

SPRING/SUMMER 2016

# Clear Lake Newsletter

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## Important Numbers

Emergency – 911  
(Know your Civic Address)

Ontario Provincial Police  
888-310-1122

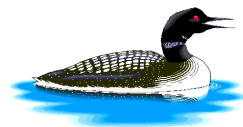
Huntsville Hospital  
705-789-2311

Poison Info Centre  
800-268-9017

Forest Fire Report  
888-863-3473

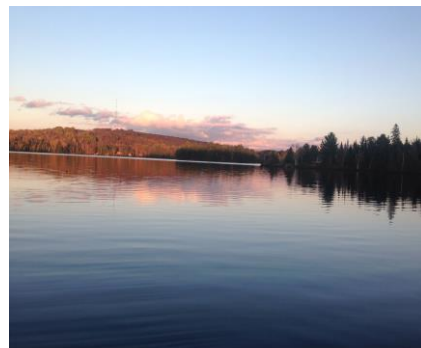
Hydro (No Power)  
800-461-6418

MNR Bear Report  
866-514-2327



## DOGGY PARK AT CLEAR LAKE BEACH!

Another improvement at our park by the public beach is a Doggy Park. The township of Perry is improving various facilities in the local community and this is yet another. The Public Works Dept. is in charge of maintaining the park so questions or concerns should be sent along to [info@townshipofperry.ca](mailto:info@townshipofperry.ca)



Emsdale Agricultural Society Fall Fair  
August 27

Located at the Emsdale Fair Grounds  
Fun activities include pioneer museum, horse pull, petting zoo, live music and tons more!

Go to  
[www.emsdaleagriculturalsociety.com](http://www.emsdaleagriculturalsociety.com)  
for more information!

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Dog Tags can now be purchased at the Transfer Station & Recycling Centre, please see the attendant for more information.

Lifetime dog tags will continue to be valid for the lifetime of the dog that it was originally purchased for. All owners of dogs must purchase and affix a dog tag or be subject to a fine as outlined in By-law 2006-01, as amended.

Please notify the Municipal Office of any change to your address or pet ownership status so that we can update our records



## THINKING OF BUILDING A DOCK?

The MNR's (Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry) regulations regarding dock permits HAVE changed

Questions should be directed to [psdistrict.mnrf@ontario.ca](mailto:psdistrict.mnrf@ontario.ca)

## President's Message –Spring/Summer 2016

Welcome to Spring!

Your board of directors have remained very active since our last newsletter. We also have received and tabulated the results of our fall survey. We had a 50% response which is fantastic, thanks to all who has responded. The top three concerns were

- 1) water quality
- 2) friendly neighborhood
- 3) aesthetics and beauty of our shoreline

As a board we take the lead from our membership and water quality is the prime concern. I am happy to report that our water quality continues to improve since the two algae blooms we experienced. We are seeing some of the lowest phosphorus levels in the history of the lake. Please take a look at Ron Cox's report in this issue.

In the last issue I reported that we are working with MNR and Fisheries & Oceans to see how we can minimize our risk to future algae blooms and maintain our water quality. The main take away from all conversations with the ministry experts is the water level needs to fluctuate and for healthy fish population access to their spawning grounds must be kept open. So any type of control dam is out of the question.

We are looking at the possibility of installing a beaver baffler but that comes with a variety of issues as well. One thing we must accept is that we will have high water levels and low water levels.

Also happening this year is the return of the Golf Tournament, July 16<sup>th</sup>, thanks to Ken Core. We have the AGM on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Novar community centre and we are exploring the possibility of holding a regatta. For the regatta we are looking for

some keen members to organize this. If you are interested please contact myself or any other director.

On the May 24 weekend you will see the directors out visiting all the residence on the lake doing a membership drive. Please take this opportunity to renew your membership and buy some golf tournament tickets.

Thank you,  
-Geoff Pantling  
CLPOA President



Photo: Candace Roberts

## 2016 Proposed Changes/Additions to the CLPOA Constitution CURRENT CONSITUTION

### (8.0) FUNDS

(8.1) the funds of the Association shall be in the keeping of the Treasurer, who shall deposit these funds under the association's name in a bank or financial institution chosen by the Directors. The Treasurer shall make payments for the Association by cheque on the said bank account. The Signing Officers are the President, 1st Vice-President and the Treasurer with cheques to be signed by any two of these officers.

