McRae Beach Association May 16, 2016

SPRING 2016 UPDATE

2016 Dues are \$50.

Important Dates

June 19

General Meeting

July 9

Meet and Greet Event

July 31

Field Day 1st Park 11 am

September 4

Annual General Meeting and Elections

Stop Means Stop

The corner of Blue Heron and Duclos Point Road is now a three-way stop.

No Boat lifts!

Boat lifts are not permitted in the parks.

Reporting Bad Road Manners

Seeing someone driving too fast or carelessly? Jot down the license number and report them here: https:// onlinereporting.yrp.ca/ RoadWatch.html

Emergency?

DIAL 9-1-1

Welcome Spring!

It's that time of the year again when you can be certain that the mosquitos will be out in force plus Beach Association dues will again be collected. Talk about a bothersome coincidence. For the mosquitos we know that they will have their frenzy and a good repellant is worth the expenditure. But for Beach Association dues a worthwhile defense might be to ask, "what's in it for me?" Funny thing, I've been itching to answer that question. So here's a list of the benefits of having a vibrant McRae Beach Association.

- represents the interests of McRae Beach residents.
- provides sponsorship and planning of Beach Association events
- is a platform for residential networking
- oversees the maintenance of communal properties
- liaison to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
- is a representative voice to local and regional governments
- provides awareness of local health and safety issues and bylaws
- is headed up by an executive of enthusiastic volunteers

Your membership in the McRae Beach Association goes a long way in supporting the activities and strength of our lakeside community.



Speed in the Water

In Ontario, there is a speed limit of 10 km/h within 30 metres of shore. In most cases, this speed limit isn't posted.

Your 2016 Executive!

President: Bruce Mortson Co-Vice-Presidents: Maria Egnatis & Olga Norman Secretary: Mona Mathews Treasurer: Ward Lindsey Webmaster: Doug Atkinson

Contacting Your Beach Association

Do you have agenda items, concerns or ideas for the McRae Beach Association? Submit them via email to webmaster@mcraebeachassociat ion.com.

Include your name, address and phone number anytime you write.

New: Clearwater Farm CSA

Clearwater Farm's mission is to demonstrate how delicious food can be grown in a healthy way that is kind to the Lake. It is located in Georgina at Lake Drive, east of Kennedy Road. They are offering CSA shares weekly pick up at Cori's Café in Sutton. For more information see www.clearwaterfarm.ca

Time to Pay your 2016 Dues!

The McRae Beach Association is your local community association. It was created to manage the maintenance and operation of the two private parks and to advocate to the Town of Georgina and the Region of York on behalf of Property Owners. The Association spends several thousand dollars per year on your behalf. This includes maintaining the parks and purchasing liability insurance that helps protect us all if someone gets injured in the parks.

This year Association Dues are being collected in a couple of ways, the first being the traditional knock at your door. You can also drop-off your Dues at three collection addresses:

- •Bruce Mortson, president 2 Laviolette
- •Ward Lindsey, treasurer 10 Laviolette
- •Mona Mathews, secretary 7 Mellon

Membership Dues for 2016 are remaining at \$50 (that works out to 96 cents per week), and you will be issued a new membership card.

A Note from uour Beach Association President, Bruce Mortson

To all cottagers, welcome back to the 2016 summer season. To all permanent residents, thank you for welcoming or at least tolerating our return. We will try to behave and earn your warm welcome.

Your Executive has developed a more active program for the 2016 season. We are proceeding slowly, knowing that some residents would like more activities & some want none. McRae Beach Association members are an interesting and varied group and we will try to serve and meet the needs of all as best we can.

You will notice in the newsletter that your executive has detailed a comprehensive and helpful list of guidelines for members and their guests. By respecting our beach rules and regulations, we will ensure that all of our members/families/guests will fully enjoy and take advantage of our wonderful parks.

You will also notice that we have proposed a new "Meet & Greet" gathering which will hopefully give all members an opportunity to mingle and have some fun. Your volunteer executive committee look forward to your attendance. We can meet for cocktails on our front lawn (#2 Laviolette Ave.) across from the first park. Stay tuned for more details about July 9th (4:00 to 6:00 PM) and hold the date.

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Again this year we "BEG" for volunteers so more activities can be held. We also want to hear from people that want to serve on the executive in the future. We need new input and everyone's opinion matters. This year as in other years the collection of Dues is important. It allows us to keep our parks beautiful & expand community activities. Please help us by contributing. I would also like to welcome to the Executive, Mr. Ward Lindsey as our Treasurer & keeper of the funds. Ward has been a member of the Community since 1948 and will provide needed guidance with his strong background in accounting. I would also like to thank Jim Baine & his crew for again collecting garbage along Duclos Point Rd. A great job as usual.

Like all of you, I'm excited about the 2016 season. Your Executive will be listening and looking for your input and participation. Remember how lucky we all are and that we all have a stake in keeping our community and our parks beautiful.

Don't be a stranger. Say hello.

- Bruce <u>bruce mortson@botmail.com</u>

Legal & Common Sense

We extend a warm welcome to all who have made McRae Beach their permanent or summer address since last season. As a reminder to those of us who have been around for some time and for our new arrivals:

- Town of Georgina requires dogs to be leashed or otherwise restrained at all times.
- Parking and camping within the two parks is prohibited.
- Use of our parks is restricted to McRae Beach residents and their guests only.
- The speed limit on Blue Heron Drive, McRae Beach South and all side streets is 40km/h.
- When on/in the water play safely! Swimmers and sailboats always have the right of way.
- All docks are to be out of the parks and in the water, or on your own property by June 10. Boat lifts are not permitted in the parks.
- The noise by-law for Georgina is in effect for 24 hours/day. Residents are to regulate their noise as to not disturb surrounding neighbors. If noise is bothersome and lasts hours, the town by-law officers can be reached at 705-437-2210. On weekends call the York Regional Police 905-895-1221 or 1-866-876-5423.

We would like to keep in Touch via email

Producing a printed version takes time and money. We would prefer to keep in touch via email three or four times per year. If you would like to receive this email, please send a quick email to us at webmaster@mcraebeachassociation.com along with your name, local address, and alternative address and we will add you to this distribution.

Thank You to Village Business Services on High Street in Sutton

A special thank you to community member Shauna Gray for printing this year's newsletter at her business, Village Traditions and Village Business Services in Sutton. There she offers complete desktop publishing, office supplies, fax and Fedex services along with unique gifts, clothing and art supplies.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 - No Bag Tag Week!	31	JUNE 1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 - General Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	July 1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 - Meet and Greet 4 pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 - Executive Meeting	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 - Field Day!	August 1 - Civic Holiday	2	3	4 - Sutton Fair Opens	5 - Sutton Fair	6 - Sutton Fair
7 - Sutton Fair Ends	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	September 1	2	3
4 - Annual Meeting	5 - Labour Day	6	7	8	9	10

