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Lake Panache Campers Association Newsletter

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President's Report 2023

Greetings Lake Panache Campers! The 2023 camp season is well on its way and spring is right around the corner! I want to recognize all the people who play an important part in keeping our lake safe, healthy and pristine, including the team of LPCA Directors and the Members who store and maintain the marker lights and maintain and monitor the AEDs and fire pumps at their camp locations.

To all of you, a big thank you for all you do!

We held our first ever combined Annual Panache Picnic with the West Panache Campers Association in July 2022, with a fantastic turnout of members from both associations! Please plan to attend the Annual Panache Picnic/Annual General Meeting on Saturday, July 29, 2023, at Mountain Cove Lodge. We look forward to seeing you there!

Boating safety is a priority for us all and we appreciate the efforts of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Conservation Officers, the Greater Sudbury Police Service and the OPP for their coverage of Lake Panache. We encourage everyone to read Transport Canada's <u>Safe Boating Guide</u> in preparation for the 2023 boating season. Did you know about the Proposed Life jacket Regulations: Public Comment Period? At the most recent meeting of the Ontario Recreational Boating Advisory Committee, Transport Canada indicated they are seeking public input on the proposal for mandatory wearing of personal flotation devices (PFDs) on recreational boats. The public review takes places through the <u>Let's Talk Transportation</u> website and starts in April 2023. Please share your views on the proposal.

Are you aware that the Ontario's *Invasive Species Act* was updated on January 1, 2022, to include updated watercraft regulations? Read the <u>Invasive Species Action Plan</u> for boaters on the Government of Ontario's website. Our local MNRF Conservation Officers are monitoring the changes and enforcing the new laws.

The LPCA Annual General Meeting was held at the Annual Panache Picnic in July 2022 at Mountain Cove Lodge, with excellent participation from members with very positive comments and suggestions. Elections were held for three positions on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Paul Young, Lana Watier and Stuart Greaves stood for re-election and were acclaimed. Thank you, Lana and Paul, for your continued contributions to the Board of Directors.

For any hunting/fishing issues or issues on the water or around the public dock, your first call is to the MNRF at 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667)! Thank you to the MNRF Conservation Officers for their continued support!

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 stay safe and well!

Stuart Greaves, President



2023 Calendar of Events



Household Hazardous Waste Pickup

Saturday, July 8, 2023 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Public Dock, Air Ambulance Road



2023 Annual General Meeting

Saturday, July 29, 2023 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m. Mountain Cove Lodge



2023 Annual Panache Picnic

Saturday, July 29, 2023 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mountain Cove Lodge

Directors List

Stuart Greaves, President
Karen McLeod, 1st Vice-President
Paul Young, 2nd Vice-President
Brian Young, Treasurer
Rick Sleaver, Secretary
Tim Walker, Director and Chair,
Lake Stewardship Committee
Lana Watier, Director
Lisa MacDonald, Director
Kathryn Digby, Director

Fire Pump and AED Locations				
Fire Pumps				
Number	Location	GPS Coordinates		
#1	Kaitila Camp - Big Pine Island - Sand Channel	N 46° 15'02.3"		
		W 81° 20'13.3"		
#2	McMurray Camp - Treasure Island - South Side	N 46° 15'14.0"		
		W 81° 21'38.3"		
#3	Bois Camp - East of Burnt Island Narrows - North	N 46° 12'55.9"		
	Side	W 81° 12'09.2"		
#4	McDonald Camp - Stoney Bay	N 46° 15'56"		
		W 81° 27'33"		
#5	Duncanson Camp - 2029 North Shore Road	N 46° 14'45.0"		
		W 81° 27'06.1"		
# 6	Fredette Camp - 211 Ojibway Road	N 46° 16'40.4"		
		W 81° 20'17.4"		
#7	Gibson Camp - 55 Ojibway Road	N 46° 16'48.2"		
		W 81° 17'48.4"		
#8	Ketola Camp – Newtons Bay	N 46° 14'12.2"		
		W 81° 19'52.0"		
#9	Panache Bay Marina	N 46° 16'20.6"		
		W 81° 20'57.6"		
#10	Discoura Couran Inloyed #7	N 46° 13'22.3"		
	Bimm Camp - Island #7	W 81° 19'50.2"		

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Number	Location	GPS Coordinates	
#1	Lake Panache Fire Pump Shack	N 46° 16'20.6"	
	(Panache Bay Marina)	W 81° 20'57.6"	
#2	1545 Reserve Camp Road	N 46° 16'55.7"	
	(Hayes Camp in Garage)	W 81° 18'14.8"	
#3	2003 North Shore Road	N 46° 14'50.8"	
	(MacIsaac Camp on Boathouse)	W 81° 26'41.4"	
#4	West Bay	N 46° 14'09.9"	
		W 81° 34'42.5"	
#5	Kaitila Camp	N 46° 15'02.3"	
	(Big Pine Island - Sand Channel)	W 81° 20'13.3"	
#6	Degroot Camp	N 46° 12'57.2"	
		W 81° 14'49.0"	
#7	Bimm Camp	N 46° 13'21.8"	
		W 81° 19'49.5"	
#8	Digby Camp	N 46° 14'20.0"	
		W 81° 19'28.6"	
#9	Duhamel Camp	N 46° 14'39.9"	
		W 81° 30'08.1"	
#10	Hotti Camp	N 46° 15'03.2"	
		W 81° 24'08.6"	



