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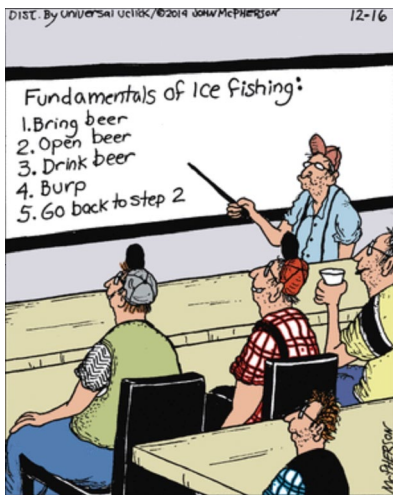
Find more on these very important new Watercraft Regulations on **page 9**.

Help us keep our waterways safe and healthy.

New watercraft regulations come into effect on January 1st, 2022



Chris' Live Bait Fishing Derby



At time of writing, it is unknown if the February "Pike Only" Ice Fishing Derby will be held. The derby is normally held during the Ontario Family Fishing Events weekend but was cancelled in 2021. Please go to the Chris' Live Bait website at <https://www.chrislivebait.com/> for status and details.

Dates for all the 2022 Ontario Family Fishing Events are on **page 3**.

Should the derby be held, Crowe Lake Waterway Association will provide cash prizes for adult and the child categories.

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President's Message - Jim Nichol

Happy Winter everyone, the snows starting to fall around the lake and the weather is beginning to chill.

As I write this I glance outside the window and think to myself, wow, when was the last time you looked outside on January 1st and could still see flowing waters? Really makes you think...

As the ice starts to freeze over, I want to remind everyone to stay safe while out on the ice, we feature some tips from the Canadian Red Cross on page 9 in this article about ice safety, however we can't stress enough the importance of paying attention to your surroundings and staying safe while out on the ice. Speaking of ice, if you are like me, you're itching to get out there for some good ice fishing, especially in February if the fishing derby is able to commence.

I'd like to also give a personal thank you to everyone who submitted photos this year for the Photo contest, we got many beautiful entries and I hope to see even more next year! Speaking of which, take some great photos when you're out on the ice fishing.

We are announcing a new category for next years photo contest, fishing! So, kill two birds with one stone and next time you get the catch of a lifetime, snap a picture for the chance to win next years contest! There's no need for any fancy cameras, sometimes a photo taken on the phone looks better than one on a professional camera, it's all about the subject matter!

To wrap it all up everyone from CLWA wishes you the best of holidays and hope you had and will have a Happy New Year!

Hyperlinks Enhance Newsletter - Ritch Smith

Perhaps this will be considered preaching to the choir, but I wanted to share a bit of internet and Newsletter information that could enhance your use of both. We use many articles in our Newsletters that include hyperlinks and, if you get your newsletter in an electronic format, i.e. by email, you get the benefit of them. They can expand the amount of information available to you.

A hyperlink, or simply a link, is a reference to data that the reader can follow by clicking or tapping on it. They let you move from an article in the Newsletter to a document or specific element in a document somewhere else via the internet. We have limited space in the Newsletter, but the hyperlinks greatly expand the amount of material we can present to you. You can go from a paragraph

in the Newsletter to a page or an entire article someplace else. And there may be more links in the linked article, so you can dig as deep as you wish.

Hyperlinks are usually underlined and blue in color. A hyperlink can be identified by the fact that the cursor changes into a hand image when the cursor moves over the hyperlink. The HTML tag in the web address defines a hyperlink. If you are in the electronic Newsletter that you get through your email, when you find the link, you just click to get to the referenced material. If you are using a printed Newsletter that you get by Canada Post, you will have to go to the internet and retype the link address to get there. The hyperlink makes it faster, easier, and almost errorproof.

Try it out by clicking the Facebook Link below!

