# Shoreline News

FALL NEWSLETTER

STEENBURG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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beyond is the risk of zebra mussels and what happens with the headlands. Boat house colors are a personal choice, zebra mussels and what happens to the headlands is not a choice we want to risk. Everyone should be proud of the association and what it represents. You should also be proud of what past members and executives have accomplished and the direction and the momentum we continue to generate. This would not be possible without everyone's support. Remember the association will o n l y remain strong if we have

remain strong if we the support of everyone. Success is only measured by the amount of people registered and I would love to have 100% support. This

may not be realistic but something that we should challenge ourselves to achieve. And this cannot rest on the shoulders of the executive alone but on the membership.

We also need to work on getting members out to the annual meeting. If we work on getting a bigger turn out, we will encourage more guest speakers. For those of you who did not attend the general meeting we had Linda Sheppard share experiences from the limerick ratepayers association on the challenges their lake faced as they went through development on their lake with the OMB. It definitely spurred creativeness as it was interesting to hear the suggestions on how we should cope with the headlands and I find it very encouraging that people are overwhelmingly concerned.

Remember the executive is here to represent the best interests for everyone on the lake and as members you should feel free to offer any suggestions. This is why we created the Internet site, in an effort to provide pertinent information to the membership and allow a forum to provide feedback. We will continue educate everyone on the challenges that face Steenburg. I am fortunate that I have a great group of people that are not afraid of hard work and are willing to make this a great place for us all and thought it was appropriate to thank them. It makes it so much easier when people are willing to help out through participation. Thanks again for another great year to the executive, volunteers and to our members for coming out and making this year successful. - Steve Churchill

# The "Headland" and Land Conservancy:

#### By Dave Langman

At our August 2010 AGM, President Steve Churchill spoke on the two most pressing issues facing our association: the sale and potential development of the "Headland" and Zebra Mussels.

This article introduces the concept of land conservancy and conservation easements. It is based on information provided by the Hastings Prince Edward Land Conservancy Trust (HPELT) <a href="http://www.hpelt.org/">http://www.hpelt.org/</a> and the Clear Lake Conservancy. A report on Zebra Mussels follows this article.

### The Steenburg Lake Conservancy Concept

Note: This concept has been initiated by the SLCA Lake Steward,

Dave Langman, and has not been endorsed by the SLCA or its executive at this time. It

SLCA or its executive at this time. It is provided at this time as "food for thought" to those interested in maintaining

the 74 acre, 5800 ft shoreline headland property in its current state. Dave is prepared to organize future meetings of interested individuals and can be contacted at 519 941 8786 or dalangman@gmail.com.

The concept being presented is that a group of interested individuals create a land conservancy organization affiliated with the HPELT with the intent to purchase the "Headland" property and affix a conservation easement onto that property to restrict future development. Interested members would use funds to purchase lands of interest such as 'The Headlands' for the purpose of conservation.

Below is information from two websites – The Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust, and the Lake Clear Conservancy, describing what they do.











# Hastings Prince Edward Conservancy Trust:

The Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust is a volunteer-run organization that encourages people to work cooperatively to conserve the natural and cultural heritage of the community. In addition to promoting good land conservation practices, the Trust also promotes scientific research, educational and social activities. HPELT's long-term goal is to manage the land in a sustainable way. HPELT is a member of the Canadian and Ontario Land Trust Alliances and is certified by Environment Canada (link) to receive Ecological Gifts.

Incorporated in 1998, HPELT operates in the historic Counties of Hastings and Prince Edward of Eastern Ontario , Canada . Extending from the shores of Lake Ontario to the edge of Algonquin Park this area is important for migrating wildlife, biodiversity, water resources and much more.

Prince Edward is one of the premier birding destinations in the province. Featuring an Important Bird Area and the Prince Edward Bird Observatory, the County includes the world-famous Sandbanks Provincial Park , and historic elements of the early settlement by the United Empire Loyalists (including numerous ship wrecks offshore).

Hastings County features great landscape diversity as the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence lowlands transitions to the Canadian Shield . (Please see <a href="https://www.thelandbetween.ca">www.thelandbetween.ca</a> for more information). These landscapes historically provided opportunities for farming, logging and mining as well as habitat for a wonderful diversity of wildlife. Hastings is a gateway to Algonquin Park, and to the recreational lake country of the Canadian Shield. Our region is rich in cultural and natural diversity, is a major source of water for drinking and recreation, as well as a land base for food production.

Although the Hastings Prince Edward region contains a rich diversity of landscapes and wildlife habitat, ongoing development and intensive recreational uses are threatening what remains of our unspoiled natural treasures.

If there's a special place you would like to preserve in perpetuity, the Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust can provide options that best suit both parties. For example, donations of land protect special features forever and they may qualify for the Canada Ecological Gifts Program (Ecogift) for ecologically significant lands. Ecogift donors can receive significant tax benefits. Or if you wish to continue ownership of the property, you can consider working with HPELT to place a Conservation Easement on the property.

