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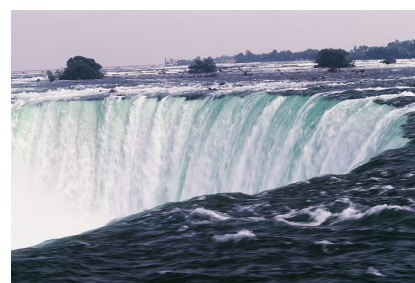
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**A battery five times the size
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**An update on the
Pumped Storage Project**



Marmora is getting a lot of new fame both nationally and internationally because of the Northland Pumped Storage project.

In February it was the Globe and Mail and the CBC. In May, the Canadian Mining Journal devoted five pages to the project. An international waterpower magazine will feature the project in June.

The really big news is that the project will be on the Discovery Channel this fall as part of the "Shades of Green" program. It will be seen in 100 million homes.

The pumped storage project will create a waterfall 5 times the height of Niagara Falls - but only a fraction of the volume - descending from the reservoir back into the mine pit lake. The 258 meter waterfall will generate 400 megawatts of power available on an "as needed" basis. Think of it as a really big battery.

The project continues to be supported by the Marmora and Lake Council and the community. The Municipality is currently working with supporters throughout Eastern Ontario to encourage the Province to move forward on this project.

What the mine looked
like in the past



What it looks
like now



What it might look like
in the future



Summer

AGM - July 20

2013

Words from the President

I've been thinking a lot about signs lately, not omens or black cats but those physical posters or signs you see everywhere. The signs I especially look for are the CLWA 2013 Membership signs and I see a lot as I drive around the lake. And, our Gold Star member sign is a favorite sighting.

The Gold Star signs are a way of saying an extra Thank You to those of you who could donate to the Fireworks or the Fishing Program or our General Programs. Have you seen our membership signs? Do you have yours?

Watch for our Fireworks and Boat Parade signs. Soon they will be going up all around the area to remind everyone about the Boat Parade and Fireworks on the Lake on June 29. And the electronic sign at the Marmora Visitor Centre will publicize the Fishing Derby on July 13 and the AGM on July 20.

There are non-CLWA signs that catch my eye, too. There are still a lot of Pumped Storage Project support signs, personally I think that's good, and quite a few For Sale signs, not sure how I feel about those.

The Newsletter has information about all those signs, except the For Sale signs. You'll find details on the CLWA summer programs, an update on the Pumped Storage project, a reminder about the AGM, etc.

There is also a Help Wanted sign. We're looking for people to serve on the CLWA Executive Board for next year.

I hope you enjoy the Newsletter and have a great summer!

Ritch Smith

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Buoys of Summer

Finally, the warm weather is here! With that, begins another year of boating and another season of markers, marking out the hazardous rocks and shoals.

This year an unexpected change in plans developed in March. Our long time friend Dave Eason, "The Buoy Guy" informed me, that due to health reasons he would not be able to take care of the placement or retrieval of our hazardous markers.

To our long time friend, we wish Dave the best in health and a hearty thank you!

The task of finding a replacement was now at hand. Fortunately, our Past President Norma Crofts, called me one evening with a candidate who was interested in the challenge of placing the markers.

Armed with a map with the GPS co-ordinates (thanks to Bill Neill's proactive thinking a few years back), Rob Harding, one of our members, took on the challenge this year to help us out. With the task at hand, Rob set out and was able to place all the markers before the "May Long Weekend". A job well done – Thank you!

Again this year, we have continued to place markers with the CLWA logo on it. If while you cruise the lake and river and happen to come across a "floater", a buoy that has become dislodged, please retrieve it and let one of us know. We will pass the information on to Rob, so that he can relocate the marker.

We wish all our members to have a joyous and safe boating season.

Submitted by Doug Theuerle

DISCLAIMER

"The Crowe Lake Waterway Association (CLWA) assumes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of these or other hazard markers. Their installation and maintenance is solely an assist to safe boating. Boaters are still required to exercise caution in respect to water depth and unforeseen hazards."