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Ontario Family Fishing Events



Ontario Family Fishing Events is a province-wide opportunity for Canadian residents to fish Ontario waters without the otherwise mandatory fishing version outdoors card. The Ontario Government has designated four periods throughout the year as license-free:

- February 19-21, 2022 (12:01 a.m. Saturday to 11:59 p.m. Monday)
- May 7 & 8, 2022 (12:01 a.m. Saturday to 11:59 p.m. Sunday)
- June 18 & 19, 2022 (12:01 a.m. Saturday to 11:59 p.m. Sunday)
- July 2-10, 2022 (12:01 a.m. Saturday to 11:59 p.m. Sunday).



During all other time periods, Canadian residents between the ages of 18 and 64 years must purchase a valid fishing license to legally fish in Ontario.

Participants fishing without a license must fish under the Conservation fishing license limits which are set out in the current Ontario Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary. With the exception of the licensing requirement, Ontario fishing regulations, fees and limits continue to apply during license-free days. Printed copies of the summary are available at licence issuers and ServiceOntario Centres.

2021 Photo Contest Winners

This is the annual Photo Contest Winners and Pictures Newsletter. The quality of the photos lives up to the past winners. The photos will be used in CLWA publications, posted on the CLWA Facebook page, and added to the Photo library on the CLWA website. It's a great way to share the experience of the lake and waterfront. We received fewer entries from fewer people this year, but the pictures are still outstanding. This year's list of Categories included a new subject – Fishing – but we received no entries

for it. We're not sure if that's a comment on the fishing or on the anglers or the photographers. Like every true fishing trip, we'll have to try again. As the Board plans for the 2022 Photo Contest, your comments and suggestions would be welcome.

Thanks to all our judges. It was a tough job and we appreciate their willingness to do it.

Photo contest results are on pages 4, 5, and 6.

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Photo Contest - Beauty



Reflections

**First Place:
Reflections
Heather Lemieux**



**Second Place:
Serenity On Beaver Creek
Michael McCabe**

Serenity On Beaver Creek



Somewhere Over The Rainbow

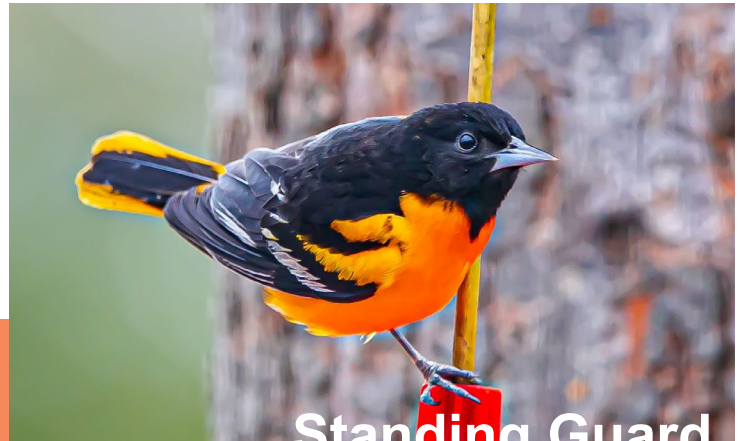
**Third Place:
Somewhere Over The
Rainbow Andrew White**

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Do Something Nice for Someone

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Photo Contest - Wildlife



Standing Guard

First Place:
Standing Guard
Heather Lemieux



Female Hooded Merganser

Second Place:
Female Hooded Merganser
Michael McCabe



Yum Yum Yum

Third Place:
Yum Yum Yum
Allison White

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Photo Contest - Recreation



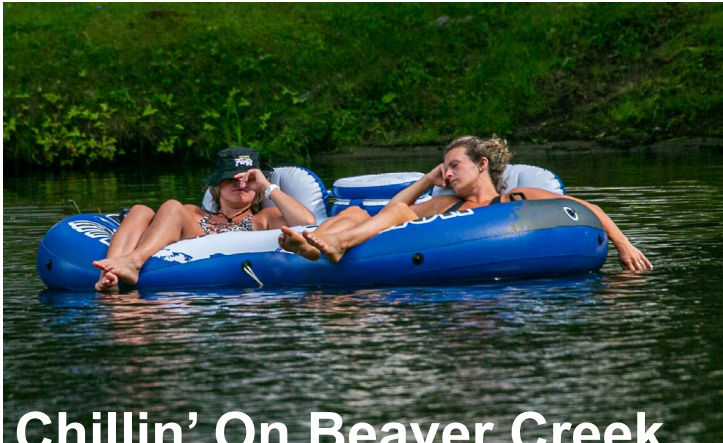
Besties

First Place:
Besties
Suzanne Jones



Second Place:
Ready To Catch The Big One
Heather Lemieux

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Chillin' On Beaver Creek

Third Place:
Chillin' On Beaver Creek
Michael McCabe

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Change The Batteries In Your Smoke Detectors!

