



# **KLCOA**

## **Spring Special Meeting of Members**

### **May 18, 2024**

# KLCOA Land Acknowledgement



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The KLCOA respectfully acknowledges that the Kennisis Lakes are located on the ancestral lands of the Mississauga Anishinaabe and the Wendat and on the traditional lands of the Chippewa Nations, collectively known as the Williams Treaties First Nations.

The KLCOA specifically pays tribute to our Lake's namesake, Joseph Kenice and his ancestors of Rama Nation, who have had a long connection to this land.

The KLCOA recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples are the original stewards and caretakers of the land and water since time immemorial. The KLCOA will continue to educate and advocate for the ongoing stewardship of this land that we all cherish.

# Agenda



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8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome

Administration

Introduction of Board Members

Mayor Murray Fearrey and Councillor Carm Sawyer

KLCOA 2024 Events Highlights

Stewardship News

Safe Boating

Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve - Malcolm Cockwell

Kennis Lake Marina Update

Special Presentation – Haliburton Highlands Hospital Services

KLCOA 2024 Programs and Initiative Highlights

KLCOA Sponsorship Program Launch

Questions from the Floor

11:00 am Adjourn

# 2023/2025 KLCOA Board of Directors

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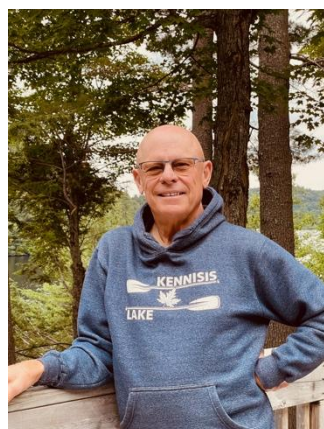
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# Membership

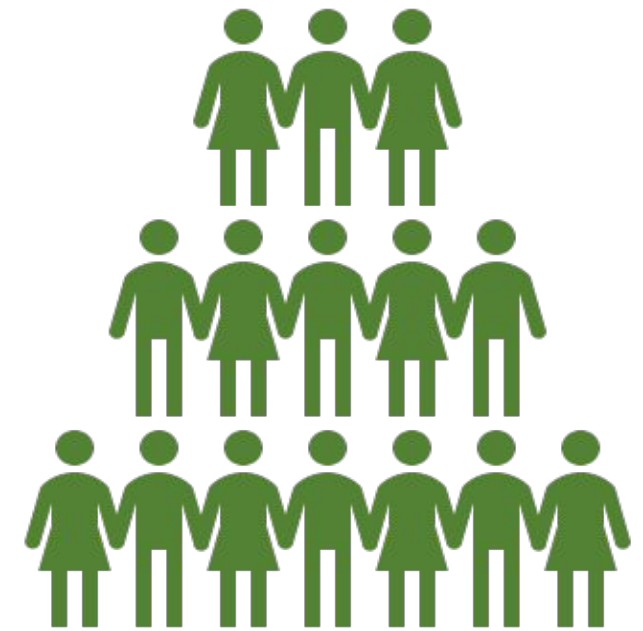


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## RECORD START TO THE YEAR!

**2024 Paid Members To Date = 530**

**Approximately 68% of Property Owners on the  
Kennisis Lakes are KLCOA Members**



### **Annual Stickers**

Available at the marina store  
from the May long weekend until  
the Labor Day long weekend

**Thank you to  
Membership Director:  
Joan Middleton**



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**Dysart et al**

Mayor Murray Fearrey and Councillor  
Carm Sawyer



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# Events and Program Highlights for 2024

# 2024 Roadside Cleanup



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85% of cottage roads covered by volunteers

Entire portion of the KLCOA "Adopt a Road" County Road 7 covered

## REMINDER

Secure garbage if transporting in an open vehicle

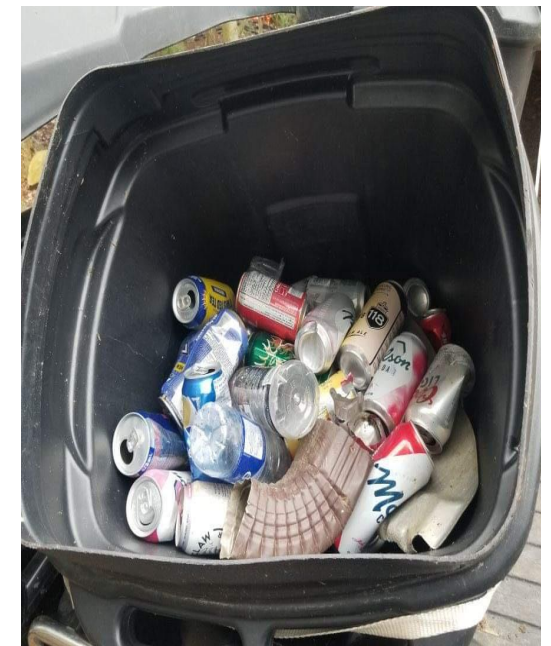
## REMINDER

Make sure renters know where and when to take garbage

A Huge thanks to all of our volunteers:

Kerin Harding  
Giles Anderson  
Dan Napier  
Sandi & Paul English  
Ann Holmes  
Andrew Woods  
Pat & Peter Smith  
Linnea Humphries  
Lisa & Al Wenger  
Kelly & Mike Neely  
Tony & Leslie Lepine  
Jennifer Pottier  
Liz Boxall  
Mike Rea & Boshkung  
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John Smith  
Liz Austin  
Dave Lawrence  
Arlene Burch



**Thank you to Natalie Wood and David Barrett for organizing.**

# KLCOA Webinar Series – Lake Health

The KLCOA Webinar Series continues for 2024 with our first  
“What’s Up Kennisis” Webinar on **Wednesday, June 12, 2024.**

## It’s All About the Water!

### Water Quality Monitoring on the Kennisis Lakes

Annual sampling and measurements by KLCOA volunteers,  
tell us a story about our Lake Health.

Plus- A First Glance at our Microplastics Sampling Results!

### Guest Speakers

**Frank Figuli - Environmental Program Coordinator - Woodland and Waterways  
EcoWatch, U-Links Centre for Community Based Research**

**Annie Robertson – Trent University, Microplastics CBR Project Report Author**



**Wednesday, June 12, 2024  
7:00-8:00 PM**

Check the  
KLCOA E-Blast and Website  
for registration and future updates

For additional information contact:  
Jim Prince - KLCOA Stewardship  
[jimprince@sympatico.ca](mailto:jimprince@sympatico.ca)



# Ladies of the Lake Lunch



2024 Special Meeting

**Saturday June 29, 2024**

**11:30am to 1:30pm**

**Pot Luck  
at the marina tent**

**2024 Charity:  
HHHS CT Imaging Campaign**

**New CT Scanner**

**State of the Art digital mammography**

**Thank you to organizers:**

Liz Austin

Julie Bramm

Brenda Labraico

Sheelagh Lawrance

Lesley Lepine

**Registration will be available  
shortly in an eblast and on  
our website.**





# Fireworks

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Rain Date: June 30

**ENJOY THE SHOW!**

**Logistics are becoming increasingly complicated!**

Insurance, permits, location requirements, costs, etc.

**MEMBERSHIP SURVEY COMING SOON!**

**NEW SHOW**

**BY**

**Supernova Fireworks**

**Thank you to:**

Steve Ashfield:

- for his many years of being our Pyrotechnic Expert and Show Creator

Scott Gray and Shannon Cloer :

- for the continued use of their property for the launch site

This year's logistics team:

- Jacquie Geall, Grant DeMarsh, Larry Harris, Jim Prince, Joan Middleton, Scott Durie, Deb Wratschko

# Rock Bass Fishing Derby

**Saturday, July 6, 2024**

Help decrease the invasive rock bass population in our Lakes and ***Let's Get the Lead Out!!***



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The 2024 Rock Bass Derby is supported by U-Links and OFAH to encourage the use of **Lead-Free Fishing Tackle.**

**Lead fishing tackle** is a major contributor to Loon Mortality.

Lead tackle drop off and Lead-Free tackle samples will be provided by U-Links.

**Thank you to Coordinators - Mike and Kelly Neely**



# Children's Water Festival



2024 Special Meeting

**Saturday July 13, 2024 – 11:00 - 12:30pm**

The KLCOA Children's Water Festival.....

- Hands-on, Interactive event for students aged 8 to 11 – 50 spots available!
- Provides participants with an opportunity to discover the importance and diversity of water.

## Children will Discover

- How the water (hydrology) cycle works
- The good bugs that lurk in our lake!
- What each person can do to maintain and/or improve water quality
- What is our Watersheds and why is it important for communities, habitats and wildlife populations downstream.
- And much more.....