CLWA - "Helping To Keep Boating Safer On The Crowe"

What's In A Name?

In this name, there are memories of a swimming hole and a bit of Marmora's history.

Mary Provost wrote a letter to the Marmora and Lake Council asking that the North End Boat Launch be renamed Mag's Landing.

The change was approved. As a kid growing up in this area, Mary remembers swimming there, fishing with a home-made pole and exploring old boat houses on land owned by an elderly lady named Mag Arnold.

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New Video for the Pumped Storage Project

A new 7-minute video has been produced by Loyalist College to describe the Pumped Storage Project.

It includes helicopter views of Marmora, lots of street scenes, and a description of the project.

Using diagrams and animation, it is an easy way to learn about the project. It is on the Northland Power website.

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Algal Blooms

Algal Blooms. Sounds a bit like the name of a florist, doesn't it? But, as I discovered at the annual FOCA (Federation of Cottage Associations) meeting in March of this year, algae are not even plants and, in large quantities can cause multiple problems for those who live near and make use of Ontario's waterways.

What Are Algae?

Algae are aquatic organisms which resemble plants. They require nutrients and light to grow and range in size from microscopic to more than ten metres in length. There are over 72,500 species of algae. They are an important part of the ecosystem's food chain as they consume nutrients from the water and are, in turn consumed by plankton. Plankton are eaten by small fish which make up the diet of a variety of other fauna such as bigger fish and birds of prey. Algae also perform the useful function of oxygenating the water.

Of course, there is a negative side to algae as well. When they grow too quickly they form algal blooms, those slimy floating green/brown/blue/yellow/red masses which can result in the following:

- Change in water colour
- Reduction in water clarity
- Unpleasant tastes and odours
- Production of toxins

Algal blooms are caused by:

- High level of nutrients in the water
- Calm weather
- Strong sunlight
- High air and water temperatures

Concerns About Algal Blooms

The results of algal blooms described above are a cause for concern for the following reasons.

- Algal blooms can create unpleasant tastes in water supplies which are a source of drinking water. While not necessarily toxic, this is certainly not desirable.
- Algal blooms can foul shorelines and impact recreational activities and property values.
- Toxins in certain varieties of algal blooms can cause illness in humans, pets and livestock.

Blue-Green Algal Blooms

One type of algal bloom which produces toxins is called Blue-Green, due to its coloration. Toxins are produced when the algal cell is damaged or dies. These toxins can affect the liver, the nervous system, and irritate the skin and eyes. Symptoms include fever, abdominal pain, diarrhoea and nausea. Needless to say, it would be unwise to bath in, drink, or eat fish taken from lakes containing Blue-Green algal blooms.

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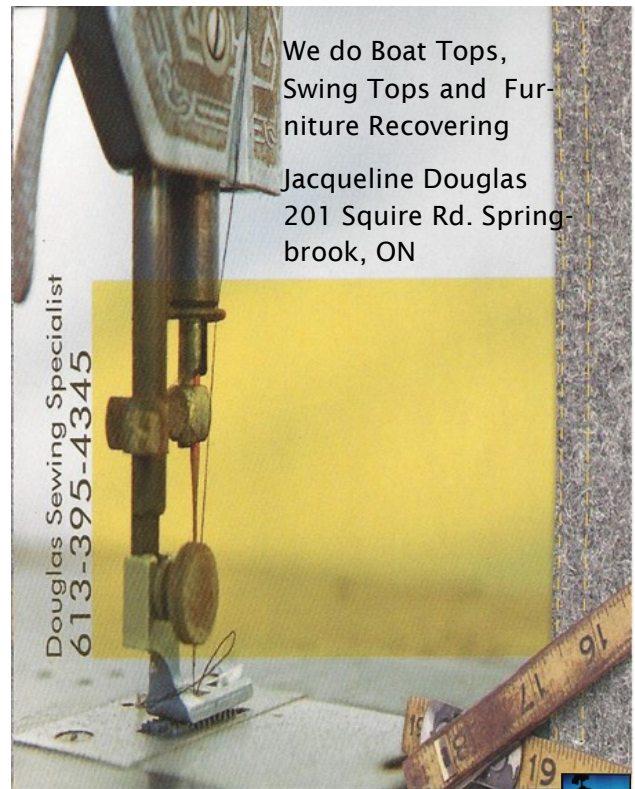
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Unfortunately, it seems that, in certain areas of Ontario, the appearance of Blue-Green algal blooms is increasing. The good news is that there have been very few reported in our area of the province. We are probably not immune, however. The increase in reports of Blue-Green blooms can be attributed to increased awareness, increased nutrient input into lakes (phosphorus in particular) and climate change (blooms like it hot). To help identify blue-green blooms, look for the following:

- Water looks like bluish green or green paint or pea soup
- Fresh blooms smell like freshly-mown grass
- Old blooms smell like rotting garbage

Prevention of Algal Blooms

Given that all algal blooms have some unpleasant characteristics and a few incur health risks, it would be wise to be aware of some measures - recommended by the Ministry of the Environment - which can be taken by waterfront dwellers to prevent algal blooms. Here is a list of some of them.

- Use phosphate-free cleaning products
- Use phosphate-free fertilizers on lawns
- Retain natural vegetation along shorelines
- Reduce agricultural runoff
- Maintain septic systems
- Reduce vehicle emissions
- Pick up pet wastes

The Ministry of the Environment also has a **SPILLS ACTION CENTRE** which should be contacted if a Blue-Green Algal Bloom is suspected. The number to call is **1-800-268-6060**.

More information can be obtained at www.ene.gov.on.ca.

This information in this article is based on a presentation given by Michelle Palmer, a scientist with MOE.

She can be reached at: Michelle.palmer@ontario.ca. Thanks to Michelle for her excellent, informative overview of Algal Blooms.

Submitted by: Vesa Koivusalo

Trash Talk at Marmora and Lake Council Meeting

There was a lot of Trash Talk at the Marmora and Lake Council meeting in May. Council voted to increase the cost of the blue garbage bag tags from \$1 to \$2. Council also expanded the days of operation of the Landfill.

Effective May 23 through November 1st the Landfill will be open on Thursdays as well as Saturdays and Mondays.

New Schedule for Marmora and Lake Landfill

May 23 to 1 November

Monday	7 AM to 3 PM
Thursday	9 AM to 3 PM
Saturday	7 AM to 3 PM

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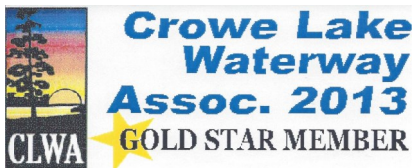
On the June 1, 2013, our membership is 130. That renewal rate is better than 2012 so we're doing well but we still have quite a few people who haven't renewed.

Our Gold Star program is a big hit with a higher than expected percentage of members renewing with an additional contribution. We thank all of you for your generous support.

We have 2 new members but there are still a lot of people who could join if someone just asked them. If you want a membership form or a membership packet, call Ritch Smith at 613-472-3490 or send us an email at our website info@clwa.ca.

Our membership information is also available on our website www.clwa.ca.

If you haven't renewed, please don't put it off any longer. If you have a neighbor or a friend who could be a new member, let us know.



Welcome to our New Members

Clive and Bobi Peacock, Silver Maple Lane
Lynette and Steve Warren, Cook Road

Drug Drop-Off

Nickle's Pharmacy will accept your unused, expired or unlabelled drugs.

They prefer to have them out of their container and in a small bag, ready for safe disposal.

Accepted are prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications and natural health products as well as cremes or gells.

