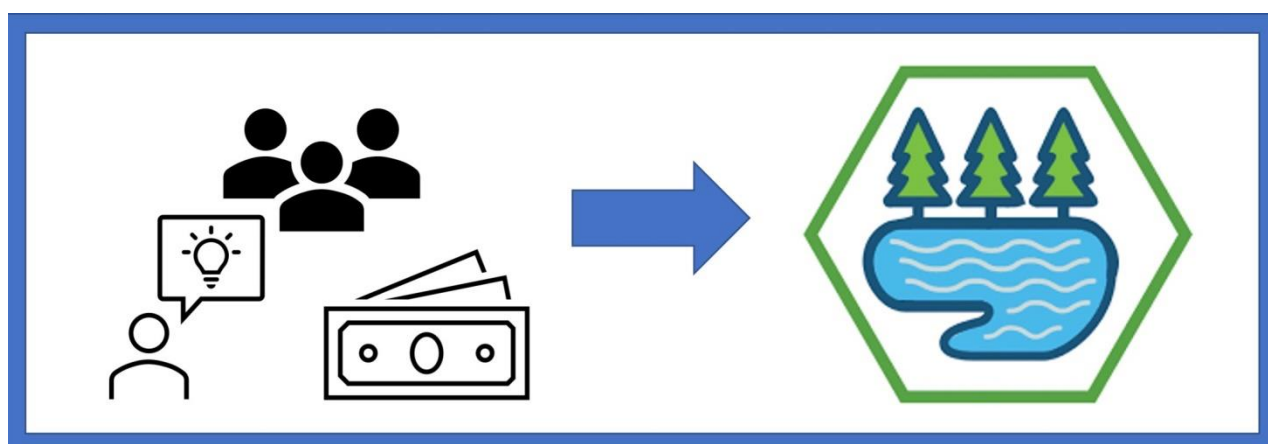
To comply with the expected COVID regulations, we will be discouraging people from arriving by car. Some docking will be available, to use the washroom facilities and return to your boat.

For those who would like to attend by kayak or canoe, we will have a couple of launch sites available off Narrows Lane. If you wish to do this, contact us at bucklakeassoc@gmail.com for more details about parking and launch locations.

As in previous years, the 2021 event will be a fundraiser for **Easter Seals and Camp Merrywood**. We ask that people make their donations online at <https://www.easterseals.org/buck-lake-boatilla/>

Let's get specific about Buck Lake

Submitted by Gillian Lash




We have all heard about various reports and research that discusses the need to take of our lakes and some of the activities, human and otherwise, that may negatively impact the health of lakes. But what about Buck Lake specifically? Well, the Township of South Frontenac has designated \$60,000 in this year's budget that could help us find out!

Last year, the Township created the Lake Ecosystem Advisory Committee and one of their tasks was to create, in conjunction with Township staff, the Lake Ecosystem Grant Program. The committee has been hard at work, such that the Township recently announced the inaugural grant program! Applications are due July 28, 2021. https://www.southfrontenac.net/en/town-hall/Municipal_Community_Grant_Programs.aspx#Lake-Ecosystem-Grant-Program

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Briefly, the purpose of the Lake Ecosystem Grant Program is to establish a grant process that supports and encourages the preservation, restoration, monitoring and analysis of lake ecosystems within the Township of South Frontenac. A lake ecosystem basically refers to an inland body of water that lacks any direct contact with an ocean. Lake ecosystems include living plants, animals and micro-organisms, as well as non-living physical (e.g. light, temperature and wind) and chemical reactions.

Within this broad scope, the Township has identified four priority areas for funding:

- A. Reduces or limits diffuse or point source runoff primarily caused by human disturbance of the land
- B. Creates or increases buffer zones along the lakeshore and/or banks of creeks and streams that drain into the lake
- C. Protects or enhances wildlife habitat
- D. Enables or performs monitoring and/or inventories of the lake environment and its contributing watershed in order to fill knowledge gaps

So, if you are interested in getting help to test the latest research in mitigating Eurasian milfoil in Buck Lake, or need funds to help Buck Lake loon or turtle or other wildlife population to grow or would like to know what trees and plants specific to Buck Lake geography are best to re-naturalize Buck Lake shorelines (and get some help to plant them) or want to better understand why and what can be done to mitigate algal blooms, or if there has been any negative impact to Buck Lake because of the recent accelerated use due to the pandemic, or any other relevant topic that falls under the priority areas above, then you can apply!

