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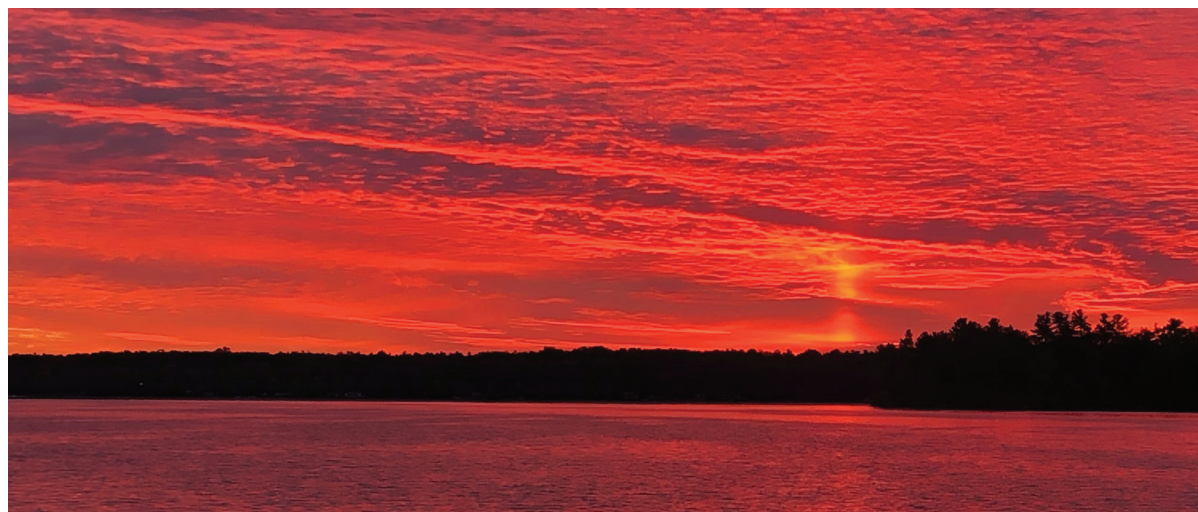


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## Photo Contest Reminder

Photos due November 1, 2021 to either Box 192, Marmora, ON, K0K2M0 or [info@clwa.ca](mailto:info@clwa.ca)

There are four categories this year: Recreation on the Crowe; Beauty of the Crowe; Wildlife on the Crowe and Fishing on the Crowe. Prizes for each category are: First \$50, Second \$30, Third \$20. Each entry must have a contact name, address and a title of the photo.

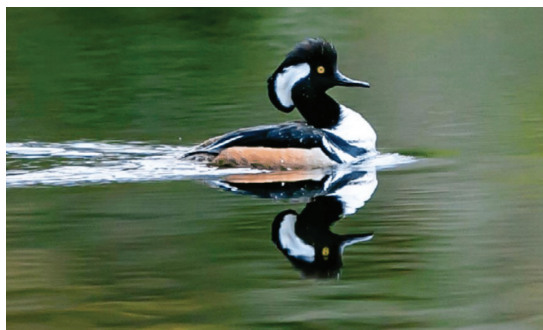
One entry per category with a maximum of two total entries per person. CLWA retains the right to publish the photo with credits.

## Last Years Winners!



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

"Castings of Colour"  
Debra Healey-Quesnelle



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

"Hooded Merganser"  
Michael McCabe



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

"Sleet nor Snow Will..."  
Jaidyn Savard

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**Crowe Lake Matters**

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## President's Message - Jim Nichol

As the temperature starts to cool off, and the smell of a crisp autumn day drifts in, I can tell this is going to be a great Fall. I want to start off by thanking everyone who helped organize, set up, and launch the amazing fireworks this year. We received many compliments saying this was the best year yet; to that I say, just wait till next year!

We held our AGM on August 21st, following all the covid precautions, and it was a success. We are saying goodbye to three of our valued team members, David Savournin, Dr. Paul Herbert, and Elinor White, we will miss everyone. But, we wish you all the best with your future endeavors. But as the old saying goes, when one door closes another one opens, and in that case, we are happy to introduce our new board member Terry Murphy! Welcome to the team Terry!

