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CLWA PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The 2017 Photo Contest was a real success. The photos are outstanding and the participation was the best ever. There were 29 contestants and 49 photos submitted for the 2017 contest, beating the 2016 contest total of 31 photos. The photos will be posted on the CLWA Website and the CLWA Facebook Page and used in CLWA publications through the year. The winners are announced in this Newsletter.

Thanks to the following for sharing their photos: Karen Callery, Wade Gapes, Maxine Prentice, Karen Taylor, Tim Black, Kelly Welsh, Michael McCabe, Ryan Newman, Noell Baran, Pam Ayres, Lynn Gapes, Victoria Schnerch, Bruce Orpwood, Herb Welsh, Heather Lemieux, Tim Maung, John Crofts, Lionel Bennett, Peter Ayres, Jeanna Black, Marianik Tremblay, Hanna Stempkowski, Jake Pries, Meghan Abraham, Laura Hamilton, Molly White, Derek Harding, Janet Vittie, and Norm Hardy.

Thanks also to our panel of judges. We promised them we would not publicize their names but we really appreciate their efforts. It was a difficult job and your dedication and seriousness is appreciated. Thanks also to Dave Savournin and Ritch Smith for administering the contest. And, as always, thanks to Pierre Chabot for finding the best way to display them in the Newsletter.

M&L RESOLUTION: MOTION 2017OCT17-253

That Council send a letter to the Council of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen requesting to be circulated on any correspondence with regards to the proposed development of Blairton Terrace being completed by Fairtrade Works on Crowe Lake.

Council further advises that the Municipality of Marmora and Lake would be interested in participating in a Lake Capacity Study on Crowe Lake with the Township of Havelock-Belmont Methuen.

Moved by S. Fraser, Second by L. Bracken, Carried.



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The hot rumor in Cook's Barbershop is the arrival of a Kentucky Fried Chicken / Taco Bell franchise for Marmora at the site of the former gas station / coffee cup / chicken take-out on Hwy 7.

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Winter

Crowe Lake Matters

2018

Words from the President

This is my favorite issue of the year. Nothing tells the story of the Crowe Lake waterway like these photos. The Beauty category always has outstanding sunsets. The Recreation category always shows families enjoying the surroundings and family activity. The Wildlife, like nature, is always a happy surprise and good for a smile.

The rest of my President's Message is a photo that wasn't submitted to the Contest. It's a picture of my cousin Ted and his grandson Harrison - a grandfather and grandson fishing from the dock. It reminds me of the many summers my brothers and I spent with my grandfather fishing from the dock or at Grandpa's favorite fishing spot, usually a place he found by lining up that barn roof and that tree and that cottage. It's about the enjoyment and appreciation of the life given to us over multiple generations by Crowe Lake.



On behalf of the CLWA Board, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, and Happy New Year to you and your family. I hope your holiday season is enjoyable and I wish us all a prosperous and happy 2018.

Ritch Smith



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Marmora Council Meeting

Sue Dickens, freelance reporter with the Central Hastings Trent Hills News

One lake, one developer and two proposals for projects affecting two different municipalities became the focus of a presentation Tuesday Oct. 17, at a Marmora and Lake council meeting.

Ritch Smith, president of the Crowe Lake Waterway Association (CLWA), alerted council about a second development being proposed by FairTradeWorks for Crowe Lake, this one at the west end of the lake in the Belmont ward of the Municipality of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen (HBM).

FairTradeWorks has purchased 125 acres for a proposed project called Blairton Terrace, described "as a plan of condominiums." The same company has already put forward a proposal for Crowe Hill Estates, also on Crowe Lake, at 621 Cook Rd. in the Municipality of Marmora and Lake.

"I think the council needs to be more than just aware of this. It's your lake ... you become much like we are, interested stakeholders in this process," said Smith. He referenced two capacity lake studies done in the past, one in 1994 (of 12 lakes) and the second in 2010 (of four lakes), both of which "found Crowe Lake at capacity for lakeshore development and recommended no development."

"The development proposed in 1995 was virtually the same plan, same piece of property, 50 to 60 lots for the same kind of proposal. The CLWA and Marmora council at that time said they were opposed," said Smith.

As a result no project was approved.

With a similar scenario being brought forward by FairTradeWorks, Marmora councilors approved a resolution to correspond with HBM over the concerns of the CLWA and possible developments on Crowe Lake.

Further, if HBM wants to pursue another Lake Capacity Study that Marmora and Lake Council would be interested in partnering with them. A peer review of the study is also to be requested.

Councilor Sandy Fraser asked to add he wanted to include Hastings and Peterborough counties in a request "to be kept abreast of all the happenings." Fraser commented, "The lake study is something that I do believe we've got to get involved in. There are a lot of taxpayers in our municipality that live on that lake."

FairTradeWorks, according Smith, has "executed a pre-development agreement with HBM and have started (their own) technical studies and consultation meetings with officials in HBM and Peterborough County."