To report a forest fire within the City of Greater Sudbury or on Atikameksheng Anishnawbek lands, call

911

If outside of the City of Greater Sudbury, call 310-FIRE (3473)





AED INFORMATION

All AED units are portable and may be taken to the person in need if required.

Each time an AED is used, the battery and pads need to be replaced.

Please ensure the AED is put back in the same location it was taken from.

Contact us at info@lakepanachecampers.com after using the device so we can replace the pads and battery.

FIRE PUMP INFORMATION

Please ensure to return the fire pump and all attachments to its original location.

Ensure the gas has been replaced so it is ready for its next use.

Contact us at info@lakepanachecampers.com should you have any issues with fire pump.



Fire Permit Regulations

City of Greater Sudbury Requirements

Burning permit applications are available through the City of Greater Sudbury website or by calling 311 and asking for Fire Prevention. There is no cost to obtaining a fire permit.

Having an approved burning permit may prevent you from being charged if the Fire Department responds to your brush fire. Below is an excerpt from the Fire Permit application which lays out the rules. Conditions of Permitted Fires Authorized by Burn Permit

Brush Fires (means a fire set for the purpose of burning brush, grass, vegetation or leaf like material only)

- No person shall set or maintain a brush fire without a valid burn permit issued;
- No Permit Holder shall set or maintain a brush fire unless he/she ensures:
 - a) The fire is set and maintained at a distance of no less than 30 metres or such greater distance as may be specified in the burn permit from:
 - i. The nearest building or other combustible structure; and
 - ii. Any overhead wires.
 - b) The materials to be burned in the fire do not exceed 2 metres in length, 2 metres in width and 2 metres in height.
 - c) The fire is not set or maintained except during the time between one half hour before sunset and one half hour after sunrise of the next following day.
 - d) He/she has the necessary means immediately available at the site of the fire to permit him/her to:
 - i. Extinguish the fire;
 - ii. To limit its spread; and
 - iii. If necessary, to summon the City Fire Department.
 - e) The fire is compliant with all conditions and restrictions imposed by the burn permit or imposed as a result of a Fire Prevention inspection conducted by the Fire Chief

Fire Regulation Outside of the City of Greater Sudbury

If your camp is outside the City of Greater Sudbury, by law, you need a fire permit to burn wood, brush, leaves and grass outside during the fire season (April 1 – October 31) unless you follow all the rules and conditions allow it to burn safely until extinguished:

- You take all necessary steps to tend, control and extinguish the fire
- You are not having an open fire in a restricted fire zone

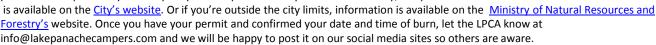
If you don't burn safely or burn material without a permit when one is needed, you can be fined and held responsible for the cost of putting out the fire and for any property damage.

Let us know once you have your permit and confirmed your date and time of burn, e-mail the date, time and location to us at info@lakepanachecampers.com and we will post the details on our social media sites so others are aware.

Fire Report 2023

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry confirmed another quiet fire season in 2022 in the Sudbury area, with no fires reported or actioned on Lake Panache. Thank you to all campers for your diligence in fire control!

For more information about fire prevention at camp and home, visit Fire Smart Canada. Did you know fire permits are required at your camp? If your camp is in the City of Greater Sudbury, fire permit information



Your Association has 10 fire pump kits located around the lake, which 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 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 use 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! Be fire smart by confirming your camp smoke detectors and CO detectors are in good working order and new batteries are installed at the start of each camp season.

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 for 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 a fire, please call the MNRF immediately at 310-FIRE (3473) or the City of Greater Sudbury at 911 if the fire is within the city limits.





Membership Report 2023

Greetings for 2023 and thank you for maintaining your membership. We have 200 current members. Every year, we look to bolster our membership

in the Association and are encouraging all campers to join.

If you have a new camp neighbour or non-member, please ask them to contact us using the links below.

The \$30 annual membership fee helps us help YOU!

Renewals were sent out in January and are now due for 49 members who expired in 2022.

Please support your Association and renew your membership today.

Unsure of your membership status or require a membership form, please email info@lakepanachecampers.com and will let you know. New Membership forms and Membership Renewal forms are now available in electronic format: Application Form Renewal Form.

Please keep your contact information current so we can keep you informed about the activities of the Association and events on Lake Panache.

Your membership fee support nine AEDs and 10 fire pumps strategically placed around the lake, lake marker lights, public dock and maintenance, helipad and Air Ambulance Road, lake stewardship group and annual LPCA events.

