



# Battersea Loughborough Lake Association Newsletter

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## Message from the Board – May 2019

Welcome to spring (we hope it's really here when you get this) from the BLLA Board. If you have your Fall newsletter handy and compare the listings on page 2, you will see we have a new President, Evonne Potts, and a new Director, Heather Gregg. However, Nada Beamish and Joe Pater will be stepping down after the AGM. We appreciate their years of service to the Association and to this newsletter. As the "Come on Down" announcement later in the newsletter says, volunteers to sit on the Board are definitely welcome.

We hope you find the announcements and articles in this newsletter useful and interesting. We are already stockpiling articles for Fall and thinking about new ways to communicate with Lake Association members and the public (see Get Connected! page 3). Encouraged by the success of our recent survey, we will be reaching out again to get your ideas on what role a newsletter of this type should play in the future.

Happy summer! – Your BLLA Board



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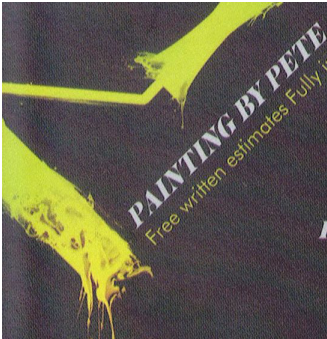
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## Get Connected! *(Heather Gregg)*

With over 119 km of shoreline, Loughborough Lake stretches about 24 km from its eastern to its western edge. It's a water-lover's wonderland and paradise to those lucky enough to call it home, whether that's year-round or seasonally. Sometimes though, it can be a challenge to get to know your neighbour. The Battersea Loughborough Lake Association (BLLA) extends a welcoming hand and a link to our community through regular newsletters, a website, and Facebook page. The recently relaunched webpage, [www.loughboroughlake.org](http://www.loughboroughlake.org), is a great source of information about our lake and features interesting articles of native flora and fauna, along with recent research reports, past newsletters, and many beautiful images.

The BLLA Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/loughborough.lake.association/](https://www.facebook.com/loughborough.lake.association/), is a more social platform that highlights seasonal events, local businesses and their services, and plenty of helpful tips to inform and entertain our followers.

These sites are another way to stay connected with friends and neighbours and provide a platform to share current issues that impact the lake and our surrounding communities, as well as stories, pictures and memories. If you're not already familiar with these tools, we encourage you to get connected and make use of these resources when searching for local information.

### BLLA Survey Says...

The Battersea Loughborough Lake Association (BLLA) Board would like to offer a very hearty thank you to all those who took the time to provide their input through the survey launched on April 8th, 2019. We received a tremendous response from our lake residents! The Board will prepare a summary of the results to share with you at the upcoming AGM on June 8th and to discuss how to best integrate this information into our future planning.

Results will also be posted on the BLLA Facebook page and website.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Please stay tuned!

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### Church Service on Loughborough Lake

The United Churches of Battersea and Inverary invite all residents, cottagers, and visitors to their annual church service held in **Battersea Bay** at **10 am** on **Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>**. Come by boat or meet at the Battersea boat launch at 9:30 am if you need a lift. Lunch will follow in Battersea. Reservations for lunch can be made by contacting Roberta at 613-353-2846.

All are welcome to attend this truly unique service!



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## Membership Renewal *(Anne Fisher)*

This year, we have been busy calling BLLA members who we haven't heard from in a while to encourage them to renew. The Lake Association was developed to represent the interests of property owners and help protect the lake for current and future generation of users and we all benefit from that connection. The membership fees that we collect help us meet our mission and allow us to bring our lake community together. To help with future planning, renewals will now be requested in January of each year, instead of

waiting until the spring newsletter is delivered. To make the process easier, we are pleased to offer a simple e-Transfer option that can be set up through your online banking. Please refer to the Membership Form on the last page for the instructions.

Thank you to all who have already submitted their 2019 membership fees. We really appreciate your continued support and we look forward to hearing from you and seeing you around the lake!

## Loughborough Wilderness Update *(Gary Bell, NCC)*

In 2018 and early 2019, the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) added some 255 acres to the Loughborough Wilderness Reserve. This includes the 161-acre Bill Koen Estate property on North Shore Road, which includes a large area of the Loughborough Lake maple swamp, 80 acres on Ramparts Road on the south side of the lake and a donation of shoreline near the mouth of Fishing Lake Creek by Joe and Beth Pater. These additions, which bring the size of NCC's protected area to over 4,000 acres, were made possible by the generous support of many contributors from the community including individuals from the Battersea Loughborough Lake Association.