#### Before making the choice, HPELT will review your property with you to consider a number of factors, including:

- to conserve and protect ecologically significant areas, flora and fauna
- to conserve and enhance biological diversity

- •to undertake an ecological restoration of a natural environment as appropriate
- •to protect areas with unique or representative natural features, cultural heritage, scenic vistas or ecosystems
- to protect areas that provide habitat to species of threatened or endangered species
- to connect existing protected areas or expand a natural corridor.
- the importance of the property to protect water quality

HPELT may also take these factors into consideration:

- the eligibility of the property as an EcoGift
- local support for acquisition
- the size of the property
- the financial resources available to acquire and pay expenses for the property

#### Stewardship Program

Stewardship is one of HPELT's core program areas ensuring the longterm protection of a property's significant natural values. Through the purchase or acceptance of land and easement donations, the Trust is committed to the stewardship of that property in perpetuity. Our Stewardship Program is dedicated to achieving this goal through the support and passion of members of our local communities that share in our interest in protecting these special places. The stewardship of all of our properties is led by dedicated individuals committed to watching over our reserves to make sure that they are properly cared for, monitored and respected by those that visit.

## Lake Clear Conservancy (Renfrew County, Ontario)

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The primary object of the Conservancy shall be to preserve and protect the natural, environmental, historical and cultural heritage of Lake Clear and its environs by:

- (a) working in cooperation with all levels of government, other like-minded organizations or agencies, landowners, and other interests in the initiation of projects, and in the acquisition, stewardship, and management of land for purposes of conservation.
- (b) supporting on-going educational programs through the production and distribution of materials promoting conservation and the purposes of the Conservancy, and
- c) promoting and encouraging alternative land management techniques by local landowners, and agricultural and industrial interests

#### **About Us**

The Lake Clear Conservancy (LCC) is a land trust. A Land Trust is a non-profit, charitable organizations which have as one of their core activities the acquisition of land or interests in land (like conservation easements) for the purpose of conservation.

The hallmark of a land trust is the direct action they take to protect the local land base, and that they hold those lands or conservation easements in trust for future generations.

Land trusts and conservancies are generally local in scope and operation, but may be provincial, regional or even national.



The LCC protects land and water strictly for public benefit.

Land trusts focus on conserving the biological values of land, but across the continent land trusts have been established to protect scenic, historical, agricultural, and recreational lands as well.

The LCC is dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the ecological health and natural beauty of Lake Clear and its watershed, as well as its cultural heritage.

How does the LCC work? The LCC is a member driven volunteer based organization. Work is carried out by various interest/project committees comprised of board members and other interested volunteers.

The LCC depends upon the volunteering of its members. Funds come from membership fees, grants, cash/in-kind donations and fundraising events such as the golf tournament.

Its volunteer board are elected at the August annual general meeting. Activities, charter and financial statements are matters of public record and are monitored by government. Should the corporation become defunct, its assets must be donated to a like minded organization such as the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

# Land Management:

One of a land trust's main functions is its management of environmentally sensitive lands. To this end the LCC's land management plan is to:

Purchase/donation recipient of important environmental land, example, Green and the Twins islands were purchased in 1998.

Lands can be donated to be maintained in an unspoiled state in perpetuity and still be used by the owner - this also has considerable tax advantages. As a registered charity, the LCC can also accept bequests from those who wish to leave behind a legacy of environmental protection.

Conservation easements. As of 2007, this hasn't happened, but it is the hope that some land owners will seek the LCC's help in retaining ownership of their property while protecting it from certain uses in perpetuity.

Co-operative partnerships, example, the LCC has partnered with the Township of Bonnechere Valley and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources to develop a crown island management plan that will protect the natural habitat and enhance public camping.

Volunteer stewardship activities, example, groups from Mulberry Lane and Big Rock have organized to look after certain islands.

# Tax Benefits to Donating the Headland to the Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust

by Dave Langman, Lake Steward

Lets assume that an individual or evan a group of interested Steenburg Lake cottagers band together and purchase the "Headland" for the purpose of protecting it from future development. They would be faced with ongoing muipal taxes and insurance requirements, and perhaps some sort of administration fees for a corporation or trust of some sort if more than one owner was involved. An alternative approach to protecting the land from development would be to purchase it from the current owner and then donate it to the Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust (HPELT). This would result in the following benefits to the doners: long term maintenance of the land as a natural undeveloped area through placement of a conservation easement on the property that is administered by HPELT, transfer of ownership and therefore liability to HPELT, elimination of municipal tax liability to the doners, and an eligable 29% federal "Ecological Gifts to Canada" tax credit and potential associated Ontario Tax Credits, These credits are not restricted by income and unused portions of the tax credit can be carried forward for up to 5 subsequent years (see CRA Schedule 8 line 342 for details). This is a significant tax benefit worth considering. Further, HPELT President Murray Stewart believes that there may be opportunities to significantly improve the tax credit from 29% but this will take a significant investment in professional advice from lawyers, accountants, land surveyors, and others.

Murray Stewart was quite interested in the property, has researched it via local real estate sites, and plans a visit to the lake this fall. He seemed to think waterfront land would definitely qualify for the Ecogift program in accordance with HPELT aims and values.

Next Step: Before making any further commitment to this process we need to raise the necessary capital to move forward. This means interested individuals must come forward with some form of financial commitment to move forward with the purchase of the headland and donation to HPELT. This could be in the form of a single doner making the entire commitment, a small group of doners dividing the financial cost amoungst themselves, or a large group of doners making a significant, but more affordable financial commitment. I am willing to coordinate this activity initially. Should there be significant support, then a lawyer would have to be contacted with expertise in Land Trusts and EcoGift donations. I can be reached via email at dalangman@gmail.com or 519 941 9768. Your correspondence/

Those interested in the Headlands Land Trust concept should obtain a copy of The Ontario Ecogifts Handbook 2005 from Environment Canada via thier website. Further reading on Land Trusts can be found in Ray Ford's article found in OntarioNature Winter 2005/2006

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# Membership Report

by Marlene Pollard

What a great summer. I am sure that everyone enjoyed the weather this year.

