

Steenburg Lake

"SHORELINE NEWS"

NOVEMBER 1989 - Editor: Tom Hughes

Steenburg Lake Community Assoc.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

126 at the dinner - 95 at the meeting

Officer Bellinda of the OPP out of Bancroft

- 911 light to assist police or fire dept. to your cottage. Cost is \$12.95 and can be ordered through Ron Rampton.
- Stickers are available to place on your cottage to assist police in contacting you.

- NOTE -

The Association owns an electric engraving pencil for marking items that are likely candidates to be stolen. Tina Lloyd (#17) has the engraver and a \$20.00 deposit is required when you pick it up.

- Out-of-hand cottage parties - OPP can investigate if owner of the property has filled out the required application. Contact the OPP for further information.

Awards for Rock Bass Derbies

1st Place Gabriel Putnam

2nd place Corey Ferguson

Prizes were awarded and very nice ones. There will be a new twist to these next year.

Reckless Boaters

Concern over this was voiced by several members. There are no laws at present to govern this situation however within two years there will be regulations and enforcement. All lakes are facing this problem especially with the appearance of the jet boats.

Financial Status

Cash-on-hand balance was \$2,200. See attached financial report as of the end of the season.

Fish Stocking

There is a good possibility our lake will be stocked with Splake next year.

Gypsy Moth Spraying

Forms to apply for the Hastings County spraying program were available at the meeting. An effective trap was demonstrated (Bob Boyce is going to look for a supplier over the winter). The county plans to spray twice during the month of March. No insecticide is involved.

1990 Dues

Dues were increased to \$20.00 per cottage next year.

Improve Communications

Two bulletin boards will be fabricated over the winter. One to be placed on each road.

Election of Officers and Directors

Attached is a complete listing of those elected for a two year term.

Door Prizes

There were numerous, fine prizes available and drawings were held periodically throughout the meeting.

A Welcome

Reeve Moffatt welcomed all and thanked the Association in it's efforts in assisting the Council to start work toward a township policy to better control lakeshore development.

A Resolution

Tom Little put forth a proposal for the Association to send to each town council concerning lakeshore development. A copy of that resolution is attached.

Association By-Laws

These were updated and circulated to cottagers with the Shoreline News prior to the meeting. By-Laws were accepted as revised. Copies will be distributed by your canvasser next Spring.

1989 REGATTAS

From the number of sailboats and windsurfers around the lake we thought we would have a highly competitive season of sailing, there fore we scheduled races for every Saturday afternoon. Such expectations did not materialize: 4 raced on 7/8, 3 on 7/5, 4 on 8/5, and 4 on 9/3. We cut back on the plan and unfortunately we did not have the best of winds on race days but you simply cannot schedule mother nature. The Association invested in good buoys to support this activity. Last year the ballons just did not work out, the sun kept bursting them.

The overall class winners for the year are as follows:

Lynda Williamson (#87) - Sailboats

Melissa Walsh (#194) - Sunfish

Jeff Ray (#115) - Windsurfers

Mike Duggan & Bridget (#165) - Canoe adult

Ken Waddell & Sandra (#103) - Canoe senior

Next years water activities will be held twice, the long weekend and Labor Day. Schedules will be posted and published. Let's see a bigger turnout, both racers and spectators. The more that race the more exciting the event.....

WASTE DISPOSAL SURVEY

You are going to get tired of seeing this in the newsletter but that can be very easily remedied by filling out the survey form and leaving it in the box at Trudy's or mail it to : Robert Boyce, 465 Humewood Ave., Oshawa, Ont. L1G 2V1.

