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# Editor's Message

Well, this is edition No. 2 for "Wind Swept" and like the previous newsletter there is no shortage of items that have been submitted. I would like to thank all the contributors for their efforts and encourage all those who have article ideas, pictures, information notices, or any other suggestions to send them to me at <a href="mikecostigan@hotmail.com">mikecostigan@hotmail.com</a>

Unfortunately we can't always include everything we receive due to length restrictions but rest assured that it is filed and will be used in the next issue.

The response to the electronic newsletter has been very positive and if you are interested in receiving "Wind Swept" electronically send me an email! I have had a number of requests since March. Hard copies will continue to be sent to those who request it this way.

By now, hopefully, most of you have had a chance to get to the island and open up the cottage.....unscathed by winter's wrath. If you haven't, reliable sources tell me that winter brought lots of snow and spring has been wet and cold.....Victoria Day weekend certainly attested to that! Hopefully this will not be a sign of what is in store for us this summer!

## **AGM Notice**

The Annual General Meeting of the Lake Manitou Area Association will be held at the <u>Big Lake School House on Silver Bay Road</u> on Saturday July 18, 2009 at 10:00am.

Meet your Lake Manitou friends and neighbors, see what your association is doing for you, put forth your ideas, and get involved! Refreshments, door prizes and fellowship to follow!

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# "A Real Fish Story" submitted by John de Chastelain

Each year David and I go up to Manitoulin the first week in May for a few days to open up our camps and chase the lake trout before they go deep. Often, David's former high school teacher colleague, Nick Kostiak (a very keen fisherman), joins us.



In May 2006, when fishing with us, Nick caught a large pickerel, which we returned unharmed as it was a week before the season opened -- and we wouldn't keep a pickerel that large anyway, since it was probably a hen fish and full of eggs (the bigger ones are not the tastier ones). But none of us had a camera with us, and afterwards, when we told our friends about the big fish Nick had caught and released, we had no evidence of it -- and we could see their skeptical looks.

So when we went up in May 2007 I had a camera with me and to our surprise Nick repeated the event, catching another large pickerel, which I photographed and we then released, I attach a photo of that one too.

LMAA Member David Rutherford (right) & friend Nick Kostiak in May 2007

Nick didn't come up in May 2008, and neither David nor I caught a pickerel then, although we did catch a number of lake trout (as indeed we did each year, including earlier this month).

This May Nick was with us again, but it was David who caught the pickerel this time. Again, it was a week before the pickerel season opened, and again we believed it was a large hen fish, so after I'd photographed it and Nick had held it up to guess its weight -- 15 lbs or over he thought -- we returned it to the lake.

Even stranger is the fact that each of the three times we caught the large pickerel in the first week of May, it was in just about the same part of the lake.

This time I thought it was worthwhile sending the photo to the Expositor, as it shows what a great place Lake Manitou is and what great fishing is to be had there.



May 1, 2009 David Rutherford (right) & friend Nick Kostiak

## **Welcome New Members**

Jim & Jennifer Booth, Michael Brothers, Chris & Myia Carlson, Stephen Chisholm, Lori Costigan, Kathy Costigan & Scott Miller, Sue Costigan & Jon Miller, Jean-Guy & Ida Faubert, John Fleischauer, Steven & Kathy Hellyer, Bob & Peggy Hildebrant, Craig & Brenda Hoyt, Judith Kenigson Gerry & Wendy Michael, Ken & Bernice Neeb, Anthony Pingston, Hazel Rowe, Stan & Nan Salisbury, Ed & Cheryl Sheppard, Janet Stubbs, Rick & Jennifer Sunderhaus, Clint & Lori Vanzant, Larry & Laura Watson, Peter & Jane Wilcox

Your 2009 membership fees are now due! See "Member Notice Board" for more details!