We have 167 paid members so far this year. I have sent out letters to 12 residence that were missed during the canvassing. Hopefully they will respond and we will have more members. This year 15 members chose to use our pay pal feature on our web site. This is catching on, as a matter of fact I myself used this and wow how easy was that????? If you choose to pay with pay pal then our canvassers needs only to drop off your membership package. This makes it a lot easier on them. Of course we will always have the canvasser for those who do not want to use the pay pal feature. Do remember to check out our web site for further information on this. <a href="https://www.steenburglake.com">www.steenburglake.com</a>

I would like to take this time to thank all my canvassers. They are: Ian Fraser, Wendy Butler, Pat and Heather Stallaert, Dave Anderson, Elaine and John McCarthy, Christina Candy, Sue Jarson, Dave McDonald, Jim and Susan Bridger, Joanne Boyce, Alana Cameron, Irene Horne, Glenda Opsahl and Eileen Walsh. Again THANK YOU without all of you I really do not know how we would keep this association going. I am happy to report we only have one area that needs a canvasser and I have someone in mind for this one.

We have a few new members on the lake this year. I mentioned in the Spring Newsletter 3 new families. I would like to add them again with the other new families. Mike and Donna Cochrane (corrected spelling) from Port Perry, Terry and Julie Locke (full time residents), Terri and Dave Robichaud from Courtice, Carolina and Tom Rotella from Markham, Dave and Margaret Anderson from Cortlandt, New York, Stella LeClerc and Don Collins from Toronto, Jim Climpson from Bancroft, Diane and Don Mills (full time residents), Terry Cattani and Maureen Sheahan from Brampton, Jeff and Debbie Flintoff from Bowmanville, John and Maria Dawson from Toronto and Craig Matthews from Aruora. Welcome everyone to the Steenburg Lake.

Have a great winter and see you all in the Spring.

#### Membership, SLCA





The Splake are down there! Caught on Steenburg Lake in August



# From the Lake Steward: Dave Langman

# Zebra Mussel Report

Photos NOT taken from Steenburg Lake



Reports of Zebra Mussels veliger larvae in Steenburg Lake have been confirmed. A sample of water was drawn from several locations on Steenburg Lake on August 31, 2010 by Dave Langman and sent to GAP Enviromicrobial Services in London, Ontario. Through magnification (15x) and cross-

polarization technique, 2 larva were observed. This reports confirms the presence of zebra mussel larvae in our lake.



One cottager reported that divers found adult zebra mussel larvae near their cottage on a shallow rocky ledge. I visited this site with cuzzin' Kenzie from Texas equipped with masks and snorkels. Our search for the adult zebra mussels turned up none on that date in the reported area. Many snail shells, which might be confused as zebra mussels were found.

To date, I have not seen adult zebra mussels on the lake bottom. I do ask members to report zebra mussel adult sightings through Dock Talk on our web site..

Zebra mussels are able to reproduce their second year. Over one spawning season a single female zebra mussel is capable of releasing one million eggs. The eggs will be fertilized when the male and female expel their gametes at the same time. Fertilized eggs develop into larvae called veligers. These veligers are not visible to the naked eve and are about the width of a human hair. They can remain suspended in the water for 3 to 4 weeks before they find a hard surface to attach to; those that don't find a substrate to attach will die. Once attached it takes one year for it to grow one inch and become sexually mature. The maximum age reported in the U.S. is 3 years while in Europe they have been reported to live 4 to 6 years.



## **SLCA Services**

#### **Laminated Steenburg Lake Maps**

\$10 - Contact Marlene Pollard

#### **SLCA Shirts**

See attached order form

#### **Boat Launching**

Mike's Boat Launch at the marina on the North Road \$10/ launch. The beach launch site is available from mid October to mid – May.

#### **Photo Contest Results:**

Results for the 2010 photo contest will be posted in the Spring Newsletter. If you have any photos you would like to submit please visit <a href="https://www.steenburglake.com">www.steenburglake.com</a>







Dock Light Design

Follow-up from "This Year, Shield Your Outside Lights."

The association's mission statement includes the "promotion, education and encouragement of responsible lake stewardship. The Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association has made "blending into the environment" a priority for any cottage stewardship plan. SLCA members are encouraged to take a look at their cottage with the lights on at night both from a distance and approaching the dock. You may find that dock light to be more of a nusince than a help during docking, particularly outward facing spot/floor lights. A better lighting design is one that points vertically down to the dock and is shaded so that light does not "blind the driver.

## Case Study: The Simmons Cottage

The spring newsletter provide instructions on how to build a light shade from cardboard with the intent to

direct light from bare bulbs fixed to boat houses and the eaves of cottages down and not out across the lake where it disturbs the neighbours view. A pilot project was undertaken by Pat and Randy Simmons to shade 4 bulbs used to light their steps up to their cottage from the dock. Instead of using cardboard, Randy bought black plastic funnels from the dollar store, cut off the narrow end to match a CFL bulb, fixed some shiny tape to the inside of the funnel for reflective purposes, and installed them within a few minutes. The results were awesome! The once devastatingly bright lights virtually disappeared from site leaving the approach to the dock from the lake very well lit. This lighting design really accented the property. The stair and walkway lighting was dramatically improved as well. The cost was less than \$10. I am sure the neighbours appreciated Randy's efforts as they are no longer subjected to light pollution which can be seen from all reaches of the lake.



