

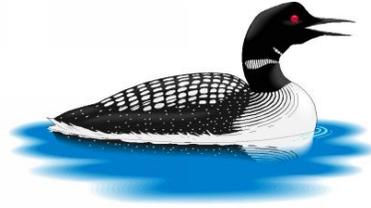
Buckshot Lake Cottagers' Association

Newsletter August 2018

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Poker Run and BBQ:

The BLCA annual Poker Run and BBQ was another successful day this year, and once again the weather co-operated. Poker Run and BBQ attendance was a bit low this year, with some of our usual participants busy with family events, but we did have the pleasure of welcoming some new faces.

Bob Haynes took the title with the best poker hand, JoAnne Seniuk won second, and Denise Morin took third place. And we thank Lookout Home Hardware, and North of Seven for generously providing the prizes.

We owe a big "Thank-you" to Liz and David Farquharson for organizing and once again hosting the BBQ, to Bob Haynes for organizing the Poker Run, to Guy Lefebvre for being judge and MC for the results, and to our chefs Guy and Jim Bacon. Thanks also to Pete and Cathy Seniuk, Steve and Denise Morin, Cliff and Anne Lebarron, Jim and Chris Bacon, and Bob and Kim Haynes, for operating the five "stops".

Annual General Meeting:

The BLCA annual general meeting was held at 10am, Sunday July 15, at the Clar-Mill Hall in Plevna, with approximately 25 people in attendance. Highlights as follows:

Finance:

The BLCA year-end (June 30) balance was about \$4500, up about \$500 from the previous year.

Directors:

Six of our directors had terms expiring this year. Five of these have renewed for another 2-year term. Kevin Quartermain has chosen not to renew his term as a board member. We wish to sincerely thank him for his many years of contributions to our lake community. Following the AGM, Arthur McGregor indicated an interest in joining the Board. In order to comply with proper procedure, he has agreed to assist in a non-voting capacity until he can be nominated and elected at the AGM next July. This, with the term renewals of other existing board members, keeps our number of directors at the full complement of 8.

We thank North Frontenac Mayor Ron Higgins and Addington Highlands Reeve Henry Hogg for taking the time to attend our AGM and contribute to our meeting. Their comments and the discussions that followed were very informative. A brief summary follows, with more details in the AGM minutes:

- Municipal elections are on October 22. All landowners in North Frontenac and Addington Highlands can vote in their respective townships. You can check that you are registered at
- <https://www.voterlookup.ca/home.aspx>

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- Update: There will not be a municipal election in North Frontenac because the mayor and councillor positions have been filled by acclamation. There will be a school board election.
- the Denbigh ambulance base is now permanent, operating 7am - 7pm, 7 days a week
- the Dry Hydrant installation for Buckshot Lake is in the NF Council budget and is expected to become a reality this fall, but no update on exact date or location was available.

Minutes of the AGM will be posted on the BLCA website under About Us -> AGM Minutes at <http://buckshotlakeassociation.com/agm-minutes/>

Membership:

The present membership count is in the mid-seventies, thanks to some door-to-door canvassing.

If you haven't yet registered for membership this year, we encourage you to do so, and to encourage your lake neighbours to join as well. Along with fun activities like the Poker Run, BBQ and the Photo Contest, the BLCA looks after the shoal markers and the boat launch, assists with lake water quality monitoring, maintains an informative website, and keeps you informed of and gives you a voice in issues affecting all of us on the lake. This work is done voluntarily by your neighbours, but there are costs involved (e.g. Insurance, FOCA membership, maintenance, website hosting, burgers), funded by the nominal membership fee of \$30 per property.

You can register on the BLCA website at <http://buckshotlakeassociation.com/membership/>, and make payment by credit card through Paypal, by e-transfer to blcatreasury@bell.net or by mailing a cheque to:

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c/o Paul Asselin, Treasurer
374 Shadehill Crescent
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2018 Photo Contest:

Remember to keep your cameras handy, and submit your best photos to buckshotlakephotos@yahoo.com by the 16 Sept 2018 deadline. Full details are on the association website at <http://buckshotlakeassociation.com/2018-photo-contest/>

Website:

Don't forget to visit your website. Both the Buy/Sell and the Lost and Found pages are active. To post an item, send information to info@buckshotlakeassociation.com.

Your BLCA executive committee:

Russ Brown	President
David Farquharson	Vice President
Bob Haynes	Past President
Jim Bacon	Secretary
Paul Asselin	Treasurer
Guy Lefebvre	Director, Membership
Ed Rohr	Director
Arthur McGregor	Associate