# Are You Prepared? Submitted by Don Payne

### Can you survive for 72 hours?

Every once in awhile, we are unfortunate to be the victims of a serious storm or other catastrophe and find that we are not well prepared to handle it. When there is no electric power we cannot use our debit cards to purchase necessities, and it if water pump doesn't work we don't have water to drink.

So what should you do to be prepared? Here are some suggestions that are put forward on the following website www.getprepared.ca/prod/ord/ordpub-eng.aspx.

- 1. <u>Know the risks</u> that you may face in the area you live in. In Ontario, regional risks may include flooding, severe storms, forest fires, and transportation accidents.
- 2. Make a plan and let your loved ones know what it contains.
  - Safe exits from home and neighborhood
  - Meeting places to reunite with family or roommates
  - Designated person to pick up children should you be unavailable
  - Contact persons close-by and out-of-town
  - Health information
  - Place for your pet to stay
  - Risks in your region
  - Location of your fire extinguisher, water valve, electrical box, gas valve and floor drain
- 3. <u>Prepare a survival kit</u> that is suitable for the members of your immediate family including pets. Make sure everyone knows where it is stored.

**Easy to carry** – think of ways that you can pack your emergency kit so that you and those on your emergency plan can easily take the items with you, if necessary.

- Water two liters of water per person per day (Include small bottles that can be carried easily in case of an evacuation order)
- **Food** that won't spoil, such as canned food, energy bars and dried foods (remember to replace the food and water once a year)
- Manual can opener
- Flashlight and batteries
- Battery-powered or wind-up radio (and extra batteries)
- First aid kit
- **Special needs items** prescription medications, infant formula or equipment for people with disabilities
- Extra keys for your car and house
- Cash include smaller bills, such as \$10 bills (travelers' cheques are also useful) and change for payphones
- **Emergency plan** include a copy of it and ensure it contains in–town and out–of–town contact information

# Lake Manitou Maps

Have you got your map yet? We have 95 maps left out of the 300 that were printed last year. For those members who have not yet purchased their map and wish to do so contact a LMAA Director in your area or Pat Costigan at 519-576-1912 or 705-377-6640 or email: <a href="mailto:pat\_costigan@hotmail.com">pat\_costigan@hotmail.com</a>

The historical booklet that will eventually accompany the map continues to be a work in progress. Any contributions of historical information towards this initiative would be greatly appreciated!

# Ice Lake included in advisory list for blue-green algae

from The Recorder March 27, 2009

By Tom Savari

SUDBURY—A water body on western Manitoulin was part of those under advisories for blue-green algae issued by the Sudbury and District Board of Health in 2008. At a. meeting last week, the SDHU pointed out that the number of advisories for the blue-green algae increased by more than six times the number issued just two years earlier.

Last year, the SDHU issued a total of 13 advisories for cyanobacteria or "pond scum" last year, up from just two advisories in 2006. Three advisories were issued in 2007, including one for Ice Lake.

Ed Gardner, manager of the health unit's Environmental Health Division, told members of the SDHU board at a meeting last week that blue-green algae was found last summer in Ramsey Lake and has been confirmed in Ice Lake, French River, Nepewassi Lake, Lake Panache, Windy Lake, McFarlane Lake, Grant Lake, Nelson Lake, Clear Lake and Hannah Lake.

"There was blue-green algae confirmed in Ice Lake in 2007, and once it's confirmed in a lake, it remains there, it never goes away," said Mr. Gardner. However, he pointed out, "not every year will there be an algae bloom to make it evident each lake and body of water has different characteristics."

Mr. Gardner noted phosphorous is the main food source for blue-green algae and human action provides plenty of it through lawn fertilizers and dishwater detergents that wash into water bodies. He said one of the best ways to reduce nutrient levels for blue-green algae is to reduce the use of fertilizer on lawns and gardens. He told the board that properly maintaining septic systems located near lakes and switching to phosphorous-free detergents can help. And residents are urged not to remove aqua plants from lakes because they serve to uptake phosphorous.

Blue-green algae affects water quality and people who get their water from an affected source are urged to get their drinking water someplace else.