As I am currently Chair of the Lake Ecosystem Advisory Committee and Randy Ruttan not only sits on the committee as well, but is one of the founding fathers, we are here to support you in your efforts. Contact us at bucklakeassoc@gmail.com or better yet, come speak with us at Buckstock 2021!

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Affordable Housing in South Frontenac Community Needs Assessment



With an aging and diversifying population, affordable housing has become a growing priority in the Township of South Frontenac.

In order to further understand the needs of this community, the Township is asking those who may be in search of housing now or in the future, to complete the survey below. This information will inform the Township as it undertakes or promotes new affordable housing projects within the community.

Your responses to the following questions should only take 6-8 minutes and will provide us with valuable insight in determining the housing needs of this community. Rest assured, your answers will remain completely anonymous and confidential.

Should you have questions about the survey or project in general, please contact Emily Caird, Executive Assistant & Communications Officer, at 613-376-3027 ext. 2260 or by emailing communications@southfrontenac.net

Take the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/southfrontenachousing>

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The Jim Manuel Volunteer Award

As the time for our annual general meeting approaches, we should turn our thoughts to considering candidates for this year's Jim Manuel Volunteer Award.

This award is named after Jim Manuel whose life long volunteer efforts reflected the best of an individual's contribution to his or her community, including our own Buck Lake.

Past recipients of the award have been:

- 2017 Grayden McClurg
- 2018 Roscoe Trudel and Liz Graham-Trudel
- 2019 Sandra Rider
- 2020 Duncan Sinclair



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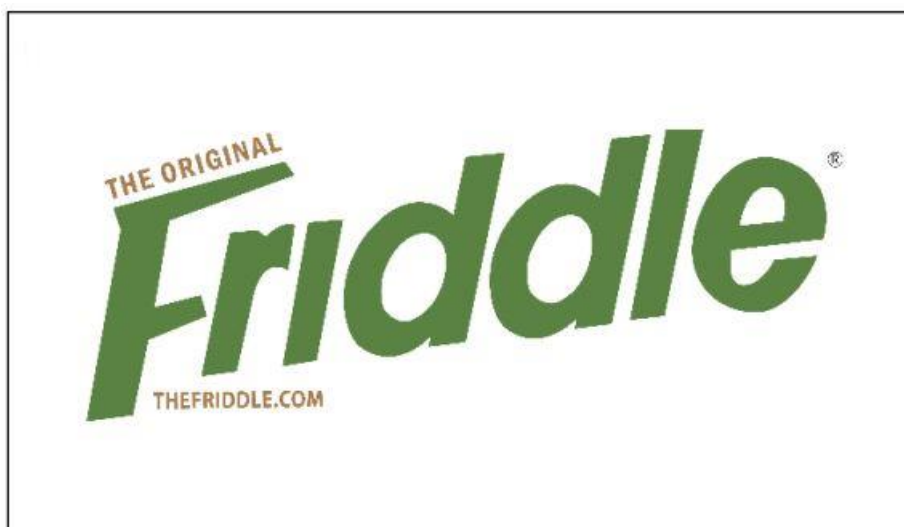


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I ask you to turn your minds to nominating individuals who you consider worthy of volunteer recognition and submit their names to our committee through bucklakeassoc@gmail.com. Sitting directors of the BLA are excluded from consideration.

Please refer to the BLA website to the "About Us" link for more details about this award and the accomplishments of the man whose name is attached to it.



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Coming Events

- Mondays BLA Weekly Monday morning Golf alternating between Rideau Lakes and Evergreen. If you're new, please email bucklakegolf@gmail.com to get on the mailing list.
- Sat. July 24 Boat Parade/Concert on the Water for Easter Seals. See article.
- Sat. Aug 14 Cottage Succession A to Z on Zoom. Preregistration required. See article.

**It's always
BLA Calendar
season**

**Remember:
WE NEED YOU
ALL YEAR LONG!**



Calendar submissions are now open for the 2022 edition. Please send your amazing Buck Lake photos in full resolution to Cheryl Dawson at dawson.cheryl13@gmail.com right when they happen.

Please, no people in the photos.

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