

# **2018 NEWSLETTER**

Lake Panache Camper's Association Inc.

www.lakepanachecampers.com

# 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### • Hazardous Waste Pickup Day

Saturday, July 14, 2018 — Public Dock, Air Ambulance Road 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. See enclosed flyer on the items that may be collected.

#### • 2018 Annual Panache Picnic

Saturday, July 21, 2018 — Mountain Cove Lodge I:00 to 4:00 P.M.

#### 2018 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 — Kinsmen Hall, Lively 7:00 P.M.

Visit www.lakepanachecampers.com for the latest information on our upcoming events.



### ANNUAL PANACHE PICNIC BY RUTH PATRICK



If you didn't make it to the 2017 Annual Panache Picnic, you definitely missed out on a fun-filled day. Make sure to mark July 21, 2018 on your calendar to include it in your social planning for this summer.

A great big thank you to Investors Group for the use of their large tent and to Mountain Cove Lodge for the use of their beautiful grounds. Without these generous contributions, our annual picnic would not be a success.

The 2017 picnic welcomed a large number of young campers who laughed and giggled while participating in three-legged races, water balloon toss and potato sack races. They then anxiously awaited the results of the kids' draw to see which of the many prizes they could claim for their own.

The adult and teen campers entertained themselves playing both regular and Texas horseshoes while socializing with old and new friends. All campers then joined in on the raw egg toss and the giant tug of war. These two events are definitely the highlight of the day!

The nice weather contributed to the sell out of our gourmet hotdogs, as well as chips, ice cream bars, freezies and drinks.

We hope to see everyone on Saturday, July 21, 2018 at the Mountain Cove Lodge. The fun goes from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. Visit our website for the latest information on the picnic and to view photos from last year's fun.

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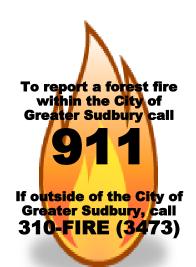
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# MEMBERSHIP REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

Greetings for 2018 and thank you for maintaining your membership. Currently, our membership stands at 244, an increase of 3 new members from 2017.

Renewals are now due for 46 members who expired in 2017 and 60 members we have not heard from since 2014 and 2015. If you received a membership renewal form with your AGM notice in November 2017, 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 of the LPCA Directors or you can download the form from our website at www.lakepanachecampers.com, and click on the link to Membership Info. Keep your contact information current so we can keep you informed about the activities of the Association 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 Committe and annual LPCA events.

# FIRE REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

2017 was another quiet year for fires around the lake with NO fires reported to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) on Lake Panache. MNRF advised their "fire load" was one-fifth of normal for 2017 in the Sudbury District.

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 any of the Directors know if you used the kits or if there are any issues with the kits. 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 amount of 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 within the manufacturer's specifications. 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, it's a good idea to 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!

The MNRF has great resources on forest fire prevention and safety tips on its website at https://www.ontario.ca/page/forest-fires-safety-information#section-0.

Enjoy your treasured time on Lake Panache and please be fire conscious and Fire Smart!

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

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the City of Greater Sudbury at 911

# FIRE PUMP LOCATIONS

Number	Camp Location	<b>GPS</b> 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

With spring coming, we are making preparations to install our shoal markers for the boating season. We generally have them installed by Victoria Day long weekend and remove them after Thanksgiving.

The lights are installed and maintained by volunteers who are often out in less than ideal conditions on their own time with their own equipment. Thank you to all our volunteers!

Last spring, we completed our conversion to our new second generation of LED lamps, again a compact sealed and maintenance free unit. 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 to be properly disposed of.

In fall 2017, once the rain finally stopped, we were able to get out and drill new holes to repair some existing locations and to add a few new markers. Most notably, we are adding a marker in Newton's Bay in response to camper feedback. We also completed brushing in areas where the lights are mounted on shore and the brush was interfering with visibility.

Finally, we ask if you see an issue with the lights or one appears to not be functioning, please inform a Director and we will ensure it is promptly repaired. You can also e-mail us at info@lakepanachecampers.com.

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.

Have a safe summer!