(8.2) Any Member or Director should obtain prior approval from the Board of Directors before incurring expenses on behalf of the Association. Such approved expenses will be reimbursed by cheque, and be properly recorded in the Association's accounts.

(8.3) The Treasurer shall draw up, keep and maintain adequate accounts and accounting ledgers. At any time, the President or the Directors of the Association may request a report on the financial situation of the Association and of all the transactions made by days. The Treasurer shall permit agents authorized by the Board to examine the Association's books and accounts.

### REPLACING:

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The treasurer shall provide such information within seven (7) calendar days. The Treasurer shall permit agents authorized by the Board to examine the Association's books and accounts.

(8.3) Any Member or Director should obtain prior approval from the Board of Directors before incurring expenses on behalf of the Association. Payments for these expenses require approval of two Signing Officers. The Signing Officers are the President, 1st Vice-President and the Treasurer plus one other director alternate as designated by the board. The Treasurer shall make payments for the Association by cheque from the said bank.

### CHANGES/ADDITIONS

(6.8) A Director can be dismissed from their duties before the end of their term by the members eligible to vote at a special general meeting called for this purpose, by adopting a simple majority resolution. The Director affected by this dismissal resolution must be informed of the place, date and time of the meeting called for their dismissal in the same notice given for this meeting. The affected director can attend and voice their opinion, or can, through a written declaration read by the chairman of the meeting, explain the motives of their opposition to the resolution proposing their dismissal.

(6.9) The term of a Director shall end if they die, resign or is dismissed or ipso facto if they lose the required qualifications to be Directors. The term shall also end ipso facto after three absences in succession from the monthly Board of Directors meetings as scheduled without just cause.

6.10) The association shall maintain an insurance policy to cover the directors against expenses incurred as a result of civil, criminal or administrative lawsuit in which they are involved as a result of their being a director of the CLPOA.

(6.11) Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors meetings shall be made available to any member in good standing that requests a copy.

**Emsdale Agriculture Society:**

**Plant & Bake Sale**

On Saturday May 21st the Emsdale Agriculture Society is holding a plant and bake sale. Start the planting season with a fun event! There is free admission with door prizes and refreshments. For more information please call (705)-636-5659 or (705) 783-6096

**Perry Farmers Market**

The Farmers Market will be held every Friday from June 24<sup>th</sup> to September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016. It will be located under the gazebo at the municipal office (1695 Emsdale Road). If you are interested or would like any further information please contact Melissa Hall at 705-636-5941



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**Hazardous Waste Day**

July 9th 2016 from 9 am- 3 am  
775 Hwy 592 N

**Garbage and Recycling**

**Spring / Summer Hours**

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

This Site is Closed

Wednesdays & Thursdays

**Please Note:**

The seasonal reduction of operating hours, start from the Tuesday following Thanksgiving weekend to April 30 annually.

**E-Waste**

The township now accepts your old computers, printers, TV monitors, telephones, speakers, audio/video devices, cameras, fax machines and projectors. Please remember to wipe your devices/SIM cards and to remove the hard drives

**Medications**

Please do not put unused or expired medications/needles in your garbage in recycling bin. Do not flush them down the toilet or drain. Most pharmacies will take back medication that they have sold you, please call your pharmacy for details.

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## Fire Services

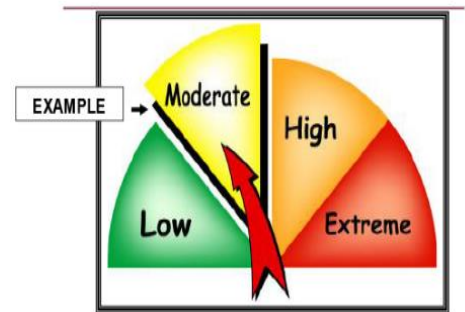
Summer is coming and that includes enjoying a nice bonfire! Please remember to obtain a fire permit! Permits are available free of charge for a maximum of 7 days at the following locations in the Perry township: *Rickward's Small Motors* (1914 Hwy 518 East), *Township Transfer Station* (775 Hwy 592), *Almaguin Highlands Information Center* (1695 Emsdale Road), *Perry Township Municipal Office* (1695 Emsdale Road) and *Hope's Foodland Gas Bar* (Novar). Please remember that during a declared fire ban there is no burning at all. Do not burn from April 1st to October 31st except from two hours before sunset through the night to two hours after sunrise.