Needles and syringes must be returned separately in Sharps containers.

Sorting out the medicine cabinet could be a good rainy day activity!

Check with Nickle's if you further questions.

Where Do I Get Started On This Shoebox Of Old Pictures!!!

Are you in the position of having some photos of family times at Crowe Lake and want to do something with them?

Come along to a get-together in the **William Shannon** room on Tuesday, July 23rd with coffee at 10:00 am and a presentation about 10:30 am.

Together we can share some ideas about how to get started. If you have recorded the cottage stories, bring them along to share. You may inspire others!

Call Norma if you have something to share or plan on coming. 613 472-2157.

18th Annual Historical Foundation Poker Run

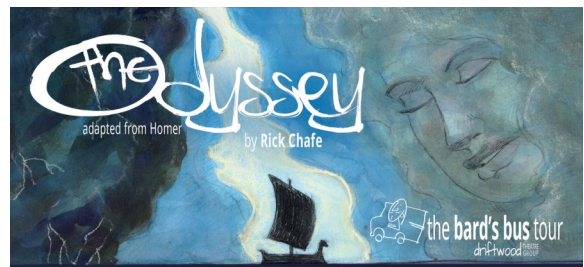
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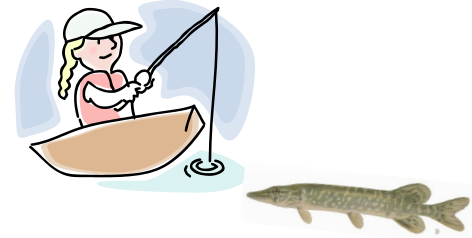
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Did You Know ?

- that the Marmora and Lake's Town Hall is 100 years old this year? Celebrations will be held on Aug. 3rd. and that they are looking for things and photos to put in a time capsule. What would you suggest to represent 100 years of history?
- that swimming lessons for children will begin the first week of July. Information is available at the town offices.
- that new CLWA members join most often because a current CLWA member asked them to join and told them why it is important to them.
- Maclean's magazine, June 10th issue, had an article about Northland's Power plan for Pumped Storage proposal, called Power Up ...And Down. This is in addition to articles previously mentioned. Marmora is becoming famous!
- that tags for bagged garbage in Havelock-Belmont-Methuen are currently 5 tags for \$6:00.
- that Marmora and Lake owns and maintains Nayler's Common Wetlands and Trails. Check it out!
- that an array of painted fish on the fence of Marmora Senior School remind those students, as well as those children in Earl Prentice School how important it is to keep our Crowe Valley Watershed clean and pure. In fact, it reminds us all!
- that the fireworks lotto board in the TD bank has nothing to do with the **CLWA FIREWORKS OVER THE CROWE**.

Crowe Lake Waterway Association PIKE ONLY "CATCH'EM AND KEEP 'EM" Fishing Derby



Sat. July 13 2013
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Y.O.Y.O

This means "you're on your own."

It seems to me that we have more extreme weather more often lately!

When we have a power outage due to high winds, ice or storms, it is expected that each household should have resources on hand to last for 72 hours. Being prepared helps to keep our families safe and feeling calm when the weather gets out of control!

What needs to be on hand would differ for each family,

but drinking water, flashlights and food need to be on everyone's list.

These items need to be reviewed and refreshed a few times a year. It is a good idea to try to have at least a half a tank of gas in the car in case you need to go somewhere without a lot of notice. Having a list of contact people handy may help to keep you in touch with loved ones as well as service people.

Perhaps your family could talk about your needs before an emergency occurs so you have a practical plan. Remember Y.O.Y.O. !



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We'd like to use them in future editions!



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Is This
Your
Chair?



Positions are open on the CLWA Executive Board. A Secretary and Board Member positions are open for election at the AGM on July 20. The Board meets about 5 times a year, usually for 2 or 3 hours per meeting. Duties of Secretary include taking minutes at the Board meetings and other duties normally associated with the position. Board member positions normally have a Program assignment and the amount of time required varies but is usually summer-related and not overly demanding. If you are interested, please call Ritch Smith at 613-472-3490 or send an email to info@clwa.org.