The KLCOA Children's Water Festival is produced by the  
Haliburton-Muskoka-Kawartha Children's Water Festival  
and FEEL - Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning

**Saturday July 13, 2024**

Check the KLCOA E-Blast and Website  
for registration and future updates

**The Children's Water Festival will be held at the Kennisis Lake Marina**

# Rescue 7 First Aid and CPR Courses



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## **KLCOA First Aid and CPR Training** **Presented by Rescue7** **Saturday July 20, 2024** **Marina Tent**

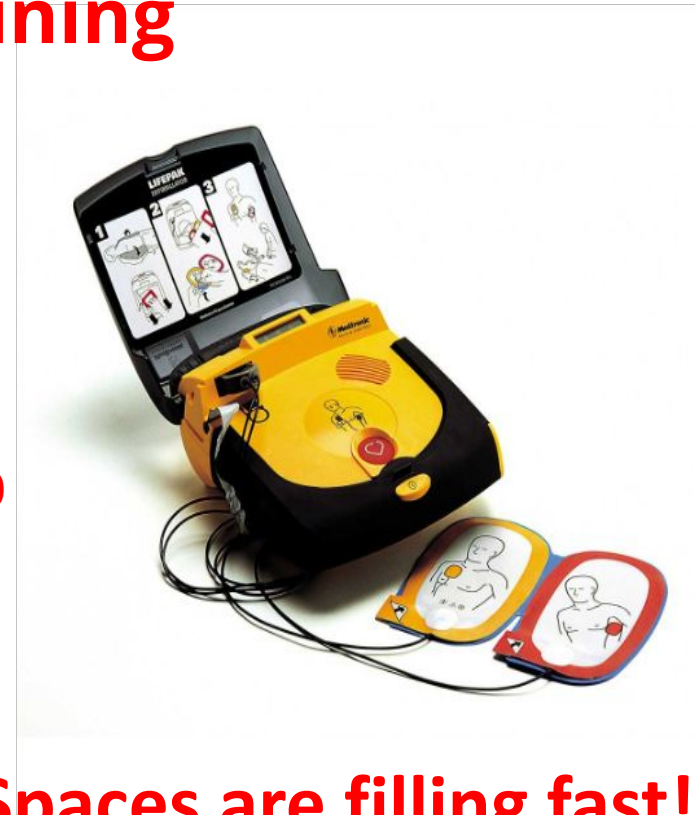
**First Aid/CPR Presentation 9:00-12:30 – \$40.00**

- Large and small wounds. Burns.
- Heat exhaustion and Heat Stroke
- Severe allergic reactions (Epi-pen)
- Hypothermia
- Cardiac emergencies
- CPR demo and use of an AED
- Choking emergencies

**CPR/AED clinic Certification 1:30-4:00 – \$60.00**

- CPR for Adults and Children
- Practice with an AED
- Choking emergencies

Both classes are independent of each other. You are welcome to take any one class or both for the best training.



**Spaces are filling fast!**  
**Register at [klcoa.org](http://klcoa.org)**

**KLCOA special pricing on  
new and refurbished AED's  
through Rescue 7**

**Check our website for details  
Offer ends Sept 30, 2024**

# KLCOA Event – Art on the Dock



**In 2023 Art on the Dock raised \$6075 for the Haliburton Highlands “Artist in the Schools and Community” Program (Over \$42,000 to date)  
This year there are 19 artists registered for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual event!**

**Friday Night Sneak Peak!**  
**July 19, 2024**  
**6:00 - 8:00pm**

**Artists will showcase a piece or two of their work.**

## Artists can see other artists work.

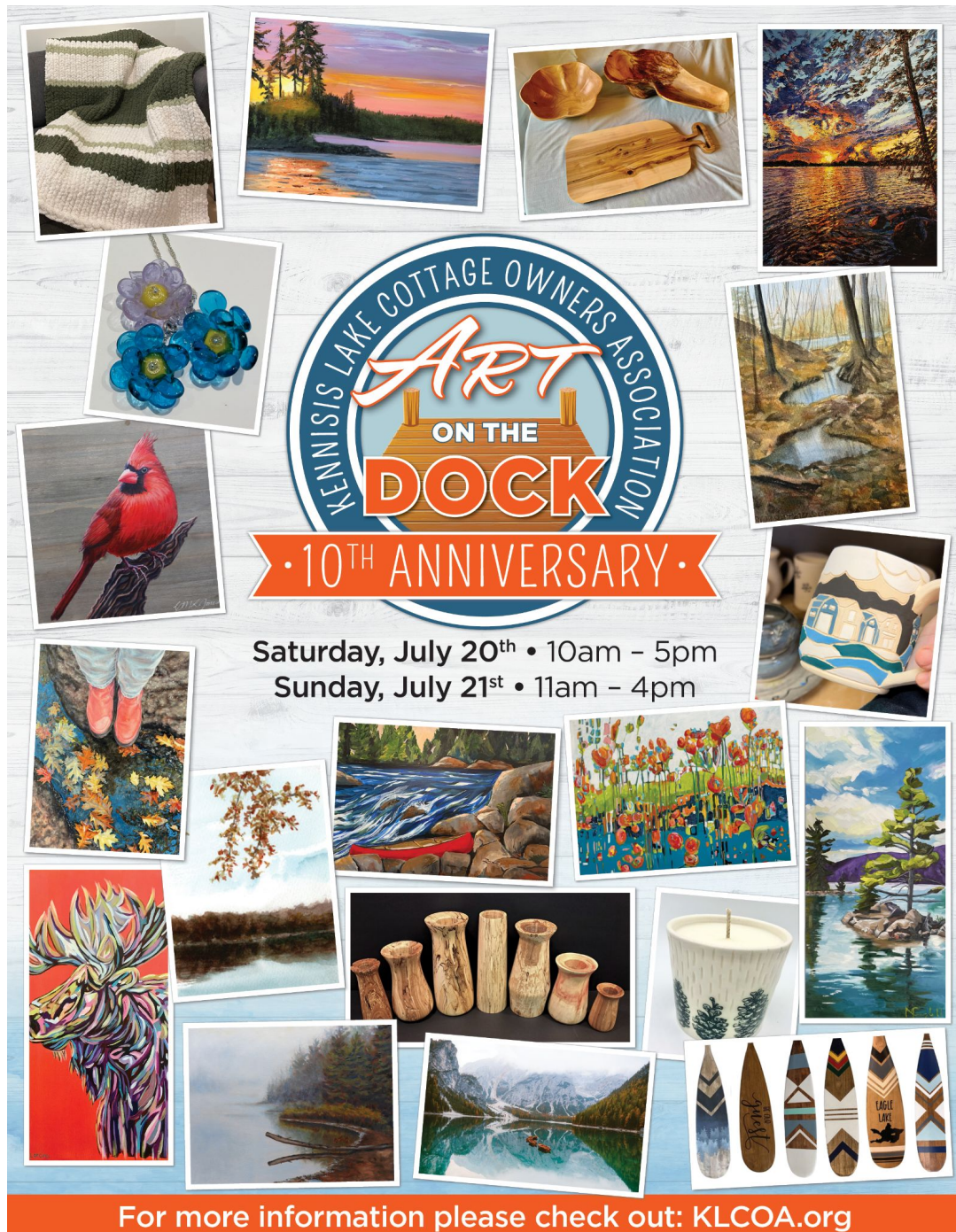
**Have a sneak peak to plan your viewing approach for the two day event.**

## Thank you to Coordinator:

# Janis Parker

## Thank you to sponsors:

## Parker Pad & Printing Viper Marketing



For more information please check out: [KLCOA.org](http://KLCOA.org)

# Regatta – August 3, 2024



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## KLCOA 64th ANNUAL REGATTA

**Saturday August 3, 2024**

**(Rain Date Aug 4)**

**Kennisis Lake Marina**

**Marathon Swim**

**Swimming Races (Ages 3 thru 99)**

**Canoe, Kayak, Paddleboard Races**

**Log Rolling, Egg Toss**

**Horseshoe Tournament**

**Children's program with face painting and games**

***Truss Foods BBQ & Refreshments***

***TROPHIES, MEDALS, FUN TIMES***

**VOLUNTEERS please contact**

**Kerin Harding at [kerinharding@gmail.com](mailto:kerinharding@gmail.com)**



**Watch for more details coming soon in eblasts and on our website**

# KLCOA Sailing Regatta & Summer Sailing Series 2024



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## KLCOA SAILING REGATTA SAVE THE DATE!

**Sunday, August 4, 2024**

**1:00PM Start – Course TBD**

## KLCOA Sunday Sailing Series

**Sundays through July and August 2024**

**To register for e-mail updates:**

**Contact Jim at  
[jimprince@sympatico.ca](mailto:jimprince@sympatico.ca)**

# Dark Sky Event



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**August 10, 2024 - LIGHTS OUT AT 9:00PM**



**Experience the thrill of seeing the magnificent night sky!**

## **Did You Know?**

Night light affects many plants, animals and insects by disrupting their nocturnal behaviours.

## **Check it Out!**

The light outside your cottage and at or near your shoreline is reflected across water and impacts you neighbors.

# Family Year End Wrap Up Event



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**August 31, 2024 – Morning at the Marina Tent**

**Wrap Up Summer with your  
KLCOA Board of Directors**

**Fun for All!**

**Morning Coffee and Treats**

**Wandering Magician**

**Balloon Artist**

**Face Painting**

**Photo Booth**



Thank you to Jacquie Geall for  
organizing.

