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FLCA eNewsletter

July 2011



The 2011 FLCA Boat Parade!

It's coming soon - will you be ready?

Please join us on **Saturday, July 30th, 2011 at 3pm** for the re-launch of the popular Farlain Lake Boat Parade.

All are welcome; come out and make some new friends. Great prizes will be awarded for the best decorated boat, most team spirit, best eco-themed boat and best "Early" themed boat.

Registration will begin at 2:45pm at the Public Boat Launch on Andrew Drive at the bottom of Military Road. Only registered boats can participate and qualify for prizes. All participating boats must have a properly licensed operator and valid insurance. Idle speed only; no wakes please. No water balloons; water pistols are welcome. Please be considerate of others and maintain appropriate spacing.

Please mark your calendar and let your creativity flow. Its all up to you. For those not able to participate, please cheer the participants on from your shoreline and spread the word.

A non-sponsored social event will be held following the parade for participants. Rain date will be Sunday, July 31st; please watch the posted signs.

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Water Quality Monitoring - Did You Know?

Monitoring water quality provides a scientific basis for understanding Farlain Lake's characteristics.

Monitoring benefits:

- Profiles how natural and human activities around the lake may impact water quality.
- Determines whether lake water quality is changing over time.
- Identifies emerging problems through lake quality assessments.
- Builds public support for lake quality water protection and encourages sound lake management practices.

MOE Lake Partner Program



FLCA VP Bill Sweeney taking water sample for the Lake Partner Program

The long-term water quality monitoring program of the Ministry of the Environment is aimed at measuring baseline total phosphorous and water quality trends in participating lakes across Ontario. The Farlain Lake Community Association measures water clarity with a Secchi disk and collects water samples for the MOE Dorset Environmental Science Centre once a month from spring to lake fall.

SSEA Water Quality Study

The Township of Tiny sponsored water quality study of the Farlain Lake watershed undertaken by the Severn Sound Environmental Association is a 'snap-shot' in time of the lake's watershed. This broad scoped in-depth analysis will be looking at the levels of nitrogen, chloride, sulfate, potassium, and other chemical properties in the lake. Water sample collection and on-site analysis (i.e. oxygen content in water) is carried out on two locations on the lake and on one location on the only continuous flowing stream, Water samples and site analysis are undertaken twice a month between the months of May and October.



SSEA Crew Member with Electronic Monitor



Water Monitoring
from Inland Stream

Data obtained from the water quality studies will enable the Farlain Lake Community Association to establish goals to protect the lake for future recreational use by reducing nutrient and bacteria loadings, protecting the lake's fishery by reducing sediment and nutrients, and protecting aquatic habitat and wildlife.

Update on Septage Issue

The FLCA Board of Directors has undertaken the following monitoring efforts of the septage field located on Concession 17 East.



- With the assistance of Dennis Jones, a community resident knowledgeable in the subject of waste treatment processes, the FLCA Board reviewed the hydrogeological report that was prepared on the septage site by a consultant in June 2010. The FLCA Board has submitted a letter of concern to the Regional Director of the Ministry of the Environment (MOE). FLCA Directors will be meeting with the MOE District Manager and the MOE hydrogeologist in Barrie to discuss the findings of the report, our interpretation of the results, and our community's concerns.
- FLCA Directors have been randomly monitoring the road leading to the septage field and the septage field itself to ascertain the level of septage disposal activity and site management efforts by the hauler Regional Sanitation Disposal Ltd. It is evident that Regional Sanitation Disposal Ltd. is tilling the site on a periodic basis to alleviate the level of odour and reduce the compaction of soil.
- The FLCA Board has requested results of the on-site test well through the MOE Freedom of Information process. As part of the conditions set out in the MOE Certificate of Approval, Regional Sanitation Disposal

Ltd. is required to collect ground water samples from an on-site monitoring well in early April and late November of each year. The groundwater samples are to be analyzed for nitrate, nitrite, TKN, ammonia, and phosphorous.

In addition to monitoring the septage field in the Farlain Lake watershed, members of the FLCA Board have become involved in the Township's Septage Management Class Environmental Assessment Study. Directors attended the first Public Information Centre meeting that was held on June 15, 2011 at the offices of the Township of Tiny.

Further information on the efforts of the FLCA Association to safeguard the Farlain Lake community from possible negative affects of the septage field operations can be obtained at the 2011 Annual General Meeting.

2011 Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the 2011 Annual General Meeting of the Farlain Lake Community Association.



Date: Sunday August 7, 2011
Registration: 9:00 a.m. (membership renewals)
Meeting Start: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Place: Maple Valley Sports Bar

The Agenda will include reports from the Board of Directors, a request for approval of changes to the FLCA Bylaws, the election of the Board for the 2011-2012 year, and we're very pleased to have special guest Ray Millar, elected as Mayor of the Township of Tiny last fall, coming to speak to us.

There are a number of important issues affecting our community and we hope that you will come out and take the opportunity to learn more about what we're doing on your behalf and ask questions. We need to hear from you.

In preparation for the AGM, you can use the **Quick Links** in the column on the right to download materials for the meeting or go to the FLCA web site and follow the links.

- Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting
- Proxy Vote Form (to be used if you are not able to attend the meeting)
- Nomination Form (for the election of the Board of Directors)
- Draft of the Revised Bylaws (please go to the tab on this site entitled Constitution for the current version)

- Chart Summarizing the changes to the Bylaws

It's Membership Renewal Time Again!

Membership renewals will be collected at the Annual General Meeting or you can mail it in or drop it off at the FLCA address on the form - use the Quick Link on the right to download the form. Membership fees are \$30 per household.

Please complete the form even if you are a current member so we know we have the current contact information for you. PLEASE provide an email address as it makes it much easier to keep you in touch and ensure you have timely information!

We hope you've enjoyed the communication we've been sending you throughout the year to keep you updated on issues and events! The FLCA is still a very young organization but we're growing every year - the more we grow the more we can do for our community.

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