

Spring 2016
Volume 11

Three Mile Lake Barnacle

Your "In-Depth" Lake News

Annual General Meeting Agenda
(Sunday, July 3 @ 10:00am)

Saving Trees!

2016 will be the last year for printing & delivery of our annual Newsletter...we will continue to provide the Barnacle on our web site and provide updates through our Facebook group...

Pay On-Line!

You can pay your annual Membership on-Line securely through PayPal / credit card on our web site, www.3milelake.org ! Go to the 'Members' link...

Our Facebook group reached 130 members this Spring! We are finding this is the best way to communicate quickly in the community. Join at www.3milelake.org

NEW MAILING ADDRESS: Three Mile Lake Community Club (TMLCC)
Post Office Box 232, Burk's Falls, ON P0A 1C0
Email: info@3milelake.org Web: www.3milelake.org

Membership Benefits

Reminder that we need your support!

We know it's easy to forget that annual \$25 charge for your Three Mile Lake association membership...but we need your support!

Your annual membership helps pay for:

- Markers for rocks & shoals
- Water quality testing & reporting
- On-line presence (web site hosting & updating)
- Costs toward annual picnic and bbq

Download Renewal Form at www.3milelake.org/2136

We Won't Cross That Bridge When We Get To It...

Yonge Street (Burk's Falls) and Doe Lake (Katrine) bridges are closed for repairs all summer...

Water Testing

Our dedicated group of lake water testers (led by Arnie Pundsack) continue to monitor Three Mile Lake quality. Unfortunately, the University of Waterloo has discontinued their testing program, which we have used to supplement our testing. We are currently on the lookout for other programs or specific testing we can take advantage of to give us as much information as possible. We've been very fortunate with water quality but monitoring on an on-going basis is critical to avoiding unpleasant surprises. 2015 (as well as the 7 previous years') results are available on our web site under 'Your Lake & Environment'. If you have suggestions, please email us at info@3milelake.org or contact one of the TMLCC directors.

A summary of findings from 2015 is also on the second page of this year's Barnacle...

Upcoming Events

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, July 3, 2016 @ 10:00 am at the Katrine Community Centre.

Annual Picnic and BBQ

Bring the entire family...and all cottage guests! Land and water games for kids & adults! Great food! A perfect way to make new friends and catch up with old ones!

Date & Time: Saturday, July 30, 2016 @ 11:00am

Location: 39 Horizon Rd – From the lake, grey cottage on north end...dock will be marked with balloons.

Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday, July 31, 2016. Shotgun start @ 8:30am at the Almaguin Highlands Golf Course in Katrine – www.cottagegolf.ca...\$30, including BBQ and prizes...what a deal!

For reservations or to donate prizes, email danleonard97@gmail.com or call 705-382-1602...

To reserve carts call 705-349-8337.

Payment will be available On-Line!

Email: info@3milelake.org

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Water Testing Results from 2015

The **coliform** levels were tested twice during the summer at five different spots on the lake and the good news is that all results were below the threshold for recreational waters. The maximum allowable value is 1000 cfus (colony forming units).

cfus	TMA-1	TMA-2	TMA-3	TMA-4	TMA-5
8/11/2015	146	255	98	188	59
9/09/2015	388	114	119	188	33

The **E.coli** levels were also tested twice at the same five spots in the lake. The E.coli levels were also below the recreational water threshold of 100 cfus but two values were in the 70s which is higher than one would wish.

cfus	TML-1	TML-2	TML-3	TML-4	TML-5
8/11/2015	<3	11	<3	79	3
9/09/2015	<3	72	11	13	3

High **phosphorus** along with nitrogen can be a driver of algae blooms. Typically, one would like to have phosphorus levels below 20 µg/L. All of our results (by both Lake Partner and Waterloo students) were below 20µg/L except for one test by the university students which was taken in Sandy Cove in late July. Testing in the Cove was a new experiment in 2015.

The table below shows the Lake Partner results from testing in the deep part of the lake. There are two samples taken each time.

June 20, 2015	8.0, 10.2 µg/L
July 15, 2015	9.0, 9.0
Aug 22, 2015	11.6, 11.6
Sept. 17, 2015	10.0, 10.8
Oct. 11, 2015	10.4, 10.4

Complete test results available under 'Your Lake & Environment' on web site.

Cottage Kid Zone

Now available on our web site – Cottage KidZone! Please send us your ideas for recipes, crafts and games so that we can share with kids around Three Mile Lake. We've added a Cottage KidZone tab to our web site at www.3milelake.org. Email ideas to info@3milelake.org or post them on our Facebook group page. We're looking for ideas to keep our kids engaged and connected!

Trash Talk

Things have changed at the Burk's Falls landfill...clear plastic bags will be mandatory as of July 1, 2016...and the recycling stations have been improved.

Contact Information to Keep Close-By...

Emergency Services

(Fire, Police, Ambulance)...911

Non-emergency local O.P.P. detachment (Almaguin / Burk's Falls)...705-382-2015

Armour Township (building permits, by-laws, local roads, snow removal, landfill, etc)...705-382-3332

Burk's Falls Landfill Site Summer Hours – 10am – 5pm Thursday through Tuesday (closed Wednesdays)

The Burk's Falls Towne Theatre ... schedule will be posted on web site

Burk's Falls Farmers' Market ...Open every Tuesday throughout the summer on Commercial Drive across from Tim's.

Burk's Falls Arena open for ice time throughout the summer! 705-382-3811

Your TMLCC Executives and Directors:

Rod Ward (President)
Barb Leonard (Treasurer)
Arlene Vujacic (Secretary)
Arnie Pundsack (Steward)

Directors:

Albert Bollenbach
Jim Douey
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Tim Taylor
Tammy Lachapelle-Ward
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Vivian Harvey

Don't Forget to Visit www.3milelake.org every day! Join our Facebook page...get up-to-date news and information...take our informal polls...tell your kids!

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