In this Fall issue of the newsletter, we have a delicious recipe from our very own Glenn Caverly, all the information on our AGM neatly compiled for your eyes, some home-saving advice on how to keep the mice outdoors this winter, and much more! We hope you enjoy! But lastly, don't forget to enter our photo contest!

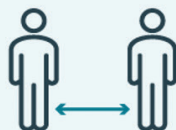
Please don't hesitate to contact Crowe Lake Waterway Association at [info@clwa.ca](mailto:info@clwa.ca) regarding anything pertaining to our waterway. Your voice is important. Be safe, wash your hands, practice social distancing and we will all celebrate the coming of Spring on Crowe Lake. - Jim

## Welcome New Board Member Terry Murphy

Born and raised in the Marmora area, Terry has spent most of his life around Crowe Lake. While canoeing on the lake, he met his wife Pam whose family had a cottage on Marble Point Road. After graduating college with a degree in Forestry and Environmental Studies, Terry has worked with the Ministry of Natural Resources, Otonabee Conservation and has recently retired after 29 years with Quinte (and Moira River) Conservation Authority as General Manager. Terry brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the CLWA Board. Terry and Pam live in Belleville but own a four-season home on Marble Point Road. Terry is a welcome addition.



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## David Savournin Retires



For over ten years, David has been our master behind the scenes as he set up and managed our web pages, our email inquiries and all our social media. He has printed reams of address labels over the years for all our mailings. David was valued part of the fireworks set up and take down team.

David and his wife Dee have this summer, put in many, many hours volunteering at the Covid clinics in their home area of Bobcaygeon. They are truly live savers. David is very involved with the Bobcaygeon Lions Club as past president and now treasurer. He was often found delivering food bank groceries to seniors especially during the vulnerable first months of Covid.

David has a most wonderful sense of humour and a very quick mind. He will be hard to replace. When you see them boating on the lake in the future, please give them a wave and a blast on your horn. The whole board wishes them time to relax at their cottage on the Crowe!

## Dr. Paul Herbert Retires

Paul, with his sharp legal mind, was instrumental in getting our Constitution brought into today's era. He has also brought our Incorporation up to date as it was sadly deficient. As our Secretary for the past several years, Paul kept us on track.

For someone who is retired, Paul keeps himself busy on the Board of Regents at Ryerson University, reading, adoring his grandchildren and swimming in the lake. Your expertise will be missed and we wish you all the best going forward. See you in the water!

## Elinor White Retires

This edition sadly brings the end of my time on the Crowe Lake Board as your Treasurer, President and/or Past President. It was a wonderful journey! Although still passionate about the lake, we have moved out of the area so no longer qualify to be members. I have to thank Robert Taylor who asked me 16 years ago to join the Board. Volunteering gave me more than I ever gave of myself. New to the lake at the time, through the Association, husband Wayne and I met a wealth of people - many who have become lifelong friends. And for that we shall be ever grateful. Whenever possible, we will be back to enjoy this wonderful community and lake as part of our hearts are still at the lake. You have a treasure in Crowe Lake – be a part of keeping Crowe Lake and its waterways a gem for generations to come! Never one to say a final goodbye, we will see you soon.

- Elinor White

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## Help Wanted

Fall has descended on the lake bringing with it the vibrant reds, oranges and yellows (if your trees have any leaves after the moth infestation); crisp evenings; bonfires and quiet. By now, most boats and docks have been put away before the ice arrives. With this fall comes your new volunteer Board of Directors as noted elsewhere in this newsletter. The Association is in dire need of a volunteer Information Technology (IT) person to manage the social media and internet inquiries. Also, Jim Nichol, our current president has expressed a desire to step down and as such the board will need a volunteer to fill the position of president to lead the charge and set future goals. Surely there are members out there who are interested in seeing this very valuable Association thrive with their help? The current Board members are seasoned and talented individuals who can help with the process. Contact us at [info@clwa.ca](mailto:info@clwa.ca) if you are interested.

## This Space Is Reserved For Your Name!

There is a Directorship awaiting you on the Board of CLWA. We have a vacancy and need one new board member.

Qualifications are: an interest in the Crowe Waterways, computer literate (as we communicate by email frequently), a member of the Association, available to meet about 4 to 5 times a year.

