

# Setting Lake Cottage Owners Association

Newsletter

Spring, 2010

## Executive Highlights

This year has brought its share of change to the executive of the SLCOA. Kelly Dyck moved during the winter and the executive has had to carry on with the finances long distance in consultation with Kelly. Brent Merkley moved to Toronto this spring and Kevin White has been chairing executive meetings in his absence. We wish Kelly and Brent well in their new endeavours.

Job descriptions for committee positions are being worked on. Discussions have taken place about possibilities for high speed internet. It has been suggested to wait for wireless coverage in the fall. The executive has also considered the feasibility of AEDs for cottage roads. It has been decided to take this issue to the AGM. Your executive looks forward to seeing you on June 19.

**Put June 19, 2010 on your calendar!**

Dump clean up at 9:00 a.m.

BBQ lunch following dump cleanup at the Fire Hall

Fire practice at 1:00 p.m. at the Boat Launch

AGM at 7:00 p.m. at the Pentecostal Church Camp, Setting Lake

## Fire Report

There were no new fires to report this year. We will be holding fire practice this year on June 19th at the boat launch at 1:00p.m. The Ladies will be the next weekend on Saturday July 3rd at 9:00A.M, as well, at the boat launch. We are hoping for good weather and good attendance for both practices. There have been a couple of things that have come up that should be reported; A suggestion to store chainsaws in the pump barrels on the roads is a good one, but maintaining them and getting them started easily after long term storage may prove difficult. We, as a committee, thought it better for people being called to a fire, if they could, bring their own, as most owners own and maintain their own.

Herb McGuire also suggested that we add a second fire "call list" for the winter season as many "snowbirds" remain on the list even when they are not in the country. This could cause a waste of valuable time in the event of a serious fire. We will be looking for owners to advise us if they would be available or not for the winter list some time in the fall.

Have a great cabin season and remember to practice good fire safety!

Ian McKenzie



**Ladies Fire Practice**  
Saturday July 3rd at 9:00 A.M. at the boat launch

# Dump Report

The dump was pushed and burned this fall and the lagoon was tested. During the winter it was noted on dump checks that there was garbage on the dump road which was pushed down when the plough went by. The dump road has been ploughed as required. A spring audit was discussed. It was recommended that this happen before the AGM in June. The reason for an audit is to get an idea of who is using the dump during a two day sample

# Road Report

Road 2 and 4 approaches have been widened. Erosion control of the approaches is being explored. The roads were winterized and winter grading was done as required. Ditches have been checked this spring and no problems have been reported. The roads will be graded and graveled where necessary this spring. A reminder that traffic has increased over the last few years as well as speed, so please observe the cottage road speed limit of 30 kph.

period. The dump clean up is scheduled for Saturday, June 19 at 9:00 a.m. Come out and help. Many hands make light of the work! Bring work gloves, rakes, etc. to pick up garbage that has found its way out of the dump. We will supply garbage bags. Kids are welcome! Hot dogs and drinks will be served at the fire hall after the clean up.

Joe Roque



**Dump Hours**

Summer Hours

Wed	2 - 8
Sat	8 - 8
Sun	2 - 8

Winter Hours

Sun	12 - 8
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Please feel free to contact us if there are other concerns or maintenance work we should be aware of.

Herb McGuire  
Kevin White

# Dump Use

The upkeep of the dump and lagoon has been entrusted by the province to the SLCOA. When using the dump, please put items in the marked areas so that the environment is protected and we keep our dump according to provincial expectations. We don't want to lose our dump and this could happen if we are not careful. The Wabowden dump is a fair drive and is expensive. Please take recycling to Thompson and help save our dump!

**Please  
Reduce,  
Recycle  
or  
Reuse**



***It is important that all cottagers and their guests drive slowly and carefully on all cottage roads.***



## Recreation Report

The purchase of the land is very close to being finalized but as of yet is not in our hands. Nothing will be moved forward until land title is complete. We are hopeful that this will be done before the AGM.

On a separate note there has been some interest in buying some AED's (automatic

external defibrillators) for each of the roads. We have some information and costs that we will bring forward to the AGM on the 19th of June. Decisions can be made after that, after some discussion.

Ian McKenzie



## Cottage Watch

### What is Cottage Watch?

A community crime prevention program that:

- promotes cottage safety and security
- develops a partnership involving the police, your association and corporate sponsors.

### How does Cottage Watch Work?

As a member of the cottage community, you become a partner by simply reporting

suspicious persons or activities to the police.

You are encouraged to:

- record license plate numbers and descriptions of suspicious vehicles in your neighbourhood
- watch for strangers in your neighbourhood
- watch for persons taking "shortcuts" through your property
- watch for vehicles making repeat visits through your neighbourhood.



## Fire Pumps

**Road 1** at lot 5, 37, 53, and 75

**Road 2** at lot 6 and 22

**Road 3** at lot 15, 23, and 49

**Road 4** at lot 4

## Note: For A Fire Call

**Resources** If there is a bush fire NOT on cottage property Resources must be called. DO NOT call Wabowden. Also call the Setting Lake Fire Department.

**Setting Lake** If the fire is on property between cottage and road call the Setting Lake Fire Department.

**Wabowden** If there is a cottage fire call Wabowden. There is a \$500 charge each time they are called out. More importantly it is taking them far away from the community for emergencies there, so do not call them unnecessarily. Also call the Setting Lake Fire Department.

When you call give your road number and lot number. They all have the list of cottages.

**Resources (24/7)** 1-800-782-0076  
Wabowden 689-2688  
Thompson 677-2624  
**Setting Lake FD** 677-9600/677-4926 (see list)  
**Wabowden FD** 689-2911  
**RCMP Emergency** 689-2152  
Inquiries 689-2685  
**Nursing Station**  
Emergency 689-2133 (after hours)  
Inquiries 689-2600 (9 - 5)

## SLCOA Executive 2009 - 2010

Name Position

Brent Merkley\* President

Road 1 Herb McGuire\* Road Rep  
Joe Roque Dump & Lagoon

Road 2 Kevin White\* Road Rep  
Hugh Fraser Secretary

Road 3 Kelly Dyck\* Treasurer  
Ian McKenzie Road Rep

Road 4 Don Wensley\* Dump & Lagoon



The \* means this person has completed their 2 year term. At the AGM we will elect new/returning members to sit on the executive. Please consider serving your Setting Lake Cottage Owners Association.

### The objectives of the SLCOA are:

1. Administrate available funds to achieve the results desired, ensure sufficient funds are available to meet the needs of the Association and to be accountable to the cottage owners for the disposition of funds.
2. Ensure necessary services are provided to meet the basic needs of cottage owners at the most reasonable cost (roads, dump, fire protection, etc.)
3. Provide the necessary interface between the cottage owners and the Government and the private sector to deal with issues which concern and/or affect cottage owners.
4. Ensure that future requirements for expanded or new services are properly evaluated and planned so that implementation can be properly financed and take place when required to meet regulations and/or Association needs.



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