Consuming water contaminated with blue-green algae can be deadly, but its odour is generally so foul, most people couldn't drink enough of it to cause much damage.

Pets and livestock can become seriously ill or die from drinking water contaminated with the bacteria. Eating the liver, kidney and other organs of fish caught in water containing blue-green also can also make people and animals ill, said Mr. Gardner. He pointed out children are at the greatest risk if they consume contaminated water.

Mr. **Gardner** explained that when blue-green algae is reported, the Ontario Ministry of the Environment investigates, and samples of the algae bloom and tests are done to determine if it's toxic. Health units receive notification from the ministry and issue advisories about contaminated water sources.

# More Fish Habitat for Lake Manitou submitted by Bob Florean & Michael Costigan

For a number of years now our lake steward Mike Thompson has been the driving force behind rehabilitating Lake Manitou fish habitat.

In 2007, Mike, with the assistance of Bob Florean (Stewardship Coordinator Manitoulin Area Stewardship Council) and Paul Methner (Operations Coordinator of the Blue Jay Creek Fish Culture Station), developed a CFWIP (Community Fish and Wildlife Involvement Program) proposal for Lake Manitou which got approved and funded by the MNR.

Mike and Paul mapped and recorded the habitat with an underwater video camera in an area that was approximately 30' deep. Mike had noted that historically the area he was creating habitat in was previously covered in a good growth of weeds and was a noted perch location. For some unknown reason the weeds disappeared.



Next, with the help of the Ontario Stewardship Rangers, a number of habitat cubes were constructed by nailing and strapping old wooden pallets together. These were then sunk with trees protruding out the slots strategically within the area he identified to the MNR for habitat restoration work.





With the assistance of Lake Manitou Association members, cedar trees were cut, holes drilled in there trunks, cables and weights attached and then moved out into the lake and sunk in strategic locations. The work was video taped as it lay on the lake's bottom and it didn't take long for Mike to report that the efforts are paying off.

Last summer, once again through a CWFIP grant, Mike spear headed the installation of six brook trout spawning beds in the lake. Each bed

measuring 6' in diameter, 8" tall and constructed of stainless steel mesh were

filled with 3/8" spawning gravel and placed around the shoreline in approximately 3' of water. The first was installed near LMAA members Tom and Patricia Barrington's cottage (formerly know as Doc Johnson's) and continuing east around to the north shore and west to Surecatch Bay. The stretch of spawning beds covers approx. 6 miles from start to finish according to Mike. Volunteers assembled at the boat ramp at Manitoulin Resort (Holiday Haven) and hauled the gravel to each bed location using boats.



This winter more Ministry approved fish habitat was created using plastic fish habitat boxes purchased through CFWIP funding. The boxes were positioned in March awaiting ice retreat for their final location. Mike will

again video assess the results and record how much fish life has taken up residence and report this to the MNR.





Thanks to Mike Thompson, Lake Manitou has received the equivalent of 1 hectare (100m x100m) of artificial fish habitat. On behalf of all lake residents, association members and particularly fisherman you are to be congratulated for your efforts Mike! Keep up the Great Work!!

## More Lake Manitou History By Ron MacDougall, LMAA Member

In response to our request for some history of Lake Manitou, we received this letter from Ron MacDougall of Manitowaning.

"My grandparents moved here to the Manitoulin around 1878 and settled on the shore of Lake Manitou just west of Holiday Haven, now Manitoulin Resort.

My grandparents were Thomas Norquay Sr. (1839-1927) and Jane Simison (1840-1925). Both of them were originally from the Orkney Islands in Scotland. They settled in the Budge's District where they resided for almost 50 years. Here they raised 4 boys, John, James, Thomas and William, and a daughter, Margaret (my mother). Margaret married Lachlan McDougall in 1913 on the Norquay family farm at Lake Manitou. My mother told me about the sawmill off Manitoulin Resort. The logs were brought to the lake, sawed into lumber, taken to Manitowaning by team and sleigh or wagon, and then shipped out by boat.

