



## Summer 2022 Newsletter

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## Presidents Message

What a lovely summer! I have seen flying fish but never a summer fly by so quickly. I hope you have been enjoying this year as much as possible.

We had a successful rock painting event at the Carling 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic. Both adults and children really had fun and so did we, the Volunteers. Thanks to Donna Tucker, Peter Pook, Janis Wade and Bruce Kelly. This event was a hit!

Our AGM was held on August 6<sup>th</sup> in person at the Carling Community Centre rink. Prior to the meeting we had a chance to speak with many of you and get a bit caught up. It was certainly wonderful to be able to do that after the past two years. We had a presentation from the GBBR's (Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve) Kyla Judge, Cultural Programs Manager. She spoke about the work her organization does. She is responsible for the development and delivery of the cultural programs. We have in the past also worked with them on events which have been both fun and informative. As well, we heard from our GBA (Georgian Bay Association) president Rolfe Jones. He gave an outline of what projects GBA has on the go and how important it is for us to be members to support the work they do.

We also elected a new Board member. Richard Wilson who is a former North Sound Association member. He has retired and now lives in Carling. He is also our second representative to Georgian Bay Association (GBA). With our increased membership – thanks to our merger with North Sound Association and the hard work of our Membership Committee, we now have 2 representatives to GBA.

While we have gained a new Board member, Sheilah Rowe has decided to step down. Sheilah was instrumental in working with us to accomplish the merger with the North Sound Association. She was a great asset to the Board and I hope to see her back in a few years.

You may have seen that we have a presence at the market on Sundays. We hope this will build awareness of WCA and maybe even bring in a few new members. Come and say hello!

Autumn Fest is coming up on September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Carling Community Centre. Should you wish to “show your stuff” in either Arts and Crafts or Produce check out the Carling website to see all the categories and how to enter. We will again be doing our Rock Painting Event so bring your children and grandchildren. Paint yourself a rock to beautify the Community Centre or to take home.

Finally, as you know there is a municipal election on October 24, 2022. I encourage you to go to the Carling Township website for information or to a new website set up by some Carling residents. It is [www.VoteCarling.ca](http://www.VoteCarling.ca) and will tell you if you are able to vote and how and where to do that.

That is all for now. Reach out at any time if you have questions, concerns or suggestions. I would love to hear from you.

Take care and stay safe!

Pam

## Updated Information re: Municipal Election October 24, 2022

As the number of candidates has increased to 11 – 3 for mayor and 8 for councilor positions - we have changed our plan for providing the community with information about the candidates.

We have invited all councilor candidates to an all-candidates meeting at the Community Centre from 10:am to 12:30 pm on Thursday, September 1.

Format:

10:00 to 12:00 – Each candidate will be asked to respond to five questions

12:00 to 12:30 – Candidates may be available to speak informally to individuals

We have asked each councilor candidate to provide a short biography that will be collated into a hand-out, available to constituents upon arrival for the meeting.

The mayoral candidates will be asked to provide written answers to questions, which will be published in the October newsletter.

## Why You Must Vote in the Municipal Election

*This message is reprinted from FOCA's (Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations) Lake Stewards Newsletter/magazine. You can read it at <https://foca.on.ca>*

The municipal level of government delivers some of our most valued public services including roads, policing and emergency response, land use planning, garbage and waste management, by-law development and enforcement. You pay annual property taxes in your municipality to fund these services, along with provincially mandated social services costs that are downloaded to the municipality by the Province.

Who can vote? You are eligible to vote if you are a Canadian citizen, 18 years of age or older, and are a resident, owner, or tenant of property in Ontario (or their spouse). IMPORTANT: If you own or rent a permanent and a seasonal residence in Ontario, you can vote in both municipalities. Your adult children do not qualify to vote at your second residence, unless they are co-owners or co-renters. Similarly, if the cottage is owned by a trust, you do not qualify to vote in that municipality. Check if you are on the municipal Voter List using "Voter LookUp": <https://voterlookup.ca/home.aspx>. This service is managed by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). Your municipal clerk is the ultimate authority and holder of the voters' list, so check with them to confirm your status, or to ask any questions about the voting process in your municipality!