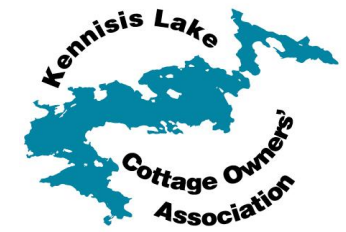


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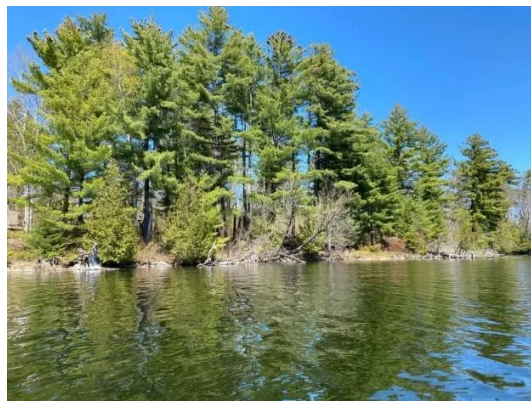
# Stewardship

Vice President and Stewardship Director  
Jim Prince

# KLCOA Stewardship – Three Focus Areas



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**Natural  
Shorelines**

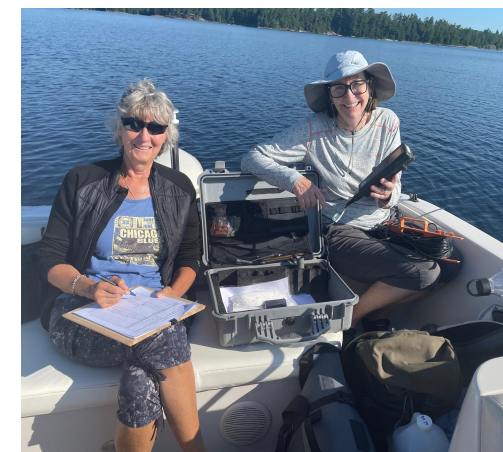
**Septic  
Systems**



**Lake Health**



**Water  
Quality  
Monitoring**



**It's All About the Water**

# Lake Health – Let's All do Our Part



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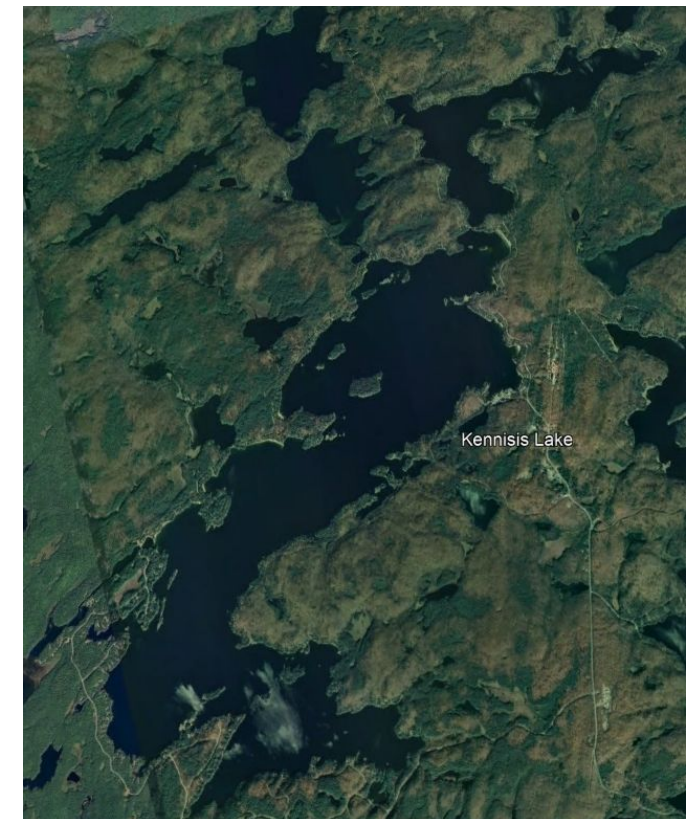


**Survey results show:**  
99% of respondents said that  
"Maintaining Our Excellent Water Quality"  
is Very Important or Important.

**Our Water Quality is one of the primary contributors to our enjoyment on the lakes and our property values.**

**Sustaining our good Water Quality means:**

- Keeping our shorelines natural
- Managing our septic systems properly
- Eliminating the use of fertilizers and pesticides



# Shoreline Health at Kennisis



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## Healthy Shorelines = Healthy Lakes!

### KLCOA Shoreline Restoration - 2024

The KLCOA Partners for Shoreline Restorations:

**Abbey Gardens and Haliburton County Master Gardeners**

Included in the package:

- Restoration Consultation and Planning
- Plants and Planting Support
- Care and Maintenance Report

Cost is approximately \$500 to be paid by the participants

Projects are delivered under the Natural Edge Program

- Shoreline renaturalization with native plants
- Damaged shoreline restoration

For more information and to sign up:

Abbey Gardens Website – <https://abbeygardens.ca/shoreline/>

Master Gardeners Website - <https://www.haliburtonmastergardener.ca/>

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO IN KLCOA E-BLASTS!



# Shoreline Bylaws - Update



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**Survey results show:**  
91% of respondents feel that **Encouraging Natural Shorelines** is Very Important or Important.

## Haliburton County Passed “Shoreline Preservation Bylaw” – August 2022

- Now in place for Algonquin Highlands, Highlands East and Minden Hills

## Dysart et al – Opted out of the Haliburton County SP Bylaw and adopted their own Site Alteration Bylaw in August 2023

- Haliburton County Tree Preservation Bylaw – still in place and applies
- Dysart Council passed a new Site Alteration Bylaw (By-Law 2023-75)

If you are planning to alter your shoreline vegetation or modify any existing structures in the shoreline setback the KLCOA strongly advises property owners to obtain and read a copy of the new Site Alteration Bylaw (By-Law 2023-75) and the Dysart Zoning By-law (By-law 2005-120, Amended April 4, 2024) before you start.

Dysart Planning Staff are very helpful for planning and consultation support.

# Septic System Health - KLCOA Stewardship Focus



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## Keeping Your Septic System Performing Well and Our Lakes Healthy

### KLCOA Website Update:

#### •Septic System Tip Sheets – **NEW!**

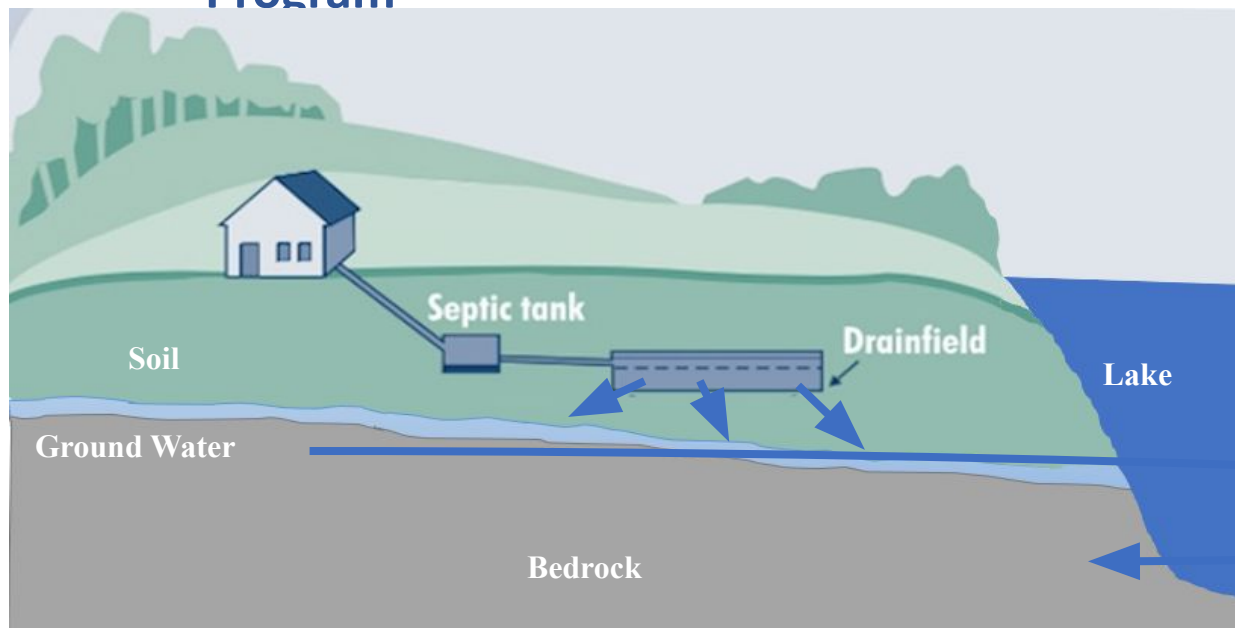
- ◆ Updated CHA Tip Sheets

#### •Septic System Health – **Updates!**

#### •Septic System Education – **Videos Added!**

#### •Septic System Inspections

- ◆ Updates on the Dysart Septic System Inspection Program



### SEPTIC TIPS

#### Healthy Septic=Happy Lake



**“Did you know you can prolong the life and efficiency of your Septic System if you follow some of these Septic Tips?”**

- 1. Are you using Septic friendly cleaning products!**
  - Look for products that are chlorine and phosphate free.
  - Choose products that are biodegradable and fragrance free.
- 2. Skip the Fabric Softener!**
  - Adds unfriendly chemicals.
- 3. Use Liquid Detergent rather than powder for dishwashers!**
- 4. Don't use detergent pods!**
  - Microplastics don't completely breakdown.
- 5. Avoid Antibacterial products!**
  - Kills microbial function in your septic system.
- 6. Spread out use of water over time!**
  - Give your system time to digest the waste.
  - Limit laundry to one load per day.
  - Keep showers short and use low flow shower heads.
- 7. Avoid using your drain as a garburator!**
  - Don't put food particles or FOG (fat, oil and grease) down your drain.
- 8. Does your toilet paper breakdown easily?**
  - A simple test is to put a few sheets into a 1 litre jar of water and wait 20 minutes and shake well and see if it dissolves.
  - Suggested products Royale Original or Cascades Enviro.
- 9. Does your water softener drain into your septic?**
  - Ontario's building code recommends that water softener backwash should be discharged into a grey waterbed.