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## The Cottage – by Spencer Knox



Where in the world do you think you could go tubing, skating, sledding, snowshoeing, swimming, fishing, water skiing and boating?? Well, the answer is .... the COTTAGE ... the best place on Earth! Imagine yourself relaxing in a Muskoka chair on the dock ... beautiful blue skies above, soaking up the warm sun. Your only decision of the day is when to jump into the clear water to cool off. Ahhhhh..... this is the life!!

I feel so lucky. I've grown up going to a cottage ever since I was born. For eight years I went to the Knox family cottage north of Minden. We have so many amazing memories and pictures of summers spent at Beech Lake. Just three years ago, (since my Mom and Dad, brother and I have all summer off together) my parents made a decision to find a cottage of our own. Steenburg Lake has turned out to be the best place on Earth and we love it! It was a new adventure for us, in a new cottage area .... Bancroft.

Our family cottage is located off Highway 62, twenty minutes south of Bancroft on a beautiful lake called "Steenburg Lake". It is only a two hour drive from our home in Solina to our cottage dock! Perfect.

Steenburg Lake has a lot of bays and islands, and the deepest part of the lake goes to 67 feet. Wow... that's deep! The Lake is clean and clear at our dock for swimming, and is also awesome for fishing.

We have had many cool adventures at the cottage. Every winter we drive to the cottage at least once or twice. We heat it up with our wood stove. We go tobogganing, ice fishing, skating and walking in the 'winter wonderland'. We were there on New Year's Eve this year and the lake was frozen ... so we had a bonfire on a small island close by.

In the warm weather, we spend pretty much the whole summer at our cottage and have lots of other adventures. We go to a close 'frog bog' and catch frogs! It's fun! We go on canoe trips around the lake and explore some of the islands.

Water skiing, tubing and swimming are just a few of the water activities at the cottage. We have cannonball contests off the dock! My family has an old inboard-outboard Sunray boat, and I LOVE to waterski and tube behind it! The nickname for our boat is "Zipper" because it is fast and zips around the Lake. We also do canoeing and kayaking.

Fishing is very popular at Steenburg Lake. The biggest fish I have ever caught at our cottage is a 3 ½ pound large- mouth bass.

The cottage is a place for family. We love playing games like cribbage, crocinole and checkers ... especially inside when it is a rainy

day. We have great cottage neighbours, but we also have friends and family come and spend time with us at Steenburg Lake. These times are always tons of fun and lots of laughs! Some times we boat out to a sunny spot on the Lake. Then we drop the anchor and have a picnic and play board games in the boat. When we're really hot we all jump off the front of our boat into the middle of the Lake!! I also love when we go down to the dock with blankets, late at night and look up at the stars. Campfires are always fun – with many stories and songs.

Now do you know what the best place on Earth is? The cottage!! I think our cottage is the best place to be ... through winter to summer. You've been sitting on that Muskoka chair ... on the dock, in the hot sun, listening to me long enough. It's time to count to three and jump in the lake to cool off. Okay.... 1, 2, 3........... JUMP! Ahhhh..... nothing beats cottage life.



Note:

Spencer wrote this speech as part of his grade 6 curriculum.

## A Tribute to Rick Burke, Lake Steward



Rick Burke is feeling a little down since finishing his multi term activity as Lake Steward. Nary a thank you from anyone. The

new guy showed up one day unannounced and demanded "all the stuff ....now!" This article is written to Rick to make him feel better.

Years and years of coordinating rock bass derbies, taking water samples, reporting on lake water quality, monitoring invasive species and listening to experts on bouy design. These thankless tasks you took on, unheralded, out of the lime light, and did with the great aplomb.

In honour of your years of service, I have taken it upon myself to sponsor an award in your name. This award will go to the winner of the annual baking contest held each labour day weekend. The award will be known as the "How's Your Beaver Award" and will be judged by a self appointed Master Baker. This year, Anthony Genovese, has volunteered to be head judge. Anthony brings an excellent C.V. with respect to baking. Contestants be ware, Anthony is an expert!

Rick, thank you for your years of dedication to the lake as Steward.





## The Marina Wings

Mike and Donna Cochrane bought the marina

property in 2009. They hail from Port Perry, Ontario and plan to become full time residents on the lake next year. This year they opened Mike's Boat Launch this year and will continue the service with a nominal price increase to cover insurance. They have focused this year on the main house, which at one time was the farm house of Bob Powers Sr., the original settler of Bass Lake. Bob built the house (one log wall remains inside) the second time he came to settle Steenburg Lake perhaps in the 1890's. They've replaced most of the windows, and are now finishing the interior and exterior. Mike is bleaching the weathered wood to prepare for a clear varnish finish.

Mike and Donna plan to renovate the marina building on the water after they complete their home. The concept is to open a summer fish and chip and wings restaurant. The interior design plan calls for a '50's diner look with counter, stools, fountain, and booths. The exterior will match the house. Not only are Mike and Donna a great addition to the lake with their friendly outlook, they also cater! Mike will custom cook wings for boat delivery on the lake. He delivers in Styrofoam containers fresh from the grill.

Give Mike a call at 613 474 3167 to inquire about special orders with at least 3 days lead time. He normally does large orders of 20-30 lbs for parties.

