

2017 NEWSLETTER

Lake Panache Camper's Association Inc.

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2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• Early History of Lake Panache, Talk & Pictures Presented by Henry Laamanen

Sunday, March 26, 2017 — Penage Road Community Centre 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

• Hazardous Waste Pickup Day

Saturday, July 8, 2017 — Public Dock, Air Ambulance Road 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. See enclosed flyer on the items that may be collected.

• 2017 Picnic

Saturday, July 22, 2017 — Mountain Cove Lodge I:00 to 4:00 P.M.

• 2017 Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, November 28, 2018 — Tom Davies Community Centre 7:00 P.M.

ANNUAL PANACHE PICNIC BY RUTH PATRICK



Mother Nature smiled upon us again in 2016 as it was a perfect day for the Annual Panache Picnic!

A big thank you to Mountain Cove Lodge for the generous donation of the use of their beautiful grounds. It is an ideal venue for a picnic. Another huge thank you to Investors Group for the loan of their large tent.

We had a large number of young campers enjoying the many games and activities at the picnic. At the end of the event, the children were thrilled to have their names called out to win one of the fun summer toys in the kid's raffle. Adult campers were entertained playing regular and Texas horseshoes. They also socialized with numerous friends, new and old.

All of the campers took part in the ever-popular raw egg toss and "North Shore versus South Shore" tug-of-war contest. These two events are without a doubt the most anticipated of the day. Word must be getting out about our 'gourmet' hot dogs as we sold out again. Luckily, we also had chips, ice cream sandwiches, freezies and drinks to keep everyone satisfied.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the 2017 picnic. It will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2017 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. at Mountain Cove Lodge. Visit our website for the latest information on the picnic and to view photos from last year's fun.

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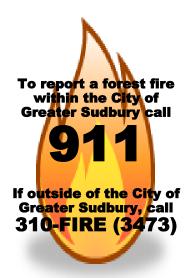
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

Greetings for 2017 and thank you for maintaining your membership. Currently, our membership stands at 241, an increase of 2 new members from 2016.

Renewals are now due for 64 members who expired in 2016 and 62 members we have not heard from since 2014 and 2015. If you received a membership renewal form with your AGM notice in November 2016, your membership is due. Please support your Association. Unsure of your membership status? Please call any of the LPCA Directors for assistance.

Membership forms are available by contacting any LPCA Director or you can download the form from our website at <u>www.lakepanachecampers.com</u>. Keep your contact information current so we can keep you informed about the Association's activities and events on Lake Panache.

Your membership fees support the Lake Marker Lights, Public Dock Maintenance, Helipad and Air Ambulance Road, Fire Pumps, Lake Stewardship Group and annual LPCA events.

If you have new neighbours, please encourage them to join our association and stay connected...

FIRE REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

2016 was another quiet year for fires around the lake, thankfully! Only 2 small fires were reported and were quickly extinguished — one on North Shore Road and one the east side of the lake in the vicinity of Round Island that was handled by campers and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Your Association has 10 Fire Pump Kits located around the lake. These kits contain a fire pump (runs on regular gas), 200' hose, a spray nozzle and suction line along with operating instructions. Please see the location co-ordinates on the next page or visit our website for the fire pump locations. The kits are for all to use in the event of a fire.

It's very important to let one of the Directors know if you use the kits, if there are any issues with the kits and please return them the way you found them.

A special "Shout Out" to thank all our volunteers who keep the fire pump kits at their camps; your dedication to this program is greatly appreciated!

Escaping for some summer fun requires the same fire safety due diligence you use at home. Before you can truly relax and enjoy the great outdoors, you need to know your family is Fire Smart. That means working smoke alarms on every camp level and outside sleeping areas, make sure the batteries are fresh and alarms are less than 10 years old. Make sure your camp is equipped with CO detectors if you have a fireplace, woodstove, gas heater or any gas or propane appliances.

Should a fire break out in your camp or surrounding area, please ensure your family has an escape plan and assembly area! Also ensure you have your camp GPS coordinates available should you have to call in a fire emergency.

Another great investment to your camp tool kit is your very own fire pump, hose and nozzle or consider sharing a system with your camp neighbours!.