If you are new to the lake, joining our Board opens a vast number of doors and introduction to some very wonderful people. Consider coming onboard.

## Help our Volunteer Fire Fighters and Move Over

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Volunteer firefighters drive their own vehicles equipped with flashing green lights to let other drivers know they are responding to an emergency.

Other vehicles should pull over or yield and let them pass. While it is not law at the moment, it is a courtesy. The emergency could be at your house!



## Thank you to the Fireworks Team

To the fireworks team a huge thank you,

Jim Nichol, David Bedore, Rick Moulton, Jamie Talbot, David Green, Wayne White, Andrew White, Randy Vilneff, Brynn Vilneff, Bill Neill.



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Do Something Nice for Someone

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## Letters to the Editor



Dear Crowe Lake Waterway Association;

I happened to be visiting friends on the lake during your spectacular fireworks display and wanted to tell you how impressed I was that your association was able to put on such a great show. Having spent a long career in Parks and Recreation, I know how difficult it is to finance such meaningful events.

We were on a boat watching what I thought was the most professional fireworks display. Throughout the event, you could hear the applause miles away in every direction off the water. A real sense of community spirit that I have not seen in some time.

We have been living in challenging times, how wonderful to be part of something so positive and beautiful.

I like to personally thank everyone in the association who give so generously. It truly means a lot to our friends and families. Congratulations on a job well done!

Sincerely,

Lucy Troisi



Kudos to the fireworks committee for the recent labour day weekend display. We had guests and we were all impressed with the quality and longevity of the show. I know a lot of hours go into the production of such a show and would like to send a big thank you to Bill Neill and his team for all their efforts. Again thanks so much.

*Cheers Dave Green*

This is just a quick note to let you know how much we enjoyed the Labour Day weekend fireworks display. SPECTACULAR is the word that comes to mind.

That event could well be considered the best yet. We would like to thank Bill Neill and his pyrotechnics team for the many long hours they put in assembling them and putting them off.

On another note, while the July long weekend is the traditional date for the light show, the one advantage of the Labour Day weekend was the absence of those pesky mosquitoes!

*Robert Taylor and Norma Sedgwick*



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- 2 lbs lean stew meat or round steak cut into bite size pieces
- 1 pkg Lipton's dehydrated onion soup mix
- 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 1 can condensed tomato soup
- 1 1/2 cans of water (may substitute 1/2 can water for 1/2 can wine, your choice of colour)
- 1 can of mushrooms, drained

## Directions

- Mix everything together but reserve the mushrooms until the near end.
- Put in oven at 350 F for 3 hours or in the crock pot until meat is tender.
- Serve over rice, noodles, or mashed potatoes.

This exclusive recipe is available only to members of CLWA in good standing!  
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# Reports and Letters for August 21, 2021 Annual General Meeting

## From Marmora & Lake, Jan O'Neill, Mayor

Thank you for the opportunity to provide an update on some of the Marmora and Lake Council activities and respond to your enquiries regarding your beautiful Crowe Lake.

I will attempt to respond to the issues raised in Elinor's email and also provide some updates on the municipal operations.

I. B&B's We are working on developing a short term rental by-law. This is complex. It involves official plan amendments and zoning compliance and must take into consideration the business component and also the impact to local property owners.

II. Day trippers who access the lake through Meg's Landing..... -We cannot control who accesses the lake and if they bring debris, etc. Magg's Landing is just one access point. The municipality has no jurisdiction to enforcement on the water. The OPP are the law enforcement for violations, etc. You are encouraged to contact the OPP if you witness illegal and/or unsafe operation of motorized sports vehicles.

III. Status of high speed internet – there were a number of encouraging announcements recently that government funding was approved to guarantee internet improvements to rural areas.

IV. Condition of some of the roads around the lake - Road work has begun on High Shore Road and Marble Point Road in addition to the regular maintenance. A number of other road construction projects have been initiated throughout the municipality and some are completed.

V. Pending Lake Developments – there are no applications currently on file for lake developments. Mayor O'Neill's full report can be found on our website: [clwa.ca](http://clwa.ca)

## From HBM, Jim Martin, Mayor

In response to our questions regarding the new ownership of Blairton Terrace property, Jim reports there is no activity with respect to development but plans to be in contact with our Association if this changes.