April 2024

# Haliburton Wide Water Quality Monitoring



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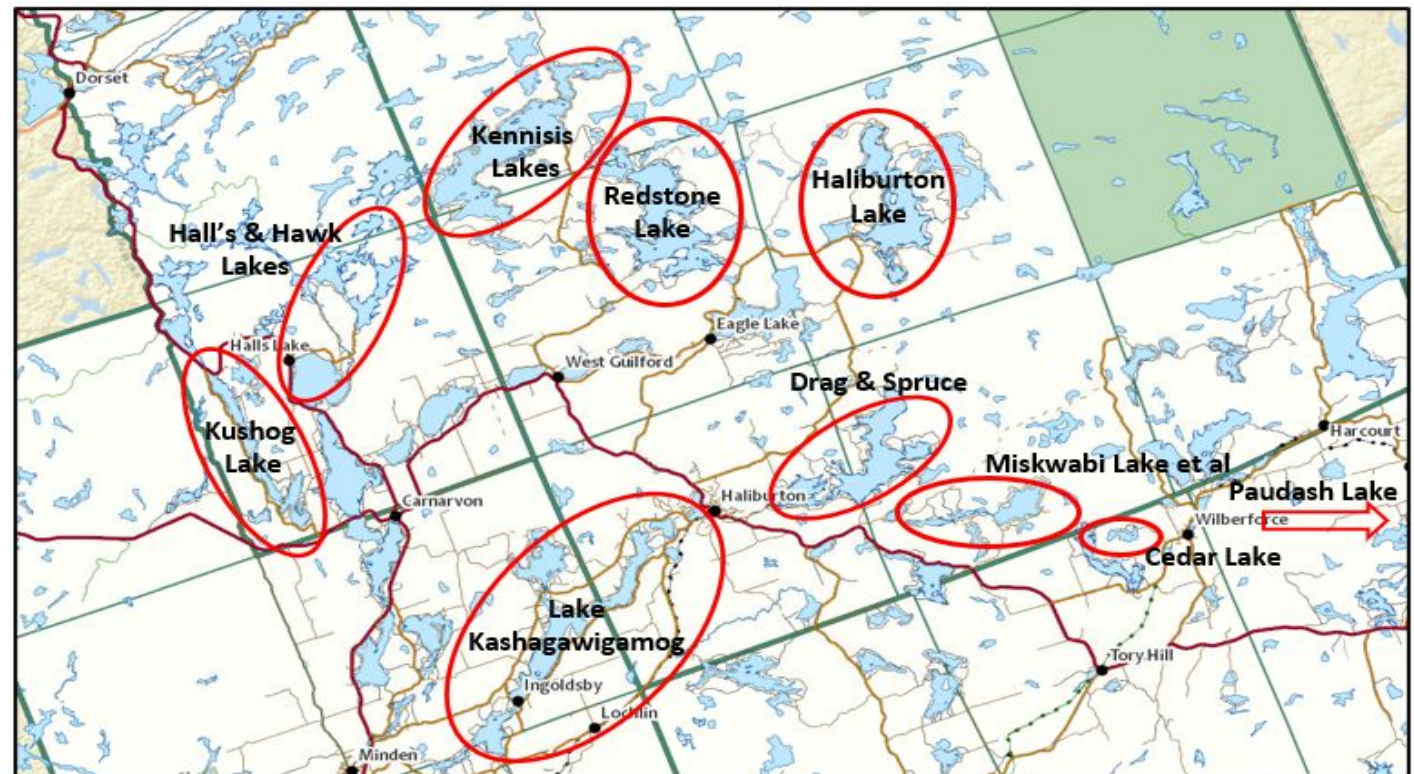
## “TESTING THE WATER” Pilot Project

U-Links & Woodlands and Waterways EcoWatch (WWEW)

Pilot Project 10 Lake Associations and 25 Lakes (2022/2023) participating:

Kennisis, Redstone, Miskwabi, Kushog, Haliburton, Kash, Cedar, Paudash, Hall & Hawks, Drag & Spruce + Stocking Lake (Haliburton Forest reference lake).

- Expanding Program to **25 Lake Associations** and **75 Lakes** for 2024/2025
- Watershed view of the Water Quality – downstream impacts
- Supported by Haliburton County and Lake Associations



Thanks to the Generous Support from our Sponsors:



# KLCOA Water Quality Monitoring



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## 2023 Water Quality Results – Kennisis Lakes

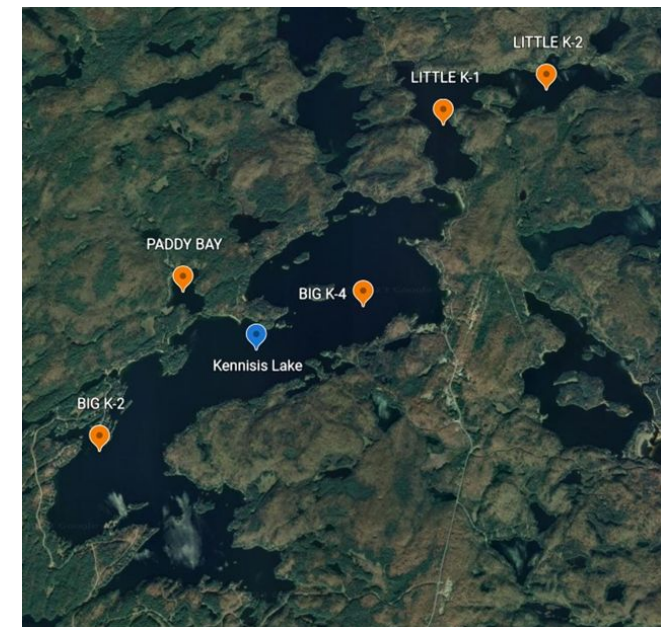
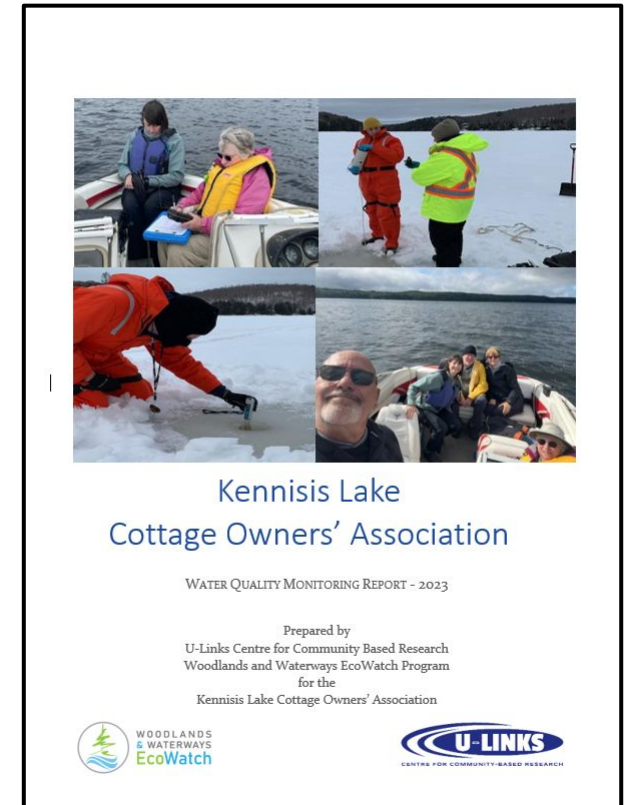
- June and September testing + under ice sampling in March
- 5 Basins Tested- 2 Big K, 2 Little K, Paddy's Bay
- WVEW WQ Report issued in March 2024 ([www.klcoa.org](http://www.klcoa.org))
- Most WQ results show excellent to good results when compared to Stocking Lake in HF - the Reference Lake (excludes likely sample contamination event in fall 2023)
- Total Phosphorus at Little Kennisis -2 location trending lower!

**NEW** – We have microplastics in our Lakes! Check out the Webinar.

**Join us for a detailed Water Quality Update at the  
KLCOA Webinar on June 12!**

**THANKS TO OUR WQ TESTING TEAM!!**

Julie Bramm Margaret Cox Jim Prince Jim Gay  
Wendy Murray Tracy Stewart Randy Burch Duncan Kent  
Donna Doucette



# Invasive Species Alert – Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM)



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Drag and Spruce Lakes have had an invasive aquatic plant proliferate in their lake - Eurasian Watermilfoil.

