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DOCK TALK

August 2007

President's Message

It the time of this writing the 2007 Regatta is still three days away, however the Weather Channel tells me Saturday August 4 will be sunny and have a high of 27degrees. With this information, I am confident that the Regatta will proceed as planned.

The Executive has been more than helpful in their guidance and expertise, advising how to run a successful Regatta. Thank you very much for your time and efforts. I would like to recognize the volunteers who gave their time unselfishly to the many errands, tasks and meetings they attended. Thank you so much, without you this event would not happen.

In checking the archives, it has been noted that, the 50th Anniversary of the Healey Lake Regatta will be in 2009. We are beginning to plan that celebration (along with the 49th); I would encourage you to submit any photographs or stories revolving around the Regatta to me so as they may be displayed for the 50th Anniversary.

Our new Government Dock has been installed and while being a different design from the old one, should fit the bill. I have received concerns about the different design not conforming to everyone's desires. We are working with the contractor to see if the design can be changed.

As far as the dam leak is concerned, it has been determined, that while leaking it is not a serious problem. The MNR has recommended the Association to contact a specialized contractor to see how they would fix this problem. The Association has agreed to their recommenda-

tion. Further updates will be published when known.

The other project slated for next year starting in April/08 is the Le Beaux De Thunder. Members of the Association are invited to submit pictures of their out-houses to the THUNDER panel, to be named in April. Divisions include in use and not used anymore... All entries will include a picture, age of building and any stories that go along with your beloved Thunderbox. This will be a lot of fun to run and I'm sure there are a million stories at the naked lake.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding our lake or the Association, please email them to danjohnmac@rogers.com.

Please have a great summer and please remember to protect the shoreline and keep the wild animals wild.

Regards,
Dan MacLeod

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Every issue of DockTalk this year will contain an excerpt from the History of Healey Lake publication. This issue we have memories from Eunice MacLeod.

The Sawmill

In 1935, Ed Bazilsky came from Parry Sound seeking employment at the sawmill on Healey Lake. he was successful and his job was to take the lumber from the sawer and grade it. The men worked their first week, were paid their weeks wages and cashed their paychecks only to have the bank come after them demanding reimbursement as the cheques had bounced. The workers never did get their pay.

There were only a couple of cottages on the shore at that time; Jack Blanchard, from MacTier owned the land and marina where Lakeshore Marina now stands and at that time, they owned a hunting camp.

In 1954, Ed moved to Labrador to work for The Iron Ore Company, retired in 1972 and returned to live on Healey Lake. In 1966 he had purchased property and built two cottages, one for summer and one for winter. He and his wife Isobel, retired here year round. Then in 1977 they began spending winters in Florida. One day, during a thunder storm, the winter cottage was struck by lightning and burned to the ground.

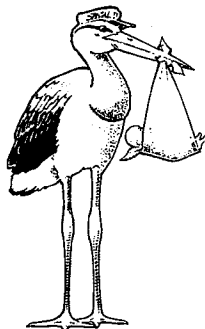
Ed's father-in-law, Bill Beers of MacTier, had a hunting camp on Kapikog Lake before any cottages were built there. He remembers the steam engine, which was used for power at the Gold (Copper) Mine. It came from a foundry in the United States.

The cottage at the end of the lake, owned by Bob Johnston's wife's family was flooded out when the lake was flooded and the Crown gave them the island where the present cottage stands. Bob Johnston's licence number was T.T.C (Tonawanda Town Clerk).

Between 1970 and 1980, there was still some loggin in this area. They started hauling logs in the spring, and the trucks tore up the road so badly it was almost impassible. Finally steps were taken to stop the trucking.

Two of Ed and Isobel's children, Ken Bazilsky and Sandra MacKay still live on the lake

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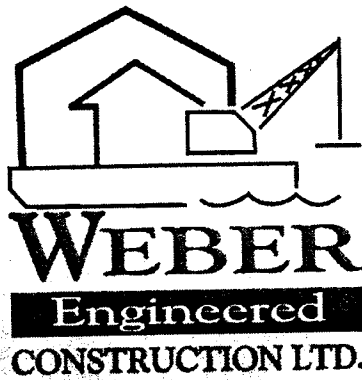
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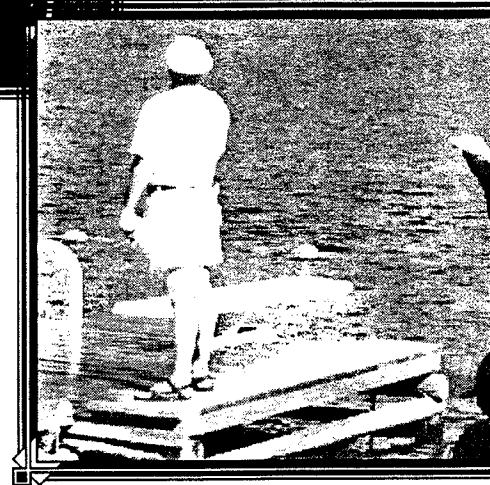
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REGATTA



The Healey Lake Property Owners Association Executive/Regatta Committee would like to thank everyone involved for making it another memorable Regatta day. The weather was perfect, letting us live up to the annual motto "It never rains on Regatta Day".