To date 53 survey forms have been completed and turned in. The time to do it is right after you finish reading this newsletter while it is fresh in your mind. Following this article is a summary of the data received to date and this is the way it would be presented if needed at a local hearing or an OMB. I have included

Waste Disposal continued.....
 a reprint of the form for your convenience:

Waste Disposal Survey

Name: _____

Cottage # _____
 Type of system (check all you have)

Septic tank w/leach fields _____
 Approx. installation date _____
 Privy _____ Last time moved _____
 # of feet from the lake _____

Chemical _____
 Holding Tank _____
 Other (describe) _____

Where does your kitchen waste go *? _____

* This question relates to waste water, not garbage
 Do you have any plans to up grade your present system? _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

STEENBURG LAKE WASTE DISPOSAL SURVEY

Systems Surveyed: 53

Types and number in use

Septic	Privies*	Holding Tank	Chemical	Other
48	2	3	0	0

System upgrades being considered '4

Routing of Kitchen Waste

Septic	Dry Well	Leach Fld.	Sand Bed	Hold Tank
41	7	2	2	1

Septic systems installed prior to EPA (1974): '18

* Privies used on a regular basis

A DEVELOPER ON THE LAKE

There has been much concern around the lake over the appearance of Mr. Trotter and partners on the lake. Rumors abound as to intent of their plans for the two pieces of property: The Double Dee Marina and the old lodge property.

We have seen:

- The marina residence refurbished
- A very extensive septic system installed to the rear of the Marina apparently not yet hooked up.
- The old farm house refurbished as a rental unit with questionable septic system installed.
- The woods to the rear of the old lodge logged out very heavily adding to the potential of increased run-off into the lake.
- Four access roads to lots on the South side of the Steenburg Lake Road.

A Developer on the Lake continued....

- Submitted requests for 8 severances against the old lodge property. Four are on the lake side and four are on the north side of the road which implies back-lot development. Both the townships are opposed to back-lot development within the drainage basin of the lake. A further indication of this intent is one of the severances on the lake side, which is for a 50 foot strip from the road to the lake. This is obviously to give people not on the lake access to the lake. The hearing for these severances was Nov. 8th in Belleville and as of this writing I am not aware of the outcome. Letters of objection were sent by the Association.

----WHAT IS NEXT?----

At an executive meeting of the Association on Sept 3rd it was proposed that the Association request the town council to extend an invitation to Mr. Trotter to have him come before the council and present to the council what his overall plan is for the two pieces of property. That request was made of the Reeve and per the October 14th meeting of the Limerick Town Council they are requesting Mr. Trotter to provide written explanations of his future development plans for those properties.

Typically, developers come on a lake, push and shove, shave the letter of the law whenever possible to reap maximum profits from their investment and then leave. They are not concerned about the heritage they leave behind: their motivation is profit, not the environment or conservation. The problems they make are left behind them to be solved by those that have a long term commitment to the lake. It puts the new neighbors they have brought on the lake in conflict with the older residents in attempting to solve problems. The lake regions to the West of us have seen it all and now it is on our doorstep.

We have looked for an answer to this pressure by bringing to the attention of the two councils represented on the lake the availability of a computerized model, developed by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs referred to as "The Lakeshore Capacity Simulation Model". Data from the lake is gathered and entered into the model. The model can produce answers that will predict what effect additional development will have on the lake, not only as to water quality but the environment, and the fishery.

The Limerick Council has had several presentations made to it and is in the process of digesting that information preliminary to deciding on how to proceed. Funding of course is a consideration and we may be asked to assist financially along with the Limerick Association. The eventual product would be a policy on development for all lakes in the township. We can only hope this process will not be so long in coming that it will be of no use in protecting Steenburg Lake against wanton development.

Catch-up Thank You's

Leeanne & Jim Mudge (#64) for canvassing group #7
Bert vanDompsele (#106) for taking the water samples every two weeks to the lab in Peterborough and keeping us supplied with bottles.

Ray Kaufmann (#110) for preparing a release form for regatta participants to sign releasing the association from liability.

Buddy French a realestate agent with Bowes & Cocks for donating an airplane ride for two as a door prize for the annual dinner and meeting.