There was a little island just east of Vanzant's Landing. There they built a dock and a warehouse to store equipment and nets. They also built a causeway made of timber and stone out to the island. This causeway is still visible today.

My mother also told me that there was a boat built on the next point. She showed me holes in the rocks that were used for anchor cables. The MacDougall family still has a cottage on the above-mentioned point. The original cottage was built about 1935 by my father, Lachlan MacDougall."

## Member Notice Board

### **4** 2009 LMAA Annual General Meeting Notice

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**NOTE -** We are sorry to report that the Sandfield School House burnt down in May. It was the community centre for the area and is such a loss. That is why we have changed the location of our AGM (Annual General Meeting) to the Big Lake School House on Silver Bay Road.

#### **♣** Final Notice – Pleasure Craft Licenses

All Canadians are now required by federal law to carry a boating license when operating a powered watercraft under 4m in length. To receive this boat operator license, you must pass a multiple choice exam with a score of at least 75% by September 15, 2009

More information available at: http://www.boaterexam.com/canada/boatingLicense.aspx

- ◄ Please keep your contact information up to date! If you have a change in mailing address or email address please forward to one of the following:
  Pat Costigan at <a href="mailto:patential-com">patential-com</a> payne@interlog.com
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  - mikecostigan@hotmail.com
- **↓ Its time to renew your membership!** Please complete the enclosed Membership Renewal Form enclose a cheque for \$20.00 and mail to Don Payne's summer address (see form).

### Sandhill Hunt Not Ruled Out

from Ontario Out Of Doors Magazine - June 2009 By Jeff Helsdon

Ontario might join 12 states, 3 provinces, and 1 territory that currently has a sandhill crane hunting season but more research is needed first.

Dr. Scott Petrie, executive director of Long Point Waterfowl (LPW), and Jack Hughes, Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) biologist, presented a joint talk on a possible sandhill crane season in Ontario at the OFAH annual conference in March. They outlined agricultural damage caused by a growing population of sandhill cranes along the north shore of Lake Huron and on Manitoulin Island. Although the area's breeding population is only about 500, one survey on Manitoulin Island counted more than 6,200 birds. Estimates are the population could peak at 12,000.

Several jurisdictions already have sandhill crane seasons, and they're defined as a game species, says Petrie. "This shouldn't be an ethical decision; it should be based solely on biology," he said. His suggestion is for a controlled hunt in September and October.

Hughes showed more caution, pointing to low productivity rates compared to mallards or Canada geese. Still, he says, the CWS doesn't oppose a hunt in principle, but noted that a better population estimate, more productivity data and confirmation of whether the Lake Huron birds are part of the eastern or mid-continent population should be gathered before a hunt is approved. Up to three years of data may be needed.

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## **WRAFT REPORT -** May 2009 (Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation)

First of all, on behalf of the Board of Directors of WRAFT, I want to apologize for the recent lack of communication from the organization. We have been busy implementing the association of WRAFT and FOCA and ensuring that the takeover of administrative responsibilities has gone smoothly.

While WRAFT and FOCA remain two separate legal entities, FOCA and specifically FOCA's Executive Director Terry Rees is now the spokesman and administrative head of WRAFT. Terry can be reached at <a href="mailto:trees@foca.on.ca">trees@foca.on.ca</a> or by telephone at 705-749-3622 or on his cell at 705-927-4455. Bob Topp has retired as WRAFT's Executive Director but remains as a Director of WRAFT and continues to follow WRAFT matters closely. Bob may be reached at <a href="mailto:bobtopp1@gmail.com">bobtopp1@gmail.com</a> or by telephone at 416-929-9885 and during the summer at 705 732 2094. Bob is also Chair of CAPTR - Coalition After Property Tax Reform. Mail for CAPTR should be addressed to Bob at 84 Poplar Plains Cres. Toronto M4V 1E8. WRAFT maintains its own budget and separate Board of Directors while paying a service fee to FOCA for administrative services.

