



Acton Island Association

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A Note from the President

As the clean-up and repairs continue following the high water levels this spring, it was suggested that a way to share "Lost and Found" information would be helpful. We have likely all noticed that something is missing or that furniture, etc. has appeared on your shoreline. Please email any Lost and Found information to Gordon Richards who will arrange to have the details e-mailed to all those members who have provided e-mail addresses.

It's always great to see our fellow cottagers taking advantage of Muskoka's clean air by biking, jogging or walking the Acton Island roads. When out enjoying the sights and sounds please take a bag along and pick up anything that should be in the garbage and recycling bins (not on the side of the road). Let's keep our island beautiful!

Looking forward to meeting everyone at the Meet and Greet. My best wishes for a safe and happy summer for all.

Hugh

Annual Acton Island Meet & Greet

Saturday, July 27, 2013 1:00pm to 3:00pm
1072 Kemp Road

The Annual Meet & Greet is combined with a short Annual General Meeting, and is a great opportunity to meet your fellow Acton Islanders. Our thanks go to Michelle Fish who has graciously offered to host this year's event.

Please bring appetizers for 6 and BYOB.

News from the Board

Spring Flooding:

Torrential rains onto frozen ground resulted in a “perfect storm” of weather and led to water levels in the lakes rising to almost unprecedented levels.

Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/EmergencyManagement/2ColumnSubPage/239496.html>

The Emergency Management section of the MNR website provides updated information on current flood conditions both provincial and local agencies.

Local information about flooding comes from conservation authorities and the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR). [Read current local messages.](#)

Muskoka Lakes Township Office

Phone: 705-765-3156

Web site: www.muskokalakes.ca

The following link – Waste Disposal Vouchers related to Flood clean-up may be of value.

<http://www.muskokalakes.ca/siteengine/activepage.asp?NewsID=200>

The Proposed Bala Falls Hydro Project:

On the **Swift River Energy Limited** website, the proposed project is described as “a 3 to 5 megawatt (MW) run-of-river waterpower facility near the south end of the Bala's existing north dam, located in the Town of Bala, in the Township of Muskoka Lakes, Ontario. The dam is owned by Ontario's Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).” According to the Muskoka Lakes Association website, the project has now obtained approval from the Ministry of the Environment but there are still some local approvals outstanding. For updates on the status of the proposed Project, please explore the websites of the **Save The Bala Falls** organization and Swift River Energy Limited:

Save The Bala Falls

<http://savethebalafalls.com/>

Swift River Energy Limited

<http://www.balafalls.ca/>

Tax Assessment:

Contact MPAC office in Bracebridge to make an appointment to discuss the assessed value of your property.

Acton Island Association Roster

The AIA Roster was distributed by mail to paid members and also at last year's AGM and Meet & Greet in July 2012. It was agreed that the Roster is an important source of information for the AIA Members, and we will continue to publish it every two years.

Upcoming Summer Events



An extensive listing of upcoming Summer Events is available on the Muskoka Lakes Chamber of Commerce website:

<http://www.muskokalakeschamber.ca/events/2>

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The AIA Board is here to serve the needs of its members. If you have ideas or topics to discuss, please let us know.

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