Eldorado Cheese for donating 2 blocks of cheese as door prizes.

Two Loons restaurant in Madoc for donating a dinner for two as a door prize.

I.G.A. in Madoc for donating a door prize.

M & B Esso in Bancroft for donating a door prize

Express your appreciation to these donors as the occasion presents itself. They were most generous in their support. The door prizes certainly do stimulate excitement at the meeting.

Here are your canvassers for next Spring. We thank them for volunteering their time:

190-192 & 1-12	Jane Mucklestone #190
13-22 & 193 & 195	Tina Lloyd #19
23 - 30C	Judie Hughes #30
31 - 41	Steve Wood #40
42 47	John Savage #24
48 - 53	John Savage #24
54 - 66	Debbie Wellman #55
67 - 85	Rich & Marilyn McCarthy #83
86 - 96	Pat Kasubeck #68
97 - 109 & 204	Marg vanDompsele #106
110 - 122	Karen Garvin #141
123 - 136	Dennis Kitchen #119
137 - 149	Cathy Vanner #141
150 - 165	Ken Cox #164
166 - 178	Joan O'Brien #168
179 - 189	Trisha Neub #177
194 & 196 - 203	Dave Langman #197

We would like to share with you some of the feed back that was received from the canvassers:

- Restrict lake from motor boats or limit motor size.
- Somehow update waste disposal systems around the lake so no one is adding untreated waste into the lake.
- Objection to attempts to restrict development around the lake
- Annual meeting lacking a sound program and agenda.
- Where was financial statement for 1987?
- Poison Ivy is still bad between the access roads to #14/15 and #16 -21. Very thick on North side of the road.
- Markers would slow down boats going through **VERY SHALLOW** channel off point of #20. Pulling skiers through that area is very dangerous in the event of a spill. Water is only thigh high on an adult.

feed back continued.....

- Users of the "mini jet boats" should be wearing life jackets. Their silly response when it was suggested was "These boats don't sink", what are you going to do.....
- Good to see more than two bouys over the rocks between Walsh & Bateman Islands.
- Purchase case of 100% biodegradable dish washing/laundry/creme sink cleanser to sell at annual supper. It should be pushed, it works great.
- Do an up to date capacity study in the event of more development pressure.
- When are the logs in the dam going out?

From the Officers & Directors

The President:

Well it is November already, and the cottage season is over for most of us. The chores for winter are all completed, ha ha. I would like to thank the members for the support you have given to the committee throughout this past season. The turn out for our annual meeting was the best in years.

We hope to have two bulletin boards erected for next summer, so our communications will be better on a day to day basis. I feel sure Tom Hughes already has some ideas in the planning stage for the summer of 1990.

Our Association has made good headway toward the goals of water quality, severances, meetings, communications, etc. I personally would like to thank the committee for their work, time & devotion they give to our Association.

Everyone have a good winter, wherever you may be and the committee wishes everyone a **MERRY CHRISTMAS & A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.**

Ron Rampton

Director of Membership:

In 1989 we increased our paid membership by 11 for a total of 168, partially due to an increase in our 50 year members paying and the determination of the canvassers. I wish to thank last year's canvassers for their promptness in getting the job done. Glenda Cox and myself will attempt to get the folders to the canvassers by the May long weekend so the job can again be completed early in the year.

Anita Waddell

Environment:

Consider extending your "Blue Box" program from home to the cottage. Take home your glass, aluminum, and steel containers and put them in your "Blue Box". Compost organic matter including vegetable waste, egg shells, leaves but exclude any meat, bones, or fish since those will attract racoons, skunks and other wonderful creatures. Burn paper products. You will find, as I did, that a green garbage bag full of waste will be cut down to small white grocery bag of waste. That is something you can feel good about.