Moving on to WRAFT matters specifically, the Liberal Party remains in power in Ontario having defeated the Tories who called for a cap on assessment increases well before the fall 2007 provincial election. The Liberals believe they have dealt with the volatility issue (we disagree) by phasing in assessment increases over a 4 year period while immediately implementing assessment decreases. We do not believe they have dealt with the problem and we foresee a crisis coming in 2012 due to the grossly overvalued assessments currently being used. While we were unable to persuade the government of the righteousness of our cause and the unfairness of the assessment system, both opposition parties have adopted this position and our political advisors believe we have made real progress in making CVA and the 2008 assessments a live political issue. We continue to believe that the Liberal government will be vulnerable on the real estate taxation issue in 2011 and we intend to keep the issue in front of the public and ensure our policy is adopted by the next leader of the Tories. Remember that according to the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, Ontario has the highest property taxes in the western world!

Turning to more current matters, WRAFT has a new board of Directors including Al Morson, Bob Topp, Terry Rees, Karl Fiander (a new Director and President of FOCA). Tom Beer, Doug Bryden, David Bull, Guy Crombie, Mike Hasley, myself (Cliff Hatch), Jack Hignell, Mary Neal, Peter Oakes and Bill Rowat. For more information see the WRAFT website <a href="www.wraft.com">www.wraft.com</a>. Alex Milburn is Treasurer. Most of the members of the Board are ongoing members from prior years.

WRAFT requires funding going forward and we would ask current and new members of WRAFT to contribute to WRAFT along the lines of our existing formula which we have not increased for 2009.

 Under 25 Members
 \$50

 26-50 Members
 \$100

 51-100 Members
 \$200

 More than 100 members
 \$300

While this was a one time fee, many WRAFT members have contributed their fee annually. We would ask that all members do so annually starting this summer.

**Please mail cheques to:** Terry Rees

Executive Director - WRAFT FOCA

201 - 159 King Street Peterborough, ON, K9J 2R8

Looking to the future at our WRAFT Board Meeting held on May 1, 2009 we decided to alter our strategy slightly going forward.

As you are aware, we have pushed the principle of capping assessments at no more than a 5% increase for several years now. It is clear we have lost the fight to do away with the 2008 assessments as badly flawed and we are now stuck with them. We have therefore decided to modify our approach very slightly.

### An Updated Property Tax Strategy for WRAFT/CAPTR

It seems clear that the Liberal government will proceed to use the new 2008 phased-in assessments this year. This means that your share of property taxes will be calculated including 1/4 of any increase in assessment between Jan 1, 2005 & Jan 1, 2008 or the full amount of any decrease.

It is also clear that property values are dropping and no one currently knows when or where they may bottom out, but property owners are upset that they are paying taxes based on an inflated and probably unrealistic value,

If 2012 values are significantly less than 2008 those properties that have experienced the biggest increase over the past few years are likely to experience the biggest decreases in a falling market.

If this is so, a politically unacceptable situation may well arise, as the tax increase on waterfront and hot urban areas that has been phased in over 4 years will be reversed all at once. As a result, for example, non-waterfront properties owners in waterfront areas may be expected to immediately shoulder large increases in tax.

Politicians might well decide to phase in decreases over 4 years, thereby prolonging the agony for property owners that have previously been subject to massive valuation increases by the volatile assessment system.

If this is true, the time to fix the system is as soon as declining values have stabilized.

The time for people to pay attention and demand a new approach is probably when their new values are first used this summer.

An appropriate government strategy might then be:

- 1) Freeze assessments at their 2009 phased-in values, before they are fully committed to using higher values next year in a declining market.
- 2) Reassess as soon as the declining real estate market seems to have bottomed out no later than 2012
- 3) Accept these new values as appropriate for tax purposes, and return to annual reassessments.
- 4) Adopt a capping system, so that we don't get into this situation again.
- 5) So in summary:

FREEZE
REASSESS
GO BACK TO ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS
CAP ASSESSMENT INCREASES AT 5%

We are hopeful that both the leading PC candidates for the leadership of the party - Tim Hudak and Christine Elliott will adopt our program.

