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Need Medical Help? Some pointers... From



If a health situation arises, here are a few tips from Campbellford Memorial Hospital:

1. If you're alone and your condition is urgent or life-threatening, Call 911 right away.
2. If you're experiencing shortness of breath, chest pain, tingling in a limb, slurred speech, drooping facial features, a sudden change in vision, a sustained fever or severe abdominal pain, get to the ER right away.
3. Be aware that symptoms you consider minor can signal major trouble. Broken limbs and cuts also merit a visit as well as children with symptoms of dehydration (frequent vomiting or diarrhea, a decrease in body fluids).

If you do find yourself in your local Emergency Department, here are a few things that you can do to help minimize your time there:

1. To avoid spreading or catching anything, wash your hands frequently and use the disinfectant dispensers to clean your hands upon arrival.
2. Wear a mask if you think you might spread your condition by coughing, or if your immune system is weak.
3. Make sure you have your health card, your family doctor's info, and a list of your allergies and major surgeries. If available, bring your child's immunization records.
4. Also bring a list of prescription and non-prescription medications, especially if you're a caregiver accompanying an elderly person seeking medical help. If you do not have time to make a list, then please bring the bottles.
5. Bring a friend or family member to keep you company, listen to what the doctor says, and ensure you understand and remember information exchanged during your visit.
6. Do not snack while you're waiting. If you eat or drink something while you're waiting and later learn you need emergency surgery, then your full stomach may delay surgery.
7. Make sure you know what to do when you go home from the hospital. If you're discharged, don't leave until you understand exactly what you have been told and what you are supposed to do. Clarify any danger signs you should watch for and whom to contact for a follow-up.

Good to Know

There is a flat fee parking lot, east of the main entrance. In order to get your car out, you will need to have two toonies and one loonie - the only combination accepted by the machine.

Spring

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2015

Words from the President

It is definitely Spring. As I write this, I am in Washington DC and the cherry blossoms are in full color. The daffodils are up and there are snowbirds everywhere you look. I have met many Canadians headed on their way back north. I always tell them about Marmora and Crowe Lake.

In case you didn't get the memo, this is the 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CROWE LAKE WATERWAY ASSOCIATION! On August 18, 1940, a group of lake residents got together to discuss ways to protect the waterway and to address the issues facing property owners. We know the names of some of the people at that meeting and we know some of the CLWA leaders and volunteers over the past 75 years, but many will go unnamed because of the passage of time. Unnamed but not unappreciated. We'll celebrate the Anniversary at our AGM on July 18 at the Curling Club. We'll recognize as many of our past leaders as we can identify. If you were an officer or on the Executive Board, please drop me a note. The AGM will include lots of door prizes, including Westben Arts Festival or Stirling Festival Theatre tickets, cake and ice cream, butter tarts (because I get a voice in the menu decisions) and more.

Renewal letters went out in March. If you have not received yours, please let us know. We ended 2014 with about 200 members. After about four weeks of our renewal effort, we have renewals for about 60 members and three new members.

At that first CLWA meeting in 1940, most of the folks were from the northeast corner of the lake. Now, we're all around Crowe Lake, along Beaver Creek, and on Crowe River. We're even starting down the river below the dam. We're going to continue our recruitment efforts. More members give us financial and program stability. It also gives us more volunteers for CLWA projects. There are a number of projects - economic development, tourism, property development, organization development – where could have an active participant from CLWA.

I hope you enjoy this edition. Let me know what you think of the Newsletter, the CLWA programs, the issues you're concerned about, the AGM, or whatever is on your mind.

And, please renew and recruit.

Ritch Smith



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After Twenty Years of Bookkeeping & Income Tax Preparation, Cherie Semlitch, owner of Your Office and Chad Matthews, owner of Matthews Excavating have opened a new store in Havelock, managed by Ashley Pressick called **The Cottage**.

It is located on Highway #7 on the east end of Havelock, (next to Woody Burger). The Cottage carries Fox, Billabong, SAXX, Woolrich & Life Is Good **Clothing**.

You can also find Speedo – Water shoes, Snorkels and Goggles, along with a full range of **Watertoys** – Kayaks, Tubes, Trampolines, etc...

There is even a **Gift Shop** with some lovely home décor items.

On May 30, 2015 there will be a **Grand Opening Celebration** starting at 10am. Everyone is welcome to drop by and say hello. There will be a BBQ, Draws and Giveaways!