In the event of fire, call the MNRF immediately at: 310-FIRE (3473)

or the City of Greater Sudbury at 911

FIRE PUMP LOCATIONS

Number	Camp Location	GPS Coordinates
#1	Kaitila Camp - Big Pine Island - Sand Channel	N 46* 15'02.3" W 081* 20'13.3"
#2	McMurray Camp - Treasure Island - South Side	N 46* 15'14.0" W 081* 21'38.3"
#3	Bois Camp - East of Burnt Island Narrows - North Side	N 46* 12'55.9" W 081*12'09.2"
#4	McDonald Camp - Stoney Bay	N 46* 15'56 " W 081* 27'33"
#5	Duncanson Camp - 2029 North Shore Road	N 46* 14'45.0" W 081* 27'06.1"
# 6	Fredette Camp - 211 Ojibway Road	N 46* 16'40.4" W 081* 20'17.4"
#7	Vildis Camp - 55 Ojibway Road	N 46* 16'48.2" W 081* 17'48.4"
#8	Ketola Camp – Newtons Bay	N 46* 14'12.2" W 081* 19'52.0"
#9	Penage Bay Marina	N 46* 16'20.6" W 081*20'57.6"
#10	Bimm Camp - Island #7	N 46*13'22.3" W 081*19'50.2"

LIGHT REPORT BY PAUL YOUNG

The Lake Panache Camper's Association continues to install and maintain flashing amber maker lights in various locations around the lake to designate shoals and other hazards. We generally have the lights installed by Victoria Day long weekend and removed sometime after Thanksgiving. The lights are located primarily in high traffic areas and are installed by volunteers who donate their time and resources.

Several years ago, the lights were all converted from conventional battery operated lights to solar powered LED lights to improve reliability and decrease the maintenance required to keep them operational. This allowed many lights to be left out year round. It also put an end to the purchase, and subsequent disposal, of approximately 120 batteries twice a year which over the eight year life of the lights would be an astonishing 1,900 batteries!

Last year we began replacing our lights with new, second generation LED lights as our first batch exceeded their life expectancy and were beginning to fail. This conversion took place over the course of the summer and will be fully complete this spring. The new lights are slightly brighter, and are rated at slightly longer range with a longer life expectancy. Our old lights have been sent to the hazardous waste depot for proper disposal.

Our intention, based on member feedback, was to drill for a few new locations during the winter months. However, Mother Nature has not cooperated and instead gave us unpredictable and very slushy ice conditions. We now expect to be doing this work in the spring or early summer, depending on the water level (and black flies!)

We remind you these marker lights are only installed to identify hazards. They are not approved by Transport Canada and are not intended for navigational purposes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

Greetings Lake Panache Campers! The 2017 camp season is well on its way and it's time to get you up to speed on the happenings around the lake. The unusually mild January had its effects on ice conditions on the lake; please be as careful on the ice as you are on the open water, safety first, safety always!

I'm sure most of you are experiencing the always improving cellular coverage around the lake, due in part to the installation of the Bell Tower on Ojibway Road. Thank you Bell Canada!

After the installation of solar lights on the reflective cones at the Air Ambulance Helipad, we were informed by Ornge the site was certified for night operation. In the fall of 2015, we were advised by Ornge that recent changes to Helipad site design removed our night landing certification. LPCA reviewed Ornge's latest site design regulations and determined the modifications required to meet Ornge's night landing certification are cost prohibitive and we cannot move forward at this time. We will continue our communication with Ornge as to any future changes that may help our situation. Our Helipad continues to be certified for daytime use.

The Lake Panache Waste Transfer Depot on North Shore Road continues to be a topic of conversation and concern. The days of 24/7 site access are behind us and we have to work with the City to manage the hours of operation to best meet the needs of campers. Please see the LPCA website for the 2017 hours of operation - you will see the city added Monday and Saturday mornings for site access. LPCA continues to communicate and work with the City to ensure your concerns are heard and any suggested site access alternatives are brought forward.

New lake marker lights were purchased and the majority installed in 2016. There are a few old lights to be replaced for the 2017 season along with some new locations. Please let us know if you see any lights not functioning as they should.

LPCA to Do's for 2017:

Continued Repairs to the Public Dock and Ambulance Road Maintenance Collect History about Lake Panache and publish on the LPCA Website Continued Lake Stewardship Initiatives to keep our lake pristine!

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday November 30, 2016, at Tom Davies Community Centre in Lively. Guest speakers included Kent Moxam, Conservation Officer for the MNRF with responsibility for Lake Panache. Kent explained his responsibilities on and around the lake and handled many questions of concerns from the audience. Kent asks we call him directly for any lake issues; he can be reached at 705-698-9956. Councillor Michael Vagnini also addressed the meeting and fielded questions and concerns about the waste depot hours and Panache Lake Road conditions. Many on the lake are concerned with the high taxes and lack of services provided by the City.