## 2020 Photo Contest – David Savournin

- 49 Entries from 20 vs. 2019's 24 Entries from 20 Contestants
- Beauty Category = 15 (13) Entries
- Wildlife Category = 13 (8) Entries
- Recreation = 11 (3) Entries

## Newsletter Report-Elinor White

With thanks to many willing contributors we have been able to present interesting editions. The talent of Kendra Savard, who jumped into the design and layout task, has allowed us to deliver a new clean look, quality newsletter on time during this pandemic. We did have some small problems regarding advertising but Jane Lakatos has now stepped in and is doing a terrific job of selling advertising and collecting payment. Our advertisers are important as they support the ever growing costs of hard copy publishing. Judy O'Grady has our deep gratitude for her ongoing volunteering to address and stuff envelopes to get the hard copy editions into the mail. As the costs to publish grow at the printer, the Association needs to encourage new members to accept the electronic version which has lesser costs to publish. With my retirement, Ritch Smith has agreed to return as the voluntary editor.

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Thank You To All Our Essential Workers

2021



# Reports and Letters for August 21, 2021

## Annual General Meeting



### Fishing Report – Paul Morton

The proposed fishing derby for the association members has been cancelled again this year due to the Covid 19. Smallmouth bass and pike remain as the most caught as reported by our lake anglers.

Our waterway association again participated in July of a sampling program by the Federation of Ontario Cottage Associations to look for invasive species. Results from the sampling are expected in the late fall.

### Slate of Officers for Balance of 2021 to end of 2022

Jim Nichol  
Bill Neill  
Norma Crofts  
Jane Lakatos  
Ritch Smith  
Brian Facey  
Curt Farrell  
Paul Morton  
Terry Murphy  
Ruth Berger

### Membership Report- Ritch Smith

Members: 195 vs 163 in 2020

New members: 13 vs 2 in 2020

Thanks to Jerry and Rosemary Pascoe, Bill Neill, Tom O'Neill, Tim Black, Dave Green, Glenn Caverly

2021 New Members – Please make these new members welcome to the Crowe Waterways  
Ryan and Miranda McKenna, Marble Point Road

Carolyn Kernohan, Marble Point Road

Rick and Georgina McCracken, Drummond Road

Heather and David Smith, Marble Point Road  
Jeff, Sarah and Lauren Cowan, Lakeshore Road

Claudine and Dave Dowdall, Mackenzie Road  
Tony and Chris Canepa, Marble Point Road  
Linda and Richard Grills, High Shore Road  
Mary Anne McGrath & Oliver Hellbeck, High Shore Rd

The Bertand Families, Marble Point Road  
Ross Chea and Diana Horvat, Smith Lane  
Jon and Mary Vickers, Lakeshore Road

David Hillock and Judy Fantham, Lakeshore Rd

### Social Media Report – David Savournin

Website July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

- o Unique Users = **184** – down from 444 in 2018-2020
- o Sessions = **201** – down from 599 in 2019-2020
- o Av. Sessions Per User = **1.35** – slightly up from 2019-2020
- o Av. Pages Per Session = **1.29** - down vs. 2019-2020
- o Female Users = **49.3%**; Male Users = **50.7%**
- o New website was created and launched for the 2020-2021 year.

Facebook Page July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020

- o Followers = 580; Likes = 608
- o Average of 27 people saw our Posts every day (Reach)
- o Facebook remains the fastest and most efficient method of getting CLWA's messages out to the widest audience

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Change The Batteries In Your Smoke Detectors!

