



# LKO NEWSLETTER

## FALL 2006

### President's Message

The storm on August 2 added an unexpected level of excitement and inconvenience to an otherwise wonderful summer.

Thanks to the commitment of many volunteers and good weather, the **LKO Regatta and BBQ** held on Saturday July 22 was a great success. Everybody involved is keen to repeat this success – the date for **next year's Regatta will be Saturday July 7, 2007** – again at the Bonnie View Inn.

Development activity on Kash continues with construction of 19 cottages at **Marcus Beach** (formerly Edgewater Beach) and with plans for 59 units at **Silver Beach** before Dysart Council.

LKO's **Biological Water Testing**, made possible through the contributions of our **Corporate Sponsors** (see below), continued in 2006 thanks to the efforts of LKO's Lake Stewards Steve Rivett and his son Alex. Kash's water tested even better than in 2005. Everybody on Kash and our neighbours upstream can be proud that **Kash again tested safe for swimming all season**.

The **municipal election** process is in full swing with all candidates meetings being held and signs everywhere. Please check out your candidates and then **VOTE**.

The **LKO AGM in 2007** will again be held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Please mark the morning of **Saturday June 23, 2007** on your calendars.

This summer three LKO members agreed to join the LKO Board to give some of their time and energy to keeping Kash great. I know they look forward to your continued support.

Stan Peck President, LKO

#### **CORPORATE SPONSORS OF THE LKO ENHANCED WATER QUALITY TESTING PROGRAM FOR 2006**

**BONNIE VIEW INN  
BRYSON'S MARINE  
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CHATEAU WOODLANDS LAKESIDE COMMUNITY CLUB  
DELTA PINESTONE RESORT  
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HALIMAR LODGE  
KASHAGA LODGE  
SILVER BEACH CAMPING AND TRAILER PARK  
SPRUCE NARROWS  
WIGAMOG INN RESORT  
WILLIAM'S LANDING  
WILLOW BEACH COTTAGES**

**There is also one Associate Member**

## LKO AGM 2006 – Highlights

This year LKO's AGM moved to the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The date of June 24 was a little earlier in the summer being the weekend before the July 1 long weekend.

Both Reeves **Jim McMahon** of Minden Hills and **Murray Fearrey** of Dysart et al were on hand to give us an overview of current issues including taxes and waste management.

Our **keynote speaker** was a fellow LKO member, **Rob Davis**, who gave us a very informative and enjoyable presentation on the health of your septic system. I think most of the audience wanted to hear more than the mere 15 minutes that we gave him.

The surprise event of the meeting was the five minute vignette from the play '**The Miracle Worker**' that was performed for our benefit. The dramatic vignette was a realistic and enticing carrot to attend the complete play when it was staged later in the summer.

Your LKO Board has changed with **Bill Chandler**, **Gord Eardley** and **Lourene Scott** stepping down and being replaced by **Al Oakley**, **Anne Nickson** and **Graham Parkinson**. LKO is fortunate to have people such as Bill, Gord and Lourene and now Al, Anne and Graham willing to dedicate some of their precious time and effort to supporting your lake association.

LKO continued its tradition of donating to worthy causes in our community. This year LKO donated:

- \$500 to the **Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation** bringing LKO's total contributions to \$3000. This donation was accepted by Executive Director Dale Walker and Chairman Peter Oyler.
- \$250 to the **4 C's** – accepted by Ave Petch
- \$250 to the **Minden Food Bank** – accepted by Bill Obee
- \$200 to the **Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association** – accepted by John Ball.

After the meeting most people stayed to enjoy the great sandwiches prepared by Betty Mark and the cookies by Mary Peck and to chat with fellow LKO members.

We look forward to seeing you at the next LKO AGM at this same location on Saturday June 23, 2007.

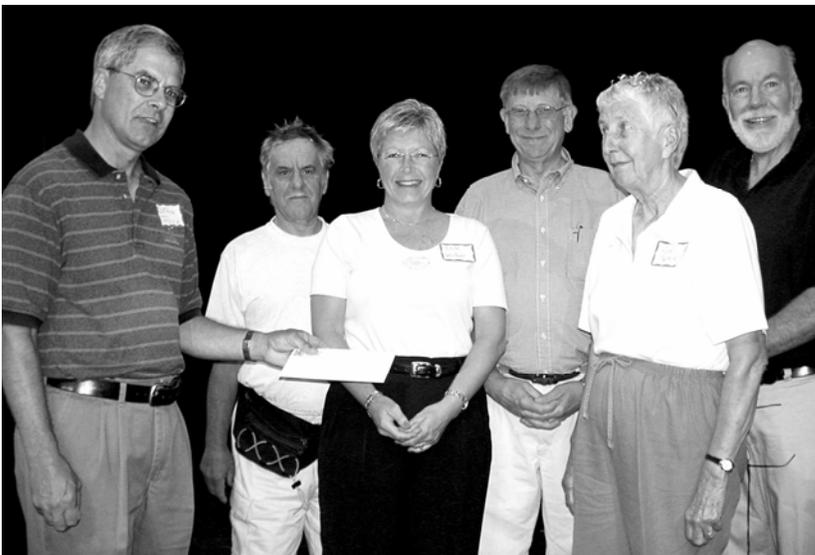


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**Stan Peck, LKO President, presents donations by LKO to John Ball, Dale Walker, Bill Obee, Ave Petch and Peter Oyler.**