Update on the



Closure

Unfortunately, there isn't much good news to report. The TD Canada Trust bank in Marmora will close on June 19, 2015.

The bank action was announced to the Marmora & Lake Council and to depositors in November 2014. The bank accounts and safety deposit boxes will be relocated to the Havelock TD office.

The ATM machine will remain in Marmora.

The staff will be reassigned to TD branches in Havelock or Madoc.

The fate of the building housing the Marmora Historical Foundation is unknown.

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On Saturday, March 7th, my wife Sandy and I attended the Annual General Meeting of the Federation of Cottage Association (FOCA) as representatives from the Crowe Lake Waterway Association. While there, it occurred to me that perhaps it was time to remind the members of CLWA that one of the benefits of CLWA membership is that we are all also members of FOCA and precisely what FOCA does for us.

FOCA is a not-for-profit organization representing volunteer lake associations and waterfront property owners in Ontario. Their mission is "*To protect thriving and sustainable waterfronts across Ontario*".

Here is a list of some of the things which FOCA does for us:

FOCA provides a province-wide voice for Ontario cottagers and waterfront property owners on issues which affect us all. FOCA does this by acquiring a seat on many government and environmental committees. These include advising against hydro rate increases, pursuing the issue of a new funding formula for the Ontario Provincial Police and working to protect waterfront communities from uncontrolled land development.

FOCA has initiated programs and resources such as the Aquatic Invasive Species Monitoring Program, the Cottage Succession Seminar Series and the Lake Partner Program in which volunteers measure phosphorus levels and water clarity in Ontario lakes.

FOCA keeps its members apprised of what is happening with their committee work and programs by sending Alerts and Newsletters to them via the Internet.

FOCA also offers discounts from their sponsors, including Cade Insurance, Superior Propane, XplorNet, Cottage Life Magazine and the Canadian Canoe Museum in Peterborough to name a few. Taking advantage of these discounts can save you more than the cost of your CLWA dues.

FOCA also has a website (www.foca.on.ca) which provides further information about who they are, what they do and how they can help waterfront property owners. The website has a wealth of information including:

Information on property issues such as septic, taxes, land use planning, utilities etc.

Access to FOCA's *Lake Planning Handbook*

Environmental stewardship resources and library

Cottage safety information

Tools for working with your municipality

Information on Government relations and Policy updates

Special offers and benefits

FOCA is obviously an organization which can benefit all of us in the CLWA - let's make more use of it.

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Valentine's Day Pike Only Ice Fishing Derby Results

By: Margriet Kitchen

Coinciding with the Ministry of Natural Resources Family Free Fishing Weekend, the Crowe Lake Pike Catch 'n' Keep Derby was held at Marmora Booster Park, on Saturday, February 14.

The derby was organized by Sandra Vanattan of Chris' Live Bait of Marmora, with support by the Crowe Lake Waterway Association. In addition to introducing children and adults to the fun of fishing, both winter and summer, this type of event helps to sustain Crowe Lake walleye populations and support the walleye stocking initiative by reducing the pike. All 15 pike that were weighed in, were taken home by the anglers to be eaten. No fish are wasted.

Despite an extremely cold Valentine's Day for the derby, a total of 121 participants entered, with 26 youngsters in the 12 and under category. Adults were charged a \$10 fee, and 12 and under were free; all fees collected were returned to the participants in prizes.

In the 12 and Under Category, first place was for Nyomi Bertrand's three-pound 14-ounce pike, winning a rod and reel combo, tackle box and \$50 gift certificate.

In second place was Blake Hewitt with the three-pound 13-ounce pike he caught, awarding him with an Ugly Stik Combo and \$40 gift certificate.

All participants 12 and under received a grab bag with lures and fishing information.

In the adult category, Dave Christopoulos was awarded an eight-inch Eskimo Power Auger with his six-pound three-ounce pike. John Huggins, in second place, was the winner of \$150 cash for his five-pound nine-ounce pike. Dustin Clarke landed the third heaviest pike which won him a \$100 gift certificate donated by CLWA for his four-pound one-ounce fish.

Three \$50 gift certificates were awarded to Kim Brownson, Wyatt Brownson and Alex Christopoulos for the hidden weight category.

Hats, tackle bags, fillet knives and lure packs were handed out at the final weigh-in as well as draw prizes.

Sandra Vanattan of Chris' Live Bait sends out a great big thank-you to the sponsors: Bonter Marine, Crowe Lake Waterway Association, Canada Pro, KTL Canada and Northumberland Insulation for their generosity in helping to put on this successful family fishing event.

