Bay Lake Property Owners Association Newsletter

Fall 2002

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Bay Lake Property Owners Association 21st Annual General Meeting was held at the Bay Lake/Clear Lake Hall on Sunday, August 4th.

President Roger Monchamp reported on the year's events and invited Reeve Bill Core to speak to the 52 members present. He addressed the conditions of the roads, specifically the resurfacing of HWY 592 and the repair and resurfacing of Bay Lake Road, which is presently underway. Mr. Core answered questions about the Transfer Station. All waste and brush deposited at the site is being transferred to a new landfill in the township. Unfortunately, the market for recyclables deposited at the site is poor. Only the coloured glass, crushed and used in road repairs, has found a market. He indicated that hazardous waste recovery would soon be offered at the site.

Mr. Core also spoke about a proposal to amalgamate Perry, Armor and Ryerson Townships and the town of Burk's Falls. There will be public information meetings held to present the issues and alternatives being considered (see Amalgamation Information).

Nominations and elections were conducted and many new members as well as all current executives were nominated. Seventeen members were elected to the 2002-03 executive committee. Their names and positions are listed in this newsletter.

On Saturday, August 3rd the annual Bay Lake Family Fun Poker Run was held.

POKER RUN SUCCESS!

The Webbers and the Bedards again, graciously hosted the event. The weather was warm and sunny and a great number of Bay Lake residents and their' guests enjoyed the afternoon.



At the end of the day \$180 in prizes was awarded, \$60 of the prize money was donated to the B.L.P.O.A. and \$46 profit was realized by the association.

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CORN ROAST

On Saturday, September 1, the annual BLPOA Corn and Hotdog Roast and Bonfire was held at the public boat ramp. Many thanks to the members who made this event such a success



again this year! It is sometimes hard to imagine how much effort and detail is required to host such a sizeable gathering but, once again the volunteers came through.

Without mentioning any names, thanks to.. The Chilli Cookers The Lumberjacks The Corn Huskers & their troops The Chefs du Jour...for only a few burnt offerings to the BBQ gods. The Set up Crew & Cleaner Uppers The Gofers & Getters Our gracious & helpful neighbours at the boat ramp.

The menu this year was expanded beyond the usual corn, dogs & chilli, taking on a more international flavour. The 110 or so people in attendance consumed: 3 large 12 litre pots of chilli 130 portions of Cevapi sausage 72 portions of Octoberfest sausage 72 portions of Bratwurst sausage 48 portions of Dereziner sausage 5 dozen hot dogs 8.5 dozen large sausage buns 10 pkg. of hot dog buns 12 dozen cobs of corn 6 cases of pop

We hope everyone had an enjoyable time and that indigestion didn't spoil the rest of the weekend. We are looking for feedback from members who may have some helpful suggestions for next year. Maybe some advice on how to keep a crowd entertained a little longer into the night...

SIGNBOARD CONTEST!!

At the AGM it was proposed that a new signboard be created. We are currently working on the design and we would like some input from Bay Lake residents in the form of a slogan or motto. The chosen entry will have a permanent place of honour on the new signboard. We suggest that shorter is sometimes better and will fit more easily on the sign.

Submit your entries to: Bay Lake Property Owners Association P.O. Box 0, Station Site 4D, R.R. #1 Emsdale, ON P0A 1J0

<u>**OR</u>** use the e-mail link on the Bay Lake website. <u>www.baylakeontario.com</u></u>

LAKE STEWARD REPORT

Our Lake Steward has been busy as usual, gathering information from the various provincial agencies for us...

The Ministry of the Environment (M.O.E.) has advised all lakefront property owners not to make shoreline changes without M.O.E. approval. Requests should be sent to the M.O.E. with a photo of the existing shoreline and a description of the proposed changes. These changes include placing sand at the shoreline and placement of new docks. M.O.E. is now fining residents for changes made without permission and in some cases they are making residents restore changed shorelines to the original state with a fine. Lake trout will be stocked again in 2003 and pickerel stocking is planned however, fish cost \$3 each so more funding is needed to proceed.

We have applied for and received a \$500 grant from the provincial government to purchase shrubs for shoreline planting this year. These shrubs will be used as a source for BLPOA members to obtain clippings from the established stock and refurbish properties.

We have also received a grant to build new duck boxes. Wayne Redshaw has begun work on them.

Lake quality seems to be improving with increased sightings of nesting birds, amphibians and reports of improved fishing. The loons successfully mated this year and there are more crayfish and freshwater clams in the lake. However, the last Secchi Disk readings show that lake clarity has declined since 2001.

As many may have noticed, the marker buoys were not placed in the channel this year. We have been informed that doing so increased BLPOA liability risk.

BLPOA WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out our association website at <u>www.baylakeontario.com</u>. Check it often for photos of recent social events and beautiful shots of our lake. You can notify us of a change of address, obtain a form to pay your fees, or contact your executive through the on site e-mail link.

NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

Technology marches on! In order to serve our members more efficiently we would like to offer to send your quarterly newsletter via email. Our mailing costs per year are nearly \$600. If you choose to receive your newsletter by e-mail this will assist us in reducing our expenses as well as cutting down the amount of paper you have to deal with in your mail. Another advantage to receiving the newsletter on line is that it will be in colour. The cost of colour copying has not allowed us to use it in our mailed copies.

If you elect this option please notify us at:

baylake@hotmail.com

BLPOA EXECUTIVE 2002-03

Executive Positions

President	Roger Monchamp	
1 st V.P.	Laszlo Kedvessy	
2 nd V.P.	David Power	
Treasurer	Judy Dunn	
Secretary #1	Randy Webber	
Secretary #2	Patti Tilley	
Lake Steward	Jack Podwinski	
Newsletter Editor	Patti Tilley	
Sign Board Committee	John Dunn	
C	& Rob Tilley	
Quality of Life Committee	Susan Wright	
Members at large	0	
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AMALGAMATION INFORMATION

On September 27 & 28 there were information sessions on the amalgamation issue held at the Novar Community Centre and several other locations. If you wish any information you should contact the Perry Township offices in Emsdale. All comments should be submitted to the township no later than October 11th, 2002.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Thanks to those who have recently sent their membership dues. To those who have not joined, please, don't be shy! Membership includes 4 issues of this newsletter per year, invitation to all organized events and the benefits of all the services and activities performed by the executive.

It is also important that we have the most current information on our members, so please be sure to let us know of any changes in your address and/or phone number(s).

Use this form to notify us of **change of address information**, to **pay your membership fees**, and/or to **make a donation** to the Association. You can also notify us of changes via our website: <u>www.baylakeontario.com</u>

Name		
Home Address		
Home Phone		
Lake 911 Address		
Lake Phone		
I am enclosing a cheque for my 2001-2002 dues:		
\$15.00 (1 vote at AGM) \$20.00 (2 votes at AGM)		

I am enclosing a donation to the BLPOA:

Amount: \$

Make any cheques payable to the Bay Lake Property Owners Association. Either drop your completed form(s) in the suggestion box or send to:

P.O. Box 0, Station Site 4D, R.R. #1 Emsdale, ON P0A 1J0

Membership dues can also be dropped off at Roger & Debbie Monchamp's:

889 Bay Lake Road