

Spring 2010
Volume 5

Three Mile Lake Barnacle

Your "In-Depth" Lake News

Annual General Meeting Agenda
(Sunday, July 4 @ 10:00am)

- Water quality
- Three Mile Lake Community Events
- Local News & Updates – Guest from Local Council

Emergency Contacts...

Three years ago, the TMLCC provided pill bottles & emergency sheets to be available at the cottage in case of emergency ...don't forget to update your info annually!

Pay On-Line!

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

NEW MAILING ADDRESS: Three Mile Lake Community Club (TMLCC)
Post Office Box 181, Katrine, ON P0A 1L0
Email: info@3milelake.org Web: www.3milelake.org

3MileLake.Org Web Site...What's New??

In March of 2010, the Three Mile Lake Virtual Community web site (www.3milelake.org) took on a whole new look and feel. One of our main goals as an association is to keep our members informed throughout the year, whether it be reporting results of our water testing, providing updates on local news, or communicating items which may be of interest to those connected with Three Mile Lake. Given that our members live all across the province (and, in fact, all across the world) our web site has become our most valuable communication tool. We

have added some new features as well, including the ability to pay for memberships or special events such as the golf tournament on-line; regular updates via Twitter and Facebook; a local web cam; and a News Tickertape feature. For fun, we also have on-line voting polls and a Three Mile Lake 'blog'. As a Three Mile Laker, this is your web site. We welcome suggestions, and perhaps most importantly, we want input and feedback from our next generation of cottagers – our kids. They will be the ones who will protect our environment and keep the

lines of communication open in the future. Please visit our site often...and feel free to send suggestions or comments to info@3milelake.org .

Upcoming Events!

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, July 4, 2010 @ 10:00am at the Katrine Community Centre

Annual Family Picnic

Saturday, July 31, 2010 starting @ 11:00am on the 'north shore' (Skyline Drive / Horizon Road)

Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday, August 1, 2010 starting @ 8:30am at the Katrine Golf Course...

Payment will be available On-Line!

Our Lake and Environment

The most important aspect of our lake (next to the memories of cottage life) is the lake itself. We have seen enough examples close to us where environmental problems have led to headache and heartache for cottagers on other lakes. Our role is to ensure that those connected with Three Mile

Lake are informed, and that each of us play their part in ensuring the lake and its surrounding environment remain healthy. It is up to all of us because the issue is too large for one person or one small group. We will continue to provide information, and encourage you to join us at the Annual Meeting and

continue to visit our web site for up-to-date reports and information on how you can help. Encourage everyone in your family to be informed and participate.

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Cottage Break-ins and Vandalism...Always a Concern

Unfortunately, the start of the cottage season sometimes includes the discovery that unwanted intruders have visited while your place has been unoccupied. This Spring a number of break-ins on both the mainland and islands were reported. If you see suspicious activity in progress anywhere on the Lake, call 9-1-1. If you've discovered that a break-in or vandalism has already occurred, call the Almaguin O.P.P. detachment through the non-emergency number 1-888-310-1122.

Your TMLCC Executives and Directors:

Rod Ward (President)
Gary Hollo (Vice-President)
Barb Leonard (Treasurer)
Arlene Vujacic (Secretary)

Directors:

Albert Bollenbach
Steve Foster
Gord Isbister
Shelley Johnson
Gary McFarlane
Denise Minns
Arnie Pundsack
Mike Rainey
Sharon Sheils
Tim Taylor
Theresa Ward

Annual Picnic and Sailing Race – Saturday, July 31, 2010

We're pleased to announce that Sharon and her army of volunteers will again organize the Picnic for the long August weekend (Saturday, July 31, 2010). Games, races, BBQ and, of course, the traditional East Versus West Tug-O'-War will be part of the festivities. Volunteers make this event a success...please help Sharon and her team by assisting for short periods on Picnic Day. She can be reached at 705-787-0861, or email

sasm@vianet.ca. We've had great weather and excellent turnouts for the last 5 straight years...we're hoping for more of the same in '10!

Another Three Mile Lake tradition on the August long weekend is the Annual Around the Islands Sailing Race. Gord Isbister will once again be organizing this year's race. Please call Gord at 705-382-5325 or send him an email at betgor127@gmail.com if you would like to take

part...

Come out and make this year another successful one!

Don't Forget!!

All boat operators of any age driving any sized boat must now have their Pleasure Craft Operator Card. Our lake IS patrolled!

Go to www.boatsmartexam.com to find out more...

Golf Tournament – Sunday, August 1

Another great tradition of the August long weekend is the Annual Three Mile Lake Golf Tournament. This has been a huge success over the years. This year, you can book (and pay) on-line on the

web site! Simply go to the 'News & Events' link at www.3milelake.org and sign up...or contact Dan (dleonard3@cogeco.ca), for more info. Spots filled up fast last year so book early! Donations of prizes are most welcome!

FREE Ads!!

Do you have an item to sell or give away? Or are you looking for something for the cottage? Try an ad on our web site. Take the "Market Place" link on www.3milelake.org ... FREE for all TMLCC members.

The Next Generation...Protecting The Future

Our youngest generation has an awareness for protecting our environment that will be key to maintaining our cottage legacy down the road. Education curriculums and access to information through social media and the Internet mean that we can no longer use lack of information as an excuse for not acting. Leaving

shorelines in their natural state; ensuring we have properly maintained septic systems; using 'green' products; minimizing our human footprint in the surrounding natural setting. All of this is well-documented and available through any number of sources. The kids in school today know all of this, and they are our most valuable resource in

protecting the Lake and its environment. We need these kids to observe and speak up. Perhaps use our lake as a subject for school projects. Send us a message when they see something they're concerned about. Nurturing this type of participation will make it easy to protect our Lake and environment in the future.

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

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