Loughborough Lake is at the heart of the Frontenac Arch, an extension of the Canadian Shield granite connecting Algonquin Park in the north to Adirondack Park in New York State to the south. This is one of the most important ecological connections in North America and one of the most biologically diverse places in Ontario. The Arch provides a vital migratory linkage for birds and other species, including bats, butterflies and wide-ranging mammals. NCC is committed to protecting a collection of properties to ensure this landscape continues to support migratory species in the future.

The coming year promises to be our biggest effort yet. We will be tackling a variety of projects that will add almost a thousand acres to the Loughborough Wilderness Reserve! As is so often the case with acquisitions like this, we have been working on most of these projects for many years and they are just now coming to fruition.

In addition to these properties, NCC is also acquiring almost 2,000 acres of land on Benson Lake and Mississagua Creek. These acquisitions will include approximately 1,000 acres of land being donated by three separate landowners.

Combined, these new projects will increase the area of protected lands on the Frontenac Arch by almost 2%, helping Canada in its commitment to protect 17% of terrestrial areas and inland waters nationwide through networks of protected areas and other conservation measures by 2020.

Gifts of money or of land to Nature Conservancy of Canada are considered a charitable donation and qualify for a tax deduction. If you are interested in supporting this work or would like more information on NCC's work at Loughborough Lake you may contact Gary Bell at (613) 862-3331 or at [gary.bell@natureconservancy.ca](mailto:gary.bell@natureconservancy.ca).



## 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Battersea Pumpkin Festival!



This fall is a big year for the Battersea Pumpkin Festival – it's their 25<sup>th</sup> annual celebration! Plans are still being finalized to make this event the best ever and some details are already known:

- The festival will be held on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The parade will gather at 9:45 am at the ball field with festivities running until 4:00 pm.
- All of the crowd favourites will be there - Pancake Breakfast at the Manor, Fun under the Big Top, live local music and, of course, the Frontenac Society of Model Engineers will be running the trains again. More details will be announced closer to the festival.

Volunteers are always welcome for a variety of activities including setting up the day before, working on the day of the festivities and joining the organizing committee. For more information, please contact Amanda Pantrey at [amandapantrey\\_48@hotmail.com](mailto:amandapantrey_48@hotmail.com) or 613-353-6653.

### Come on Down – The Price is Right!

We have been extremely fortunate over the past year to have three additional members from our lake community volunteer to sit on the Board of Directors. They've jumped in feet first and have been actively engaged in membership, planning the AGM/summer social event, and contributing to the newsletter, our survey, and Facebook. One has even transitioned to become the new Treasurer. Thank you so much!

While these contributions are most appreciated, the constitution allows for 15 members on the Board. **We are presently operating with nine directors and two members will be leaving as of the AGM in June.**

Please volunteer to join the Board. On average, we have four meetings a year as a full Board and rely on email as we work on projects at our own pace. We are a working Board dedicated to help preserve the beauty of the lake on your behalf. **We'd like you to get involved!**

For more information, please contact Evonne at [presidentBLLA63@gmail.com](mailto:presidentBLLA63@gmail.com) or any Board member.



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## Glenburnie Grocery – A Taste of Tradition

(Nada Beamish and Bob Fugler with thanks to Arliss, Mark and Courtney Rickards)



Mural celebrating the store's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2008

No doubt many of you have driven past “Shannon’s Corners” at the intersection of Unity and Perth Roads in Glenburnie. The crossroad is home to a variety of independent businesses, the area fire hall, and Shannon’s Corners Park which recently received a facelift from the city of Kingston. One of these businesses is the charming Glenburnie Grocery which has been a long-time supporter of the BLLA and has sponsored ads in our newsletters for many years. The owners, Mark and Courtney Rickards, along with their children, also happen to live on Loughborough Lake.

The area and store have a fascinating family history. Mark’s mother, Arliss (Shannon) Rickards, is the knowledgeable and enthusiastic family historian and caretaker of an album full of incredible family photos from the early 1900s.