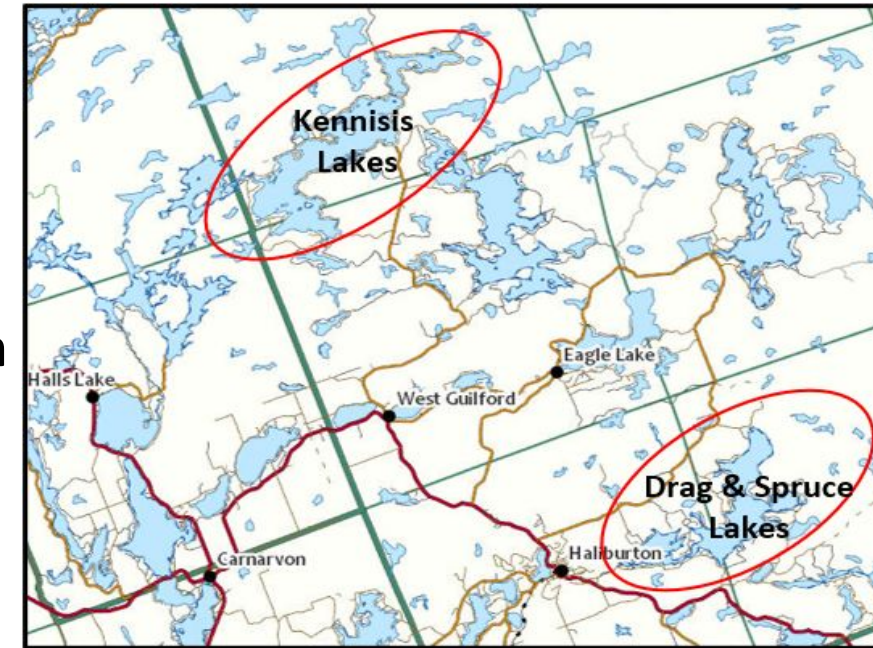
Mitigation techniques for EWM have included laying weighted burlap mats on the lake bottom, harvesting EWM and removal using divers –all very costly.

Living with the Eurasian Watermilfoil may be the only option.

We have many locations on the Kennisis Lakes that would sustain EWM. We have not yet done identification sampling

Our best defense is “CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY” for all watercraft including canoes and kayaks.

2024/2025 KLCOA Program for Aquatic Plant Inventory (U-Links)



**DSLPOA Video Link** <https://vimeo.com/810673970>



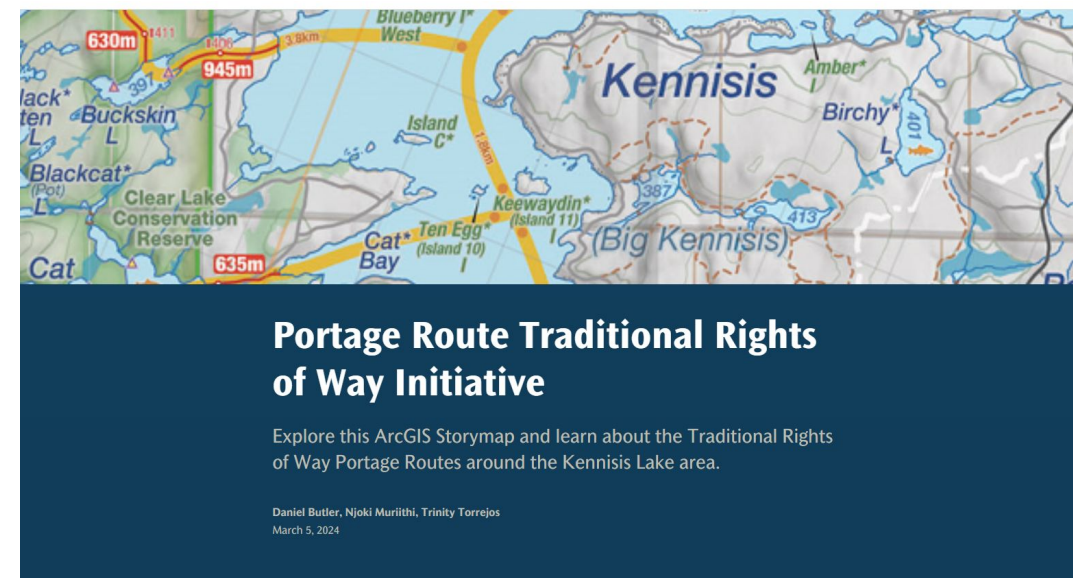
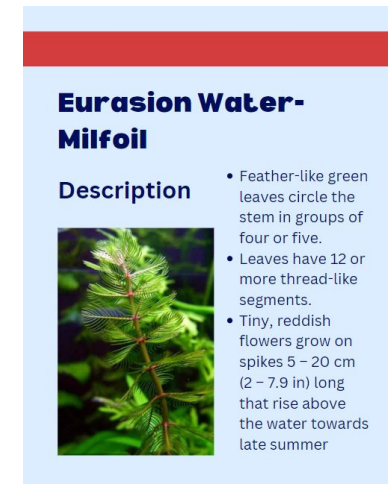
# U-Links/WWEW Projects



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## Two current KLCOA Projects with U-Links/WWEW

- Kennisis Lakes Aquatic Plant Survey – Phase 1
  - Literature Survey Report
  - Aquatic Plant Identification Brochure
    - Native and Invasives
- The Kennisis Lakes Portage Routes and/Traditional Rights of Way Initiative
  - Overview Report
  - GIS Mapping of Kennisis Lakes TROW
  - Story Map about the Portage Routes



# KLCOA Lands



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**Did you know that the KLCOA owns and protects land on the Kennisis Lakes for our community?**

- The Blueberry Islands
- Bullfrog Bay Lands
- Two Loon Island (Island C)
- Soap Pond Lands

## **Norah's Island**

Owned by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. KLCOA supports the management and protection of the island through the Norah's Island Management Committee.



**The KLCOA Lands Committee continues to work on protecting lands for public use around our lakes.**

**The Committee is currently conducting an inventory of Open Space and Environmental Protection zone lands on the Kennisis Lakes.**

**If you are interested in participating in land protection for our lakes, please contact our KLCOA President at [klcoapresident2017@gmail.com](mailto:klcoapresident2017@gmail.com)**

# Soap Pond Lands – KLCOA Acquisition



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## Soap Pond

Welcome!

*Please Enjoy the Use of Soap Pond  
and the Soap Pond Lands*

While visiting, hiking, or having a picnic, please remember the following simple guidelines for the use of this area which will help to ensure your personal safety, the preservation of Soap Pond and surrounding lands as well the continued enjoyment of others:

- Day Use Only - No Overnight Camping.
- No Campfires or Fireworks are Permitted.
- Do Not Litter or Leave Anything on the Property.
- Motorized Vehicles are Prohibited on the Soap Pond Lands.
  - Winter Access to Westshore Road by Snowmobile is Permitted.
- There are No Toilet Facilities – Please Do What You Need to Do Before or After You Access the Property.
- No Excessive Noise.
- Please Respect the Soap Pond Neighbours.
- Use of the Soap Pond Lands is at Your Own Risk.

Anyone accessing this property assumes all responsibility for any injury or loss while on the property.

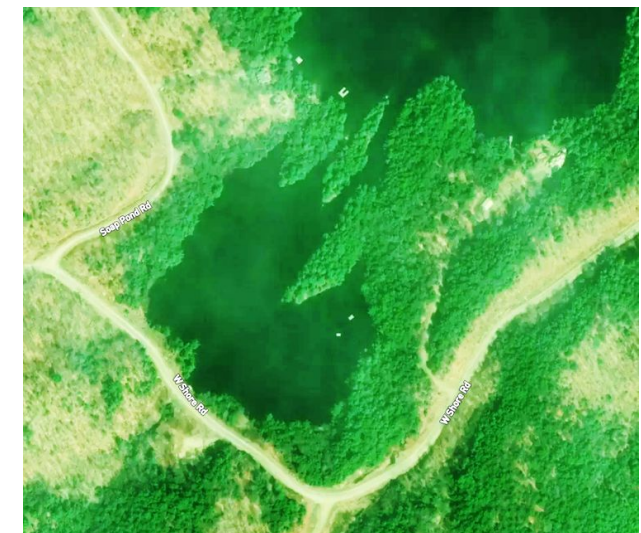


KLCOA Acquired Soap Pond Lands from Dysart 2022

Land Use Principles Workshop in 2022/2023

Signage to be installed in 2024

There are no property tax implications for the KLCOA with this acquisition.



ENJOY THE USE OF SOAP POND AND THE SOAP POND LANDS!!

# Traditional Rights of Way



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- Completed U-Links Study on Local Portages
- Focus on advocacy and education to encourage broader support and use of portage routes
- Continue to focus on opening portage routes south from Kennisis to Gull River
- Developed and printed signs for portage route from Lipsy Lake to Kennisis Lake



## Portage Route Traditional Rights of Way Initiative

Explore this ArcGIS Storymap and learn about the Traditional Rights of Way Portage Routes around the Kennisis Lake area.