2021




## Reports and Letters for August 21, 2021 Annual General Meeting

### Rock and Shoal Report – Paul Morton

Thirty-seven CLWA marker buoys marking boating hazards were deployed in the lake and the lower river on the May long weekend. Their retrieval should happen around the Thanksgiving day weekend in October. Caution should still be taken for hazards in shallows outside of the main boating routes. Thank You to Jeff Alderson for his hard work

### Lake Perspective - Jeff Prentice

Looking back now, I have come to realize that growing up on Crowe Lake in the 70's fostered the ideas, values and skills that I cherish most today. In the 70's the beach at the mouth of the river was much more than "Pee Beach". It was a place where six families intertwined and created a huge space that offered eleven kids an experience that no summer camp could ever match. Swimming, fishing, building forts, playing with Lego, sailing, watching butterflies emerge, racing frogs, playing hide and go seek, enjoying beach suppers and making crafts are a few of the things that filled our endless summer days. Now at 54 years of age, I realize that what we were really doing was appreciating nature, laughing, getting exercise, learning skills, caring about others, managing conflict, learning to build with our hands, gaining confidence in who we were as people and respecting the differences that exist between people. These are things that shape the person that I am today. A few years ago, I heard someone refer to the kids in these cottages during that period of time as "Free Range Kids". I am very grateful to have been one of those kids.



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Crowe Lake Matters - Recycle

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**CANADA HAS THE LARGEST  
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**CANADA IS THE WORLD'S  
MOST EDUCATED COUNTRY:  
OVER HALF ITS RESIDENTS  
HAVE COLLEGE DEGREES.**



## Mice Come Visiting in the Fall

As cottages and homes are preparing for winter, mice become a major problem. Their body structure allow for very flexible maneuvering into and through tight areas. Look for openings, or cracks in the foundation, the roof and eaves and in the caulking where any wires enter the property. Basically, anything that compromises the wall of the home is acceptable for mice. Broken holes through the brick or boards allow the mice to get into the home, particularly with electrical or cable wires.

At a well-used entry point, you will see some dirt, some sebum which is the grease that's on their fur, it will kind of be discoloured. Mice will climb a wall and they'll go up and where the brick meets the siding, they will squeeze in underneath that gap especially where the brick is recessed and goes into, underneath the siding. That's a prime entry area.

Look in your attic for chewed wiring. Mice are rodents whose teeth are constantly growing. They chew for recreation. There will be holes in the insulation or mazes all through the top of the insulation. When they reach the drywall, they will scratch and chew. In the garage or sheds, the weather-stripping ages and shrinks, making easy entry for mice. Garbage or compost are invitations to mice. Keep this area clean.

Anti- mouse bags.

In a small mesh bag place cinnamon, cloves, chili flakes and star anise and secure the bag closed. There is no specific measurement, just blend. Place them near every opening and in cupboards and closets. They smell like the holiday season and deter mice.



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## CLWA Tests for Invasive Species - Paul Morton, CLWA board member

In July, the Federation of Cottage Associations offered kits to its associations for testing for invasive species in waterways. I volunteered to undertake this task for our association. Crowe Lake and its waterways have been changed already for ever by the introduction of northern pike and zebra mussels in recent years. Three water samples were taken from the lake and river on July 21st and submitted for testing for traces of invasive species. Results from those tests are expected in November and will be advised in our January newsletter. Along with the sampling, two signs for public display were also included. These signs were turned over to Marmora & Lake to be posted at Meg's Landing and Booster Park boat launches. Boat launches are a major introducer of invasive species to waterways. Prevention of introducing invasive species our waterways is an important measure to combating there spread. More information on invasive species can be found at these links:

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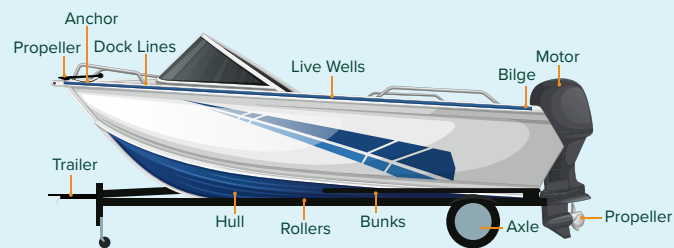
## Help Protect Our Lakes

**Clean** any plants, mud, mussels or debris from your boat and equipment.

**Drain** all standing water from your bilge, motor and live well.

**Dry** your boat for 2-7 days or disinfect it with hot or pressurized water.

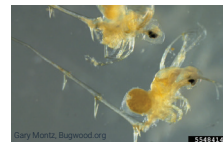
**Here are common places aquatic invasive species may be hiding:**



**Here are some species to look out for:**



Zebra/Quagga Mussels



Spiny Waterflea



Eurasian Watermilfoil

**Report sightings of invasive species:**



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