Smith noted, "The CLWA is not opposed to economic development on the lake provided it is done in a manner that respects the nature of the lake and the rights of the lake residents and users and protects the environment."

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EXPANSION COMING FOR MARMORA COLOURED AGGREGATES

from QuinteNews by Brock Osmond

A Marmora-based company, which provides stone products to architects, contractors and builders, has received a significant financial boost from the Eastern Ontario Development Program.

The Community Futures Development Corporation of North and Central Hastings-South Algonquin has awarded \$100,000 to Coloured Aggregates, to expand and improve its product line. The money will be used to add a new computerized sorting system to the already state-of-the-art facility, which will allow for the addition of new products and the expansion of ones currently being developed.

The investment will also protect six jobs at the Marmora location, add two more positions and create extended local economic spinoff, with local contractors being used to construct and install the new equipment.

Coloured Aggregates has been around since 1972 and also has a location in Aurora, north of Toronto, supplying various types and colours of minerals, crushed aggregates and sand.

New Members 2018

Lenny and Christina Colangelo, Peepy Horn Rd

Jim Blanchard, Cove Road

Bruce Weir and Gillian Proudfoot, Trent Hills

Tim Maung, Blairton Road

New Rocks and Shoals Program Manager

from Vesa Koivusalo

Jeff Alderson has agreed to take over from Rob Harding the task of placing and removing the rock and shoal markers.

Rob and Ken Parton have been doing the marker placement for the last 4 or 5 years. Ken has moved and Rob announced at the end of the summer of 2017 he would not be able to continue to do placement. He will be on call to help Jeff get acquainted with the placement process. Thanks to Rob and Ken for their dedication to boating safety.

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M&L COUNCIL APPROVES GRANT PROGRAM FOR PRIVATE ROADS

Sue Dickens, freelance reporter with the Central Hastings Trent Hills News

A new grant program to assist eligible private road associations has been given the green light by Marmora and Lake council (at November 20 meeting).

Kevin Hart, Marmora and Lake's manager of transportation, presented the proposal to council with a recommendation to set the maximum allowable grant at \$500 per km. Hart noted in his report that there are 48 private roads in the municipality totalling 39 kilometres and only one is known to have a road association, Cook Road Association. Private roads are owned and maintained by the owners who use the road.

Hart noted that "municipal roads are maintained to a higher standard and used by the public at large." The municipality does not spend any money on the private roads nor does it assume any liability. Hart wrote, "The municipality may assume a private road providing it is brought to the minimum standard set by the municipality."

From time to time petitions are received by the municipality from property owners asking if it will assume the road maintenance and instead of doing this the municipality will establish a grant program to assist the association.

It was made clear the grant does not cover the cost of snow plowing, sanding, salting, or any other form of maintenance.

There are rules governing associations, such as having at least three residents or households on the road and they form an association representing at least two-thirds of the residents dependent on the road for access to their property.

It was also recommended that \$5,000 be set aside in the 2018 budget for grant purposes. An application process is part of the request for the grant.

"This has been a long time coming. It looks great," said Deputy Mayor Linda Bracken. "That was an excellent report, very thorough. I am sure the people on Cook Road will be very happy we do have this policy in place now," said Bracken.

Council voted unanimously for approval of the new grant program.

[Editor Note: By-Law Number 2017-53 Private Road Grant Policy can be found on the M&L Website and on the CLWA website]

Correction to Fishing Report in Fall Issue

In the Fishing Report in the Fall Newsletter, it was reported that the MNR needs to hear about any pike with clipped fins caught.

It should have said any walleye with the clipped fins.

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2017 Photo Contest

Beauty of Crowe Lake



First Prize
Last Shadows of Summer
Maxine Prentice

Second Prize
Misty Morning on the River
Lynn Gapes



Third Prize
Good Morning Crowe Lake
Tim Maung



Honourable Mention
Tequila Sunrise
Tim Black



2017 Photo Contest Recreation



First Prize
Misty Morning Fishermen
Tim Black

Second Prize
Winter Fun
Jeanna Black



Third Prize
No School all Summer!
Karen Callery



Honourable Mention
Relaxing on Beaver Creek
Michael McCabe



2017 Photo Contest wildlife



First Prize
The 3 Amigos
Derek Harding



Second Prize
Reflections on the Creek
Michael McCabe



Third Prize
Here's Lookin' at Ya
Marianik Tremblay



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Honourable Mention
Seagulls on the Boat Lift
Tim Black

2017 Photo Contest

Celebrate Canada 150



First Prize
Canada Strong
Karen Taylor



Second Prize
July 1st
Peter Ayres

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2017 Photo Contest

Celebrate Canada 150



Honourable Mention
Celebrating Canada 150
Noell Baran



Third Prize
Geese Parading For Canada 150
Herb Welsh

Did you know that...

... Germany has banned sales of a smart doll named Cayla over hacking concerns. It may be possible for hackers to use internet-connected toys to snoop on children using the sensors, cameras, microphones, data storage and other components found in the toy.