Daniel Butler, Njoki Muriithi, Trinity Torrejos  
March 5, 2024

[Portage Route Traditional Rights of Way Initiative \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com)

This ArcGIS storymap explores the Community-Based Research Project undertaken by students from Trent University in the Community-Based Natural Resource Management (ERSC-3160) course in the Winter 2024 semester, on behalf of U-Links and in partnership with the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association (KLCOA).

## Kennisis Lake – Cat Lake Portage Route (634m)



Welcome,

*Please Enjoy the Use of this Portage Route*

This portage route crosses public and private land and is expressly subject to the right of portage under the Public Lands Act of Ontario

Please use this portage responsibly:

- respect the rights of the landowners,
- ensure your boat/canoe is clean and will not be transporting invasive species,
- leave no trace



Municipality of Dysart et al

**Thank you to TROW Committee:**  
**Gino Ariano (Chair)**  
**Tegan Legge**  
**Matt Malone**  
**Pat McCann Smith**  
**Jim Prince**  
**Ian Attridge – Outside Legal Council**



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# Safe Boating

Brenda Lobraico

# Boating Safety – Website Update



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## Safe Boating on the Kennisis Lakes

### KLCOA Safe Boating Website Update

#### •Boating Code Of Conduct – **NEW!**

- An important take away is to minimize your wake  
In narrows, channels and bays and keep your speed to 10 km within 30 meters of shore

#### •Safe Boating – New Video Links.

- Boating Departing and Landing \*
- Towing Human Beings
- Safe and Enjoyable PWC'ing
- Boating Law, Safety and Courtesy
- Safe and Enjoyable Night Boating

#### •Navigational Aids

- KLCOA Hazard Marking Program

## BOATER'S CODE

### RESPECTFUL BOATING GUIDELINES FOR THE KENNISIS LAKES

1. Follow Transport Canada's **Safe Boating Guide** and obtain your **Pleasure Craft Operator's Card** if you intend to operate a motorized watercraft.  
[Safe Boating Guide](#)  
[Get Your Pleasure Craft Operators Card](#)
2. Do not operate a boat if you are under the influence of **Drugs or Alcohol**.  
**It is against the law to carry any open alcohol on board while the boat is being operated.!**
3. Minimize your Wake especially in narrow channels, bays and near shore.  
Reduce your Speed to 10 km within 30 meters (100 feet) of shore.  
[Obey Boating Speed Limits](#)
4. Provide **Life Jackets** or **PFDs** to everyone who travels on your boat.
5. Head to the **Centre** of the lake when **Towing – Boarding, Skiing or Tubing**.
6. **Respect** your neighbours by moving around the lake rather than boating in a small area. Avoid making excessive **Noise** that will disturb the enjoyment of others.
7. **Protect** the environment by treating bays and narrows as **No Wake Zones** and avoid operating in water that is less than 1.2 metres (4 feet) deep.
8. **Clean** your **Boat** and **Trailer** when bringing them in/out of the Kennisis Lakes and drain the bilge on shore far away from the lakes.



# Boating Safety – What You Can Do



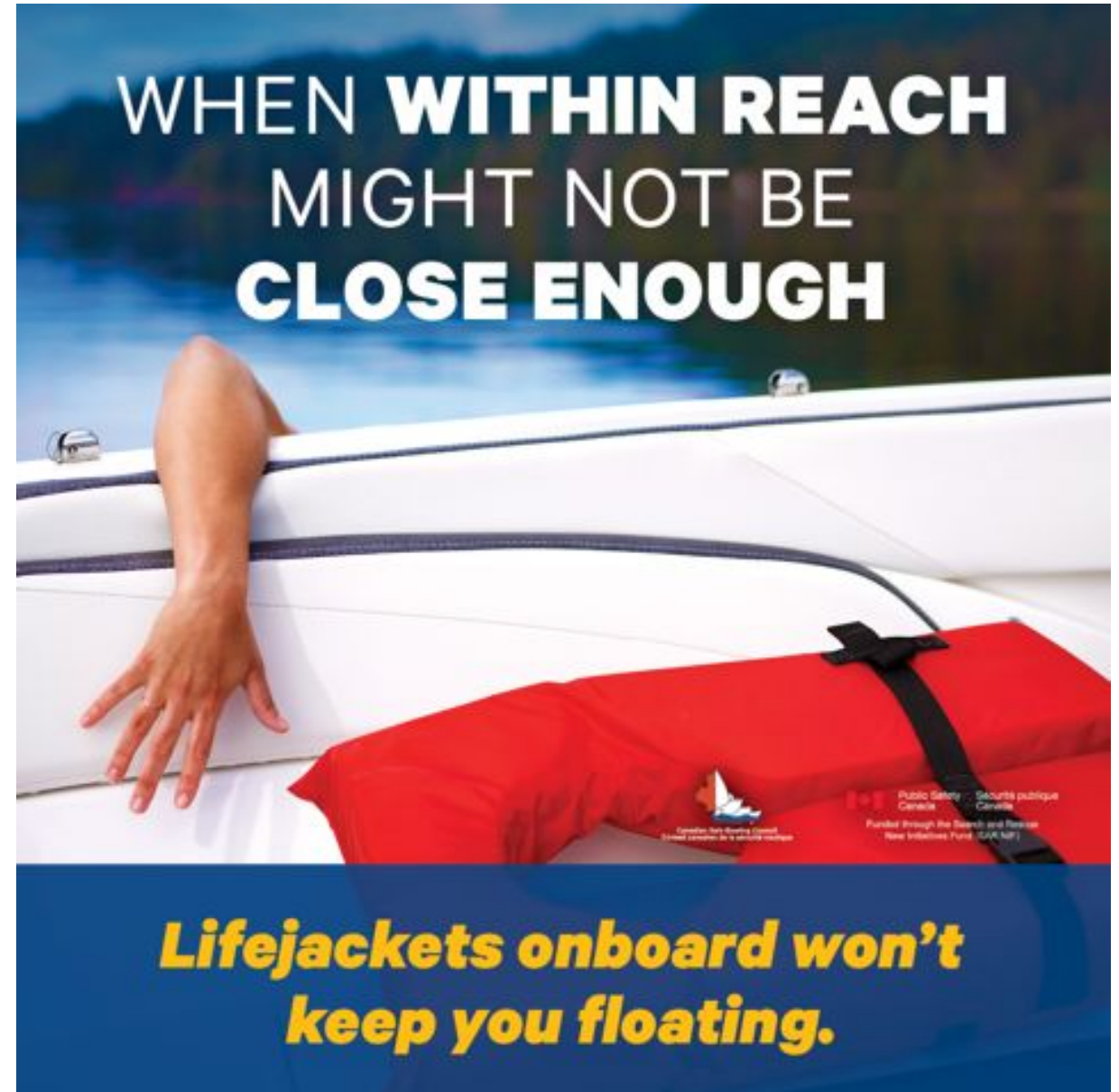
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## Boating Safety on Our Lakes

In 2023 there were 16 boating fatalities in Ontario. Most of these were not wearing a life jacket.

- 5 motorized boats
- 5 canoes
- 2 kayaks
- 3 PWC
- 1 Rowboat

**Be safe and wear a  
life jacket!**



# Kennisis Lakes Safe Boating – Hazard and Navigation Markers



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The KLCOA Hazard and Navigation Marker Program will continue in 2024 - Pat O'Keefe (Co-Ordinator)

Yellow Hazard Markers deployed in the Spring and removed in the Fall

## 2024 – No Wake Marker Buoys

The KLCOA will deploy “NO WAKE” markers in the Cabin Island and Blueberry Islands channels as well as the entrance to the Kennisis Dam to remind boaters to limit speed and reduce wake in these areas that are popular swimming and recreation locations. These were reported to be successful in keeping boat traffic to lower speeds during deployment in previous years.



**NOT ALL HAZARDS ARE MARKED!  
INDIVIDUAL BOATERS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO AVOID  
NAVIGATION HAZARDS!**



**Thanks to KLCOA Volunteers,  
27 Hazard Markers and 10 No Wake Markers are deployed!**

# The Impact of Waves and Wakes – Research in Haliburton County



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**In 2023, Lake Kash Organization (LKO) has engaged Dr. Chris Houser (University of Waterloo) to deploy sensor buoys at 10 locations to monitor wind generated waves and recreational boat generated wakes (2023).**

**The project generated data to understand the impacts of waves and wakes on shorelines and lake bottoms.**



**The work is being done to assess the relative importance of wind generated waves and recreational boat wakes considering factors such as lake configuration and shoreline type.**

***“Love Your Lake” Webinar Video available on the LKO Website***



# Lake Kashagawigamog



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# Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve

Malcolm Cockwell

# KENNISIS LAKE MARINA

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*FROM THE LAKE, FOR THE LAKE*



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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# New Community Bulletin Board



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**Coming soon...another great place for information!**





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# Haliburton Highlands Hospital Services Diagnostic Imaging Campaign

Tayce Wakefield

# HHH Foundation Special Fundraising Efforts



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**Diagnostic Imaging Campaign to bring new technology/services to Haliburton including:**

## CT SCAN

- Critical tool in emergency and regular diagnoses
- 357 ambulance trips (6 hours each) out of County in 2021

## MAMMOGRAM

- 1 in 38 women die of breast cancer
- 1 in 10 patients are men

## PACS

- Electronic transmission of digital images to specialists/hospitals across Ontario

## ULTRASOUND and BONE DENSITY

**TARGET: \$4.3 Million + \$2.5 Million for new Xray**

**Everyone's Help is Appreciated!** <https://www.hhhs.ca/foundation/give>

# KLCOA Financial Update



2024 Special Meeting

The 2023 Financials and the 2024 Budget were presented and accepted by the members at the 2024 March Annual meeting. Both had previously been approved by the Board.