If you want to know what your LPCA is doing, please come out to the next AGM to be held Tuesday November 28, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. At each Annual General Meeting, elections are held for positions on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Three of our directors, Stuart Greaves, Ruth Patrick and Paul Young stood for re-election in 2016, and we are very happy they all accepted to come back for another term.

Paul and Nigelle Fredette and Tim Walker head up our Lake Stewardship Committee and they have done a fantastic job setting up an extensive water sampling and monitoring program. Their expertise in computers and recording produced some great Lake Stewardship videos and pictures available on our website; please take time to have a look! Please feel free to contact any of the Directors with any questions, concerns or ideas you have to enhance our water quality initiatives.

Your Lake Stewardship Committee held another successful Hazardous Waste Day at the Public Dock Saturday July 9, 2016, and another trailer load of waste was taken away from our lake to the City's hazardous waste depot. Our **2017 Hazardous Waste Day is Saturday, July 8th, 2017**. 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon — please participate.

The Spring Thaw Dinner Dance is back for 2017! The date is Saturday, April 1, 2017, at the Kinsmen Hall in Lively starting at 6:00 P.M. with "Meet Your Neighbour" social. Dinner to follow at 7:15 P.M. supplied by Helvi's Catering. Dance music is courtesy of Jeff Wiseman and his band. Tickets are available from any of the LPCA Directors.

Every year, we look to bolster our membership in the Association and are encouraging all campers to join. All funds collected from memberships are used to cover the Association's expenses for liability insurance, maintenance of Air Ambulance Road and Helipad, the public boat launch, dock and signage. Your association also maintains marker lights around the lake and organizes our Annual Panache Picnic. We look forward to having you as a member!

President's Report Continued

Please don't forget we are always looking for interesting pictures and any history you may have of Lake Panache. Please forward this to our LPCA e-mail address info@lakepanachecampers.com.

For any hunting/fishing issues, issues on the water or around the public dock, your first call is to the MNRF at I-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667)! **Thank You** to the MNRF Conservation Officers, the OPP and Greater Sudbury Police Service for their continued support!

It was a great year on Lake Panache, then again, it's always nice on Lake Panache! Please enjoy our pristine lake water and keep it healthy and fresh for all our recreational activities and generations that follow. Thank you to the membership for supporting a terrific Association. I invite all members to stay involved and if you see something of concern, please report it, protect the environment, and be safe.

Stuart Greaves President

LAKE PANACHE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE BY TIM WALKER

The Lake Panache Stewardship Committee has a mandate to renew and consolidate our efforts as campers, advocates and stewards of our lake by:

- Providing information and education;
- Monitoring water quality; and
- Forming partnerships with all stakeholders.

The Directors and Stewardship Committee worked towards these goals in the past year in the following ways:

- Members of the LPCA Stewardship and Directors organized and attended an Invasive Species event at the government launch in June of 2016 to promote boat washing. The event coincided with new signage that is posted at the launch to remind boaters of their responsibilities to prevent the spread of Invasive Species.
- On July 9, 2016, the fourth annual household hazardous waste (HHW) event was held at the Air Ambulance dock in the marina bay. Campers were encouraged to bring waste products where LPCA members collected them and transported them to the City depot where they could be appropriately disposed of. HHW includes products such as paint, batteries, motor oil antifreeze and other items that cannot be disposed of in the garbage. This year we managed to fill a large trailer and redirect these items from the landfill. Please mark **Saturday, July 8th, 2017,** on your calendar for the 5th annual event. We hope to see you there.

In the meantime, please ensure your hazardous wastes are appropriately disposed of. Residents of the City of Greater Sudbury can call the **Toxic Taxi** (705-560-9019) to come to their property and pick up Hazardous Waste or they can also drop off their waste at the depot on Frobisher Street on selected dates.

Please check the City's website for more information about dates and what items qualify as hazardous waste (<u>http://www.greatersudbury.ca/living/garbage-and-recycling/household-hazardous-waste/</u>)

• The Stewardship Committee did not conduct water sampling in Lake Panache in the summer of 2016. We will be continuing a biennial sampling of the lake in the summer of 2017. Both Phosphorus and metals testing will occur biennially. The Stewardship Committee will continue to monitor these water quality indicators over the coming years and report back to the membership.