Ontario Family Fishing Events is a province-wide opportunity for Canadian residents to fish in Ontario waters without needing the outdoors fishing card. The February 14 to 16 event was the first of two annual sessions of license-free fishing. The next event all over Ontario is for the week of July 4 to 12, 2015 (12:01 a.m. Saturday to 11:59 p.m. Sunday).

Partners in the Ontario Family Fishing Events include the participation of Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, Canadian Sportfishing Industry Association, Canadian National Sportfishing Foundation, Fishing and Oceans Canada, Lucky Strike, Shimano, and Ontario Out of Doors.



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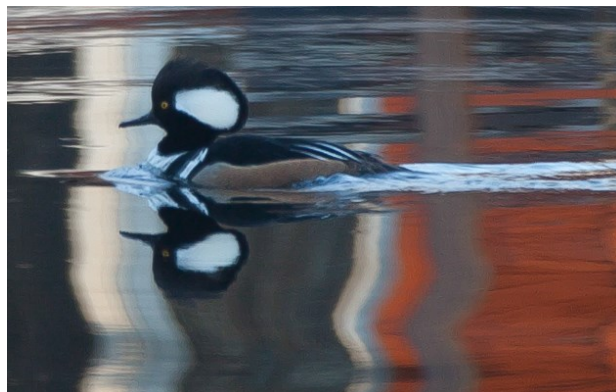




Some pictures from our Photo Contest



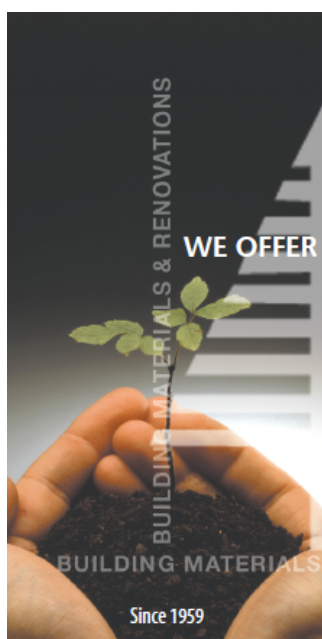
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Vegetation Management at Hydro One

By: Vesa Koivusalo

I'm going to assume that most of us have, at one time, been frustrated by hydro outages and the long wait times we sometimes endured before power was restored. At the 2015 FOCA Annual General Meeting I heard a presentation which, for me at least, serves to explain why some of these outages occur and why it sometimes takes a long time to restore hydro power - especially in rural areas of Ontario.

The presentation was by Dave Price, a Zone Superintendent with Hydro One Forestry Services.

Forestry Services has many challenges as they try to maintain hydro service to its customers by ensuring that vegetation does not interfere with existing and planned power lines and other equipment. They must balance safety, customer interests, cost efficiency and environmental responsibility. Their job is especially difficult when you consider that Hydro One must support 29,000 km of high-voltage grid lines and more than 122,000 km of low-voltage power lines.

Forestry Services are required to maintain a reliable supply of electricity through these lines by minimizing tree-related power outages. To do this, Hydro One Forestry Services:

- removes 200,000 trees per year (on average)
- replaces removed trees with seedlings or small trees
- trims 300,000 trees per year
- contacts over 27,000 customers per year
- maintains a staff of 510 regular and 820 seasonal employees (490 of their employees are arborists)
- maintains a standing of best in class for safety, customer service, tree removal techniques, and training tools and techniques.

Forestry Services does a good job; however, they could still use our help. Home-owners and cottagers also have a role to play. Here's what we can do:

- remember to use a certified contractor for connects and disconnects from the grid and to install backup generators
- ask Hydro One to take down trees beside the main hydro lines
- remember to manage vegetation around customer-owned lines
- report any dangerous trees near power lines

Hydro One Forestry Services exists to try and ensure that our all-important power supply is disrupted as infrequently as possible by Nature and restored quickly when the inevitable problems occur. All things considered, I believe they do a pretty fine job.

Recycling Change to Save Money



Here is a good way to save yourself and the municipality money, TWICE.

Take back all your glass wine, liquor and beer bottles instead of putting them in the blue box. You get your deposit money back, plus you can save money on your taxes by helping the municipality cut recycling costs. It costs more money to recycle glass than the recycler can make selling the recycled glass. It is estimated it cost Quinte Waste Solutions over \$94,000 last year to recycle wine, liquor and beer bottles. This is your recycler and we all paid for those bottles again after paying our deposit.