## 2024 Budget Summary:

- Revenue estimate of \$40,739
- Program and membership expenses estimated at \$43,223
- Therefore budgeted operating deficit estimated at \$2,484

Reserve fund balance currently at \$37,000\*

See [KLCOA.ORG](http://KLCOA.ORG) for additional information

\*Best practice is to have one year's operating funds as a reserve.

# Connectivity Update



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Congratulations to the Connectivity Committee on the progress with Bell. They continue to advocate for improved cell coverage.

## Internet Coverage:

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> e-blast regarding Bell rollout of Fibre to home. Follow KLCOA.org for details and updates.

**Feedback from those who have activated is great.**

## Cellular Coverage: Rogers and EORN Project

**Tower 1 - Wilkinson Rd by Marina:**  
45m monopole

Construction starting very shortly

**Tower 2 – Holts Rd 240m off Watts Rd**  
85m guyed tower

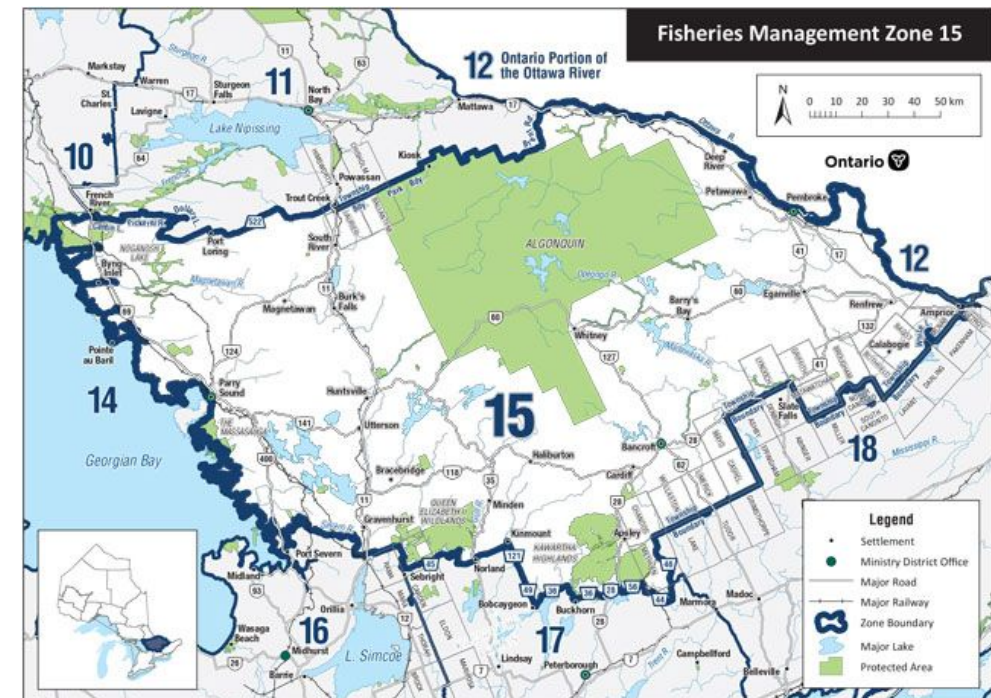
NEW Installation target: Q1 2025

# Fisheries Update



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- In 2017 a Fishery Advisory Council was established - participants included the OFAH, MNR, First Nation and local lake associations.
- A subcommittee was established by the CHA to provide input on Haliburton specific issues
- Fishery Advisory Council finally submitted its recommendations to the MNR in mid 2022 and the regulation changes proposed were posted for public consultation in October 2022.
- Recommendations included the shortening/closures of Lake Trout/Speckled Trout ice fishing and slot size expansion.
- A large outcry erupted fueled largely by Ice Hut operators reacting to the new regulations proposing Lake Trout winter fishing closures on small sized lakes and a shortened season, minimum size and single lines applying to large lakes.
- Subsequently in January 2024 the OFAH voiced opposition to some of the proposed changes notwithstanding they were at the counsel table from the being.
- **The zone 15 regulations unfortunately remain unchanged with both the MNR and Government showing no progress on the issues to date.**



Thank you to Brian Evans for staying on top of the regulations and participating in the review process with the CHA and MNR.

**See [KLCOA.org](http://KLCOA.org) for additional info.**

You can help by being part of the Rock Bass Derby on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

# Dock Etiquette – Continuing Education



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## KENNISIS LAKE COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION DOCK ETIQUETTE



**BY WORKING TOGETHER AND BEING ACCOUNTABLE TO EACH OTHER, WE CAN  
ALL ENSURE PROPER DOCK ETIQUETTE**

- 1) Label each individual dock with your name and address – consider a phone number or email address. Several options are available including:
  - ▽ use a waterproof “bag tag” zip tied to a dock cleat
  - ▽ write on the dock with a permanent magic marker
  - ▽ attach a name plate to the dock
- 2) Retain your old docks in front of your own property – do not tow to a public area. If they are no longer needed consider offering them on Facebook Marketplace or some other social media site.
- 3) Decommission your old docks on a timely basis – do not let them disintegrate on your shore and then become a Spring debris hazard. Hire a professional or your new dock company to dispose of your old dock.
- 4) Ensure any docks placed in a public area for winter storage are clearly tagged with your name and address.
- 5) If you leave unattended anchors or lines in the lake ensure they are clearly marked with a buoy to avoid being caught in a propeller.
- 6) If you find a dock, post pictures on social media and also send to KLCOA to post in an e-blast.



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# Norah's Island – Brief History



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- Norah's Island is the big island (22 acres) in the middle of Kennisis Lake
- All are welcome to visit Norah's Island for day use – we only ask that you take only pictures and leave only footprints. Overnight camping is not allowed.
- To honour the memory of Norah Carruthers, her husband Bruce (KLCOA members since 1971) donated the island to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust in 2007
- The Carruthers family asked that the KLCOA partner with the newly formed Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT) to oversee the management and protection of the island
- KLCOA led the effort to raise funds for the Norah's Island Endowment Fund, which is owned and administered by the HHLT. Please visit the plaque on the island to read the list of donors.
- Your KLCOA representatives on the Norah's Island Management Committee are Jeff Pinkney, Janis Parker and Paula Kleinsmidt-Lepsky. The HHLT are also represented by 3 committee members.
- **We are grateful to all the Kennisis Lake families who volunteer to be part of our EyesOnTheIsland program.**
- Questions can be directed to: [jeff.pinkney@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.pinkney@gmail.com) or (705) 312-3700
- To make a donation to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust – please contact: [www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca) – 705-457-3700.

# Norah's Island Endowment Fund - 2023



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## Value of Norah's Island Endowment Fund:

- December 31, 2022 was \$60,153.77
- December 31, 2023 was \$60,000.00

**Income** generated from interest and donations during 2023 was \$1,360.14

## Expenses for 2023:

- Property Taxes: \$84.59
- Insurance: \$200.00
- Signage: 433.95
- Transfer to HHLT Operations: \$795.37



**Membership (go to [www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca))**

**Join the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust today!**

By becoming a member, you take a direct role in protecting the natural and cultural heritage of our community by providing the Land Trust with a dependable source of funding. This allows HHLT to take on new projects and develop innovative approaches to land and water conservation, environmental education, healthy outdoor activity, nature appreciation and promote the significant economic value of the environment in the Haliburton Highlands.

**Please join us on Norah's Island on August 5<sup>th</sup> for a picnic**



Protecting the land we love  
for future generations

Get Informed!  
Get Involved!  
Get Invested!

# Group Propane Buy Program



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Group started in 2014 and now numbers well over 50 participants from Kennis Lake and Redstone

Superior Propane gets economies of scale in delivering propane and in having a predictable volume so Group Buy members benefit with a lower price than otherwise available in the market. A fixed price for the year is set in the July/August timeframe.