The settlement at the Glenburnie corner began when a Scottish couple, Jimmie Reid and Agnes Brown, endured a lengthy and hazardous trip by ship from Scotland before finally landing in Kingston. They made their way to Glenburnie, on foot, where they bought a piece of land from the Scott family. The family grew with the addition of three daughters and five sons. The eldest girl, Agnes, born in 1832, married Robert Shannon from Westbrook, whose parents had come to Canada from Ireland. Four years after Robert and Agnes were married, he bought the home where his wife had been born in Glenburnie from

which the name Shannon’s Corners derived.

Arliss’s documents archive the settlement patterns of the children and their descendants. Some moved as far away as Illinois although most chose to live and work in or near the Shannon’s Corners area. Arliss is a fifth-generation descendent and now the sixth and seventh-generations are enjoying the same deeded property, issued by the Crown, which began the adventure almost two hundred years ago.

The land has never sat idle since the original family homestead was built on the southwest corner of the crossroad. The Shannons began by farming the land. Later, they operated a toll gate on Perth Road. Arliss’s great-grandfather and grandfather built and operated an inn to accommodate a growing number of travellers. Mark’s grandfather, Robert Shannon (known as RC), realized that there were no gas stations on the drive from Kingston, so he built one as well as started a busline operation and car lot. In 1959 he built the initial structure that is now referred to as Glenburnie Grocery, which Herb Rickards, Mark’s father, later rented and then bought from him in 1967, Canada’s Centennial year. This meant Herb left his government position, committing himself, Arliss, and their three children, Andrea (5 years), Mark (4) and Lisa (3) to the grocery store full-time. A post office was added which was a vital source of income for the store. Herb doubled as the

Postmaster in a room separated from the store by a simple shower curtain.

The children grew up working at the store, but it was Mark who decided, at the age of 28, to purchase the business from his parents. Many long days and nights immersed in the business led to careful planning for its future growth. Until the turn of this century, the store occupied only the southern room of the current building but since then it has undergone three major expansions. The most recent of these was in 2016, creating a much larger butcher shop, in-store bakery, and improved deli to complement the vast selection of grocery products and specialty items.

Throughout his ownership, Mark has supported local independent suppliers by profiling and selling their products. What began as the sale of a few local producers' goods, has grown to encompass more than fifty businesses within a 100 km radius with many coming from "just around the corner." Glenburnie Grocery has become a favourite of locals, cottagers, Kingstonians, and beyond.

While the store is known for the assortment and quality of products at competitive prices, it's renowned for the pleasant and helpful staff, many of whom have worked there for years. Ask the butchers, Kelly and Dave, for their advice and they'll happily take the time to assist you. Need a special order from the bakery or deli department? That's easily arranged by Patti and the other staff. Mark and Courtney's niece Rachael, who is also the driving force behind the beautiful outdoor seasonal displays, is the produce manager and is also quick to offer you her help. Kenny and Derek, the grocery managers, can often be seen on the floor unloading and displaying various products and are capably assisted by their teammates who know where every single item is placed. Preston, one of the mainstays at the front cash, knows the name of every child from the community who comes into the store and is the store greeter. Christine does triple duty as the Human Resource and deli manager and also works the front cash. There will never be any self-checkout machines; the experience will always brim with the tradition

of old-fashioned community service which Mark and Courtney have fostered. They'll even help carry out your groceries!

In 2008, for the store's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Mark and Courtney commissioned artist Rodger MacMunn and his team from Sharbot Lake to design and paint a life-size mural commemorating the store's history. Arliss's treasured family photos gave the project added inspiration and historical accuracy. For Glenburnie Grocery's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary last year, Mark and Courtney hosted a weekend community event filled with activities, music, and food to thank their many customers in the community and beyond. They also unveiled their motto "Rooted in the Community" alongside a new store logo created by artist Donna Laroque, who coincidentally worked on the store mural ten years earlier.

Family history isn't confined to Shannon's Corners; it extends to the West Basin of Loughborough Lake where Mark's grandfather purchased a small cottage in the 1940s followed later by a larger one, and then a tract of land on the narrows containing five cottages which were distributed among family members. Arliss has so many fond memories of life on Loughborough in the 1950s and recalls that back then there were very few motorboats. Unlike today, whenever an engine was heard on the water, everyone would race outside to see the boat. When the family purchased its first boat, the kids would "wakeboard" using an old door. Sixty years later that board is still with the family and probably holds dozens of tall tales from years gone by.

Mark is passionate about the store's growth and success and plans to keep it a warm, family business. Building upon ideas of their own and the suggestions from their clientele, Mark and Courtney continually strive to improve the Glenburnie Grocery shopping experience. Mark's vision for the future is the same as his father's – to continue to create and grow a vibrant community and business.

