



CATARAQUI CANOE CLUB

NEWSLETTER

September 2014

Commodore's Note: Board News.

This has been a busy year at the Cataraqui Canoe Club. It was not marked by any new or major events, just lots of activities, and good rates of participation. A hallmark of success. I continue to be pleased with all the hard work done by the other members of the executive to make my job easy. Unseen by most members is the work done by Debbie Twiddy, our membership secretary and Gonny Moncur, our recording secretary. Mike Fisher, our former Commodore is our news letter publisher. Jim Lorimer runs the evening paddling from the boat house. You may see one of our many volunteers at the boat house, but Jim has to organize it. He also organized the Outdoor show at the Olympic Harbour last spring. Beth Orr runs the schedule of weekend activities and hosted the annual Algonquin and Palmer Rapids camping trips again. One of the least recognized tasks and most over looked task is that of treasurer. It is a lot of work, not much glitter or fame with it, but

an essential part of any organization. Ed Jezak has done a diligent and reliable job with it. The Cataraqui Canoe Club is very solid financially, no worries there. Ed also manages our web site that requires constant updates.

I hosted a BBQ for the participants after the Thousand Island paddle, Jim Lorimer hosted a BBQ after the Adolphustown paddle, Dorma Grant hosted the winter scheduling party. David Linton organized a big fancy dinner at Hotel Kenny at Jone's Falls after the Rideau trip where 28 members participated. Many other trips ended with refreshments somewhere at the end of the day.

Our boat house now has a new power door. The old manual way was a task for many of us, and impossible if the door went too high. Now you just hit a button and the door opens or closes. The boat house is under constant video surveillance, it is intended to deter vandalism, more

than catching vandals. The Rowing Club had a theft a month ago, and decided to also install a security system too. You may not notice two of our old aluminum canoes missing, they found a good home at the Elbow Lake Education Centre run by Queen's University. They are rugged boats, not hurt by outdoor storage. Our former Commodore, Caroline Bonta now runs that site. We have added some newer sea kayaks to our fleet. The boat trailer has been repainted, and made road worthy again to be used for our annual Schooner Lake camping trip. Wow, did we do all that?

The City of Kingston renewed our licence with them for our boat house for 20 years at \$1 per year. They own the land, we own the building. It is actually one licence shared with the Kingston Rowing Club for the one building. Transport Canada owns the waterfront, they licence the City for 3 water lots, which they sub-license to us. We share the parking lot, utility room with the Rowing Club and so on. We are required to maintain our buildings. The City was very co-operative and helpful with this. By licensing us, it is tax exempt. If it were rented, we would have to pay commercial taxes at about 3 times the residential rate. The City then spent a fortune doing landscaping around us and extended the water

front park past us. In return, we are expected to serve the community though that is wide open.

I reviewed our insurance policy to properly understand it. All our volunteers are protected from law suits in the course of their activities, on the executive, leading trips, or hosting parties. There is a Good Samaritan clause protecting any one of us who renders first aid with good intentions, but the end results are not what would be wished for. The idea is, we don't want first aid being withheld for fear of law suits. We continue to ask all members to wear their life jackets while on the water, and we normally have a certified first aid kit available. Our trip leaders are not certified, nor are they required to be. That is pointed out in our waiver.

I knew it was a busy year, I forgot just how much happened until I started writing this. It was a good year, and thanks goes out to many people for making it such a great success.

Steven Manders.

A TRIP UP THE RIDEAU

David Linton organized a trip paddling up the Rideau Canal on August 31. Some members started at Kingston Mills, and paddled all the way to Jones Falls, some started at Brewers Mills, while others started at Jones Falls, paddled south, met the others heading north, then paddled back to Jones Falls. We all had a strong tail wind for the trip north. After the paddle, several more members joined them for a fine dinner at Hotel Kenny at the foot of the locks. Twenty eight members participated in this dinner. Dave Linton told us a story of his father playing a piano there years ago, then proceeded to play some most enjoyable music for us. We had a day of exercise, sun shine, commardie, followed by good food and live music. What a day to end the summer.

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Fall Schedule for 2014

Sat, Sept 27: Rock Dunder Fundraiser

Rideau, has been a favourite destination for CCC activities. As part of the Rideau Waterway Land Trust, funding to keep Rock Dunder open and accessible to the public must come from visitors and supporters.