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FOCA Advocates for Responsive Government

Energy Board affirms details for elimination of Hydro One seasonal rate class

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has released their Decision on implementing the elimination of the Hydro One seasonal rate class. Hydro One has been ordered to phase in the change over 10 years, beginning January 1, 2023. Learn more: <https://foca.on.ca/electricity-pricing/>



Underused Housing Tax (UHT)

This new federal tax will apply to many foreign-owned properties in Ontario. Cottagers may end up being penalized (1% of your assessed property value, annually) by this policy that is mostly intended to free up rental and other accommodations in population centres (mostly urban) that are facing housing shortages. On behalf of our members, FOCA has reached out to the Deputy Prime Minister (and Minister of Finance) for clarity. Find out more here <https://foca.on.ca/focas-property-tax-position-overview/>

Protecting Water

FOCA and our partners at the Canadian Environmental Law Association have published an article in the November-December 2021 edition of Water Canada magazine on the importance of source water protection, titled "Closing the gaps: What needs to happen to protect everyone's water in Ontario?" Read the article, posted to our webpage: <https://foca.on.ca/source-water-protection/>



What needs to happen to protect everyone's drinking water in Ontario?
— TERRY REES AND THERESA MCCLENDON

Shoreline Planning

In early November, FOCA's Executive Director made a presentation to Hastings Highlands Council to emphasize the importance of healthy naturalized shorelines, and land use planning and enforceable clear bylaws that protect them. Watch the recording of the Council meeting on YouTube (Terry Rees' comments start around minute 8:00) and find out more on FOCA's webpage: <https://foca.on.ca/shoreline-owners-guide-to-healthy-waterfronts/>

FOCA, the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations, represents 500+ volunteer member associations and over 50,000 waterfront property-owning families across Ontario. CLWA is a member of FOCA and our membership entitles you, as a member of CLWA, to many benefits. Among them is representation at a Provincial level on issues that impact us as the waterfront level. CLWA has participated in the FOCA Lake Partner Program for many years and last year was part of the FOCA Invasive Species Study efforts. The FOCA website is www.foca.on.ca

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Boating and Invading Species Awareness Program



Ontario is taking important steps to prevent the spread of invasive species through the boater pathway by implementing rules are based on Clean, Drain, Dry practices.

Effective January 1st, 2022 boaters will be required to remove drain plugs and take reasonable precautions to remove all aquatic plants, animals, and algae from their boats immediately upon removing the watercraft from a waterbody. In addition, boaters will also be required to ensure their watercraft is free of all aquatic plants, animals, and algae before arriving at a boat launch or launching their boat in any Ontario waterbody.

The objective of this proposal is to prevent the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species which can occur through the movement of watercraft overland to other

waterbodies in Ontario and to other provinces and states. The rules are based on the Clean, Drain, Dry practices which have been promoted through education and outreach efforts across North America, by FOCA, and others.

Boaters are now required to remove drain plugs, drain all on board water and remove any aquatic plants upon removing the watercraft from a waterbody.

Prior to reaching a launch site for a body of water, the watercraft, watercraft equipment and any vehicle or trailer used to transport the watercraft or watercraft equipment must not have an aquatic plant, animal or algae attached to it

Note: watercraft includes any motorboat, rowboat, canoe, punt, sailboat, or raft.

To learn more visit www.ontario.ca/page/invasive-species-action-plans/#boaters

Canadian Red Cross Ice Safety Tips

Ice Thickness

According to the Canadian Red Cross ice thickness should be:

15cm / 6 in
20cm / 7.8in
25cm / 9.8in

- 15 cm for walking or skating alone
- 20 cm for skating parties or games
- 25 cm for snowmobiles.