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## **LKO Annual General Meeting for 2007**

As a result of the success of this year's LKO AGM, the plan is to repeat the same format and venue next year. The LKO AGM will again be held at the **Northern Lights Arts Pavilion** in the **Haliburton Highlands Secondary School**. So please remember to mark your 2007 calendars for **Saturday June 23, 2007**. The meeting will run from 10am to noon followed by an opportunity to mingle with other LKO members over **sandwiches, cookies and pop**.

## **Development Activity**

### **Marcus Beach Development**

This 19 unit development will have 15 units occupied by early next year. The balance of 4 units will commence construction in the spring and will likely be completed by late fall. This project has proceeded very speedily. It is also a definite improvement over the buildings that were previously on the site.

### **Silver Beach Development**

This proposed development is presently a 76 unit trailer park that the developer is proposing to replace with condominiums, both townhouses and single family homes. The original request was for a development of 81 units that has been reduced to 59 units through discussions between the proponent, Dysart Township and LKO. Since there are Zoning and Official Plan issues to be resolved, the LKO will be providing comments to both the County of Haliburton and Dysart Township at the respective meetings on October 25 and October 30.

While your Association generally supports the plan, there are some areas that, in our opinion, require refinements to assist in addressing our concerns. We will keep you posted.

John Matthews, VP

## **Municipal Elections**

As you know from all the election signs, municipal elections are being held this fall.

It is important that you, as a waterfront property owner, take the trouble to decide who are the best candidates including who best understands the issues of importance to waterfront property owners. Then, most of all, it is important to **VOTE**.

Lake Kashagawigamog falls within Ward 1 of the Township of Minden Hills and Ward 2 of the Township of Dysart et al.

Accordingly, below is the list of candidates relevant to 'Kash' property owners.

### **Township of Minden Hills**

#### ***Reeve:***

Wally Dove  
Jim McMahon \*  
Wende Plante

#### **Councillor At Large:**

Albert Foster  
Peter Oyler \*

#### ***Deputy Reeve:***

Cheryl Murdoch \* (acclaimed)

#### **Councillor Ward 1:**

Larry Bullington  
Clayton Cameron \*  
Ron Nesbitt  
Bill Obee  
Lisa Schell  
Lou Trepanier  
Diane M. Wigley

### **Township of Dysart et al**

#### **Reeve:**

Murray Fearrey \* (acclaimed)

#### **Councillor Ward 2:**

Dennis Casey  
Jamie Cowen  
Derek Knowles  
Gary McDonald  
Nancy Stinson

#### **Deputy Reeve:**

Bill Davis \*  
Jim Henwood  
Walt McKechnie  
Bob Nichol

\* **current incumbent**

So please remember to **VOTE** this fall whether in person or by mail.

### **LKO Web-site** [www.lko.on.ca](http://www.lko.on.ca)

LKO has decided to implement a managed services approach to supporting LKO's web-site [www.lko.on.ca](http://www.lko.on.ca) . Accordingly, Michael Young of SoftTechTraining.com will be taking over this responsibility from Gord Eardley over the next couple of months.

When that transition is complete, Graham Parkinson has offered to help maintain the content on the site. I know that he will be looking for volunteers to help him do this.

Stan Peck

# LAKE KASHAGAWIGAMOG REGATTA 2006

**T**was the night before the Regatta and all across the lake,  
Anticipation was mounting, it was hard  
to sleep for goodness sake;

The lifejackets were hung, by the front door with care,  
In hopes that 2pm Saturday, soon would be there;

The children were nestled, all snug in their beds,  
While visions of friendly competition, danced in their heads;  
With team leaders in colours, and committee members hats,  
The Bonnie View Inn is where all the fun and games were at;

Out on the lawn, relays, tug-o-war we did play,  
Nature hunts, face painting and volleyball, did you say?

