



President's Report 2024

Greetings Lake Panache Campers!

What a different winter 2024 has turned out to be. Most of us have never experienced these conditions. Climate change is surely playing a big part so let's do our part to ensure we never see it again.

I want to recognize all the people who play an important part in keeping our lake safe, healthy and pristine. These include 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!**

We also want to recognize and shout out to the group of volunteers who came out on Saturday, July 8, 2023, to help with Household Hazardous Waste Day and the removal of the deck boards on our small dock. Many of the same volunteers came back to install the new dock decking on July 22, 2023. A big shout out to Pinehill Lumber and DIA Contracting for their help with the dock materials and transportation of the scarp metal collection! A **Big Thank You** to all of you!

Your Association successfully renewed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) to maintain the helipad access road, docking/retaining wall area and boat launch until December 31, 2035. A reminder that Association is fully responsible for all maintenance, repairs and improvements costs in and around the helipad / dock area. Any financial donations to support these costs are greatly appreciated.

Like many things in our lives today, the cost to run the Association increased significantly over the past four years. Insurance, which comprises over half of our operating expenses, has risen 53% despite extensive searching. Water sampling, maintenance of the fire pumps, marker lights and general operating costs have also increased but to a lesser degree. In addition, the AEDs require mandatory retrofitting of new pads and batteries over the next three years. To ensure the ongoing financial viability of the Association, the Board is increasing the annual membership fee to \$40 beginning in 2025.

The 2023 LPCA Annual General Meeting was held at the Family Day Picnic at Mountain Cove Lodge. Participation was excellent with very positive comments and suggestions. Elections were held for positions on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Three of our directors, Tim Walker, Lisa MacDonald and Kathryn Digby, all had their terms expire in 2023. Lisa and Kathryn stood for re-election and were acclaimed. Thank you! Tim retired from the board and we want to thank him for his contributions and welcome Linda Steel as our newest director.





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 our members 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

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Household Hazardous Waste & Metal Clean up
 Saturday, July 6, 2024
 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
 Public Dock, Air Ambulance Road
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2024 Annual General Meeting
 Saturday, July 27, 2024
 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Mountain Cove Lodge
- 
2024 Annual Panache Picnic
 Saturday, July 27, 2024
 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Mountain Cove Lodge
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Porchetta Bingo
 Saturday, November 23, 2024
 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Trevi Bar & Grill

Directors List

Stu Greaves, President
 Karen McLeod, 1st Vice-President
 Paul Young, 2nd Vice-President
 Brian Young, Treasurer
 Rick Sleaver, Secretary
 Lana Watier, Director
 Lisa MacDonald, Director
 Kathryn Digby, Director
 Linda Steele, Director &
 Chair Lake Stewardship Committee

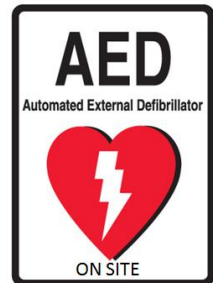
Fire Pump and AED Locations

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 Side	N 46° 12'55.9" 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	Bimm Camp - Island #7	N 46° 13'22.3" W 81° 19'50.2"
AEDs		
Number	Location	GPS Coordinates
#1	Lake Panache Fire Pump Shack (Panache Bay Marina)	N 46° 16'20.6" W 81° 20'57.6"
#2	1545 Reserve Camp Road (Hayes Camp in Garage)	N 46° 16'55.7" W 81° 18'14.8"
#3	2003 North Shore Road (MacIsaac Camp on Boathouse)	N 46° 14'50.8" W 81° 26'41.4"
#4	West Bay	N 46° 14'09.9" W 81° 34'42.5"
#5	Kaitila Camp (Big Pine Island - Sand Channel)	N 46° 15'02.3" 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.

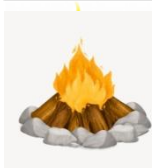
Contact us at info@lakepanachecampers.com after using the device so we can replace the pads and battery.

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.

[Ontario Fire Permit Regulation](#)

Let us know once you have your permit and confirmed your date and time of burn, email 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.

2024 Fire Report

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) confirmed another quiet fire season in 2023 in and around Lake Panache, with only one fire reported and actioned on. The fire, Sudbury 024, happened on July 16, and was 0.1 hectares in Sawmill Bay. There was no cause for concern, and it was promptly extinguished.

The MNR Fire Control staff reported a downward trend in fires caused by humans in the last couple years. They believe this is due to the increased awareness and fire smart programs.

For more information about fire prevention at camp and home, click:

[Fire Smart Canada](#)

Thank you to all campers for your diligence in fire control!

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 below 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 us know if you have used the kits or if there are any issues with the kits. Send us an email at info@lakepanachecampers.com to let us know. 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 camping 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 is 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 neighbors!

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





Membership Report 2024

Greetings for 2024 and thank you for maintaining your membership. We have 204 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 33 members who expired in 2023.

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](#) or [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 Campers Association installed and maintains flashing amber shoal markers in the heavy traffic portions of the lake. These shoal markers are not a legal navigational aid.

Typically, we have the lights installed by the long weekend of May and removed sometime after Thanksgiving. This can vary based on weather and water levels. This work is done by volunteers who generously donate their time and resources to help us in our endeavours.

We converted to solar powered LED lighting a number of years ago. This allows us to leave several markers year-round as an aid for our winter visitors, as well as eliminating the need for mid-season maintenance.

We added some light locations in recent years and as always, continue to improve their mounting and visibility. There are locations which require brushing and occasionally the ice moves rocks around on the shoreline and new mounts must be constructed or drilled.

If you come across a damaged or inoperable light in your travels, please get 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.

