

Loon Call Lake Cottagers' Association Newsletter – Late Spring - 2021

May 18, 2021



Governance

AGM 2021

The AGM will be held via Zoom on **June 9th at 7:30pm** with the assistance of FOCA. You will receive an email with a link to the meeting. You will need to identify yourself using your name and cottage lot number to gain access to the meeting.

Agenda:

- Welcome & Introduction – Margi Colquhoun
- FOCA backgrounder and updates – FOCA Rep
- Business
 - Treasurers Report – Janice Manias
 - Dues for 2021 – Margi Colquhoun
 - Vote for Treasurer – Margi Colquhoun
- 2021 events:
 - June: Planting Palooza – Henry Decock
 - Shoreline Health – Margi Colquhoun
 - August: Pandemic Paddle and Food Drive – Breanne Hunt-Wells
 - As Available: Music on the Dock by Drew Phillips – Breanne Hunt-Wells
- Water Quality – Jim Hartog
- Web Site and Communications – Vickie Hartog
- Closing Remarks – Margi Colquhoun
- FOCA – Lake Associations in Actions! Video – FOCA Rep

Other topics? Please advise by replying to this email if you have additional topics you would like to have covered.

Treasurer Wanted

We are looking for a new treasurer and will be holding the vote during the AGM. If you are interested in joining an active, caring executive, please let Margi know by calling or emailing president@looncalllake.ca

On the Water

Planting Palooza – June 19, 2021

By Henry Decock



Save the date: June 19th

The Loon Call Cottager's Association Executive was successful in acquiring a \$500 Love Your Lake Micro Grant in support of the Planting Palooza, a one-day event in June to promote the health and preservation of our shoreline. The Executive will purchase two to three plants, depending on pricing and availability, for each of the participating properties on Loon Call Lake. On the announced day, cottagers will pick up their plants and instructions from a designated dock; then everyone will plant at the same specified time. We are asking for people to take pictures and submit them for a random draw to win additional plants. More details will follow at the AGM.

You may recall our participation in the Love Your Lake program and receiving a lake and your individual property report. The Planting Palooza is a continuation of our commitment to increase awareness of the naturalization of shorelines to enhance the quality of our lake. It will be a day when members of the Loon Call community can engage in some fun together and help promote the best environmental practices.



A poll is now open for you to indicate your participation and to select your bundle. If you are on a relatively level piece of property with open space, you would select the shoreline bundle to revitalize the land. If your access to the water is steep with rocks and trees, you can still participate by selecting the sun-loving bundle to enhance your property. **Link to poll:** [Planting Palooza - Plant Selection](#)

You can read more about the micro-grant program [here](#)

Plants for this event were purchased at [Grow Wild Nursery in Omeme](#). Many thanks also to Grow Wild Nursery for donating the shoreline planting prize valued at \$50 for the planting draw. Any cottager who submits a photo of their planting party by **midnight Saturday June 26th** will be entered in the draw to be held Sunday June 27th.

More info will be shared at the AGM on June 9th.

Other Events in the Works



2nd Annual Pandemic Paddle and Food Drive; and Music on the Dock. More to come in the AGM and future newsletters.

Community

Apsley and Sayers

By Breanne Hunt-Wells

You may be wondering about Sayers and what food is available in Apsley.

We understand planning is underway for the rebuild of Sayers, but at present do not have specific details.

In the meantime, Hunter's General Store is available for many basics. In addition to typical variety store merchandise, (ie. Candy, Newspapers, etc.) they offer:

- Staples: milk, coffee cream, eggs, some cheese, butter, coffee, tea
- Other food items: wieners, pop, ketchup, cereal, canned soup, pickles and
- Baked goods: bread, hamburger and hot dog buns, packaged cakes and pies.

It is basically first come first serve as there is a limited supply but if pressed you wouldn't starve.

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Through the pandemic and fire, Apsley's spirit remains high, with the Spread the Love campaign in April, showing town support with painted hearts on the fence surrounding the Sayers property



North Kawartha

You can receive timely North Kawartha information by subscribing at this [site](#).

REMINDER: Fireworks are prohibited

Since we are in a provincial park, you need to be aware of the rules. "Possession or use of fireworks is prohibited in provincial parks at all times. They constitute a fire hazard and disturb

visitors and wildlife who wish to enjoy the park in a peaceful manner." The full set of rules can be found here: ontarioparks.com/park/www.blueflag.ca/rules

Firework	Minimum Fine
Possess fireworks	\$100.00
Ignite fireworks	\$150.00

NOTICE: Firearms Regulations and Limitations

By Jim Hartog

It has been noted that individuals are discharging firearms in the Park. The regulations that cover firearms in the park, for those of you who are not aware, is summarized below:

Section 9(2) of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997 (<https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/97f41>) states "A person shall not possess in a provincial park or Crown reserve a firearm, trap, other hunting or trapping device or explosive."

Section 9(3) says that there are exceptions. Since hunting is allowed in the Kawartha Highlands Park, the exceptions apply.

The complete rules re firearms, with the exceptions, can be found in Regulation 347 made under the Provincial Parks Conservation Reserves Act (<https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/070347>). This can also be found at O. Reg. 347/07.

From the Regulations, section 35:

Firearms

35. *No person shall use or display a firearm in a provincial park other than,*
- a peace officer in the lawful execution of his or her duties,*
 - an employee in the Ministry or an agent of the Ministry for the purpose of wildlife management and control,*
 - a person lawfully hunting under the authority of 9(3) of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997,*
 - a person authorized by the superintendent to use a firearm in a provincial park*

Suspected firearms violations can be reported to 1-877-847-7667, which is the Conservation Officer tip line if you think it is necessary. It is not a good idea to investigate gun fire yourself.

FOCA Elerts

- The April Elert can be found [here](#).

- Topics of interest
 - Stay at Home Order
 - High Speed Internet
 - Upcoming Webinars
 - And much more
- We encourage you to subscribe to Elerts [here](#).

Gypsy Moth Spraying

Planning and preparation is underway for the spraying. Zimmer has made the following site with map available so you can check when spraying is expected on your property.

<https://zimmerair.com/services/aerial-application-services/forest-pest-control/>

Current expected spraying in our area is the May 17-22nd timeframe.

Cottage Life Show

The Cottage Live show is virtual this year. Check it out [here until May 31st](#).



Welcome back to the cottage!
On behalf of the Loon Call Lake Cottagers'
Association Executive may you have a safe and
healthy 2021 cottaging season!

Margi Colquhoun, President

[Link to Printable Newsletter](#)