So PLEASE take your bottles back for the deposit instead of putting them in the Blue Box.

From: M&L Press Release



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From the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority :

Dear Friends of the Crowe Valley Conservation Foundation

Have you ever wondered where the funding comes from to maintain our local conservation areas? It's easy - through donations and support from organizations and people such as you. Our campaign to purchase building materials to complete the restoration of the stairs, railings and new washroom facility at the Gut Conservation area is in full swing.

Our goal for this campaign is to raise \$7,500. At present we have raised \$4,625 but we are still in need \$2,875 as we enter our most crucial stage. We need your help in creating a compelling outdoor recreational opportunity for members of our community.

Features of the area include:

- Parking lot
- Walking trail
- Stairway down to the gorge
- Scenic lookouts
- A cedar post barricade constructed along the top of the gorge
- Its rugged scenic beauty is unmatched in eastern Ontario

With its outcrops of Precambrian rocks interspersed with dense bush and mixed hardwood forest, the Gut is a 30m wide gorge which the Crowe River flows for about 230 meters. We need to preserve and protect this important public space for generations to come. We need your help to maintain and sustain this unique area to our watershed.

Please help make the restoration of the Gut happen.

Cottage Road Maintenance Summit 2015

This will take place at the Round Lake Community hall on June 13th, 9:30 AM till Noon.

Although this is a special event for cottagers who are involved in some way with the management of a private road, everyone is welcome. The speakers will address the day to day maintenance and management of your road, as well as the legal and insurance aspects. We will have several of the great speakers from the 2013 summit available for questions, but the main focus will be on the topics covered by our new speakers. We will have a panel of experts who will reply to your specific questions.

We want to emphasize that this is a free event open to all cottagers, regardless of your lake. As seating is limited, please email Glen MacDonald at glenedward-macdonald@gmail.com or call him at 705-778-9812 if you would like to have a place reserved. At the last "Road Summit" in 2013 we had close to 40 Roadies from Jack Lake, Round Lake, Crowe Lake, Cordova Lake and Belmont Lake. It was a fun way to share ideas, information and meet your peers.



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Bug Off Some Simple Ideas



Nothing ruins a summer meal quicker than a bug or pest infestation. Follow these tips to prevent unwanted pests from sticking around this summer.

- **Seal your doors.** Visit your local hardware store and invest in an aluminum slat or door sweep. These will block openings under your doors. You can also use weather-stripping to seal off openings.
- **Keep your doors shut.** It seems obvious, but it's tempting to leave patio doors and windows open when there is a cool summer breeze. Make sure your kids aren't going in and out of the house too often, and remind them to close the door behind them.
- **Add screens.** These will prevent many a bug from entering your home, and will allow air circulate through your house.
- **Maintain your yard.** This is easy to overlook, but if you have puddles and other crevices that attract water outside of your back door, you'll be asking for trouble. Mosquitoes seek out pools of water and will linger if you don't keep your property dry. Help avoid this by keeping gutters free of leaves and debris so water doesn't build up. Fill in ditches that can collect water with soil or a planter.
- **Seal cracks around the house.** These include tough-to-reach-spots like chimneys and rooftop openings. Mice are particularly clever when it comes to sneaking through small openings so assess your roof and all levels of your home.
- **Store your trash properly.** Don't leave food lying around. Restrict food waste to the kitchen; put pet food away, and keep compost bins securely closed. Wipe down your counters often and use detergents to rid your kitchen of food splatter that might go unnoticed.



911 Calls Impact Cost of Policing and Taxes

Under the new funding formula for setting OPP policing costs for municipalities, Marmora and Lake is facing an increase of \$81,500 for this coming year, escalating to a total increase of \$236,300 at the end of 3 years. Part of the funding formula is based on the amount of police activity in Marmora and Lake including responses to 911 calls.

The OPP have to respond to all 911 calls with 2 officers. Last year, OPP responded to 472 "911 hang-up" calls.

This problem wasted 381 hours of their time. Many of these calls were unintentional; kids playing with phones (even an old unsubscribed cell phone can still dial 911), errors in dialing, pocket dialing or just pranks.

The OPP have to respond as they have no idea whether you are being mugged or worse and the criminal has just taken your phone away from you. So please help cut down on unintentional 911 calls.

Be careful when dialing, disconnect auto 911 dial on your cellphone, and do not allow kids to play with old cell phones.