*Glenburnie Grocery is located at 2454 Perth Road, Glenburnie, ON K0H 1S0, phone 613-542-6234. For more information visit [www.glenburniegrocery.ca](http://www.glenburniegrocery.ca).*

## Lake Trout Sensitive to Oxygen Levels in Loughborough Lake *(Roel Vertegaal)*

Lake Trout is a rare species in Ontario and that means Lake Trout lakes are rare as well. Only about one percent of Ontario's lakes contain Lake Trout, and this represents 20-25% of all Lake Trout lakes in the world (1). Loughborough Lake is lucky to have a healthy, naturally producing population in its West Basin. It is also stocked every year with cultured fingerlings through efforts of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, assisted side-by-side with members of our Lake Association.

As a species, Lake Trout are very sensitive to environmental change. Changes in climate, temperature of the lake and the levels of nutrients, such as phosphorus run-off from agricultural and lawn fertilizers, dishwashers and septic fields surrounding the lake, may affect this species. This is because high levels of nutrients lead to algae growths that use up the available oxygen in the water. Lake Trout need about 6-7 mg of oxygen per litre of water to remain healthy and reproduce. Unhealthy habitat with algae blooms can be found just south of us in Dog Lake. While Dog Lake is too shallow to have Lake Trout, we need to avoid this kind of contamination in our lake to maintain healthy levels of fish stock. Shoreline development and agricultural practices are important determining factors in this delicate equation.

To find out the historical levels of oxygen in Loughborough Lake for comparison with present-day levels, a recent undergraduate thesis by Hillary Quinn-Austin examined the oxygenation of Loughborough Lake over the past 200 years (2). From a core taken by researchers from the lake bottom at 38 metres, the deepest point of the West Basin, Quinn-Austin counted deposits of Lake Fly larvae exoskeletons in the lake's sediments. These are the parts of the larvae that are shed when they emerge as flies. From those exoskeletons, Quinn-Austin then isolated samples of the Lake Fly larvae heads and mandibles, identifying specific species in the process. Counting the number of larvae heads per volume

of sediment of a particular species provides an indication of the level of oxygenation of the lake at the time the larvae metamorphosed into a Lake Fly. The study also determined the amount of chlorophyll in the lake sediments through spectroscopy as an indication of algae production.

Findings suggest Lake Flies of the genus *Micropsectra* (Midges) dominate the count. The high counts for this species indicate that oxygen levels have been relatively stable and high over the past 200 years, at between 6-7 mg of oxygen per litre of water. Because oxygen levels are negatively affected by nutrients from run-off and erosion, the presence of a healthy forest surrounding the lake is important. During periods of clear-cutting, especially in the mid-1800s, lake oxygen levels appeared to decline for a few decades. However, oxygen levels bounced back in the 1900s, enough to support a healthy population of Lake Trout. Between 1987 and 2009, there is evidence of a reduction in oxygen levels in the West Basin, a worrying finding that may, in time, put the population of Lake Trout at risk again.

One of the causes of the decline of Lake Trout is the continued environmental pressures provided by development surrounding the lake. Impact from human activities such as leaching septic beds, increased fertilizer run-off, removal of trees, and clearing shorelines all negatively affect the delicate balance of oxygen in the water.

To maintain our population of Lake Trout, Loughborough Lake's West Basin has been identified as a "Highly Sensitive Trout Lake" and is considered to be "at capacity" for development due to concerns that additional nutrient loads may adversely affect water quality (3). It is only through awareness of the critical role humans play in affecting water quality, evidence-based development practices, and careful monitoring of scientific data that we can ensure Loughborough Lake remains a healthy habitat for Lake Trout and other environmentally sensitive species.

*Loughborough*  
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3. South Frontenac Township's Official Plan, Highly Sensitive Trout Lakes, Section 5.2.8a, March 2003.

## Loughborough's Water Quality in 2018 *(Bob Fugler)*

Rather than spending time on graphs and data in discussion of Loughborough Lake water quality, this year I thought I would provide a little background on the water quality tests.

To begin, I would like to thank the volunteers who take the measurements. We have two individuals in the West Basin and two more in the East. A note of disclosure – your author is one of those volunteers. While I'm not looking for praise for myself, it is worth noting that this is run by people who give their time and energy to do the sampling. This is not a job for seasonal visitors because the volunteers are required to be on the lake six times a year, once a month, from May to October. If you are a cottager who is here over that period of time, then you too could be a "citizen scientist" – as well as a hard-core cottager. Typically, though, cottagers are not around at the beginning or end of the water quality measurement season, so all the glamour and chills go to the permanent residents on the lake.