Dave Langman

Water Quality:

Attached are the results of this past seasons water testing for bacteria. The program is continuing right up until the lake freezes over and will start again in the Spring as soon as the ice goes out. The dates on the chart with "*" indicates samples that were pulled right after a sever storm. As you can see the coliform count rises dramatically after a storm due to run off. This is also why the count is high right after ice out happens in the Spring. It will be interesting to see what the readings are for late October and November.

The locations numbered across the top indicate the locations around the lake where the water samples are taken. A map identifying these locations was included in a previous newsletter. Generally locations 1 - 3 are in the West Bay, 4 & 5 are in Phillips Bay, 6 & 7 in Maple Landing and 8 - 10 in the Beach Bay. For comparison, readings from those locations for 1964 are across the bottom.

The readings through 7/23 were sent to the Health Unit in Belleville for analysis and the report we received was very encouraging. The samples produced a geometric mean of 7 faecal coliform bacteria per 100 ml. of water for the lake in general. That indicates the general bacteriological water quality of Steenburg Lake is well within the acceptable range. We were encouraged to maintain the testing program to ensure that the water quality does not diminish. We also test for water turbidity but those results published by the Ministry of the Environment under the "Self Help Program" will not be available until at least January of 1990.

The Health Unit routinely takes readings at the Public Beach and these reading were provided by them. The geometric mean analysis for the 1989 season is as follows:

6/26 - 55
 7/10 - 54
 7/24 - 90
 8/9 - <10

This is much higher than the lake in general and the 7/24 figure is very close to the level at which the beach would be closed for public use. The Limerick Town Council has been provided with these readings. They indicate a problem which does require some action.

Eugene Harrison

Township Of Limerick Council Meeting Minutes

The 9th (ninth) general meeting of the council of the Corporation of the Township of Limerick was held at the Municipal Offices, St.01a, 6:30 p.m., September 8th, 1989.

Members of Council present: Wes Moffatt, Reeve
 Gwen King, Councillor
 Ray Lucas, Councillor
 Reta Evans, Councillor
 Allan Hill, Councillor

Township staff present: Jane Sopha, Clerk Treasurer
 M Mountney, Road Superintendent
 Herb Pethick, C.B.O.

The meeting was called to order by Reeve Moffatt at 6:30 p.m.

DELEGATIONS: Mr. Phil Niblett - Niblett & Associates
 Mr. Daryl Tighte - Landmark Planning Associates
 Mr. Thomas Hughes - Steenburg Lake Cottage Assoc.

Mr. Tighte discussed the steps involved in developing capacity study for the Township, the various government agencies involved and cost of the project. Mr. Niblett, M. Sc., explained the time factor in water samplings and setting up a Terms of Reference before funding is applied for to the Ministry of Environment or the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Mr. Tighte and Mr. Niblett were involved intensely in all stages of the Township of Cardiffs' Lake Development Policy, the first of its kind in Haliburton County. They suggested to council that they would be pleased to undertake any preliminary work respecting the availability of funding for such a project.

Further to their presentation, a question period was emceed.

LUCAS - KING

That council inform the City of Peterborough's solicitor, Gardiner, Roberts, that the Township of Limerick is not prepared to accept any waste from the City of Peterborough, due to limited space of disposal sites.

CLASSIFIED

For Sale -

- Cottage #183 - Grant's
- Cottage #89 - Thrasher's
- Pony Electric trolling motor #30 - \$90.00

Wanted-

- Small sail boat (on the order of a Sunfish). Call Tom Little (#15) 416-576-5220

Steenburg Lake Community Association

STEENBURG LAKE
HASTINGS COUNTY
ONTARIO · CANADA

August 24, 1989

To: Wes Moffat
Reeve, Limerick Township

Arnold Burkitt
Reeve, Tudor/Cashel Township

From: Thomas Hughes
Secretary, Steenburg Lake Community Association

Subject: S.L.C.A resolution concerning continued development on the Steenburg lake Shoreline

The Annual Meeting on August 6, 1989 of the Steenburg Lake Community Association carried a motion concerning future development on Steenburg Lake, that resolution reads as follows:

"That the Steenburg Lake Community Association request that the Townships of Limerick and of Tudor/Cashel formulate and enact a policy regarding future residential (seasonal and year round) and commercial construction on Steenburg Lake based on an objective method of determining the Lake's capacity. Such a method as the Ministry of Municipal Affairs' "Lakeshore Capacity Simulation Model" is suggested as a method that could be used to determine the Lake's development capacity."