From: M&L Press Release

Poker Run in August to Benefit Marmora Historical Foundation

Sunday, Aug. 2, with a rain date Monday Aug. 3
12:00 noon to 3:00p.m.
\$10.00/hand Register at Stoney Island.

Watch for the decorated Crowe Lake Cruises Boat, where you will receive a map and the clues to all 5 stops around the lake, ending at the Crowe Bar at the Crowe River/Beaver Creek corner. Fill your boat with family and friends and not only will you enjoy a day on the lake, but you will be supporting the Marmora Historical Foundation.

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Flood Stage 2014 - Photo Ron Baran

You now can check the Web site for flood notices.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms

FOCA reminds everyone that, effective April 15, 2015, you must install a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm adjacent to all sleeping areas of your home and your cottage if it has a fuel-burning appliance, attached garage or a fire-place.

Starting up a wood stove, or any appliance, after months left idle, is a time for particular care.

Get details about CO alarm installation here: <http://bit.ly/1GV1GSz> and protect your family from the 'silent killer.'



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Bits and Pieces

- John A MacDonald, father of Canada's Confederation was born 200 years ago. Among other things, he is said to be responsible for the rail connection from sea to shining sea
- Terry Fox began his run across Canada, by dipping his artificial leg into the Atlantic Ocean 35 years ago. He ran to raise money and awareness for cancer research.
- Take your Boater Exam Online and obtain \$10.00 off using the following VIP code MNR3XT. Gather up your family too and save more. www.BOATERexam.com 1-866-688-2628
- The Marmora Curling Club (MCC) fundraiser "Cheer for a Year" is on again this year. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available from curling club members and Bruce Cook's barbershop. Prize is worth \$2,080.00
- There were 36 days continually below freezing this past winter on the Crowe.
- The bridge work on Highway #7, over the Crowe River, is ahead of schedule. Perhaps the closing of one lane of traffic will not continue as long as planned.
- Crowe Lake, Crowe River and Beaver Creek are in Fisheries Management Zone 17. Check the dates for fishing seasons and limits.
- If you are planning to do any work this year which happens to be near a lake, river, stream or wetland, you may require approval from CVCA. Check it out at info@crowevalley.com or 613-472-3137
- **When did the ice go out?** April 17 - The MCC 50/50 draw on the date was won by our own Norma Crofts.

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Coming Events

2015

- Today Send in CLWA renewal. Thanks!
- May to Sept. Marmora # 7 Classic Cruise Night, every Thursday
- May 2 Free Tree and Shrub Giveaway, Information Centre in Marmora, 9:00 am until the trees are gone. For info 613 472-2157
- May to Thanksgiving Marmora Farmers Market, 8 am- 2 pm
- June 13 Hazardous Waste Collection
- June 27 World Famous Lighted Boat Parade followed by Fireworks On The Lake
- June 29 Swimming lesson registrations at the beachhouse 613-472-2212 (During the week) or 613-472-2629
- July 1st Happy 148th Birthday, Canada! Parade in Marmora
- July 6 Swimming lessons begin at the Marmora beach
- July 11th Pike-Only Fishing Derby, Chris' Live Bait
- July 18th CLWA Annual General Meeting, Marmora Curling Club with 75th Anniversary Free Lunch following.

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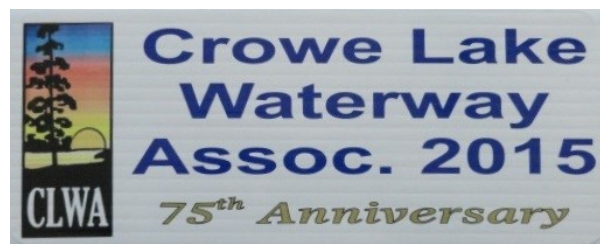
By: Ritch Smith

2015 CLWA Signs Feature 75th Anniversary

Your CLWA membership signs will have an added feature this year.

We want everyone to know this is the **75th Anniversary** of the initial meeting of CLWA.

The signs will be a reminder to everyone all summer of this landmark occasion.



CLWA 2015 New Members

Dianne Ray

Crowe Valley Campground

George and Carol Hollingdrake

Did You Know That...

... time flies like an arrow and fruit flies like a banana

... Quebec produces two-thirds of the world's maple syrup. This year's cold weather may shorten their sugaring season and reduce the amount available. Ontario producers say their supplies are good.

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