And it is not just any time that you can go out and sample. The intention is to get the samples

approximately one month apart but this can be obstructed by weather and by sampler availability. As a citizen scientist, you can appreciate that, for consistency's sake, all measurements should be done at a similar time of the day and in the same condition of wind, waves and clouds as previous tests. You can further appreciate the difficulty of reading the depth at which the Secchi Disk (a 12" disk with black and white quarters) disappears from view when lowered in the water. Waves that rock the boat are never helpful in getting a precise reading. There is a difference to how deep you can see into the lake when the sky is clouded versus clear. And time of day also affects the direction of the sun's rays; an overhead sun will normally provide the greatest viewing depth.

The Ontario Lake Partners program is a Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks run operation that samples from 550 inland lakes in the province. There are more than 600 volunteers. The Lake Partners program would like to have samples (water captured in sterilized test tubes and a specimen container along with the Secchi Disk readings) taken from the same place, year



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after year, even when volunteers are replaced by new ones. In practice, this is a little impractical as not all of our people who do the sampling live near the existing sampling location or have motorized boats. Some people are unable to putt-putt up the lake to reach a distant sampling location and instead need to paddle fifteen minutes or more to reach the location where a sample could be taken. This obviously is a shallow lake issue where it is important to find a deep enough sample location where the Secchi Disk will actually disappear in the water depth before bottoming out. Not surprisingly, the West Basin does not have this concern – there is lots of depth in that part of the lake. Both West Basin samplers (thank you Karl and John) work from motor boats while the two East Basin volunteers use paddled craft.

Your author uses a kayak to collect samples. Note that in the picture, the woman is leaning out over the boat to view the Secchi Disk. Leaning out and kayaking are not normally used in the same sentence, unless one is practicing what is called a “wet exit” which is pretty disruptive when trying to get samples. I worked for a couple of years using a float on a paddle, extended as an outrigger, in order to get the Secchi Disk depth measurements. I now work with a wider kayak that puts up with some looking over the side.

The other East Basin sampler is retiring from sampling this year. When she volunteered, she thought that sampling would involve running down to the dock every month to get a water sample. When she discovered she would actually have to get into a boat (and in this case, paddle) to get to the designated location, she was game enough to keep at it for four years, even though it meant that much of her recreational boating during those years was to obtain water samples. Thanks to Nada (whose newsletter articles you will have seen) for her commitment and to Kevin, our new Treasurer, for agreeing to pick up Nada’s sampling location.



Finally, what’s the news on water quality, you may be asking. The 2018 results are similar to previous years. Water clarity, phosphate loads, and calcium concentrations are extensions of prior years’ results. Water clarity, as measured by the Secchi Disk test, varies from year to year but remains in the expected depths for our lakes. Total phosphate levels (or the amount of algae fertilizer in the water) is consistent and does not demonstrate a trend up or down. Calcium levels are also not changing and the zebra mussels are not concerned about where their basic building materials will come from!

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**A lake is the landscape’s most beautiful and expressive feature. It is earth’s eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of his own nature.**

*Henry David Thoreau*

## White Lake Fish Culture Station

*(Tim Drew, Manager White Lake Fish Culture Station, Fish and Wildlife Services Branch,  
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry)*

White Lake Fish Culture Station (FCS) is one of nine stations operated by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. Ontario's Fish Culture program stocks about 8.5 million fish into roughly 1,200 waterbodies each year, including the Great Lakes, and a total of over 2,000 different waterbodies across the province. Approximately 70% of Ontario's Fish Culture Program is funded through the Fish and Wildlife Special Purpose Account. Funds collected from fishing and hunting licence sales go into this account and are used for fish and wildlife programs.



Aerial view of White Lake Fish Culture Station and its water source

White Lake FCS is located approximately 6 km west of Sharbot Lake on Highway 7. The station is unique because it draws its water via gravity from two different depths in White Lake. This allows access to water temperatures ranging from 9°C to 26°C during the summer months and eliminates the costs associated with cooling and heating of water. The ability to blend water from these two depths allows access to a wide range of temperatures during the summer, allowing the station to culture a wider range of species than other stations while keeping operating costs low.