Into the water, all jumped with a splash,  
Swimming, canoeing, crackers and whistling, what a bash;

The sun on the afternoon, provided a much needed glow,  
For the temperatures in the morning had us worried it may snow;

When what to our wondering eyes should appear?  
But, the long distance swimmers, full of energy, not fear;  
Many thanks to the volunteers, so lively and quick,  
And to Paramedic George, who made sure we weren't sick;

With chicken and burgers and great salads for our plate,  
Kudos to Andrea and her crew, the meal and service were great;

Go Kash, Go Ag, Go Wig and Go Mog,  
***We'll see you all next summer, July 7<sup>th</sup> ...hope for no fog!***



## THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS...

- BONNIE VIEW INN
- BRYSON'S MARINE & STORAGE
- ECOETHIC
- HULL ESTATE MEDIATION
- MARCUS BEACH

## THANKS TO OUR SUPER VOLUNTEERS

HEATHER ALLOWAY • JOANNE BEER • ROSS BEER • HEATHER CHILDS • CARYL COLTON • SANDY COOPER • DON CURRAN • BARB DAVIS • BEN DAVIS • IAN DUNCOMBE • SARAH FALLIS • XANTHI HATZIS • JUDY HIGGINS • TIM HIGGINS • ANDREW HULL • KENZIE HULL • STUART HULL • DEREK KNOWLES • CHRISTOPHER LOWCOCK • STEW MACLEOD • JOHN MATTHEWS • ADAM MCFARLAND • PETER OVERINGTON • DIANE PARRINGTON • LEN PARRINGTON • MARY PECK • BOB PUFFER • ALDRIN PRIMAYLON • ANNE PTOLEMY • TANYA REILLY • CAROL SHARPLEY • JOANNE SHARPLEY • MERRON TRULL • GAIL WALLACE • MICHELLE WILSON • ADAM WYLES • GARY WYLES

## FEEDBACK, SUGGESTIONS, GETTING INVOLVED...

If you have any feedback on this year's Regatta, or suggestions for next year, please let us know! We'd also like to hear from anyone interested in getting involved in planning next year's event. Send an e-mail to: stanpeck@rogers.com

## REGATTA COMMITTEE 2006

JOHN PUFFER (CHAIR) • CAROLYN CHILDS • LYNN CHILDS • ALEX CHESNEY • ROB DAVIS • HEATHER GODDEN • CATHERINE HOARE • SARAH PARKINSON • STAN PECK • KIRSTEN SIXT

## **Biological Water Testing**

Good News! Biological water testing of Lake Kashagawigamog by LKO's Lake Stewards Alex and Steve Rivett produced results even better than last year !

Based on LKO's water testing, Kash again tested safe for swimming all summer.

Thanks to the financial support from LKO's Corporate Sponsors (see the list on the front of the Newsletter) LKO's Lake Stewards Alex and Steve Rivett tested for Total Coliform (TC) and E-Coli (EC) at seven locations every two weeks from May 13 to September 2 inclusive. Beaches warnings can be posted by the MOE when Total Coliform exceeds 1000 ppm or E-Coli exceeds 100 ppm.

The highest (i.e., worst) readings occur where the Drag River enters Grass Lake. Long periods of drought and higher water temperatures followed by heavy precipitation can cause higher readings.

In addition, Kash water clarity was good with Secchi Disk readings of five metres. i.e., when the black and white Secchi disk is down five metres in the water it disappears from view.

With the continued cooperation from our neighbours upstream and those of us on Kash we can continue to keep Kash safe for swimming. (see detailed results below)

## **Biological Water Testing Results for 2006**

Test Site	Sat May 13		Sat May 27		Sat Jun 10		Sat Jun 24		Sat Jul 15		Sat Jul 29		Sat Aug 19		Sat Sep 2	
	TC	EC	TC	EC												
<b>Drag River at Grass Lake</b>	< 3	< 3	19	3	289	13	213	13	127	16	405	25	111	7	5	3
<b>Bonnieview, Birch Pt. Halimar Shores</b>	3	5	< 3	3	33	3	49	< 3	59	< 3	87	8	59	3	3	< 3
<b>Wigamog / Silver Beach Shores</b>	22	30	3	< 3	28	3	25	3	76	3	90	12	49	< 3	3	< 3
<b>Marcus Beach / Williams Landing Bay</b>	3	3	5	3	43	< 3	25	< 3	16	< 3	63	3	22	3	11	3
<b>Soyers Lake Entry @ Cty Rd. 21 Bridge</b>	5	5	5	3	69	< 3	11	< 3	22	5	49	11	30	5	11	3
<b>Control site at 130 ft depth zone</b>	< 3	< 3			11	< 3	11	< 3	11	< 3	14	3	5	< 3	3	< 3
<b>Ingoldsby 200 ft from Bridge</b>	< 3	< 3	< 3	< 3	16	3	< 3	3	11	< 3	11	< 3	11	< 3	5	< 3
<b>Other</b>							119	< 3								

TC = Total Coliform

EC = E-Coli

< 3 means the reading was 0, 1 or 2

## Reminiscences from 60 Years Ago

Thirteen flat tires and an overnight stay on a farmer's field preceded our arrival in Haliburton from Toronto.