Ultimately it is our intent to bring forth the property tax problem once again at the time of the next provincial election in 2012 and to make sure it is an important issue.

In the interim, we will report to you on a regular basis and try to ensure the issue remains alive.

Please support WRAFT

Sincerely, Cliff Hatch Chairman and President WRAFT

### 2008 AGM Minutes

### LAKE MANITOU AREA ASSOCIATION Fifteenth Annual General Meeting July 19, 2008

<u>Place & Time:</u> Sandfield Schoolhouse, Sandfield, July 19, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. Call to Order: The President Mike Costigan called the meeting to order.

Consideration of the Agenda: Moved by Jean de Chastelain, Seconded by Wes

Chesney to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

First time attendees Tom and Michelle McAllister, Chris and Irma Lenz, Burke and Alice Pennie were welcomed.

Directors, Officers and Education Committee attending were introduced: Mike Costigan, Paul Moffatt, Alex Lochead, Don Payne, Effie Williamson, Perry Williamson, Dave Bogataj, Mike R.

Costigan, Jim Rouse, John Coulter, Joel Dwyer and Education Committee Mary Lochead, Pat Costigan and John Harvey.

#### **Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting:**

Minutes of the July 2007 Annual Meeting were sent to all members in the June 2008 newsletter. It was <u>moved</u> by <u>Dave Bogataj</u>, **Seconded** by Jim Rouse that the minutes be accepted as presented. <u>Motion carried</u>

#### **Reports of the Officers:**

**Treasurer's report:** A copy of the July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 LMAA Income and Expense Report was made available to all who attended.

Don reviewed the new procedure for paying our membership fees with the new statement/invoice showing what the LMAA records indicate and giving you the option to add or correct info.

The bank balance, as of June 30, 2008, was \$2,528.65. The LMAA books were audited by Marlene Dewar and Mary Hutchinson and found to be in order.

Moved by Joel Dwyer, Seconded by Dave Bogataj to accept the financial statement.

Motion carried.

**Vice-president's Report:** Paul Moffat continues to represent our Association in Manitoulin Streams and is Chairman. Paul advised that Manitoulin Streams continues to progress and to date has completed 20 projects, both large and small, including four major projects this summer

Manitoulin Streams has completed an environmental assessment of all streams on Manitoulin. Manitoulin Streams is trying to make our streams what they were like 100 years ago.

Paul Moffatt gave a report from Mike Thompson: Mike advises that we have been the recipients of two CFWIP (Community Fish & Wildlife Improvement Program) grants this year.

There will be a project on August 9 or 16, depending on the weather, and we need help.....boats, workers, etc., come to Manitoulin Resort (the old Holiday Haven) leaving from the ramp at Van Zant's landing at 9:00 a.m.

Eight sites for Perch and Brook Trout habitat: Mosquito Bay, Bath House Bay, Surecatch Bay, Tehk's Bay and four sites from Tehk's Bay to Maple Point. They are placing eight stainless steel rings and screens in three feet of water filled with 3/4" pea gravel for spawning. The gravel will be put into five gallon pails to take to the sites.

**Director's Report**: Alex Lochead reminded us that we have LMAA tee shirts, hats, etc. for sale from a local supplier in Kagawong. Orders today should be available for pick up at our Information Nite Meeting in August.

**Education Committee Report:** Pat reported that last year's Information Night was another successful evening. All the speakers were interesting and informative. John Caselton compared 4 Stroke and 2 Stroke motors. Dr. Henri Goulet had fantastic slides showing us insects in our backyards. Paul Methner gave us a Lake Manitou update and addressed the problem of the lake and river levels. Seija Deschenes, the new Manitoulin Streams Coordinator, was very enthusiastic about her projects. Shane O'Hare outlined seven or eight invasive species.