This year our previous Regatta chairs, Michelle Coco was unable to run it, and rather than cancel we pulled together a committee, knowing we had big shoes to fill! Thanks to Michelle and Mark for doing such a wonderful job the previous years.

There were a few small glitches (sorry about the Noodle Race kids, we promise it will be back next year). But all in all I think a good time was had by all.

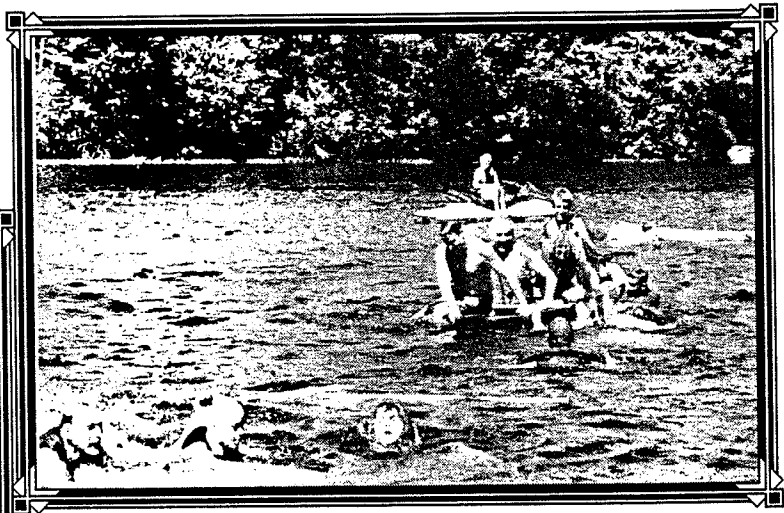
Special thanks to all the volunteers who made the day a success. Dan MacLeod, our new president who spearheaded the whole thing; Justine Tishinsky, who purchased all the great prizes and organized the awards; Karen Duggan, new to the lake, who took on the kids

crafts and was a huge hit; Nancy Gilchrist, who always runs the kids games; Bruce Phillips doing his usual fine job as M.C., ably assisted by Brian Moosang, always willing to pitch in where needed; Jan Phillips and Martha Gillan, who were the "runners" between the events and the M.C.; Bobbie McNamara who was in charge of the trophies, ribbons and medals; Eunice MacLeod and her grandchildren who ran the raffle, sign up sheets and T-shirt sales; Charlie Smith and all his helpers who ran the Beer Tent; Healey Lake Lodge for the use of the grounds; the many generous donors who gave us prizes for the Raffle and the Auction; and finally all the people who stepped up to judge and run all the events. Our apologies to anyone we may have missed.

Special note: All trophies are awarded on an annual basis and are due back by Regatta the following year.

See you all next year at Regatta 2008!

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In 2009 we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our Regatta. We are planning to put together a special edition of Dock Talk to mark this occasion. If you have pictures from previous regattas, especially back to the first few years, I would appreciate the opportunity to scan them to be included in the special edition.

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LOONS ON HEALEY LAKE by Nancy Gilchrist

The Healey Lake Cottagers Association is again a member of the Canadian Lakes Loon Survey, which is a project of Long Point Bird Observatory, Port Rowan, Ontario. The goal of the CLLS is to help conserve loons and their habitats by understanding our impact on them. More than 1000 volunteers respond via a survey kit assessing factors—such as regulation of water levels on our lakes (important to nesting loons), personal watercraft, human activity near nesting sites, and for some lakes, establishing nesting platforms. The loon Survey reaches many people with articles on Canada's loons. It focuses on responsible environmental citizenship, water sampling, leg banding, toxicology, and working with government labs and veterinary colleges discovering causes of loon mortality.

A chorus of frogs, the cry of the loon. The sights and sounds of nature are among the most memorable things about cottage life. Cottagers are crazy about loons and loons are good indicators of the health of lakes. Although called Common Loon and having a history

A question of Cormorants?

In recent years many questions have been raised about the appearance of cormorants in the Great Lakes region. Many adults who now own cottages but also spent time at cottages growing up are surprised by the number of cormorants that have begun to nest on lakes around Ontario because they have not seen them in these areas before. However, the story of the cormorants is really one of success since these birds almost went extinct 30 years ago due to heavy DDT and other pesticide use after WWII. Now these native North

of 55 million years to the Paleocene Period, they are far less common than they were 100 years ago, suffering severe population declines as their breeding range has been reduced and acid rain, mercury, E botulism and lead sinkers take their toll.

