

Looncall Lake Fall Newsletter 2018

Margaret Colquhoun

What a glorious summer we had in 2018! I hope that many of you enjoyed a lot of cottage time.

- **Annual General Meeting:** We had a very well attended AGM on the July long weekend and if you have not received the minutes please let us know and we will ensure that you get a copy. If you are aware of anyone who does not use email for LCLCA communications, we are happy to mail them.
- **Regatta:** The annual regatta was another great success, with many Looncallers, young and old enjoying the games led by Scott Phillips and his team. We are always appreciative of Scott's leadership of the regatta! As usual, Scott has asked that if you have ideas for new games or suggestions for improvement you share them with Scott or Margi or any member of your executive.
- **Corn Roast:** We surpassed normal numbers at the corn roast, with 110 paying attendees and even though we had more food than previous years we ran out of food. Maybe the hamburgers are the draw – but of course it could have been the wonderful weather!

Thanks to the very generous donations of fellow cottagers, we donated \$465 to the Aplesey Foodbank, which is in great need of funds.

The planning committee met to discuss improvements for next year, which include increased food quantities. The addition of vegetables was popular.

Thanks to our volunteers: James Boyd, Roger Van Katwijk, Brian Webster, Tom and Heather Parsons, Steve and Janice Manias, Greg and Carolyn Allen, Rob and Jackie Craig

Next year there need to be more volunteers for clean-up.

- **Dead Moose in Lake:** Looncallers Come Together – in mid-September a dead moose was discovered at the north-west end of the lake. Since we were told that it was not Park responsibility to remove the moose from the water we recruited Drew Phillips, Doug Driscoll, Tom Parson, Brad Parsons, Luke Parson, Will Radden, Paul Radden, and Gary Hutchison (my apologies to anyone I missed) to haul the carcass to land. It is a testament to our cottagers that these volunteers quickly addressed a potential contamination problem. Scavengers will now address the moose carcass and the MNR may visit to determine how the moose died.
PS – Sept. 23 – the carcass had basically disappeared!





- **Lake Stewardship** – in addition to reporting at the AGM, [2017 Lake status report.pdf](#) Jim Hartog attended the NORKLA lake stewards meeting on your behalf. The minutes are attached. [NORKLA lake stewards 2018.pdf](#).
Also attached for interested cottagers is the FOCA Lake Stewards Newsletter [FOCA Lake Stewards](#)
- **2018 Elections:** Cottagers are reminded to vote in the fall election Oct. 18. See attached [it's time to vote 2018.pdf](#)
- **Park Biologist Visit:** Brooke Michell will visit our lake Sept. 27, 2018, to identify whether we have any invasive species. Cottagers

were asked if they wished to have a specific visit to their shores.

Potential invasive species include:

[Water soldier fact sheet 2017updated.pdf](#)

[Eurasian.Water.Milfoil-Fact.Sheet.pdf](#)

[European.Frog.Bit-Fact.Sheet.pdf](#)

[Fanwort fact sheet web.pdf](#)

- **Turtles:** Many of us have come across turtles crossing busy Anstruther Road. Here is a guide to help move them safely: [How To Safely Move a Turtle Across the Road.pdf](#)
- **2019 Day Camps:** We received information from D. Traillefer re potential summer camps in 2019. “We have found that Day Camps are lacking in the area, and with more jobs allowing remote/telecommuting work, we feel that there is a great opportunity to allow more seasonal residents the opportunity to be in the local area, working, contributing to the economy, and having their children attend day camps, not to mention the opportunity for local kids to also attend a local day camp. “ Looncall cottagers will be asked more about this in the coming months
- **New signage at Windy Point end of Lake** (south west end). Sue and Ross Murray brought to our attention that Hydro put up a sign to warn people of buried cables.



Since many boats park near here for people to hike to Crab Lake, this is important information.

According to Hydro One "This signage was posted for those using the area to take necessary precautions as High Voltage cables are located underground and underwater." Basically this means you should not drop an anchor in the area if you are leaving your boat.

Dee Bowcott

As you were told a few weeks ago, Dee Bowcott, wife of our secretary Syd, died of pancreatic cancer in Sept. Dee attended the AGM and Corn Roast this year. She was always full of life, stories and laughter, and simply loved Looncall Lake! We will miss her and extend our heartfelt sympathy to Syd.

**Malcolm Martini**

Malcolm and Mary Martini have put their cottage up for sale. We wish to thank Malcolm for his many years of service to the LCLCA, in many capacities! Under his leadership our wonderful “Loon Call Lake – A Brief History of Cottaging on Loon Call Lake” book was created and distributed in 2015. Good luck Malcom and Mary – we will miss you.

Thanksgiving is approaching very quickly and I hope many of you get to celebrate at the lake. On behalf of our LCLA Executive I wish you a healthy and happy fall and winter.

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