#### **Lake Manitou Historical Map**

Pat and John Harvey gave us an update on the map's progress. John suggested two years ago that a good project for our Association would be a map and here we are.

Pat and John worked closely together and they divided the lake into areas and found volunteers to provided information from the areas. Perry Anglin - the Moody Bay section, Carol Sheppard - Green Bay, Mike Thompson - the NE shore with all its parts and bays, Bill Dampier helped a lot too and Mary Lochead the Sandfield Basin. We have ordered 300 copies and they should be ready for distribution at our Information Night Meeting in August.

Pat has taken on yet another interesting project: trying to find out where all the names around the lake came from. The booklet is intended to accompany the LMAA Historical Map.

Betty Heis volunteered to prepare and submit an application for a LAMBAC grant for our map to help offset production costs. We should know in August if this has been approved.

**President's Report:** Mike was happy to report that we have 35 new members –totaling approx. 210 members. Mike reminded us that in the June newsletter Don Payne sent an updated form asking for our E-mail addresses and any information changes. Mike explained that if we could E-mail our newsletters to 100 members that would save us about \$600.00 in postage costs.

Mike asked us to check the WRAFT report.

Mike advised that some of the executive attended spring and fall FOCA meetings in Toronto.

Mike thanked volunteers Dave and Nancy Kains who look after the buoys in Moody's Bay, Timberlane Lodge who have taken over looking after the buoys in the Narrows and Mike Thompson who put out four new buoys along the Camp Bragmore shoreline.

Mike Thompson has applied for another CFWP grant (Community Fisheries and Wildlife Program) to continue our work in enhancing the fish habitat in Lake Manitou. Next work bee on either August 9 or 16th.

Mike reminded us of the Education/Environment Information Night meeting on August 12 at the Blue Jay Fish Culture Station at 7:30 p.m.

### **New Business and Discussion Period**

Lynda Lee wondered about limiting herbicides and pesticides around our lake.

Kim Chesney wondered if there was a problem in other areas with composting and bears.

It was felt that camp owners needed to be reminded of the fact that boats need to be washed off after being in a lake before they are transported to another lake.

George Williamson, a member of the Canadian Power Squadron, reminded everyone about the boat license requirements effective in 2009. George suggested giving a one day course.

Chuckle of the day...someone came into our meeting thinking it was a garage sale!

#### **Selection of Election Chairperson**

Moved by Mike Costigan that Estelle Payne be appointed Election Chairperson. Seconded by Perry Williamson. Motion carried.

#### **Nominations and Elections:**

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Paul Moffatt nominated by <u>Wes Chesney</u> and seconded by <u>Jerry Copeland</u> June Edward recommended that the nominations be closed. Paul Moffatt was acclaimed Vice-President **DIRECTORS:** 

Mike Thompson nominated by Estelle Payne and seconded by Donna Lamont.

Dave Bogataj nominated by Michael R. Costigan and seconded by Perry Williamson.

Michael R. Costigan nominated by Estelle Payne and seconded by Dave Bogataj.

Jim Rouse nominated by Joel Dwyer and seconded by Lynda Lee.

John Coulter nominated by <u>Joel Dwyer</u> and seconded by <u>Lynda Lee</u>.

Moved by <u>John Harvey</u> and seconded by <u>Lynda Lee</u> that nominations be closed. Estelle Payne, the Election Chairperson, declared that the nominated members were elected by acclamation.

**Attendance**: 57 people attended the fifteenth annual meeting.

Adjournment: Moved by John de Chastelain and seconded by Dave Bogataj that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

## **LMAA – Directors, Officers, Project Coordinators**

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Name: (print)	
Please review your contact information and	make any corrections or additions. (E.g. email address)
Permanent Address: □ No change	Cottage Address:   No change
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Membership for: July 2009 to J	June 2010:       \$         Donation:       \$         Total:       \$         □ Receipt requested
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