This resolution reflects a deep concern of our membership that this lake is vastly overdeveloped. Our water testing program corroborates this concern.

The membership would appreciate a response from each council to this resolution.

ARNOLD BURKITT

REEVE

ANDREW J. McMURRAY

CLERK
TREASURER
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Steenburg Lake Community Association
C/O Thomas Hughes
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Oct.11/89

Dear Association Members,

RE:Steenburg Lake.

The Council has read your resolution of Aug. 6/89 and believe that the present controls of County planning , Ministry of Environment and the County Health Unit are more than sufficient for the area.You will note that all available property for lot severance in Tudor Township with the exception of back lot property (which the County does not look favourably upon for subdivision)has been developed and lots sold now for a number of years.To my knowledge , the head land owned by Mr. Moore was turned down for subdivision by the County.

Council feels that if the source of pollution is from the septic systems , then the problem systems should be pinpointed and upgraded .

At order of Council,

Andrew J. McMurray

RESPONSE TO THE RESOLUTION PASSED
AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

MADOC NEWSPAPER - WED. OCT 18/89
Tudor Cashel minutes

The Oct. 3 Council meeting was chaired by the Reeve and all members were present.

Council was attended by Mrs. Robin Vaisey who presented them with an overview of intentions of the Child Care Steering Committee located in Bancroft, Ont. Council has requested more information and will hold further discussion on child daycare in the Township.

Glenn Cooney made a motion and it was seconded by Danny Phillips to reply to M.N.R. regarding the private enterprise to build a small dam on Lot 16 Conc. 2 of Cashel, that Council's only concern would be that no existing roads or trails are obstructed by the flooding.

It was moved by John Glenn and seconded by Wanda Donaldson to reply to the Steenburg Lake Community Association that the authority to control land division around the lake is held by the County and that any existing lots are already approved for building and that the owners of these lots have every right to build on them. The septic systems are policed by the County Health Unit and Ministry of Environment and that any source of pollution from this ought to be pinpointed and corrected.

STEENBURG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Financial Statement 1988-89

OCTOBER, 1988

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>DEBITS</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Transfer of funds from 1988		1181.63	
Stationary	\$588.27		
F.O.C.A. Membership 1988 (\$50 + 50 per member of Assoc.) We paid \$50.00 + \$98.00 (196 members) + \$52 to fight acid rain	\$200.00		
F.O.C.A membership for 1989 (\$55.00 + .50 per member). We paid \$55.00 + 93.50 (187 members) + \$51.50 to fight acid rain.	\$200.00		
Rental of Limerick Centre + license 1988	\$126.00		
1989	\$151.00		
Fishing Derby prizes	\$40.92		
Starting Horn(sail boat races)	\$21.28		
Trophies & engraving	\$150.02		
Marker buoys and anchor line	\$142.99		
Regatta batteries	\$8.62		
Hardware for marker buoys	\$8.97		
Lake Marker buoys(removal 1987 & install and remove 1988)	\$225.00		
Ron & Colin attend F.O.C.A. mtg.1988	\$20.00		
Ron's attend FOCA meeting 1989	\$10.00		
Photocopying	\$84.54		
Bank Service Charges	\$6.50		
Copy of Zoning By-Laws	\$7.00		
Purchase of wine & beer for dinner 1989	\$287.52		
Sale of same at dinner		\$312.27	
Sale of tickets for dinner		\$837.95	
Payment for dinner and staff	\$837.95		
Bank interest		\$42.49	
Memberships(1988)		\$1620.00	
Memberships (1989)		\$1670.00	
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	\$3,162.53	\$5,664.34	\$2,501.81