The Rock Dunder, with it's spectacular views of the fall fundraiser walk, this year set for September 27, is an important source of funding. A number of CCC members participated in the event last year., and we were significant fundraisers and had very enjoyable time.

Participants can walk to the top of Rock Dunder and return on a 5 km loop, and choose any of a number of shorter (and less vertical) walks. It is a spectacular time of year to be at Dunder. The area will be closed to the general public on the morning of the 27th, but anyone making a donation of \$25 or more, or sponsoring one of the walkers, can join us for coffee and muffins at the Trailhead at 10 a.m. The Rock Dunder property can be accessed from Stanley Lash Lane, which is approximately 1 km south of Morton on Highway 15.

Participants can register online or they can register on-site the day of the event. More details of the walk and registration links can be found at <http://www.gifttool.com/athon/AthonDetails?ID=2036&AID=2823>. All participants and donors are eligible for a charitable tax receipt. I will have a Team Page set up for the Canoe Club so you can register as

part of our team and contribute towards the team's fundraising total. Any problems with registration please contact Janice. More information on this annual event can be seen at

<http://www.rwlt.org/beaus-walk/>.

This year's event has been named "Beau's Walk" in memory of the dearly departed Black Lab, "Beau", whose team of rescue dogs were last year's leading fundraisers.

Contact Janice at 542-9958 if you are interested in car-pooling from Kingston.



**Friday Oct 3rd to Sunday Oct 5th:
Schooner Lake Canoe Camping trip**

Come and enjoy a blissful paddle camping weekend. Glorious lakes in the Madawaska Highlands, with plenty of creeks and crags to explore. There are no portages or shuttle. Participants can arrive Friday or

Saturday. Contact Steve Manders at 613 542 1054.



Saturday, Oct 11- *(Thanksgiving weekend): Event details will be posted on the website:*
cataraquicanoe.on.ca

**Thursday Oct 16. 7-9 pm. Annual
General Meeting. Ongwanada
Auditorium, Portsmouth Ave.**

After we review the business of the club and elect new members of the exective Steve Manders will give us a visual presentation of his recent trip seakayaking in Greenland. Come to help us meet quorum, find out what has been happening, and meet old and new friends.

**Please note the following motion to
amend the by-law**

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Here is a preview!

Saturday Oct 18: Melon Creek Conservation area hike

Dugald Carmichael promises to take us into new territory exploring the area west of County Road 41, starting and ending from a trailhead beside Little Mellon Lake but mostly off-trail in scenic granite barrens. Fall colours should be good. Call Dugald at 613 542 8628

SAT, Oct 25. Gould Lake Paddle and Pot luck Dinner

Beth will lead you on a leisurely paddle to explore Gould Lake,

followed by a pot luck at Dave and Jennifer Linton's home. The Potluck is restricted to the first 18 registered.

No car shuttles or portages, an easy paddle if no winds. If we are lucky, Dave may give us some stellar entertainment.

Call Dave or Jennifer @ 613-376-6883 for the potluck and Beth Orr for the paddle. 613 389 6362 or chickonwater@gmail.com



Gould Lake

SAT, Nov 1: *Event details will be posted on the website:*
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NOV 8th : *Event details will be posted on the website: cataraquicanoe.on.ca*

Sat. Nov 15th: Gould Lake Hike

Robert has offered to lead us on a hike on the trails in Gould lake Conservation area. The park has 20km of trails to explore. Come and see where he takes us. Robert Tolley at 613 542 9626

Sat. Nov 22nd: Perth Rd to Clear Lake Hike

This scenic 14-km hike includes a stunning vista from Mink Lake Overlook, the highest crag in Frontenac Park (195.5m). The car shuttle is 7.5 km. Call Ed Jezak at 613 389 4459

Sat Nov 29: Gibson Lake Loop Hike
Come and hike a 15km moderate in Frontenac Park's most northerly side, accessed by driving to Kingsford Dam. This loop is rated as one of the best Ontario Fall hikes by Explore Magazine. <http://www.explore-mag.com/get-your-hike-on>
Phone Bob Clooney at 613 384 4482.

Sat, Dec 6: Lemoine Point Hike

Join Sue Feltham for a hike in Lemoine Point Conservation area. Lemoine Point includes 136 hectares of forest, field and marsh, with more than 2,500 metres of shoreline. Along with its 11km of hiking trails. Call her at 613 542-6146. Please no calls after 8 pm.