I suggested that Mike use the SteenburgLake.com website's LakeTalk feature to announce Winter Wing Fests perhaps on New Years Eve, and Family Day week end.

I also asked Mike to keep an eye out for increased activity of the Capra Hircus. If this food source becomes plentiful, perhaps Mike can incorporate it into his menu. Tassot and Chips! Mmmm Mmmm Good!











## Summer 2010 at Steenburg Lake

#### Road Clean Up, July 11, 2011

Taking care of our cottage environment is our responsibility. Many thanks to following cottagers who assisted with the clean up this year...

#### South Road Clean up Crew

Kevin Lavalee, Sara Nagy, Sara Lavallee, Pat and Randy Simmons, Sue Bridger, Cody Bridger, Spencer McCann, Alasdair, Hamish and Dave McDonald, Dave Golem, Dave, Hamish and Alastair MacDonald, Alanna, Anita and Ken Waddell

#### North Road Clean Up Crew

Pat and Ian Fraser, Ann and Jim Brown, Dave Golem and Ron and Marlene Pollard.

Please accept our apologies if you helped out and you were not mentioned. We appreciate your time and efforts in keeping the lake and environment clean. If you would like your name mentioned in the newsletter in the future, or you are a student and want to get some volunteer hours, please call Carolyn Dobson at 613-474-1032 or

carolyndobson@rogers.com.

#### Regatta, July 10, 2010

What a day!!! Finally the weatherman co-operated !!! Many thanks to Wendy Butler, Amanda Burke, Chris Langman, Pat Simmons, Tom Little and Jimmy Nevins for all your help. And of course, our President, Steve Churchill for doing the barbecue. Please stay tuned for some new events next year.....

#### Fun Run, August 14, 2010

WOW...are we Steenburg Lakers a fit bunch or what???? With over 100 registered, the Fun Run continues to be a huge success!!! 5km of up and down terrain doesn't scare our cottagers away. Many thanks to my volunteers:

Wendy Butler, Dean Butler, Rick Burke, Amanda Burke, Jimmy Nevins, Tom Little and Pat Simmons.

And Finally.....

I hope you all had a great summer. Looking over pictures of these events bring back wonderful memories for the cottage journal. I hope you all enjoyed the sunny hot days and were able to meet and greet your fellow cottagers at one of these events hosted by your Steenburg Lake Cottage Association. It takes a lot of time, many volunteers and of course your participation to make these events a success. I hope you made some memories of your own whilst having some fun. It makes it all worthwhile to see the smiles and hear the laughter of everyone. Cheers to Steenburg!!!

Carolyn Dobson, Social Committee

#### AND THE WINNERS WERE..

1st MALE – Matt Gilmour 1st FEMALE – Ivana Zurakowsky

**Girls – 12 and under** 1st Crystal Meilke 2nd Madeleine Waywell 3rd Laura Anderson

**Girls – 13 – 19 years** 1st Ivana Zurakowsky 2nd Megan Dobson 3rd Mackenzie Cooper

Women 20 – 29 years 1st Natalie Zurakowsky 2nd Ausen Shearer 3rd Amanda Burke

Women 30 – 45 years 1st Heather King 2nd Heather Lloyd 3rd Kelly Cooper

Women 46 – 59 years 1st Mirja Wollens 2nd Sandra Lang 3rd Maria Dawson

Women 60 + years 1st Eileen Walsh 2nd Tina Lloyd 3rd Jackie Rudd

Boys – 12 and under 1st Luke Zurakowsky 2nd Spencer Knox 3rd Hilton Knox

**Boys – 13 – 19 years** 1st Matt Gilmour 2nd Dexter Bateman 3rd Alex Simmons

**Men 20 – 29 years** 1st Brandon Zurakowsky

**Men 30 – 45 years** 1st Chris Fitzgibbon 2nd Jan King 3rd Jeff Knox

Men 46 – 59 years 1st Rich Withey 2nd Dean Dobson 3rd David Bateman

Men 60 + years 1st Ron Pollard 2nd Joe Burke 3rd Mike Duggan











## 2010 Regatta Winners

#### Canoe Races - 9 and under

1st Hannah Lavallee and Madelene Waywell 2nd Kaelyn Kerr and Val Kalatai 3rd Josh Langman and Ben Langman

#### Canoe Races - 10 - 13 years

1st Sam Phillips and Scott Waywell 2nd Hayley Peters and Oliver Repetto 3rd Ben Kalatai and Valerie Kalotai

#### Canoe Races - 14 - 17 years

1st Ashley Cameron and Alana Cameron 2nd Sara Nagy and Sarah Lavalee 3rd James Conquer and Allisdair McDonald

#### Canoe Races - 18 + years

1st Tom Little and Dave Langman 2nd Wendy Waywell and RobWaywell 3rd Jim and Sue Bridger

#### Girls' Swimming Races - 9 and under

1st Hannah Lavalee 2nd Kaelyn Kerr 3rd Sara Woodcock

#### Girls' Swimming Races - 10 - 13 yrs

1st Ashley Cameron 2nd Laura Cameron 3rd Hayley Peters

#### Girls' Swimming Races - 14 - 17 yrs

1st Alexandra Rippeto 2nd Megan Dobson 3rd Alana Cameron

#### Womens' Swimming Races - 18 + yrs

1st Carolyn Dobson 2nd Chris Langman 3rd Sharon Langman

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#### Peddleboat Races - 9 and under