Respectfully submitted:

Colin Gaddas, Treasurer - Steenburg Lake Community Association

STEENBURG LAKE WATER SAMPLING RECORD FOR 1989

DATE	LOC 1		LOC 2		LOC 3		LOC 4		LOC 5		LOC 6		LOC 7		LOC 8		LOC 9		LOC 10	
	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC	TC	FC
6/1/89	22	0	160	0	160	2	18	5	12	12	160	3	48	10	160	10	104	41	160	36
6/18/89	30	3	28	1	56	11	24	8	70	15	30	3	160	12	42	5	o/g	10	48	9
7/9/89 *	76	43	0/g	23	o/g	5	o/g	10	o/g	20	o/g	35	o/g	31	o/g	8	o/g	8	o/g	34
7/23/89	34	5	28	1	32	0	76	60	36	21	24	4	16	3	12	2	14	2	14	3
8/7/89	18	9	36	2	20	6	92	44	20	17	36	21	26	19	54	11	14	5	20	10
8/20/89 *	10	9	2	2	6	4	o/g	12	50	45	4	3	16	13	8	0	8	2	8	1
9/3/89	4	4	10	3	56	2	16	16	24	15	0/g	19	18	6	14	1	o/g	7	8	4
9/24/89 *	98	13	76	4	160	12	160	36	70	43	92	21	44	32	32	9	12	12	62	11
10/9/89	o/g	1	2	1	2	0	2	2	2	1	6	0	10	1	4	3	6	2	2	2
9/6/4	15	23	16	23	0	0	23	9	23	23	0	0	4	0	38	0	7	0	0	0

TC = TOTAL COLIFORM COUNT (total count of bacteria from vegetation & human & animal waste)
 FE = FECAL COLIFORM (Count of bacteria resulting from human and animal excrement)

STEENBURG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - OFFICERS & DIRECTORS FOR 1989-90

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B.A.C.A. Update

FOCA Rep. Assists Cottagers' Alliance

BANCROFT TIMES
WED. OCT. 19/89

On Saturday, October 14, the Steering Committee of the Bancroft District Cottagers and Conservation Association met with Jerry Strickland, Executive

Director of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association [FOCA]. The purpose of the meeting was to outline the aims and objectives of the new league of

area cottagers and conservation associations and begin working on a proposed constitution.

Pending approval by the membership at large, the Steering Committee adopted a new name for the organization: Bancroft Area Conservation Alliance [BACA]. Bob Wilson [Albion Lake] was elected as Chairman of the committee; Edith Blakely-Jackson [Baptiste Lake] was elected Secretary/Treasurer.

The committee was ably assisted by Mr. Strickland of FOCA in establishing priorities for the Bancroft Area Conservation Alliance. Chief among those purposes is to promote the protection and enhancement of the environment. BACA will endeavor to monitor development in the Bancroft area, taking into account environmental concerns. It will provide a forum for member cottage and conservation organizations to air their respective concerns, facilitate the exchange of information, and promote the adoption of governmental standards and policies where advisable. Upon completion, the draft constitution along with the statement of aims and objectives, will be submitted to the member associations and interested parties for approval.

The suggested jurisdiction for the Bancroft Area Conservation Alliance will include the area encompassed by the Ministry of Natural Resources for the Bancroft District.

One of the immediate items of concerns is making a reply to the Community Futures Committee questionnaire concerning the future of this area. The Steering Committee of BACA will meet again Saturday, October 21 to consider its response [due by October 27th]. Anyone interested in this response or in any matter pertaining to BACA should contact Bob Wilson at 332-4430 or Edith Blakely-Jackson at 332-1586.