



# BLA Newsletter – June 2006

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"To enhance people's enjoyment of Buck Lake now and for future generations".

## *President's Message*

Welcome to summer, Bucklakers. Your Buck Lake Association would like you to spend a bit of your precious lake time attending our Annual General Meeting on Saturday, July 8. Your financial support through your membership fees is, of course, necessary, and very much appreciated, but perhaps of more importance is your continuing interest and input into all matters of Buck Lake.

Over the years a loyal core of members attends the AGM to both receive and to provide information valuable to the functions of the BLA. I can tell you that when BLA membership is raised with non-members, typically their response is either that they had not heard of the BLA or they do not know what the BLA does. Well, your Association hopes that each of you will speak to a neighbour, member or non-member, and invite him/her to join you at the AGM. We cannot practically reach every Buck Lake resident ourselves, and your help in this area will be appreciated. The more of us that contribute to the BLA mission, "...to enhance people's enjoyment of Buck Lake now and for future generations", the better.

On a lighter note, keep Saturday, August 26, 2006 open for the end of summer barbecue. We had a great start to this event last year, and plans are under way to make this year a real Buck Lake BBQ Bash. See you at the AGM.

Crawford MacIntyre  
President

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## **Annual General Meeting Notice**

Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup> 2006 at the Perth Road  
United Church Hall

Registration and coffee at 9:00 a.m. Meeting  
begins at 9:30 a.m.

Come early and catch up on news from around the lake. The main focus of the meeting will be a presentation on the Docktalk Program 2006. We will review our activities over the last year and look ahead to the next. The business portion of the meeting will include a financial report, a minor Constitutional amendment and the election of a Board of Directors for 2006-2007. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and some new ones as well. We promise to move briskly and have you back to the cottage by noon.

Buck Lake Association Nominating Committee Report to the 2006 AGM  
2006-07-08

Clause 8 a i of the Association's By-law 1 indicates that the Board of Directors will consist of not fewer than 9, and not more than 12, members. The 2005-2006 Board had 12 members.

Clause 8 a ii of By-law 1 indicates that a Board member may not serve for more than 6 consecutive years. In keeping with this restriction Ralph Wirsig will retire at this AGM.

This same sub clause indicates that Board members are to be elected to serve for a term of 2 years. Amy Rossworm, who was first elected in 2001, is eligible for election for her 6<sup>th</sup> and final year at this AGM and has agreed to allow her name to be placed in nomination for a 1 year term.

Directors Bruce Barnes, Nancy Daugulis, Jim Manuel, Marilyn O'Connor, Jan Theoret and Tricia Waldron were elected at the 2005 AGM for their initial 2 year terms and will be eligible for re-nomination at the 2007 AGM.

Directors Crawford MacIntyre, Roy Mills, Stephen Roughton and Duncan Sinclair were elected for their initial 2 year terms at the 2004 AGM. Each is eligible for a second two year term at this AGM and each has agreed to re-nomination for a 2 year term.

Maxine Lemieux has agreed to allow her name to be placed in nomination for her initial 2 year term at this AGM.

In summary, the Nominating Committee recommends to Association members at this AGM the following 6 members for election to the 2006-2007 Board: Maxine Lemieux, Crawford MacIntyre, Roy Mills, Stephen Roughton, and Duncan Sinclair for a 2 year term and Amy Rossworm for a 1 year term. These nominees, plus the 6 elected at the 2005 AGM, will result in a 12 member Board for 2006-2007. If there are nominations from the floor at this AGM a ballot election will be held.

Respectfully submitted,

Crawford MacIntyre, Stephen Roughton (chair), Duncan Sinclair  
Nominating Committee.

**Notice of Motion for Constitutional Amendment**

Buck Lake Association

(1) Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and By-law 1

The following amendments have been approved by the board of directors and are recommended to the members for approval at the 2006 annual general meeting.

Amendment to:	Present wording	Recommended wording
Constitution clause 5 c	includes the words: “Buck Lake Protection Reserve Fund”	Change to: “Buck Lake Association Reserve Fund “ to conform with the Association’s legal name.
By-law 1 clause 7 b	Any membership fee paid after May 31 shall be deemed to apply to the next fiscal year	The annual membership fee is payable for the calendar year.

(2) Proposed enabling motion re By-law 1, clause 7 b

Whereas the annual membership fee has been payable on a fiscal year basis, July 1 to June 30,  
and

Whereas members at the 2006 annual general meeting have approved the annual membership fee being payable on a calendar year basis,

Be it resolved that:

50% of the annual membership fee will be payable for the period July 1 to December 31, 2006,  
and

Effective January 1, 2007 the annual membership fee will be payable for the period January 1 to December 31.