White Lake FCS produces between 800,000 and 1 million fish annually including Lake Trout, Brook Trout, Rainbow Trout, Splake, Walleye, and Bloater. In addition to Loughborough Lake, White Lake FCS is responsible for stocking over 200 inland lakes in eastern and central Ontario as well as Lake Ontario.



Advance rearing building where Trout, Walleye and Lake Whitefish are raised prior to stocking

Most of the fish are stocked in the spring and fall when receiving lake temperatures are optimal for post stocking success. White Lake staff use trucks, boats and helicopters to transport fish to their new homes.

If you would like to learn more about where Loughborough's Lake Trout come from for the annual May stocking event or about White Lake FCS, please contact Tim Drew (White Lake FCS Manager) at 613-335-2130, ext. 223 or [tim.drew@ontario.ca](mailto:tim.drew@ontario.ca). We offer tours upon request.

If you would like to know where many of Ontario's fish are stocked visit the [Fish-on-Line](#) tool.

**Time wasted at the lake is time well spent.**

Unknown

## An Ode to Loughborough (*Nada Beamish*)

Susan Sutherland, a former Director with the Lake Association, came upon a poem at a friend's cottage last summer. At the time, the author was unknown but after some detective work and with the help of a yellowed Whig-Standard article written by Robert Clark, dated June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2001, Susan solved the mystery.

Eighteen years ago, Clark wrote a lengthy article titled "Loughborough Lake Reflections" that we plan to post on our website ([www.loughboroughlake.org](http://www.loughboroughlake.org)) and our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/loughborough.lakeassociation/](http://www.facebook.com/loughborough.lakeassociation/)). The article highlighted the beauty of the lake through the eyes of local fishing guides and the lore they told. One anecdote was about Bob Sankey, from Cleveland, Ohio, who was a long-time summer resident of Loughborough Lake. An excerpt from the article notes, "The story is told that he (Sankey) lived on the same street as New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner. There was a birthday party for Steinbrenner, but Sankey didn't have a birthday card, so he wrote him a poem that now hangs in Steinbrenner's office in Yankee Stadium."

Sankey loved the lake and all that it offered him over the years. His ashes were scattered in 1994 on an island in Battersea Bay which was ringed by boats holding family and friends. Rev. Bill Whiston officiated at the memorial service and Walt Freeman from Battersea played Amazing Grace on the

bagpipes.

We have no idea how many poems Sankey penned throughout his life but we can now attribute the one Susan found on the cottage wall to him. In the majesty of poetry, Sankey captures his love of our lake along with his good natured personality.

### Tribute to Loughborough Lake

A man from the States had led a good life  
He was well in his years when he died  
He went straight to heaven and when he arrived  
He was shown all the sights by a guide.

The guide was no less than St. Peter himself  
And the sights were magnificent to behold  
Until he laid his eyes on a gathering of folk  
All in chains - and their story was told.

"You see," said St. Peter, "these folks must be chained  
Tho' we've told them there's nothing they'd lack  
They've all been to Loughborough and tho'  
Heaven is fine  
They persistently keep trying to go back."

by Bob Sankey, Cleveland Ohio  
(July 4, 1927 - April 27, 1994)

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## Lakes and Trails Festival *(Ross Sutherland)*

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Lakes and Trails Festival will be held on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Sydenham's Point Park from 9am to 2pm.

The Lakes and Trails Festival is a community celebration of South Frontenac's active lifestyle, natural beauty, and history. It focuses on walking, paddling, and cycling activities and includes a live outdoor music concert and free community lunch. Everyone is welcome to attend. Registration starts at 9am. Come any time until 2pm. Times for specific events will be available in June. There is no registration fee.

Walking and cycling activities will take place on both the Cataraqui and K+P Trails. There will be an accessible self-paced historic walking tour of Sydenham, paddling on Sydenham Lake, cycle trips around the lake, and a group walk to Harrowsmith on the Cataraqui Trail. There are also community booths, a crafters show, and other events.

The Festival welcomes children with a family cycle, a cycling skills competition, a children's music concert, child-focused games, and swimming at the Point beach.

For more information go to the Festival's website, <https://lakesandtrailsfestival.org> or visit the Lakes and Trails Festival Facebook page.