Please ensure that you have a great supply of water at the ready, sufficient enough to control the fire. Do not burn within 15 meters of a structure or vehicle, within five meters of any forest or under any windy conditions.

**OWNER MUST COMPLY:** Every owner shall comply with every direction of the Chief Fire Official or his designate, the Chief Municipal Law Enforcement Officer or a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer and immediately cease any action prohibited. For the purpose of this by-law, all officers mentioned above may enter upon any lands.

**PENALTY:** Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act.

Fire Hazard Rating EXPLANATION SHEET



NO DAYTIME OPEN AIR BURNING  
FROM April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>LOW</b>      | "NO DAYTIME BURNING ALLOWED".<br>Open Air Burning, Incinerators allowed from 6.00 pm in the evening to and/or be completely out by 10.00 am in the morning.<br>Camp Fires allowed for cooking and warmth only. |
| <b>MODERATE</b> | "NO DAYTIME BURNING ALLOWED".<br>Open Air Burning, Incinerators allowed from 6.00 pm in the evening to and/or be completely out by 10.00 am in the morning.  |
| <b>HIGH</b>     | NO OPEN BURNING including Incinerators and camp fires.<br>Camp Fires allowed for cooking and warmth only.  |
| <b>EXTREME</b>  | NO OPEN BURNING including Incinerators and camp fires.<br>TOTAL FIRE BAN   |

## 911 SIGNS AVAILABLE HERE!

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## Hydro One

Hydro One announced it will invest \$20-million this year in the Districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound to reduce tree-related outages to improve reliability for customers. In 2015, trees caused more than 400 outages on the segments of line targeted by this investment. Over 40,000 Hydro One customers in the area will benefit from this investment along with a number of large industrial customers, generators and local electric utilities connected to Hydro One's Muskoka Transmission Station. Trees represent the single largest cause of power outages in this densely wooded area. The investment includes line clearing, annual maintenance and upgrades to more than 1,000 kilometers of lines on Hydro One's electricity distribution. Forestry work is underway and is expected to be complete by the end of 2016. More than 100 highly-skilled forestry staff will remove or trim trees and brush that is, or has the potential to interfere with power lines and cause outages. To reduce impact on traffic and business during busy summer months and improve efficiency, lines staff will conduct annual maintenance work of replacing end-of-life or damaged distribution equipment and poles at the same time forestry work is being done.

## "Captains Choice Cruise"

Want to celebrate Canada Day with a fun day out on the water? Sunset Cruise is offering a 1.5 hour cruise on Lake Rosseau. The cruise starts at 100 Joseph Street, Port Carling Ontario POB 1J0. It departs at 4:00 p.m. for a cost of \$30.00 tax is included.

Reservations are recommended for all cruises. Please call for up to date schedule information: (705)645 2462 or [info@sunsetcruises.ca](mailto:info@sunsetcruises.ca). You can purchase tickets on the boat, they accept cash or credit cards.

## Firework Cruise!

On Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> come out and enjoy the fireworks aboard Sunset Cruises boat.

Departure is from Port Carling, starts at 7:30 pm-11:00 pm.



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*dine for free (dine for free when you bring one guest or more to any restaurant or lounge)*  
*one free complimentary night stay in select accommodation*  
**PLUS 20 % savings on: spa services, golf green fees, admission to HITLIST (the newest live show)**

**Hunger Walk**


The Burks Falls and District Food Bank will be holding their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunger Walk on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>. The event consists of a 4K walk through Burks Falls and along the scenic Magnetawan River starting from Stan Darling Park. The event is expected to run from 9 a.m. to noon, pledge sheets are available by contacting the food bank.

**Bugs!**

The Zika virus can cause severe brain damage in newborns and may trigger nervous system disorders in adults.

Though the current Zika outbreak has been concentrated in Latin America and the Caribbean, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is urging pregnant women and their partners to take strong precautions against mosquito bites.