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT BY STUART GREAVES

Greetings Lake Panache Campers! The 2018 camp season is well on its way and it's time to get you up to speed on the happenings around the lake. The early cold weather and low snowfall provided nice clear, thick ice for the winter season; it's been many years since we encountered ice conditions like this! However, please be careful on the ice as conditions can change quickly - safety first, safety always!

Ornge classified our Emergency Air Ambulance Helipad for daytime use only and we continue to maintain the access road and site. Fortunately, Ornge had no reason to use the site in 2017! We have, however, experienced a few incidents with boats parked in front of the ambulance loading area at the public dock. Additional signage will be installed for the 2018 season to reminder boaters to keep this vital area clear.

The City introduced a "punch card system" system for those campers outside city limits, including campers on Atikameksheng Anishnawbek (formerly Whitefish Lake First Nation), wanting to use the Panache Residential Waste Transfer Depot on North Shore Road. Please see the LPCA website for details and the 2018 hours of operation.

We held another successful Spring Thaw Dinner Dance on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at the Kinsmen Hall in Lively with 130 people in attendance. Many fabulous door prizes and three significant raffle prizes were a hit with the group. Helvi's Catering supplied a great meal and the dance music was courtesy of Jeff Wiseman and his band.

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 28, 2017, at the Kinsmen Hall in Lively. Our guest speaker was Constable Mitch Brunette, Greater Sudbury Police Service, Rural Community Response Unit. He provided some interesting safety information, answered many great questions and also advised on what their patrols encountered on Lake Panache over the 2017 season. We also enjoyed a very informative presentation from our very own Director Tim Walker on invasive species and their effects on Lake Panache.

If you want to know what your LPCA is doing, please come out to the next AGM to be held Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Kinsmen Hall in Lively. At each Annual General Meeting, elections are held for positions on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Three of our directors, Tim Walker, Paul Fredette and Nigelle Fredette, stood for re-election in 2017 and we are very happy they all accepted to come back for another term. We also elected Karen McLeod as our newest director who fills a vacancy left open since 2016. Thank you all!

How do you find the new marker lights installed in 2017? Comments and suggestions are always appreciated. We added a marker on a shoal in Newtons Bay for 2018. Please let us know if you see any lights not functioning as they should.

#### LPCA to Dos for 2018:

- Continued repairs to the public pock and Air Ambulance Road maintenance
- New decking for the LPCA loading dock
- Collect history about Lake Panache and publish on the LPCA website
- Continued lake stewardship initiatives to keep our lake pristine!

Tim Walker and Paul and Nigelle Fredette head up our Lake Stewardship Committee and did a fantastic job setting up and maintaining 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! Feel free to contact any of the Directors with any questions, concerns or ideas you may have to enhance our water quality initiatives.

Your Lake Stewardship Committee held another successful Hazardous Waste Day at the Public Dock on Saturday, July 8, 2017, and another trailer load of waste was taken away from our lake to the city hazardous waste depot. Our 2018 Hazardous Waste Day is Saturday, July 14, 2018. 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon - please participate.

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!

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

### **President's Report Continued**

For any hunting/fishing issues or issues on the water or around the public dock, your first call is to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) at 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667)! Thank You to the MNRF Conservation Officers, 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 the 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.
- Forming partnerships with all stakeholders.

The members of the Board of Directors and Stewardship Committee worked towards these goals this year in the following ways:

- 1. Members of the LPCA Stewardship Committee attended various events run by the Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance to follow current information regarding the work of watershed advocates within the City. Items of discussion included invasive species such as the Spiny Waterflea and Eurasian Millfoil.
- 2. On July 8, 2017, the fifth annual household hazardous waste (HHW) event was held at the public boat launch in the marina bay. Campers were encouraged to bring waste products to the dock where LPCA members collected them and transported them to the City's hazardous waste 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. Last year, we managed to fill a large trailer and redirect these items from the landfill. Please mark Saturday, July 14, 2018 on your calendar for the 6th 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. See <a href="http://www.greatersudbury.ca/living/garbage-and-recycling/household-hazardous-waste/">http://www.greatersudbury.ca/living/garbage-and-recycling/household-hazardous-waste/</a>.
- 3. The Stewardship Committee conducted water sampling on Lake Panache in the summer of 2017. Both phosphorus and metals testing occurred at 12 locations around the lake (as per the 2013 protocols the Committee established). The Stewardship Committee collected samples that were tested at TestMark labs in Garson. On the whole, metal and phosphorus levels were found to be well within the guidelines set out by the province and consistent with the findings of the City of Greater Sudbury. The Stewardship Committee continues to monitor these water quality indicators over the coming years on a biennial basis. For more information about the summer water sampling, please visit the LPCA website (http://www.lakepanachecampers.com/) to view an informational video on the subject.