Thank you to  
organizers

Tayce Wakefield  
Dave Lawrence

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competition in the  
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**[taycewakefield@yahoo.ca](mailto:taycewakefield@yahoo.ca) or [davelawrence@gmail.com](mailto:davelawrence@gmail.com)**

# Roads Update



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## 2024 WORK PLANNED

- *Paving on Kennisis Lake Road from Paddy's Bay to the Dam (pending award by Council – not tendered yet)*
- *Mechanical patching of potholes on Watts Road.*
  - *Dysart is trying to hold surface together long enough for Capital work in future years. The delay in complete reconstruction is because there is so much heavy truck traffic and logging trucks. They feel that if the road was to be completely redone now while truck traffic remains high, that the new road could conceivably be wrecked again within two years. Therefore Dysart would like to see truck traffic reduced to justify this project.*
- *No brushing is scheduled.*
- *Pothole patching as needed.*



Thank you to Larry Harris the Roads Monitoring and Advocacy Program

**The KLCOA has sent a letter to Dysart expressing concern over the condition of Watts Road and the non-committal to restore it properly in a timely manner.**

# KLCOA Partners – Advocacy, Research and Support



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## FOCA



Federation of Ontario Cottage Associations

<https://foca.on.ca/>

## CHA



Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations

<https://www.cohpoa.org/>

## U-Links/WWEW



U-Links Centre for Community Based Research

Woodlands and Waterways EcoWatch

<https://www.ulinks.ca/>

## CEWF



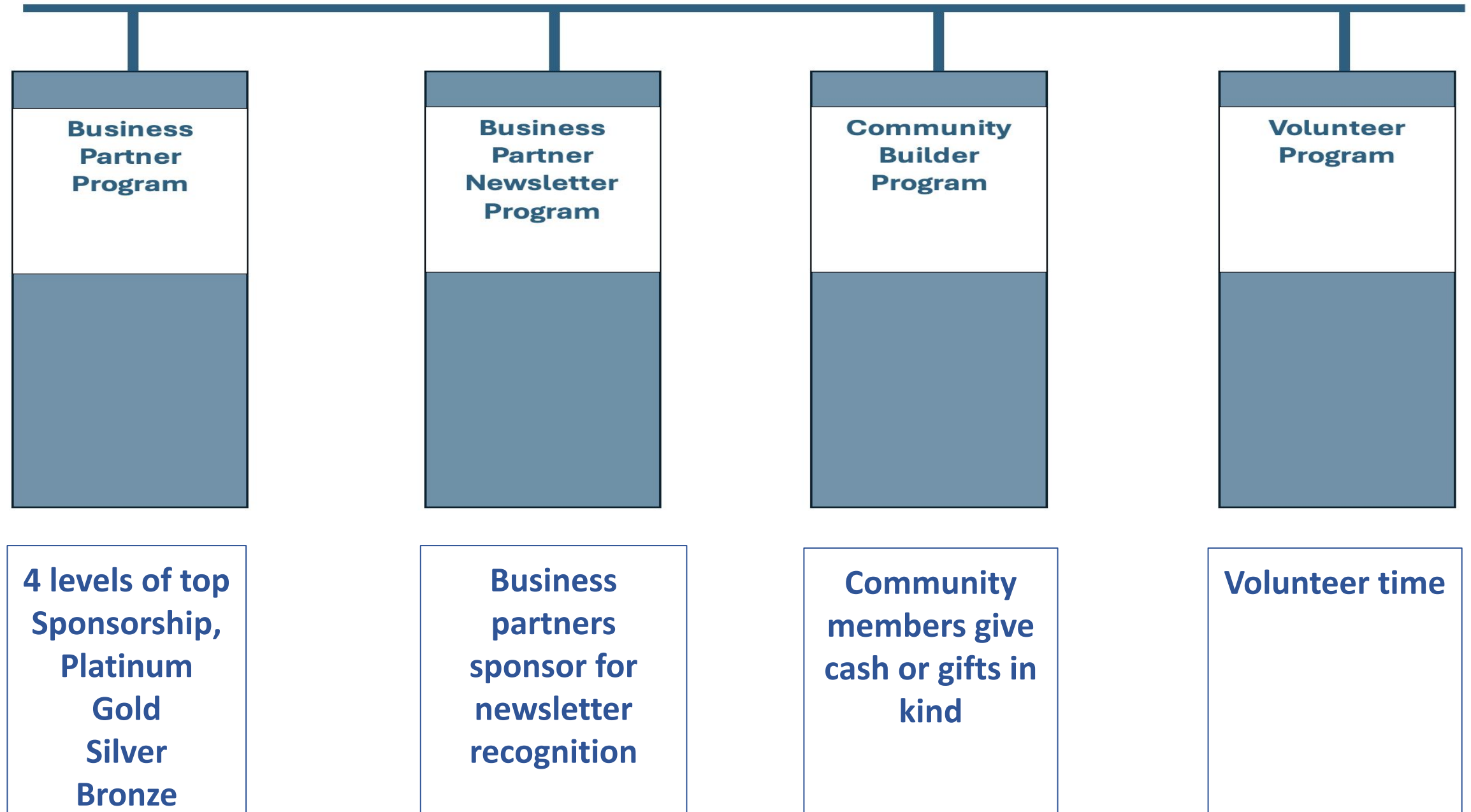
Coalition for Equitable Water Flow

<https://www.cewf.ca/>

# 2024 KLCOA Sponsorship Program



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**Thank you to our Sponsorship Coordinator Susan Marlow**



# 2023 SPONSORS



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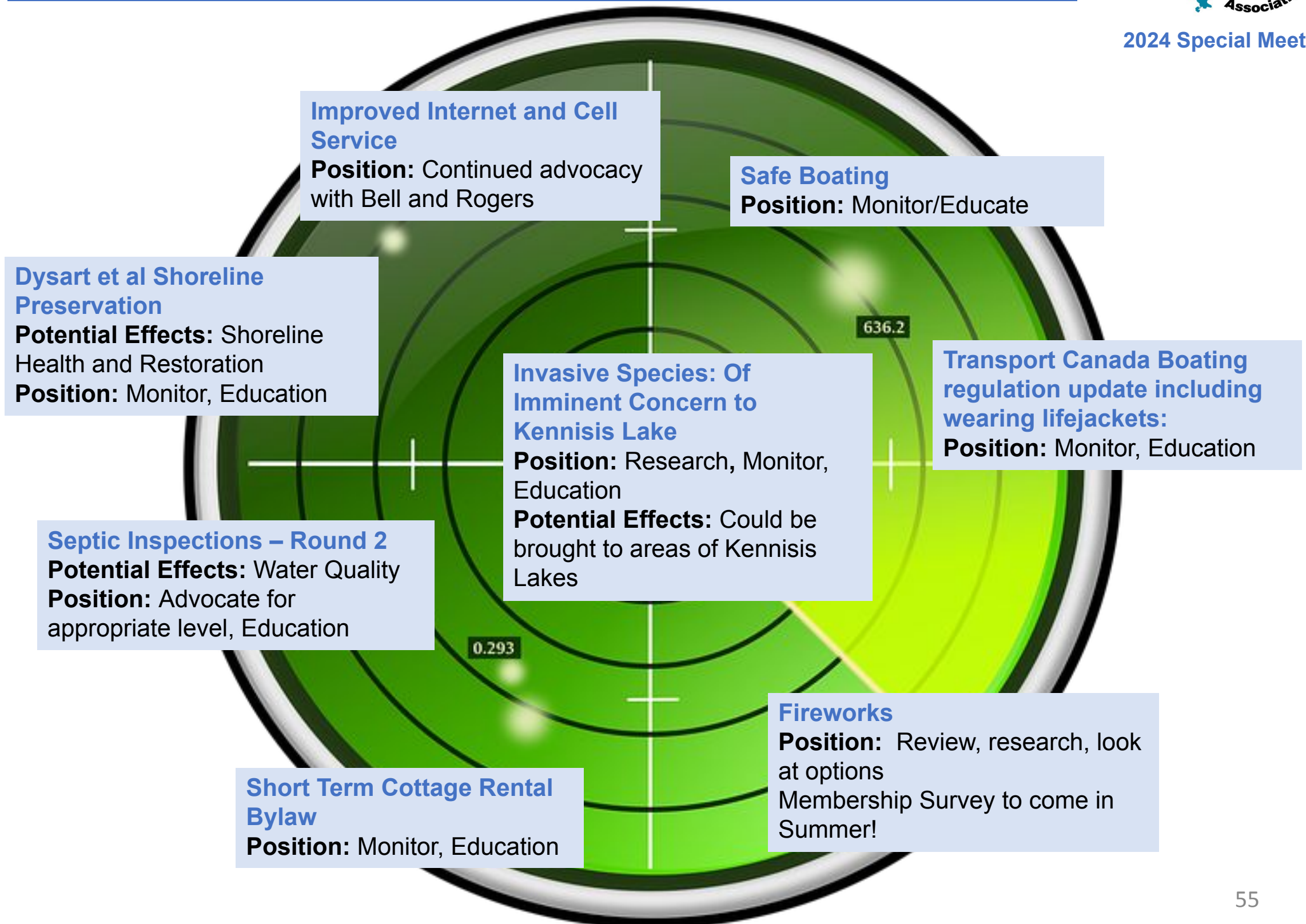
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FOR ALL OF THEIR SUPPORT**

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# What's on our Radar!



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# Volunteering

**Thank you to all of the volunteers that have given their  
time and energy to the KLCOA**

**Board of Directors**

**Committee Members**

**Activity and Event Volunteers**

**You make our Lake Community the special place that it  
is!**

**We are always looking for more  
volunteers**

**Events**

**Committees**

**Join the KLCOA board**

**Special interests, expertise or  
talents**

**Sign up to our  
Volunteer Database**

**Check any eblast for link!**

# Questions, suggestions and comments



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Any questions that we do not have time to answer will be answered and published some time next week in an eblast.



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Have a great summer!