1st Ben Langman and Josh Langman 2nd Valerie Kalotai & Irene Horne 3rd Hannah Lavalee and Kaelyn Kerr

#### Peddleboat Races - 10 - 13 years

1st Dylan and Ryan Dawson 2nd Alisdair McDonald and Hayley Peters 3rd Laura Anderson and Ryan Woodcock

#### Peddleboat Races - 14 - 17 years

1st Spencer McMann & Cody Bridger 2nd Oliver Repetto and Alexandra Repetto 3rd Alana Cameron and Ashley Cameron

#### Peddle Boat Races - 18 + years

1st Chris Langman and Christine Genovese 2nd Dean Butler and Randy Simmons 3rd Corina and Mike March

#### Boys' Swimming Races - 9 and under

1st Jack Peters 2nd Blake Peters

#### Boys' Swimming Races - 10 - 13 years

1st Alisdair McDonald 2nd Hamish McDonald 3rd Oliver Rippeto

#### Boys' Swimming Races - 14 - 17 years

1st Spencer McCann 2nd James Conquer 3rd Connor Silliphant

#### Mens' Swimming Races - 18 + years

1st Dave Langman 2nd Matt Gillison 3rd Randy Simmons

# Dwayne Nicholson

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Time to Think Snow and Plan Ahead for Winter

> Snow Plowing Driveway Sanding Roof Shoveling

## Steenburg Lake Historical Society:

#### The Bateman/Powers **Boathouses**

As the North Steenburg Lake road turns past the beach and begins to wind around the lake to the west, you pass the site of the once majestic Powers - Bateman boat house built around 1900 or so. The Powers clan from Trenton were coal/seed merchants and the Bateman clan ran the Crystal Hotel in Belleville. They were amoung the first cottagers on the lake and chose prime spots on the two largest islands. Back then, islands were considered superior sites perhaps offering a degree of protection from bears and mosquitoes. Birch Island got its name after Bruce Powers removed all vegetation to the grass on the island except Birch trees. Either he was a big fan of the birches, or perhaps there is something to the old wives tale that birch trees are known to repel mosquitoes. Crystal Island was named after the hotel in Belleville.

The Batemans and Powers shared a boat house at the "foot of the lake" at the sandy beech. This boat house was located well out into the lake to allow for their disappearing propeller boat (Dippy) to float. A pier supported by an intermediate crib was bridged from the shore to the boat house. Today all that is left of the boat house are three distinct rock piles at the beech. Now you know the origin of the rock piles at the beech.

At the islands, the Batemans and Powers built a boat house between the two islands to store the dippy. You could drive through the boat house. A set of stairs and walkways were built inside the boat house for the Batemans and Powers to walk next door to visit.

# How's Your Johnson?

#### By Dave Langman, Birch Island

Did you see Matt Turner's cedar strip Richardson with a 35 Hp Evinrude Big Twin running about the lake this summer? What a gorgeous restoration! Nice to see some "old iron" brought back to life.

Another project was Dave Langman's 1940's Peterborough Sportsman cedar strip boat matched to a 1968 Evinrude Lightwin 3 Hp weedless drive outboard. This boat was donated by a neighbour, and required a new keel, hull straightening, and varnish.

Dave has a new project – a 13' 1960 Arkansas Traveller Rocket c/w a Teenee coil springs/shocks trailer.

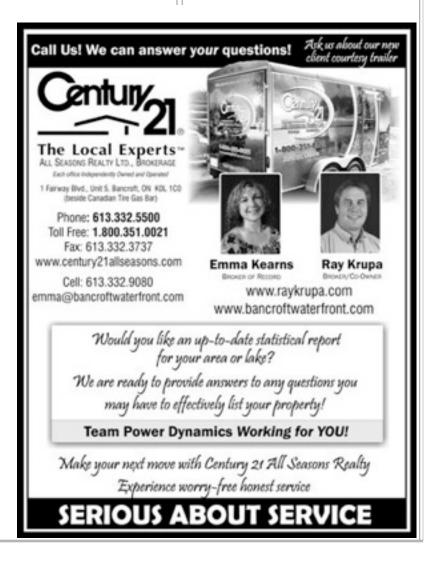
This boat is a disaster due to a terrible paint brush finish and years of neglect. Hope to see it on the lake next season with a 25 Hp 'Rude.

If you are interested in starting an informal club

associated with restoring and preserving antique and classic outboards, give me a shout next summer.







## **US EPA Introduces** Catalytic Convertor Requirements for Stern Drive and Inboard **Powered Boats**

"The EPA has formalized new exhaust emission standards for marine "sparkignition" engines and they will be fazed in next year. Based on what boat builders are charging extra for products going into California (which required catalytic converters in 2008) you will be paying anywhere from about \$2750 to \$5000 more extra for that new boat. (Most outboard engines comply with the new regs already and diesels are not "spark-ignited".)"

Although this regulation is not Canadian, most marine engines of this type are supplied by the US and it is unlikely that they will build specific engines for Canada.

My neighbour reported he had to get his new 2011 boat built before January 1st 2011 to avoid the catalytic converter even though it was an export order from the USA. This change likely means that carbureted engines will no longer be made – only the MPI fuel injection models for the future.

Most outboards available today are 4 stroke models. They are typically quieter, burn 30% less fuel that carbureted 2 stroke-motors, and troll all day long without so much as a hick-up. Second generation design 4stroke engines appear to be lighter and more powerful that those built only ten years ago. If you are looking for a new boat, then consider a 4 stroke outboard as an alternative to an "I/ O".