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 businesses 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 2024

Water Sampling

In May of 2023, the Association took part in the biennial **water sampling of the lake**. The sampling locations and methods have been consistent since 2013 and this is the sixth such sampling.

There are three volunteers for this project - Tim Walker (former Association director of lake stewardship) And his daughters, Jane and Katherine Walker. Many thanks for their contributions!

Samples are tested for the presence of phosphorus and metals. All water samples were tested by TestMark laboratories in Garson, Ontario.

We use the same 12 sampling sites on the lake to try to get a comprehensive picture of the water quality in our lake. We are in the process of creating a historical record of the water quality for future reference for the LPCA, our membership and the City of Greater Sudbury.

The next water sampling takes place in 2025.

Household Hazardous Waste Day & Metal Clean Up

On July 8, 2023, the Association held our 9th annual Household Hazardous Waste Day & Metal Clean Up at the public dock on Air Ambulance Road. This event has been a tremendous success at getting dangerous and toxic waste off the lake that otherwise could have been inappropriately disposed of.

Four years ago, we expanded the event to include the collection of metals in an effort to redirect these items to the landfill rather than the lake or lakeshore.

Preventing the Spread of Invasive Species

As of January 1, 2022, under *Ontario Regulation 354/16*, it is now mandatory to clean and drain all boats and watercraft equipment when transporting them overland in Ontario. These rules are intended to reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) between water bodies that may be attached to or moved by boats/watercraft equipment.

Decontamination Methods

Visual inspection and manual removal.

This includes aquatic plants, animals, algae, and mud

Must be done before transporting the boat/watercraft equipment overland

Removed items must be placed in a garbage can or bag, or disposed of on dry land no less than 30 metres from any water body

Drain water

Remove or open drain plugs before transportation overland

This includes bilge, live wells, fish-holding containers, and outboard motors

Scrub with brush, soap, and rinse

This may be completed at home or boat storage facility

Hot water and/or pressurized water are most effective

Include hard-to-reach areas

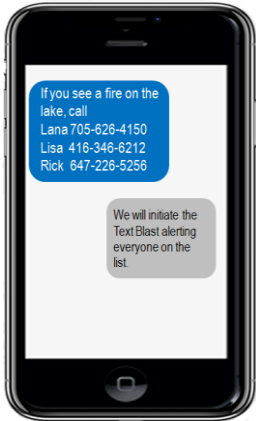
Whenever possible allow the boat/watercraft equipment to completely dry between uses (five days in sunny weather; 10+ days in cool damp weather)

Where to look for aquatic invasive species on your boat and trailer



Linda Steel, Chair, Lake Stewardship





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, 185 mobile numbers are part of our distribution list.

In the event of a fire on the lake, we send a text message to all 185 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 email 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.

Fortunately, we have not had to use the service to date!

The continued offering of this service costs the Association approximately \$325 per year or the equivalent of approximately 11 annual membership fees. In 2023, we surveyed our members to see if they wish to continue to invest the \$325 cost. Of the 49 responses received, 66% were in favour of maintaining this service.

The Association wishes to thank the following members for their generous donations to offset the cost of this service:

Michael and Joanne Buss

Robert Cook

Wayne and Marguerite Johnston

Roma Lundgred

Steve McMurray

Fred Slade

Thanks to their support, we raised more than enough money to cover the entire cost of the service for 2024.

Rehabilitation of the Breakwall in the Marina Bay

Under the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR), the Association is responsible for the maintenance of the MNR property in the Marina Bay. This includes Air Ambulance Road, the Air Ambulance Helicopter pad, the upper road in front of the private boathouses, the dock at the foot of the hill, the boat launch and the breakwall that supports boat parking.

The breakwall requires repair or replacement in the near future. In anticipation, we developed a plan for its rehabilitation and, through a competitive bid process, determined the cost. Since the cost of this far exceeds our financial resources, the Association applied to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for funding to complete the rehabilitation.

Whether we do the work this summer depends on the timing of the approval of the funding. If we are approved in time for summer 2024 work, under MNR guidelines, the project must be done between July 15th and September 1st. During that time, the boat launch and parking area will be closed and signs posted at the start of Air Ambulance Road. Access to the helipad and boathouses will be maintained during the construction period.

The Association will update members as more information becomes available on the grant application and the potential to do the work this summer.

Karen McLeod, 1st Vice-President and Breakwall Committee Chairperson





Donate Your Empties

Do you have any empty beer bottles, beer cans, wine or liquor bottles laying around? We are collecting empties that are returnable on the Household Hazardous Waste and Metal Cleanup day.

Saturday July 6, 2024 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
Public Boat Launch

Your donations of empties will help the Lake Panache Campers Association support our many programs which benefit all campers.

GET IN ON THE DRAW

Encourage a friend, family member or neighbour who is not a member of the LPCA to purchase a 2 or 3 year membership and your name get entered to win.

For every member that signs up from your referral, your name gets entered into a draw for a drone photo of your camp and a custom wood address sign.

In the “Other Information” section on the [Membership Application Form](#) the new member can fill in your name to be entered to win.



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.



*Have a safe summer
from your friends at the LPCA!*



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:

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| - medicines | - household batteries | - butane lighters and cylinders | - transmission fluid | - brake fluid |
| - car wax | - diesel | - kerosene | - car batteries | - gasoline |
| - motor oil | - antifreeze | - windshield washer | - glues | - cements |
| - paints | - thinners | - stains and preservatives | - turpentine | - paint strippers |
| - rust removers | - ammonia | - aerosols | - drain openers | - oven cleaners |
| - fire extinguishers | - pool chemicals | - propane tanks and cylinders | - fertilizers | - syringes |
| - fluorescent tubes | - thermometers | - weed and bug killers | | |

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.