Why vote? Waterfront property owners (WPO) represent a significant number of the residents in many rural municipalities, and have a large stake in the future of these communities. WPO pay over \$800-million in annual property taxes, forming the backbone of many rural municipal budgets. Municipal Councilors are more likely to be non-partisan, inclusive and accessible to lobbying efforts, and to vote as they choose (compared to Provincial or Federal politicians who are more likely to be compelled to vote with their party). It matters who represents you as your local elected officials. Learn more here: <https://foca.on.ca/municipal-election/>. Lake Associations: get involved.

**Message from the editor. For Carling Township municipal election information, Go to <https://carling.ca/municipal-information/municipal-elections-by-elections>**

## Boat Flares

In Canada, most types of boats are required to carry Canadian-approved pyrotechnic flares or electronic visual distress signal devices (eVDSDs) as mandatory equipment.

### Marine Pyrotechnic Flare

All flares should be stored in a watertight container, in a cool dry location. Flares are valid for **four years from date of manufacture**, and should be disposed of after that time. The flares break down over time causing them to misfire and injure anyone nearby.

### Do you have outdated boat flares you need to dispose of?

Flares are considered hazardous material and must be disposed of the same as explosives and fireworks. It is illegal to burn off expired flares and they are not accepted at landfill sites, or by police or fire departments.

### Where can I dispose of my expired flares?

The Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons run an exchange program. For dates and locations go to:

<https://www.cps-ecp.ca/events/safety-equipment-flare-disposal-days-2/>

### Is there an alternative to pyrotechnic flares?

Yes. In November 2021 Transport Canada announced that a two-color electronic visual distress signal device for boaters of pleasure vessels can be used in place of marine flares and meets the legal requirement for distress signals.

### Electronic Visual Distress Signal Device

Currently, this device is selling in Canada for \$395. For further information on eVDSDs go to:

<https://waggonerguide.com/marine-electronic-visual-distress-signal-authorized-by-canada/>

<https://boatingindustry.ca/featured-articles/9275-electronic-visual-distress-signals-evdsd-is-accepted-by-transport-canada>



## Franklin Challenge 2022

By Tim Dyer

We did it! The weather gods sure shone down on us on June 26, 2022. The following morning the Bay was blowin' so hard, we would have had to shut 'er down and drink coffee. Hah - makes up for the first year when a sudden squall blew in and we booked it off the water to huddle in the rain and wind:)

Photographer Thom Morrissey has graciously captured the spirit of the day that deserves a few minutes of your time. He tried to get just about everyone and we hope you can have a close look: [www.thommorrisseyphotography.com](http://www.thommorrisseyphotography.com)

Thom has given permission for anyone to use any of the photos for free at low resolution. For higher res, please get in touch with him. And if you want a print - again, let him know directly. Big hint, they make grand gifts for your favourite paddler and there are some stunning shots. Christmas gifting done early:)

Huge thanks to all of you who worked hard to get sponsors and donated to the 'Outer Island Fund' of the Georgian Biosphere. If you had a good paddle and haven't donated yet - please consider: <https://bit.ly/3vX33PR> We'll update everyone soon about the results of your fundraising efforts. And finally - big wave of the paddle to all the volunteers and community supporters - truly was a group effort all round.

**HEY!**  
You found a  
**THUNDERBOX**

Save the Trees and See the Stars

Don't think about a campfire.  
If it get's away it's a serious  
\$5000.00 fine.

 The Outer Island Project is a community effort.  
We need you. Donate to keep this going.