**CHOOSE A REPELLENT WITH:**



- Picaridin**  
(20% concentration)
- IR3535**  
(20% concentration)
- DEET**  
(20-30% concentration)

These repellents offer strong protection from the Aedes mosquito for at least four hours in laboratory conditions. Reapply after swimming and sweating.

Some essential oils may work for a short period of time. But others are ineffective against Aedes mosquitoes. Due to the serious risks posed by Zika, we do not recommend blends of essential oils for people at risk of mosquito-borne infection.

**Watch out: Rabies**

There was a recent outbreak of the arctic fox strain of rabies in Northeastern Ontario. It is very important for people to ensure that their children do not approach wild or stray animals. People should have their pets properly vaccinated and not allowed to run free. Rabies are fatal if untreated. For further information please contact the North Bay and District Health Unit at 474-1400 and ask to speak to a health inspector. You can also visit their website at [www.myhealthunit.ca](http://www.myhealthunit.ca)

## Water Quality

Hello, once again the CLPOA has been engaged in several water testing activities on behalf of our lake residents. I am happy to say 2015 was a good year. It was without any incidents such as in the past two years when Clear Lake experienced a golden brown (2013) and blue green (2014) algae blooms. Total phosphorus readings for 2015 were lower for the first time in the past four years and back to the average in 2002 to 2010. So what may have changed these results and contributed to better levels of total phosphorus. What we do know, was a change in the water level and more movement and water flow through the outlet. The result of this meant less shoreline erosion and sediment flowing into the lake caused by large wakes. I personally think last year having lower water levels and water flow through the lake was a good thing.

The results of the MOE/FOCA Lake Partner Program were better in 2015 than the previous four years  
 2015 total phosphorus readings were 5.0 micrograms per litre  
 2015 Sechi (clarity) readings were 5.2 metres

The results of the University of Waterloo summer student water testing program were also better than 2014. The average total phosphorus readings from six locations around the lake were 2.0 micrograms per litre lower in 2015.

The last water testing activity is for recreational e-coli. Testing is done from June to September in various locations around the lake. 2015 was good with no problems from samples taken.

In parting, please keep up the good work, by being good lake stewards

- manage storm water runoff from your property
- don't use fertilizers that can leach into the lake
  - use phosphate free soaps and cleaners
- ensure your septic tank is working properly and is pumped out regularly
- protect the shoreline with native plants and trees

Have a great summer  
 Best Regards  
 Ron Cox



## Clear Lake Golf Tournament

Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>

\$60.00 Ticket

Includes 9 Holes golf, Breakfast, Lunch and a Ton of Fun!

Your chance to win a 2016 Chevrolet Cruze  
 Putting Contest 50/50 Draw

This will be a best ball scramble format, pick your foursome's bring relatives and friends.  
 Tickets will be on sale starting May 24<sup>th</sup> week end, don't miss out get yours early.



**Your 2015-16 CLPOA Executive Members:**

- President - Geoff Pantling
- 1st VP - Debbie Dale - Municipal Affairs Portfolio (Past President Elect)
- 2nd VP - Ron Cox - Water Quality Portfolio
- Secretary - Gina Newhall and Chair - Lake Stewards Committee
- Treasurer - Bruce Dow
- Director - Kipling Campbell - Environmental Portfolio
- Director - Danny Pattison and Chair - Fundraising and Social Committee
- Director - Caitlin Roberts - Communications
- Director - Ken Core - Commercial Owners Liaison

Hope's Foodland (Novar)  
 (705) 789-1777  
*Mon-Thurs: 8:30 A-7:00 PM*  
*Fri: 8:30 A-8:00 PM*  
*Sat: 8:30 A-7:00 PM*  
*Sun: 8:30 A-6:00 PM*

Have a happy and safe summer at Clear Lake!



**CLPOA Accepts E-transfers!**



CLPOA is set up to receive online transfers for payment of membership dues and donations. Interac e-transfers can be sent to: [info@clearlakepropertyowners.com](mailto:info@clearlakepropertyowners.com)  
*Please be sure to send a separate email with the security question answer.*



**Don't Forget!**  
 CLPOA A.G.M  
 Novar Hall  
 Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 10:00 a.m.