Ice Colour

The colour of ice may be an indication of its strength.

Clear Blue Ice
Strongest Ice

Opaque White or Snow Ice
50% as strong as Blue Ice

Grey Ice
Weakest Ice
Grey Ice Indicates Water

We hope you have fun and stay safe this winter!

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Stay Safe On The Ice

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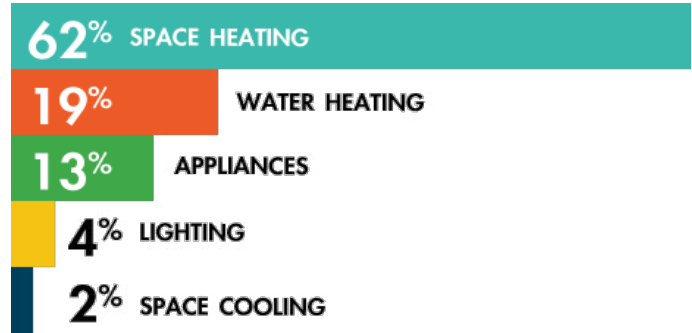


Your Home Energy Use at-a-glance

(edited from material by HydroOne)

Do you know where the biggest opportunities for saving on home energy costs are in your home? Over the course of a year, the largest energy user in a typical household is space heating, followed by water heating, appliances, lighting and air conditioning. But other factors such as the size, age and condition of your home can also increase energy use, as can extreme weather and higher occupancy (more people living in the home than normal). Because heating accounts for more than half of your annual energy use, it's a smart place to start using energy more efficiently.

Even the smallest effort can have a big impact.



Did You Know?

Canada may soon have a national lichen. More than 18,000 Canadians weighed in on a vote organized by the Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa. The star-tipped reindeer lichen, which resembles a mat of soft tufted cauliflower, emerged victorious. The results was handed to the Department of Canadian Heritage to consider.

Did You Know?

Studies show cows produce more milk when the farmer talks to them. It's a case of in one ear and out the udder.

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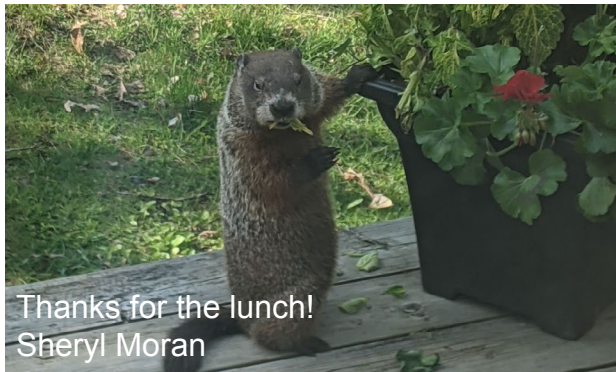
We are happy to hear from people but here are a few things to keep in mind if you write to us.

1. Material must be of interest to CLWA members, appropriate to the mission of CLWA
2. We may have to edit your letter to fit the space available, but we will show you the final version before publication.
3. We will NOT publish unsigned letters.
4. We will NOT print material that is discriminatory, obscene or threatening, or promotional advertising in nature.

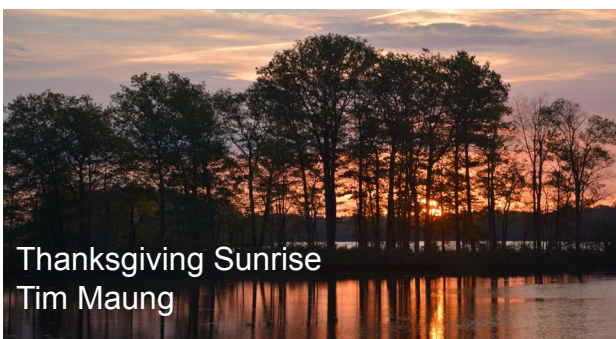
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Rick Gallant



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