In addition, the presence of the Spiny Waterflea invasive species was discussed. It is important to be vigilant in the 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 I-800-563-7711 or the local MNRF office at 705-564-7823. For more information on the Spiny Waterflea, visit this website: <a href="http://www.invadingspecies.com/invaders/invertebrates/spiny-and-fishhook-waterflea/">http://www.invadingspecies.com/invaders/invertebrates/spiny-and-fishhook-waterflea/</a>

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 <a href="mailto:info@lakepanachecampers.com">info@lakepanachecampers.com</a>.

### **SEPTICSMART!**

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs published a booklet entitled SepticSmart! - Understanding Your Home's Septic System. The booklet is a great resource for homeowners and campers on maintaining their septic system.

SepticSmart! includes a helpful list of Dos and Don'ts for your septic system.

#### Do

- Familiarize yourself with the location of your system
- Keep the tank access lid secured to the riser at all times
- Keep an as built system diagram in a safe place for reference
- · Keep accurate records of septic system maintenance and service calls
- Test your well water at least three times a year spring, summer and fall for indicator bacteria
- Have your tank inspected for sludge and scum buildup on a regular basis (3-5 years) and clean out when a third of the depth of your tank is full of sludge and scum
- Have your effluent filter checked and cleaned every year; if you don't have an effluent filter, consider adding one
- Divert surface water away from your leaching bed
- Conserve water in the house to reduce the amount of wastewater that must be treated
- Repair leaky plumbing fixtures
- · Replace inefficient toilets with low-flush models
- Consider installing a lint filter on your washing machine's discharge pipe
- Spread the number of loads of laundry throughout the week

#### Don't

- Enter a tank gases and lack of oxygen can be fatal
- Put cooking oils or food waste down the drain
- Flush hazardous chemicals, pharmaceuticals, cigarette butts or sanitary product
- Use a garbage disposal unit/garburator unless your system has been designed for it
- Use special additives that are claimed to enhance the performance of your tank or system you don't need them!
- Dig without knowing the location of your leaching bed
- Drive or park over your tank or leaching bed
- Pave over your leaching bed
- Allow livestock on the leaching bed
- Plant trees or shrubs too close to the septic tank or leaching bed
- Connect rain gutters, storm drains, sump pumps or allow surface water to drain into a septic system
- Connect leaching bed or greywater system to agricultural field drainage
- Discharge water softener backwash to the septic system unless your system has been designed for it
- Drain hot tub and spa water to the septic system

Proper maintenance of septic systems is critical to preserving the quality of Lake Panache's water.

The booklet is available for download at https://www.rvca.ca/media/k2/attachments/Septic\_Smart\_English.pdf.

Thank you to the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for use of their resource.

### CONTACT US

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

**705-560-901**9

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:

- medicines - household batteries - butane lighters and cylinders

- car wax - diesel - kerosene

- motor oil - antifreeze - windshield washer

Appointment hours between 8:00 am - 8:00 pm. | Prenez RDV entre 8 h et 20 h. Sudburytoxictaxi@hotzenvironmental.com

paints - thinners - stains and preservatives

- rust removers - ammonia - aerosols

- fire extinguishers - pool chemicals - propane tanks and cylinders

- fluorescent tubes - thermometers - weed and bug killers

transmission fluid - brake fluid

- car batteries - gasoline

- glues - cements

- turpentine - paint strippers

- drain openers - oven cleaners

- fertilizers - syringes

### 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.