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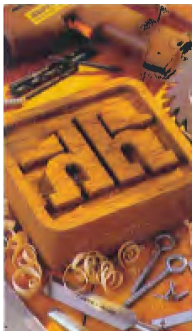
(Richard Ovcharovich, Manager of Environmental Health at the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit; See FOCA Lake Stewards Newsletter, Summer 2018: [https://foca.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/FOCA\\_2018\\_LakeStewards\\_Web.pdf](https://foca.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/FOCA_2018_LakeStewards_Web.pdf))

### FOCA Cottage Succession Seminar Sunday July 7, 2019, 1:00 to 3:00 pm Perth Legion Hall, 26 Beckwith St. E., Perth, Ontario

The Lake Networking Group, of which your Battersea Loughborough Lake Association is a member, is sponsoring a Cottage Succession seminar by estate lawyer Peter Lillico. Learn what you need to do to protect the family cottage for the future. He will explain the legal, tax, and family issues of keeping the 'Family' in the family cottage.

The seminar is two hours total including the main presentation and a question and answer period.

The session is free to members of FOCA member Associations – yes, that is YOU! **Pre-register to secure your space at [info@foca.on.ca](mailto:info@foca.on.ca) or 705-749-3622.** More detailed information is available on the FOCA website – [www.foca.on.ca](http://www.foca.on.ca).



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## 2018 Year End Financial Report *(Bob Fugler, Retired Treasurer)*

The financial results for 2018 are close to where they were in 2017 – at or near break even. This year we are showing an excess of expenses over revenues (a “loss”) of \$270.

Membership and advertising revenues were lower than last year. Although our year end membership numbers were down by four (144 to 139) from the previous year, we booked a number of 2018 memberships in the 2017 year by offering 2016 members who had not renewed by late 2017 the opportunity to pay in 2017 with the membership to include 2018 as well. Advertising revenue was down as fewer advertisers are purchasing the half-page size format.

This reduction in revenues was almost offset by a reduction in costs. Insurance, FOCA and newsletter costs have gone down from the previous year. We repaired the signboard at the Perth Road boat launch (a 2018 project). We made changes to our web presence in 2018 that will include a reduction in spending on webhosting and email in future years.

So, despite the small loss this year, the BLLA finances are still in good shape to support the activities of the Lake Association. We still have \$8,740 in our bank and GICs that can be used to fund future endeavours. We continue to need more members - they are the key to fully covering the costs of Lake Association operations. Please encourage your neighbours to join the Lake Association.

	<b>Total Sources/ Assets</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Income from memberships	\$1,480.00
Advertising	\$1,020.00
Donations	471.91
Interest	38.44
<b>sub-total Income</b>	<b>\$3,010.35</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Insurance	-1,267.92
FOCA	-589.75
Newsletters	-366.14
Web	-511.37
Signboard Repair	-307.91
AGM	-156.70
Admin/Bank	-81.40
<b>sub-total Expenses</b>	<b>-\$3,281.19</b>
<b>Income less Expenses</b>	<b>-\$270.84</b>
<b>Starting Balance 31-Dec-2017</b>	<b>\$9,011.22</b>
<b>Ending Balance 31-Dec-2018</b>	<b>\$8,740.38</b>

On a personal note, after nine or so years, I am resigning from the Treasurer’s position. I appreciate the opportunity that this engagement has provided to meet with many of you – a benefit of volunteering. The Treasurer’s position has been graciously taken over by Kevin Kapler.



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If your lake address is different from your home address, please provide your lake address details.

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Please check if you would like to receive BLLA communications by email. This will ensure that we can deliver Lake Association news in a timely manner and will also reduce our costs and environmental footprint.

New and renewal memberships are available for an annual term or a three-year term. The annual cost of membership is \$20 or \$60 for a 3-year term. If you use Canadian electronic banking, you can e-Transfer your payment to [treasurerblla63@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerblla63@gmail.com). Please use your surname as the answer for the security question. If you prefer, you can mail us a cheque in Canadian currency (if possible) to our Treasurer at: Battersea Loughborough Lake Association, 4826 North Shore Road, R.R.2, Perth Road, ON K0H 2L0. Please make your cheque payable to the Battersea Loughborough Lake Association (or BLLA). We can accept US dollar denominated cheques – the current exchange rate difference offsets the fee our bank charges to process US dollars.

Donations to BLLA are gratefully accepted. Note that we are a not-for-profit organization and not a registered charity so we cannot offer tax receipts.

Please note that memberships are not transferrable.

For further information about the Battersea Loughborough Lake Association, please contact:

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