For more information about the City's water quality program and Lake Panache specifically, visit the City of Greater Sudbury's website:

http://www.greatersudbury.ca/living/lakes-facts/local-lake-descriptions/lake-panache/

LAKE STEWARDSHIP CONTINUED

The Stewardship reported on these initiatives at the Annual General Meeting in November of 2016. In addition, the presence of the invasive species, the Spiny Waterflea, was discussed. It is important to be vigilant in coming years regarding the presence of this invasive species. If you find spiny waterfleas, or think you may have found spiny waterfleas in an area lake or water body, try to preserve the organism in rubbing alcohol. Also, call the Invading Species Hotline at 1-800-563-7711 or the local MNRF office at 705-564-7823. For more information on the Spiny Waterflea, click on this website: http://www.invadingspecies.com/invaders/invertebrates/spiny-and-fishhook-waterflea/

The Stewardship Committee is always interested in getting help with these initiatives. If you are interested in getting involved or have any ideas about stewardship, please contact us at info@lakepanachecampers.com.

WANTED - NEW LPCA DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors of the Lake Panache Campers Association is short one director.

Members of the Board of Directors participate in 6-7 Board Meetings per year, normally held in person at a Director's home or via teleconference, support the organization of the Association's activities and actively participate in our activities.

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors and helping to organize the activities of our Association, please contact Stuart Greaves via info@lakepanachecampers.com.

LPCA HELIPAD TURNS 20 THIS YEAR!

In the spring of 1997, the Lake Panache Campers Association Inc. embarked on it most ambitious and important project ever - the building of an air ambulance emergency landing site on the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) property in the marina bay. Earlier in the year, the Association signed a Land Management Agreement with MNRF to assume the maintenance of the property within the marina bay at Lake Panache.

With the support of the Association's membership and the financial support of the former Town of Walden, the Association began construction of the air ambulance emergency landing site in the summer of 1997. The Association quickly discovered the site would not be accessible in the dark without the installation of a series of reflective cones. Led by Brian Young, the Association, with the support of the former Town of Walden, raised over \$7,000 from association members and supporters to install the necessary reflective cones. A plaque was erected at the site formally recognizing the contributors to the Association's Buy-A-Cone program.

In early August of 1997, the site was approved by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for use, and opened. In August of 1998, the site was officially opened by former LPCA President Jack Hamill, Bill Murdoch, former MPP for Grey-Owen Sound, and Dick Johnstone, former Mayor, Town of Walden. The official opening was marked by a visit by Bandage 2, one of the air ambulances.

Happy Birthday LPCA Helipad!

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Toxic Taxi

Don't throw hazardous waste in the garbage, down the sink or in the sewer.

If you're unable to deliver your household hazardous waste to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot, please call the Toxic Taxi answering service at 705-560-9019 to make an appointment for free home collection service.

Please leave your name and telephone number(s). Your call will be returned in 24 hours to schedule an appointment.

You may also make a Toxic Taxi appointment by email. Simply send an email to Sudburytoxictaxi@hotzenvironmental.com detailing your name, address and the waste you have to be collected. A representative will reply with an appointment date that you will be asked to confirm.

Please note for safety reasons, the Toxic Taxi will not pick up waste if you are not home.

Examples of materials accepted:

Common examples of household hazardous waste include: - butane lighters and cylinders

- medicines - car wax

- motor oil

- rust removers

paints

- - antifreeze
 - thinners
 - ammonia
 - pool chemicals
- fire extinguishers
- fluorescent tubes

- kerosene - windshield washer
- stains and preservatives
- propane tanks and cylinders
- transmission fluid

- brake fluid
- gasoline
- paint strippers

Materials not accepted:

No commercial, industrial, institutional, pathological, PCB, explosive, radioactive or unknown waste will be accepted. Please note:

- All waste must be clearly labelled and in sealed containers.
- Reusable containers will not be returned (i.e. plastic gas cans).
- · Do not mix different products together.
- Syringes must be in a puncture-proof container.

For further information, please call City Services at 3-1-1 or visit our website at www.greatersudbury.ca/wastemanagement.

It starts with you! We'll take it from here.

- aerosols
- car batteries
- glues
- turpentine
- drain openers - fertilizers
- cements
 - oven cleaners
 - syringes

- - - weed and bug killers
- thermometers

 household batteries - diesel