The war had started, gas rationing and tire restriction made travel a challenge.

Dad had been born in Kinmount but as a child moved to and was educated in Haliburton. He eventually moved to Toronto where he raised our family. His friend Mr. Bruce Gould allowed us to camp on his Lake Kashagawigamog farm property approximately 3 miles from town.

Wallings delivered milk daily. Darts delivered bread alternate days with Minden Bakery.

Town was busy with the train station and mill. Log booms filled Head Lake and sawdust from the mill covered the lake bottom for years. The water was crystal clear – no weeds.

We camped approximately 3 years and then rented one of the 3 properties in the bay. The land adjacent came up for sale in 1947. Four generations later we are still enjoying 'The Wild Place'.

Haliburton was a dry county at this time and a trip to Minden for spirits or beer was necessary. Teens had it made with the Roberts' sisters pleasantly serving blueberry pie and tin roof sundaes at the Kosy, first run films at the Molou and dances through the week at most of the lodges. And who could forget 'The Slipper'? We used to row across the lake to The Slipper and mother would leave a lantern on the dock to light our way home.

A large black bear hanging outside Moss Robertson's Butcher Shop, hanging over a pile of sawdust remains a vivid memory of my childhood.

Haliburton the best place to be!

Lois (Hancock) Cooper

If you have a story on or about Lake Kashagawigamog that you think would be worth sharing with your friends on 'Kash', please contact Lynn Childs at: [kidsplay04@hotmail.com](mailto:kidsplay04@hotmail.com)

## LKO Membership Report

As of October 17 we have **272 members in LKO** which is an **increase of 20** over this time last year.

Many thanks to all those members who believe in LKO and have been advocates to their neighbours about joining and supporting LKO.

Thanks also to LKO's **Corporate Sponsors** (see the list on the front of this Newsletter) for their support of LKO and in particular LKO's Enhanced Water Quality Testing Program.

(Note: the results of this testing for 2006 are posted in this Newsletter).

Lynn Childs

## LKO Treasurer's Report

LKO bank account as of October 19, 2006	\$ 4,768.30
LKO investment account as of September 30, 2006	<u>\$21,153.94</u>
LKO's Total Assets	\$25,922.24

Al Oakley Treasurer, LKO

## **A Trent Severn Waterway Initiative – the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow**

This summer the LKO Board voted to join and support the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow (CEWF). This is the latest update from Bonnie Fleischaker who initiated this dialogue with the Trent Severn Waterways several months ago.

### **October 2006 Report from the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow**

For decades, property owners on the lakes that serve as reservoirs for the Trent-Severn Waterway have experienced and complained about the sudden drastic drop in the levels of the water in our lakes. It has been especially noticeable in recent years as boats need to be anchored further and further out from shore earlier and earlier in the season.

Many people have attempted to lobby for better management of the water flow in Haliburton County without success. Now, after nearly a full year of planning, a group of people representing nearly all the 31 reservoir lakes in our area formed a council called the **Coalition for Equitable Water Flow: Haliburton Sector, TSW**.

The Coalition met this past summer with Barry Devolin, our Member of Parliament and with engineers from the Trent-Severn Waterway. My fellow co-chairs, Bill Cornfield and Bram Lebo and I are pleased to report that the Coalition has now been given formal recognition as an important stakeholder in matters pertaining to the TSW and will speak on behalf of the property owners on the reservoir lakes in our area.

Parks Canada consultants will begin the process to review the TSW Management Plan which will include a detailed examination of Water Management. The Coalition, at the invitation of the TSW, recently provided input for the terms of reference for the study and will be consulted for its duration. Completion of the study is anticipated to be May 2007.

This is an exciting and new development within Parks Canada. We are optimistic that the long, overdue need for change in the management of water flow is being addressed, property owners will be seriously involved in the process and we have been told that we should see some resolution to low water levels in the very near future.

We will keep you informed and welcome any questions you might have. You may also contact your own lake association representative, Anne Nickson, for further information.  
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The next step for LKO is to briefly summarize any concerns our members of Lake Kashagawigamog may have or have experienced in the past. Pictures, past history, anything that might be helpful as the Coalition prepares for the next step of this journey.

Please email me, Anne Nickson, with any information you would like to share regarding the ways the levels of water have affected you and your family. I will make sure they are passed on to the Coalition on your behalf.

My email address is [anne.nickson@sympatico.ca](mailto:anne.nickson@sympatico.ca)

Thank you.  
Anne Nickson