

LOWER BEVERLEY LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC.
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2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JULY 8, 2015 7 p.m. at DELTA FAIR HALL

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Approximately 45 attendees gathered at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy light refreshments. At 7 p.m. our President Lynne Jeffries welcomed all to the meeting and started her slide presentation with the agenda for the meeting.

IN MEMORIAM

A moment of silence was observed for those who had died during this last year. We remembered Bill Penstone, Percy Best, Kathleen Chant, Myrna Stearry and Dolores Smith.

Lynne introduced the LBLA Executive Committee pointing out that it is made up of a good balance of members from both Canada and the US. She also mentioned that a new President and Vice President will be needed by next year - 2016 - and encouraged the membership to think about filling these positions.

MINUTES FROM 2014 AGM

The minutes from last year's meeting were reviewed and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Slides were presented showing our GIC had accrued interest of \$368 with a balance of \$10,493. Our 2014 checking account revenue was \$7756.00 and expenses were \$5291.00. Of our expenses, \$2253.00 was donations to the area Fire Departments. Our closing balance including the GIC was \$17,209.00. Lynne also noted that an audit is in progress by our auditor, Ed VanVoorhis. This is a donated service he does for the lake association.

REVIEW OF PAST YEAR

Lynne presented some pictures of the various activities, including the Delta Fair float that won 1st place with a theme of "LBL in the 1920's". The annual picnic with 50 people partying and playing games. The lake clean-up day went well. We also continued with our shoal markers and the monitoring of the water quality. We should have a water level station up and running by next year.

VOLUNTEER THANKS

Another slide showed all our volunteers from the past year. Since they are all very special people, they are listed here.

- Shoal markers and loon platforms – *Chris Beahen, Steve Brouse, Al & Errett Brown, Sheehan Carter, Millard Goodsell, Lynne & Brian Jeffries, Dave Johnson, Terry Kean, Michael Kilpatrick, Dann Michols, Stewart Nicol*
- Lake quality and levels – *Dave Johnson, Dave Champagne*
- Auditor – *Ed VanVoorhis*
- Clean-up day – *Sandy Ellis*
- Picnic – *Dave and Marsha Johnson*
- Frontenac Arch Paddling Committee – *John Truyens*
- Webmaster – *Lynne Jeffries*
- Newsletter – *Louise Mantha*

- Road champions – *Al Brown, Leslie Climie, Frank & Sandy Ellis, Pat Greenhorn, Keith Hubbard, Lynne Jeffries, Dave Johnson, Barb Kirby, Barb Kirkham, Dann Michols, Fred & Sharon Olivo, Don Palmer, Betty Penstone, Sheila Riskie, Mary VanVoorhis, Don & Bev Wallis, Laura & Rich White, Betty Woodside*
- Membership/date management – *Susan Seebeck*
- Our Executive Team

Road Champions are still needed for Short Point Road, Black Jack Island, Hartsgravel Road, & Cook Street.

FOCA (Federation of Ontario Cottages Association)

Lynne explained our involvement with FOCA and the benefits of our membership to the group and also for individuals. Printouts were also available

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- July 18 is a presentation to be given by Bud Andress. He will talk about Bald Eagles and Ospreys to youth at the Delta Park Pavilion at 11am
- The Delta Fair Parade has been cancelled by the Fair board.
- August 6th is scheduled for the Lake clean-up day with a rain date of August 7th.
- August 8th will be the annual picnic at Kendricks' Park.

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Lynne asked folks to slowdown when boating in the Lyndhurst and Delta Creeks. Swimmers are being put at risk by boats driving too fast. She also listed our corporate sponsors and asked folks to consider supporting these businesses.

Lynne discussed our website (www.lbla.net) and mentioned that we have 188 likes on Facebook (www.facebook.com/pages/Lower-Beverley-Lake-Association). She also asked if anyone had any suggestions for guest speakers in the future.

SPEAKERS:

Councilor Doug Good talked with us about changes in the OPP costs for the township as well as communication and station changes. He also mentioned that road grants that are available through the township. He answered questions from the floor.

Dann Michols spoke about an upcoming meeting presented by American Friends of Canadian Land Trusts to be held Saturday, July 25 at 9:00 A.M. on Hen Island, Charleston Lake. It is about the tax implications for Americans interested in donating to the Canadian Land Trust.

Lynne then introduces Mike Runtz our keynote speaker. Michael Runtz is one of Canada's most highly respected naturalist, nature photographer, and natural history author. A birdwatcher since the age of five, he has lived, breathed and worked with nature all his life. Professionally, Michael has worked as a naturalist in Canada's national and provincial parks, and has performed numerous biological surveys, including one on the rare Peregrine Falcon. He has written several books including his latest; *Dam Builders: The Natural History of Beavers and Their Ponds*. He gave a very interesting and entertaining talk about the qualities and benefits of beavers and their habitats with a beautiful slide presentation.

Lynne thanked him for his informative talk and presented him with a check.

We held the 50-50 draw which was won by Sherry McParlan.

Lynne thanked all who had attended and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m..