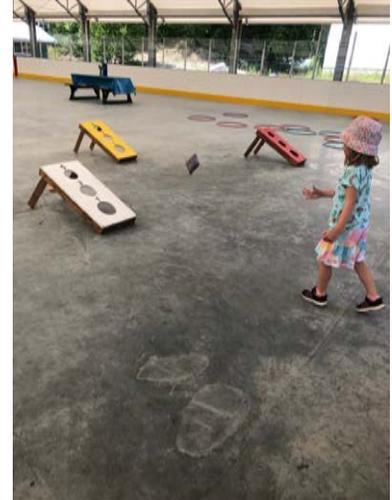
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## The 125th Anniversary Picnic of Carling Township

By Peter Pook

The picnic was a well- attended event even with bright skies and the calm and warm waters of the bay calling. It was held both in the Hockey Rink and the Recreation Hall on Carling Bay Rd.

Many volunteers staffed the kitchen in the Recreation Hall. They provided classic picnic fare - enough to supply an army. Photographs on the walls of the hall and a looping video screen displayed the early history of Carling Township. The photos have been collected over the years from the descendants of the founding families. They showed the early life and hardships of farming, logging, trapping and commercial fishing. We are all lucky that the early settlers persevered to give us the Carling we have 125 years later.



In the Hockey Rink a number of local businesses set up displays. Among them were colourful, hand-painted birdhouses, to stunning hand made fur hats. The Georgian Bay Biosphere booth had a very large and real snapping turtle for its centre of attraction. The Historical Society's table had the revised and much-improved "Early Day's" booklet for sale. It is now titled "A History of Carling Township." In addition, they offered for sale a complete collection of all the township's early historic photos on a USB stick printed with a handsome township logo emblem.

Right as you walk into the hockey rink our WCA Rock Painting Table greeted all the visitors. Five of WCA board members, Pam Wing, Bruce Kelly, Janis Wade, Donna Tucker and Peter Pook, were 'art directors. They made sure dozens of children chose their very own cottage rock and the colours to paint it. After three hours we ended up with a great collection of painted rocks! Half went home with the kids and half were placed around the hockey rink.

All in all, we trust the 150th Anniversary Picnic will be as fun as the 125th.

**We want to hear from you!**  
**The West Carling Association Online Survey is still open**



Our survey was developed to provide an opportunity for both members and non-members in our community to share their views on the West Carling Association (WCA).

Your responses will assist the WCA Board in determining what we should keep doing, start doing and stop doing.

We want to hear from as many people as possible. We encourage you to share the survey link with your family members and neighbours.

The survey is anonymous. Only summary data will be shared. Results will be posted on our website and shared via email.

To access our on-line survey go to:  
<https://forms.gle/UHC2VtPYosahR71f8>

**The photo contest is now closed, winning entries will be announced on our website soon!**

**WEST CARLING ASSOCIATION  
PHOTO CONTEST**



**Photo Contest: 2022**

After two long years we are once again visiting with family and friends. Let's share those treasured moments.

**Prizes:**

- 3 categories: top 3 entries will each get \$50 cash
- For Kids Only category: top 3 entries will each get a \$25 gift certificate for Dillon or Killbear Marina

**Contest Closes:** Monday Aug 15, 2022 (12pm)

**Contest Rules:**

- Open to WCA Members and their families
- JPG Files only, 12 MB max
- No filters, no water marks
- Photos not entered in any other photo contest
- No more than 1 entry per person per category
- Residents of Quebec are not eligible

*"Let's capture the fun & beauty of the Bay throughout the year."*

*- Peter Pook—Judge*

Visit the West Carling Association website at:  
<https://westcarling.com/>



**4 Categories:**

<b>Landscapes/Sunsets</b>	<b>Family &amp; Friends</b>	<b>Wildlife or Pets</b>	<b>For Kids Only</b>
(mostly land, water & sky)	(indoor & outdoor activities and people)	(primarily wildlife or pets)	(taken by 12 and under, any subject)

Submit your entries or questions to: [info@westcarling.com](mailto:info@westcarling.com)