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|                                   | 2010   | 2009   | 2008    | NOTES                                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|--|
| Assets:                           |        |        |         |  |
| Bank Account                      | 6,135  | 4,925  | 4,396   |  |
| PayPal                            | 87     | 144    | 0       | Payments to PayPal transferred to Bank   |
| GIC - 1 Yr Cashable @ .2%         | 1,006  | 2,055  | 4,135   |  |
| GIC - 2 Yr Non-redeemable @ 1.75% | 5,084  | 4,261  | 0       |  |
| GIC - 30Mo Non-redeemable @ 4.1%  | 12,877 | 12,372 | 12,672  |  |
| Prepaid Insurance Sep\10-May\11   | 1,030  | 1,014  | 985     |  |
| Inventory - T-Shirts\Hoodies      | 400    | 405    | 370     |  |
| Total Assets                      | 26,620 | 25,176 | 22,558  | Total of what we own, primarily cash.    |
| Net Assets represented by:        |        |        |         |  |
| Reserve for Future Expenditure    | 12,000 | 12,000 | 12,000  | For specific use determined by SLCA      |
| General Fund, Unrestricted        | 13,176 | 10,558 | 8,032   | Can be used for general activities.      |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year     | 25,176 | 22,558 | 20,032  |  |
| Excess (Loss), Current Year       | 1,443  | 2,618  | 2,527 * | Profit or loss for each year (see below) |
| Net Assets, End of Year           | 26,620 | 25,176 | 22,558  | Accumulated income, all years            |
|                                   |        |        |         |  |
| INCOME:                           |        |        |         |  |
| Membership Fees                   | 5,160  | 4,750  | 4,740   | Fees at \$30 per cottage                 |
| Advertising Income                | 1,444  | 768    | 159     |  |
| Fundraising Income, Maps          | 30     | 0      | 50      |  |
| Fundraising Income, T-Shirts      | 1,768  | 1,870  | 1,605   | Overall T-Shirt Profit - \$565           |
| Fundraising Income, Fun Run       | 307    | 385    | 290     |  |
| Fundraising Income, CDs           | 0      | 10     | 60      |  |
| Fundraising Sponsor\Donation      | 0      | 0      | 45      |  |
| Interest Income                   | 602    | 689    | 624     |  |
| Total Income                      | 9,310  | 8,472  | 7,572   | Total income for each year               |
| EXPENSES:                         |        |        |         |  |
| Fundraising Costs, T-Shirts       | 1,203  | 1,480  | 905     |  |
| Fundraising Costs, Fun Run        | 585    | 475    | 416     |  |
| AGM, Regatta, Movie Night         | 755    | 640    | 386     |  |
| FOCA Dues & Expenses              | 575    | 575    | 603     |  |
| Insurance                         | 1,361  | 1,327  | 1,301   |  |
| Newsletter Expenses               | 905    | 586    | 387     |  |
| Members Handout                   | 616    | 167    | 83      |  |
| Bank\Paypal Charges, Cheques      | 27     | 18     | 14      |  |
| Rock Markers, Fishing Derby       | 250    | 250    | 325     |  |
| Sign Maintenance                  | 1,068  | 0      | 0       |  |
| Donations\Gifts\Memberships       | 0      | 30     | 500     |  |
| Web                               | 378    | 257    | 126     |  |
| Water Testing                     | 143    | 50     | 0       |  |
| Total Expenses                    | 7,867  | 5,854  | 5,046   | Total expenses for each year             |
| Excess (Deficit) for period       | 1,443  | 2,618  | Cheque: |  |

#### Cash:

Paid:

## Steenburg Lake SHIRT Order Form

Once again, in the true tradition of Cottage life at Steenburg Lake, we can proudly wear some great clothing. Brought to you by the Steenburg Lake Cottage Association.

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IMPORTANT: Please circle the appropriate size and choice of colour and quantity

| Note the youth sizes. <b>S(4-5), M(6-8), L(10-12), XL(12)</b>                                 |                             |                   |                  |       |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Description   | Colour                      | Size              | Quantity Cost    | Total |  |  |  |  |
| T-Shirt Adult   | Brown, Navy, Texas Orange   | S M L XLXXLXXXL   | X \$20.00        |       |  |  |  |  |
| T–Shirt, Adult  | LONG Texas orange, Navy,    | S M L XL XXL XXXL | <b>X</b> \$25.00 |       |  |  |  |  |
| T-Shirt Youth   | Cardinal, Denim Blue, Brown | S M L XL          | X \$20.00        |       |  |  |  |  |
| T-Shirt Ladies  | Brown, Navy, Violet         | S M L XL XXL      | X \$20.00        |       |  |  |  |  |
| Hoodies – Adult   | White, Blue, Green, Grey    | S M L XL          | X \$40.00        |       |  |  |  |  |
| Hoodies – Youth   | White, Blue, Green, Grey    | S M L XL          | X \$35.00        |       |  |  |  |  |
| (to view these shirt colours go to www. technosport.com, click catalog, go to page 5 to view) |                             |                   |                  |       |  |  |  |  |
| # of items ordered taxes included Total   |                             |                   |                  |       |  |  |  |  |
| Take \$5.00 off the price of each shirt when you order 3 or more! Puffed (raised, printed)    |                             |                   |                  |       |  |  |  |  |
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# Internet Update

#### By Anthony Genovese

Progress has been slow in our quest for sustainable Internet service on our lake, but our wait might soon be over.