**Membership Renewal Invoice**

For those members receiving this newsletter by mail, a membership form is attached.

**BUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION INC.**

**PO BOX 1753, STN MAIN,**

**KINGSTON ON, K7L 5J6**

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FEE INVOICE**

**Your BLA membership renewal fee is due 2006 July 1.**

**As the BLA Board has decided to move to a “calendar fiscal year” from the present July 1 to June 30 fiscal year, you have two choices for submitting your renewal fee:**

**1. Pay a 6 month fee of-----\$12.50**

**(To cover the period 2006 July 1 to 2006 Dec 31)**

**(Your next renewal fee will be for 12 months & will be due 2007 Jan 1)**

**2. Pay an 18 month fee of-----\$37.50**

**(To cover the period 2006 July 1 to 2007 Dec 31)**

**(Your next renewal fee will be for 12 months & will be due 2008 Jan 1)**

**(For convenience and simplicity reasons for both the membership and BLA, the 18 month fee is preferred)**

**Please use the BUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION INC. current membership form at <http://www.bucklake.ca/membform.pdf> for submitting your fee and to provide BLA your updated information---especially your email address and any special interests you may have in supporting the BLA organization.**

## Docktalk Up-Date

Docktalk 2006 is almost ready to go. Jana Johnson, a Buck Lake resident, has been hired to be Program Coordinator and Site Visit staff are in place. The visits will begin in June. Devil and Loughborough Lake Associations are participating with us in the program, but the majority of visits will be on Buck Lake. We are developing a marketing program to generate interest and sponsorship within the local community. If you have a business or service that serves our area and would like to provide recognized sponsorship to the program, please contact us at [info@bucklake.ca](mailto:info@bucklake.ca). If you would like to participate as a site visit location please contact Jana Johnson at [janaj@keys.ca](mailto:janaj@keys.ca) or 353-1111.

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## **Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority – Source Water Protection**

### Local Conservation Authority Seeks to Protect Drinking Water Sources

The Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (CRCA) is a non-profit agency that works with the community to conserve natural resources in local watersheds. The CRCA has been asked by the provincial government to coordinate source water protection planning for the local area. The purpose of this multi-year project is to develop a science-based plan, with local communities, to protect clean and plentiful sources of drinking water.



The content of the plan will be guided by a source protection committee that will include representation from municipalities, community groups, and watershed residents. The intent is to have at least one representative from a lake association. The CRCA Board will be responsible for the overall planning process. The Minister of the Environment will approve the plan.

The scope of work under source water protection will be determined by the Ontario *Clean Water Act*, which is presently under review by the province. The CRCA is now undertaking background work on the project, such as:

- descriptions and maps of local water resources, landscapes, and communities;
- analyses of water quality and quantity conditions; and
- a summary of potential issues.

The information generated through this project will also be useful for other water-related initiatives in the future.

Additional information about the project is located on the CRCA website at [www.cataraquiregion.on.ca](http://www.cataraquiregion.on.ca) under Resources Management.

As part of their research, the CRCA is interested in how inland lakes such as Buck Lake are used as sources of drinking water. Look for a link to an on-line water use survey (all replies and results will be anonymous) in an upcoming issue of this newsletter.

If you would like to learn more about the CRCA and the source water protection project, please consider attending a meeting of local lake associations at 7:00 PM on Monday June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Chaffeys Locks Community Hall (near Elgin). To RSVP for the meeting, please contact the CRCA office at (613) 546-4228 ext. 221.

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### **Coming Events**

- Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> - Household Hazardous Waste Disposal at the Works Department Yard on the Keeley Rd. south of Sydenham. - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – No charge
  - Friday June 9<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry at Perth Road United Church – 5:00-7:00 p.m.
  - Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup> – “Keeping the Cottage in the Family” Information Seminar at Perth Road United Church Hall 7:00 p.m. Presented by Investors Group. Call 1-877-899-2262 ext. 300 to reserve a place
  - Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Buck Lake Boatilla Fundraiser – Boats will assemble at 12:00 noon in the South Branch near the small island at the Causeway Boat Launch. The tour will end with a BBQ and social gathering at the Hidden Valley Campground.
  - Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup> - BLA Annual General Meeting at Perth Road United Church Hall – 9:00 a.m.
  - Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> – Giant Pie Sale at Perth Road United Church – 9:00 a.m. until the last pie is sold.
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