Stuart Greaves, Membership Chair

Light Report

As most of you know, the Lake Panache Camper's Association installed and maintains flashing amber shoal markers in the heavy traffic portions of the lake.

Typically, we have the lights installed by the Victoria Day long weekend and removed sometime after Thanksgiving, dependent on weather and lake conditions.

This work is done by volunteers who generously donate their time and resources to help us in our endeavours.

With the conversion to more reliable LED lighting a number of years ago, many markers are left out year-round. This reduced the number of times we have to go out and service the lights as well as allowed some increased visibility for winter travel.

We will be monitoring the water level and will get the lights installed as soon as it is practical and safe for our volunteers. High water levels make it difficult to install the lights.

If you come across a damaged or inoperable light in your travels, please let us know so we can make repairs.

Please report any issues to info@lakepanachecampers.com

It is a big lake and we rely on your feedback to keep the lights operating. We remind all members and visitors to Lake Panache that our shoal markers are just that and not a legal navigational aid.

Paul Young, 2nd Vice-President



AED Sponsorship Program

With the successful installation of 10 AEDs on the lake, the Lake Panache Campers Association is looking for local business and families to participate in our AED Sponsorship Program to assist with the annual maintenance costs.

Legacy Sponsorship

\$300.00/year

- Quarterly shout out on social media including any website links for businesses
- Acknowledgement in our annual newsletter distributed to all members
- Business or family name listed on the map
- One year free membership
- Business/family name displayed on sponsor board at the annual Picnic and Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup Day
- Exclusivity for business type (i.e. only one business in both categories)

Champion Sponsorship

\$100.00/year

- Shout out twice a year on social media including any website links for businesses
- Acknowledgement in our annual newsletter
- Business/family name displayed on sponsor board at the annual Picnic and Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup Day
- Exclusivity for business type (i.e. only one business in both categories)



Lake Stewardship Report 2023

On Saturday, July 9, 2022, the 9th annual household hazardous waste (HHW) event was held at the boat launch in the marina bay. Campers were encouraged to bring waste products where association volunteers collected the materials and transported them to the City of Greater Sudbury depot for appropriate disposal. HHW includes products such as paint, batteries, motor oil antifreeze and other items that cannot be disposed of in the garbage. Last year, we filled a large trailer with scrap metal in addition to other waste and redirected these items from the landfill.



Please mark Saturday, July 8, 2023, on your calendar for the 10th annual event. We hope to see you there. In the meantime, please ensure your hazardous waste is appropriately disposed of. Residents in the City of Greater Sudbury can call the Toxic Taxi (705-560-9019) to come to their property and pick up household 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.

The Lake Stewardship Committee is conducting water sampling in Lake Panache in spring 2023. Both phosphorus and metals will be tested. These tests are conducted on a biennial basis to establish a historical record of the lake's water quality. Samples are taken from 12 locations around the lake that take into account the size of the lake. This is our 6th biennial sampling. Thank you to the City of Greater Sudbury for supplementing the cost of water testing through the Lake Stewardship Grant. The Lake Stewardship Committee uses sampling methods according to City of Greater Sudbury standards (including secchi disc and beta sampling equipment). The Committee will continue to monitor the water quality indicators over the



coming years and report back to the membership. We are happy to report that all metal and phosphorus sampling results in 2021 were found to be within the Provincial Water Quality Objectives (PWQO).

For more information about the city's water quality program, and Lake Panache specifically, visit the City of Greater Sudbury's website. In addition, the presence of the invasive species - specifically the Spiny Water flea - is of concern to the Association. It is important to be vigilant in coming years regarding the presence of this invasive species. If you find spiny water fleas, or think you may have found spiny water fleas 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.

The Lake 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.

Tim Walker, Chair, Lake Stewardship Committee



Text Blast System

Get Immediate Notification of a Fire on Lake Panache

In 2021, the Lake Panache Campers Association launched its text blast system to alert members there is a forest fire on the lake. Currently, 183 mobile numbers are part of our distribution list.

In the event of a fire on the lake, we send a text message to all 183 numbers alerting everyone of a fire and its location so members can stay away from the fire area and let the professional firefighters do their job. If you have not already subscribed to this service, open our Consent to Text online form, submit your information and give us consent to text you. We only send text messages in the event of a fire; we don't use the system for any other communications.

Your mobile number will not be shared outside the Association and only used for the above purposes. You may unsubscribe at any time by sending an e-mail to info@lakepanachecampers.com or reply to one of our text messages with the word UNSUBSCRIBE.

Association text messages are received from mobile number 705-479-1416. Please add this number to your contact list. Your mobile number is not visible to others receiving our text messages.

Volunteers

The Lake Panache Campers Association runs on a volunteer basis. If you would like to get involved in volunteering for the Association, please email us at info@lakepanachecampers.com or reach out to any of our directors.