The Reeve of Tudor/Cashel, Wanda Donaldson, has informed the SLCA that both Bell and Rogers have received approval for the construction of cellular/internet towers in the township. The towers will be located on Hwy 62, just south of Jordan Lake Rd South, and on Old Hastings Road in Millbridge.

Neither Bell nor Rogers would confirm these projects or provide any timeline for availability of service in our area, but it does sound promising.

On a related subject, the following information was released from the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus.

August 31, 2010

### Construction Begins On Eastern Ontario's Broadband Mega-Network

Canada, Ontario and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Move Landmark Partnership Forward

Hastings County, Ontario — Ontario's largest rural broadband network is ready to begin construction. The high-speed Internet infrastructure project will connect with local delivery systems to expand service to an estimated one million residents and businesses in Eastern Ontario.

The Honourable Chuck Strahl, Canada's Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, and the Honourable Carol Mitchell, Ontario's Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, together with Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Inc. (EOWC) moved forward on a landmark partnership today to start construction of the broadband network in Eastern Ontario. The EOWC comprises the 13 upper- and single-tier municipalities within Eastern Ontario, as well as separated municipalities and First Nations communities.

- " Our Government remains committed to delivering investments that help create jobs and build strong, sustainable communities now and for years to come," said Minister Strahl.
- "The construction of a broadband network in Eastern Ontario will help to expand and improve local businesses and their services, connect family and friends to one another, and significantly boost our regional economy."
- "The McGuinty government is working to build partnerships that help bring vital health, education and business services to Ontarians living in rural and remote communities," said Minister Mitchell. "This large-scale broadband project is a major achievement for Eastern Ontario, and one we are proud to invest in. This is part of our Open Ontario plan to create jobs and economic opportunities."
- " Providing broadband access to residents, businesses and First Nations communities is one of the keys to unlocking the enormous economic potential of our region. This network is essential to our prosperity," said EOWC Chair, David Burton.
- "Bell Aliant and Bell are pleased to have been selected to complete this significant communications infrastructure project together for the homes and businesses of Eastern Ontario," said Chuck Hartlen, Senior Vice President of Customer Solutions, Bell Aliant. —By building this core backbone fibre network and by using our extensive communications and technology expertise, we will be enabling access to faster, next generation broadband technology to 95% of this Eastern Ontario region."
- "We are proud to be working with EOWC, an organization that is as

passionate about connecting rural Ontarians to high-speed Internet as we are," said John Maduri, CEO of Barrett Xplore Inc. "Our mission is to provide innovative broadband solutions to rural customers at work, home, and play."

Through the Building Canada Fund – Major Infrastructure Component, the governments of Canada and Ontario target larger, strategic projects of national and regional significance. Projects that support economic growth, such as connectivity and broadband, qualify for joint funding under this fund.







## Fall 2010 Photo Wall



## Steenburg Lake Summer Events

#### Regatta & Barbecue:

Saturday, July 9th 2011, 11 a.m. @ the Beach

The Annual Steenburg Lake Regatta will take place on at the beach, followed by a Barbecue. PLEASE BRING YOUR CANOES, KAYAKS, AND APPETITES!!! New activities, it's going to be fun for everyone!

#### **Road Clean Up:**

Sunday, July 10th 2011, 9:30a.m. - 11a.m.

Help make Steenburg Lake shine! North Road residents meet at the Beach and South Road residents meet at the 1st "Y" in the Road.

#### Lakeside Movie Night:

Saturday, July 30st 2011 8:45 p.m.

You are invited to come out and join your neighbours for an outdoor movie. Anchor your boat across from Loon Island on the evening of the event, and please remember to keep safety in mind. It will be dark at the end of the event, so have a strong flashlight for the ride home. FM Radios are optional for that full drive-in experience. Weather permitting, no rain, no wind. Cottage #98 South Rd.











### Annual General Meeting & Steak Barbecue: Limerick Community Centre

Sunday July 31st 2011, 9:30a.m.

The Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, July 31st, 2011. Coffee at 9:30, meeting commences at 10am. Barbecue follows the meeting. (Steak and Potatoes and Corn on the Cob!)

Please note that this barbecue is for cottagers with active membership in the SLCA who attend the Annual General Meeting. Guests of SLCA members are welcome, but will be asked for a donation to the association.

#### Please Call 613-474-1032 to confirm attendance or **RSVP Online**

Volunteers are requested to assist with this event. Please contact Carolyn.Dobson@steenburglake.com or Marlene.Pollard@steenburglake.com

#### **Fun Run:**

Saturday, August 13th, 2011 9:30a.m.

Registration (\$5/participant): Race Starts: 10:00 am Distance: 5km for runners and walkers...(or walk until you've had enough)

Where: Start/Finish will be at the South Road and Hwy 62. See the website to sign up.

Includes a t-shirt and snack and prizes awarded to both males and females who finish 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their age categories.

#### "Have-A-Dock" Jamboree, Dockside Concert:

Saturday Aug 13th 2011, 7:00p.m.

The musical group "Claidhmor" will perform Scottish, Irish and east coast songs. This waterfront concert will be held at the dock of Fred and Karen Cotie (Cottage #30B North Road, across from the old marina). Feel free to anchor your boats out front and enjoy the entertainment.