... Crowe Lake has a surface area of 1.037 hectare (2,562 acres), a maximum depth of 15.2 meters (50 feet) and an average depth of 5.4 meters (18 feet).

... there are 48 private roads in Marmora & Lake totalling 39 kilometres. Only one is known to have a road association, Cook Road Association

... this is the M&L Vision Statement: Marmora and Lake will continue to be a small thriving Municipality in Ontario; a desirable place to work, live, vacation, and retire; by providing a clean natural environment, varied sources of recreation, excellent services and reasonable taxes.



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The Deloro Mine Site Cleanup In Final Phase

From a Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change 2017 Report

In the industry and mine area, 100 percent of the hazardous and low-level radioactive waste has been excavated and placed in the waste consolidation area or capped in place as outlined in the cleanup plan. The final cap over for the waste was added this year and we expect the area to be seeded in early 2017 so vegetation can take root throughout the year.

The groundwater interceptor trench is complete along the west side of the site. This trench diverts clean groundwater away from underground contamination, a critical role in protecting the local environment.

At the Arsenic Treatment Plant, the sludge lagoon, replacing the former 35-year-old structure, is complete and upgrades to the plant and surrounding area are ongoing. In 2016, 59,600 cubic meters of contaminated groundwater and leachate were treated and approximately 1450 kilograms of arsenic were removed and prevented from being discharged into the natural environment. The Arsenic Treatment Plant, operating since 1983, will continue to operate for many years to pump and treat contaminated groundwater from the site.

At Young's Creek, the contractor finished building the liner of the containment cell in 2016. It will store contaminated sediment from Young's Creek for the long term. Young's Creek is the last piece of the clean-up project and is expected to continue through 2019

For more information: Contact the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, Kingston Office.
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Genetically Modified Fish Being Sold In Canada

An American company, AquaBounty Technologies, first developed the modified salmon to naturally produce a growth hormone in 1989. After almost 25 years of government assessment, it was approved for sale as food by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in November 2015 and by Health Canada in May 2016. The journal Nature reports that 4.5 tonnes have now been purchased in Canada. This is the first time genetically modified fish are being sold for the purpose of human consumption in Canada.

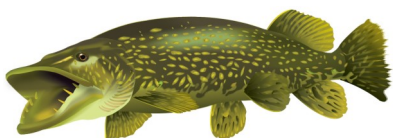
The AquaBounty Technology website says modified salmon will help ease a worldwide need for animal protein by allowing fish to grow more quickly. They also say that growing the fish eggs in on-land facilities is advantageous for the environment. In their relatively short lifespan, genetically modified organisms (GMO) have become a contentious topic among consumers.

The GMO proponents say biotechnology helps reduce the growing crop yield shortage in Canada and helps create organisms that are resistant to disease and insects. Many experts have also suggested that the plants will help reduce worldwide hunger and bring down prices for consumers.

Adversaries generally are concerned that GMOs are not a healthy food source for humans and they worry the invasion of GMO crops or animals in the natural ecosystem could threaten natural biodiversity for non-GMO wildlife.

According to Eat Right Ontario, about 85 genetically modified foods have been approved for sale in Canada since 1994. The four main genetically modified crops in Canada are canola, soybean, corn, and sugar beet.

Crowe Lake Pike Catch 'n Keep Ice Fishing Derby



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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS A HISTORY AND A SUGGESTION

A New Year's Resolution is a tradition, most common in the Western Hemisphere but also in the Eastern Hemisphere, in which a person resolves to change an undesired trait or behavior, to accomplish a personal goal, or otherwise improve their life.

Babylonians made promises to their gods at the start of each year that they would return borrowed objects and pay their debts. The Romans began each year by making promises to the god Janus, for whom the month of January is named.

During Judaism's New Year, one is to reflect upon one's wrongdoings over the year and both seek and offer forgiveness. People act similarly during the Christian season of Lent, although the motive behind this holiday is more of sacrifice than of responsibility. The concept, regardless of creed, is to reflect upon self-improvement annually.

Why not make a New Year's resolution to devote some time the CLWA in 2018. We have Environmental Resolutions (help with a lake study like a Turtle Count, Loon Count, Lakeshore Survey), CLWA Event Resolutions (help with the Boat Parade, Scavenger Hunt, Membership Drive, or Newsletter) Administration Resolutions (help with the membership database, AGM meeting, newsletter advertising, community relations) or It's Time To Get Involved Resolutions (help with whatever you want). The first step is easy – send us an email and let us know you're ready to make a CLWA 2018 Resolution.

Coming Events

2018

Jan 1	Happy New Year
Feb	SnoFest, M&L website for details
Feb 17	Pike Only Catch 'N Keep Ice Fishing Derby, Chris' Live Bait or CLWA website for details
July 1	Canada Day
July 7	Crowe Lake Pike Only Fishing Derby, Chris' Live Bait or CLWA website for details
July 14	CLWA AGM

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