



Sturgeon Point Association

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Dear Members:

This note provides a brief update on some of the social activities coming up. I've also included a couple of other community-related items.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

The summer social season is upon us. These events are an especially fun part of being a Sturgeon Pointer. I want to point out a few adjustments and additions that we've made to the schedule.

Welcome to Summer Event to be held on Canada Day, Friday, July 1st, 12:00 p.m., at the Park

We've decided to hold our annual Welcome to Summer event on Canada Day (that's July 1st for all of you foreigners). The recent newsletter had this slated for the usual Saturday, but we decided that Friday was a much better choice, particularly because it is Canada Day! A BBQ lunch will be served and there will be cake for everyone. This is the first large assembly of Sturgeon Pointers of the season. We're expecting a few dignitaries, too. Don't miss it!

Environment Meeting, July 16th, 10:00 a.m.

This year we'll be hearing a presentation from the Kawartha Lakes Stewards Association, which is currently conducting a two year study of algae on the local lakes. The presentation will be given by Dr. Emily Porter-Goff, the lead scientist on the study. Attendees can bring in water samples for an on-the-spot algae identification and analysis. We will also hear short updates on the Sturgeon Lake Management Plan and from the Public Review Committee for the Lindsay Landfill. There will be refreshments served after the meeting. I know this will be an interesting morning.

Regatta swimming races to be moved to Sunday Afternoon (July 31st, 2:00 p.m.)

We're trying something a little different this year - the Regatta water events will be run on Sunday afternoon. The running races will not be affected, remaining at their usual time of 10:00 a.m. Monday morning. The change was suggested because a number of individuals have found it difficult to attend the event because of the Monday afternoon time slot. I think this is a good idea and worth a try. I trust that this is not too radical a departure for all of the traditionalists in the crowd!

You'll find an events schedule on the last page of this newsletter. You can print it out and put it on your refrigerator for easy reference, so you don't miss a thing. All of these events are also on the SPA Web Site.

2011 SPA Memberships: Electronic (On-line) Payment

Our online payment application is up and running. You can now pay for your SPA memberships and make a donation directly from our web site. This means you can sign up everyone in your cottage or home in one convenient transaction with a credit card or through your PayPal account. No check books, no fuss.

We hope that the convenience of online payment will be a welcome option for some of you. Please try it out by navigating to our web site and visiting the Membership page, or by going directly to:

<http://www.sturgeonpoint.com/spa-membership/>

For those of you who are not comfortable with online payments, rest assured that we will continue to issue paper and electronic format membership forms that you can fill out and pay for in the usual way. Here's the link to the online PDF membership form (cut and paste the link into your browser's address field):

<http://www.sturgeonpoint.com/wp-content/uploads/SPA-2011-Membership-Form.pdf>

You'll also have an opportunity to purchase your membership at the Canada Day celebration at the Park on July 1st. As you can probably tell, we want to make membership as easy as possible...

ROADS

As reported in the last newsletter, the CoKL has committed to resurfacing Second and Third Streets this summer. Recent storm-related delays have forced the contractor to push back the schedule. The latest estimate from Brian Junkin has the work starting no earlier than mid-July. Keep an eye on the web site for further updates.

MAP PROJECT

The Fleming College Geomatics Institute has completed their work on our map projects. The team did a tremendous job, and the maps look great. We're now working on printing out the hard-copy street map with the names of all of the residents on it. We're aiming to make these available at the Canada Day celebration at the Park.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

This summer we are introducing opportunities for high school students to earn some of their community involvement hours by volunteering right here in Sturgeon Point. If you are interested in learning more about this, please contact Ed Warlow, SPA's social director: edwarlowwarlow@sympatico.com.

BLUE-GREEN ALGAE BLOOM ON STURGEON LAKE

A blue-green algae bloom on Sturgeon Lake has been reported by the Ministry of the Environment (MOE). The affected area is about three kilometres downstream from the Fenelon Falls, in bay known as "The Lagoon". The bloom is not likely to affect us here, and we have not been advised against swimming or using our waterfront. We are continuing to monitor this situation and will keep you posted on the web-site. Any advisories issued by the MOE that involve our local waterfront areas will be posted immediately on the SPA web site and will be sent out to all of you on the email distribution list.

Don't forget to print out the calendar on the following page! See you next week on Canada Day.

Sincerely,

Victor Isbrucker
President,
Sturgeon Point Association



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EVENTS SCHEDULE SUMMER 2011

Event	Place	Time & Date	Notes
"Welcome to Summer" July Celebration	Park in the Woods	July 1, 12:00 p.m.	Celebrate Canada Day and meet the neighbours
Environment Meeting	Union Church	July 16th, 10:00 a.m.	Algae workshop, updates on local initiatives
Annual Civic Holiday BBQ and Street Dance	Park in the Woods	July 30, 6:00 p.m.	Food, music and dancing!
Sturgeon Point Regatta <i>The 173rd running of the Sturgeon Point Regatta.</i>	Public Beach	July 31, 2:00 p.m.	Swimming and canoe races
	Swannanoa	August 1, 10:00 a.m.	Running and novelty races
Sturgeon Point Association Annual General Meeting	Union Church	September 4, 10:00 a.m.	The AGM – come out to hear the reports and have your say!