Early summer is extremely important for the survival of loon chicks. This is when human activity is at its highest and when we may adversely affect the loon family. During the early weeks the chicks are extremely vulnerable to separation from their parents. Fast moving watercraft and wakes will separate parent from young making it difficult for parents to locate chicks. Also chicks cannot dive and are easily run over by boats.

Eager loon watchers should use binoculars and telephoto cameras. If the adult comes toward you with wings spread or the tremolo call (crazy laugh) you are too close to the nest or the family.

Those cottagers who rent or allow guests or their children to drive their boats—Please remind them of safe boating practices and post rules in the cottage

Slow your boat where loons nest (nests can be flooded by wakes)

American water birds are in recovery and have begun to repopulate and return to their original nesting sites in the Great Lakes. Cormorants should be praised for, among other things, their diet selection which often features eating invasive fish species such as Alewives, Round Gobies and Rainbow Smelt that have taken over so many of the Great Lakes and other lakes found in northern Ontario. These birds are also very important indicator species for ecosystem health. If there are cormorants present in an area it means that the rest of the ecosystem is healthy and in check.

Don't kayak or canoe near nest (slow moving craft may alarm loon and it may abandon nest)

Steer clear of loons and chicks while boating

Retrieve fishing line and tackle (loons may become entangled leading to death)

Use lead-free tackle (loons ingest small pebbles to digest food and mistake lead sinkers for pebbles. Lead poison! Request lead-free alternatives)

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for your help in protecting our loons and other wildlife on Healey Lake.



In Memorium

We are sorry to report on the passing of three long time residents of Healey Lake so well know by many of us.. Our sympathies and thoughts go out to the families of

Elfi Eggerstedt

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and

Harry Todd

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People naturally resist change even if in the long run it is good for them so while these changes are integrated we have increased access to try and make it as easy as possible for people. In spring and fall the site will be open 11 hours a week, 7 of them on the week end. In the winter the site will be open 9 hours a week, 5 of them on the week end. In the summer the site will be open 47 hours a week, 17 of them on the week end. This gives people a lot of choice in planning to dispose of household, recyclables, large item and construction waste. In my case it is far more generous and convenient than what I have to deal with at my home in Barrie or my business in Oro-Medonte.

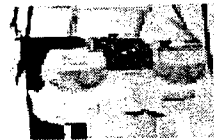
These changes were made necessary by the universal challenges facing everyone everywhere dealing with waste. After much discussion, gathering of information and discussions with other municipalities we hope to solve the following.

- Use by non residents: People from outside the Archipelago bring household waste, recyclables and large items in the off hours because they don't have to pay a fee like they have to in their own municipalities and usually in their haste they cause contamination and the increased costs are past on to you. We think closing when no attendant is on duty and with the identity card we will prevent this from happening.
- Bin contamination: When the bins are shipped we are charged a premium if there is contamination and much ends up in a land fill site which as you know are getting harder and harder to find. With access only when an attendant is present to help you find the right bin we hope to cut down on this problem.
- Garbage at the gate: This is caused by a very small percentage of Archipelago residents and non residents. We have prosecuted a number of people even though it is not easy to prove and are looking at video surveillance to stop the abuse.

Everything will be monitored and reviewed at the end of the season and at that time there might be some fine tuning for next year. Your constructive suggestions will also be considered at that time.

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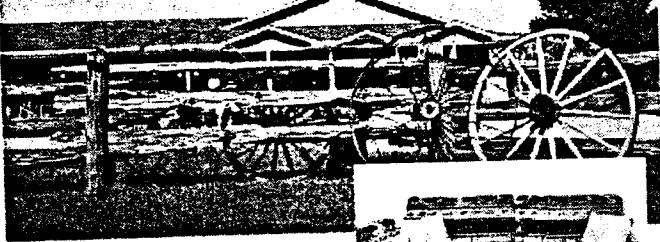
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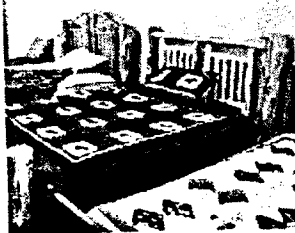
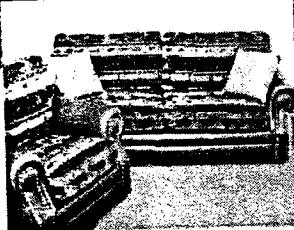
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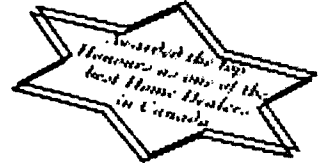


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