CLWA Annual General Meeting

Sat. July 20th 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

William Shannon Room
(Library), Marmora, ON

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Sign in, Meet and Greet and Refreshments

1. AGM Agenda
2. 9:30 AGM Welcome
3. Approval of 2013 AGM agenda
4. Approval of 2012 AGM Minutes
5. Approval of 2012-2013 Treasurer's report
6. Other reports
7. New Business
8. Approval of Executive Board
9. Adjournment

GPS maps of lake hazards will be available, if interested, speak to Bill Neill at the meeting

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Fireworks Over The Crowe

The Boat Parade and Fireworks display in 2012 were spectacular! And, we know that 2013 will be even bigger.

Thanks to our Gold Star members

For your generosity in supporting this kick-off to summer. Thanks also to the Canadian Government (Federal), McKeowns, Bonters, Bayview Trailer Park and Northland Power for their corporate support.



For more information visit www.CLWA.ca or call 705-778-1067

Coming Events

Saturdays	Marmora Farmers Market	8:00am-2:00pm
	Memorial Park by Tourist Centre	
Mondays	Bingo	7:00pm-10:00pm
	Marmora Legion	
Thursdays	#7 Classic Cruiser Night	5:00pm-8:00pm
	Forsythe Street	
June 29	CLWA Boat Parade	8:30pm
	Crowe Lake	
	Start at Blairton Lighthouse	
June 29	CLWA Fireworks on the Lake	Dusk (App. 10:00pm)
	Crowe Lake	
July 1	Marmora Canada Day and Parade	10:00am
	Memorial Park by Tourist Centre	
July 1	Marmora Village Fireworks	Dusk
	Aecon Slag Hill	
July 13	Summer Pike Only Fishing Derby	8:30am-4:00pm
	Crowe Lake – Register at	
	Chris' Live Bait on Hwy 7	
July 20	CLWA Annual General Meeting	9:00am-11:00am
	William Shannon Room,	
	Marmora Library	
July 23	Get Started On This Shoebox Of Old Pictures!!!	10:00am
	William Shannon Room	
Aug 3	Celebrate Marmora	8:00am-4:00pm
	Memorial Park	
Aug 3	Driftwood Theatre - The Odyssey	7:30pm
	Memorial Park (In case of rain: Arena)	
Aug 4	Crowe Lake Poker Run	12:00pm-3:00pm
	(Rain date : Aug. 5)	
	Registration: Booster Park	
Aug 17	Hazardous Waste Collection	9:00am-2:00pm
	Municipal Lot - Hwy 7 at Burstall St.	
Aug 17	Marmora Food Bank	
	Cram The Cruiser	
	Canned food (or cash) collection at Valu-Mart	
Sept 7-9	Marmora Agricultural Fair	
	Marmora Fairgrounds	
Sept 12-15	Marmora Country Music Jamboree	
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Photo Contest

Accepting Entries

July 1st to November 1, 2013

This year's photo contest is open to anyone with exception of the CLWA board members. Photos must be in a JPEG digital or printed 4"x6" formats for the three categories:

Crowe Lake and Its Beauty

Wildlife Around the Crowe

Recreation of the Crowe Lake Waterways

Prizes for each category are: 1st prize \$50; 2nd prize \$30; 3rd prize \$20.

Photographs must be taken around Crowe Lake, Crowe River or Beaver Creek to be eligible. Each photo requires your name, address, telephone number, *photo caption or title*, date and information on where the photograph was taken. To win, photos must have been taken within two years of contest.

Each person can enter a limit of one entry per category for a total maximum of three (3) pictures. A maximum of two prizes per person will be awarded. By entering, you are acknowledging your permission for CLWA to use your photo.

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