Dec 13: Hike Parrot's Bay

Whet your appetite before the Potluck party with a hike at Parrots bay with Sue Feltham. Call her at 613 542-6146. Please no calls after 8 pm.



Dec 13: Schedule Making and Potluck Christmas Party

Beth Orr is the host for the annual Christmas Potluck dinner and Scheduling party. Please come and join in the seasonal revelry. Beth Orr at 613 389 6362 or chickonwater@gmail.com



Sun Dec 21 to Thursday Dec 26: Laurentian Christmas

The handsome Auberge du Vieux Foyer in Val David offers "casual upscale" accommodation, cuisine, massage, skiing, skating, snowshoeing,... Margaret and Robert would welcome your company. For details call

613 542 9626.

Sun, Jan 4th, 2015: Cross Country skiing at Murphy's Point

Snow may be iffy near Kingston, but is likely deeper in Murphy's Point Provincial Park. 20 km of groomed trails and two heated chalets. Call Bob Tolley at 613 542 9626.

Sat, Jan 10: Gatineau Park Nordic ski

The park has well-groomed trails with all levels of difficulty. You can do the classic

stride, or skate. We shall leave Kingston at 8 a.m. and be on the trails about 11. We have lunch in one of the warming huts, and should be finished by 4 p.m. You can linger in Ottawa to shop and dine, or head straight home.

Contact Ed Jezak at 613 389 4459

Sat, Jan 17: Massassauga Back country trip

Depending on weather and snow/ice conditions, Janice and Eric will lead us on a back country trek from their Massassauga property. Rugged terrain and great scenery. Call Janice to check on what to bring -- skis, snowshoes,

or boots (with poles and ice grips); at 613 542-9958.

Sat, Jan 24: Charleston Lake Ski

Charleston lake has 12 km of trails for cross country skiing. Let's do them once in the morning and after a car lunch we have the option of doing them again!

Cal Beth Orr at 613 389 6362 or chickonwater@gmail.com

Sat, Jan 31: Cataraqui Trail hike or ski

Ski, hike or snowshoe a section of the Cataraqui Trail between Perth Road Village and Chaffey's Locks.

This is one of the most scenic rail to trails in eastern Ontario, but it is groomed, level and wide making it suitable for people of all abilities.

The pace will be moderate. The starting point and distance will be determined by the snow and weather conditions. Sunday will be our back up date. Bring you camera. Call Steve at [613 542-1054](tel:6135421054).

PO Box 1882 Kingston ON K7L 5J7
 The CCC Boathouse is located on Orchard Street near the Woolen Mill For an update on current schedule check our website:
www.cataraquicanoe.on.ca
 For other information contact a board member by phone or use the club email: info@cataraquicanoe.on.ca

Executive and Board of Directors 2012-2013

Commodore	Steve Manders	613 542 1054
Vice Commodore	Jim Lorimer	613 373 2847
Past Commodore	Mike Fisher	613 547 5386
Secretary	Gonny Moncur	613 549 5538
Treasurer	Ed Jezak	613 389 4459
Board of Directors	Mary Buchanan	613 536 5486
	Harry Burgstaller	613 549 4832
	Beth Orr	613 389 6362
	Debbie Twiddy	613 374 1704
	Linda Whitfield	613 546 1359

Program Appointments

Newsletter Editor	Mike Fisher
Boathouse Manager	Steve Manders
Instruction	Mary Buchanan
Membership Secretary	Debbie Twiddy
Publicity and Special Events	Linda Whitfield
Volunteer Coordinator	Jim Lorimer
Webmaster	Ed Jezak

Newsletter Contributions Welcome!

Members of the Cataraqui Canoe Club are invited to submit articles for inclusion in the Newsletter, photographs and pictures may be included. Please e-mail submissions to Mike Fisher at :mhartfish@yahoo.ca

Notification of the AGM of the Cataraqui Canoe Club.

***THERE WILL BE AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CATARAQUI
CANOE CLUB:***

TIME: 7.00pm

***PLACE: THE AUDITORIUM, ONGWANADA, PORTSMOUTH AVENUE,
KINGSTON.***

AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the last AGM***
- 2. Commodore's Report.***
- 3. Treasurer's Report.***
- 4. Committee Reports***
- 5. Motion to amend the by-law:***

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- 6. Election of Officers and Members of the Board***
- 7. Adjournment.***

Presentation by Steve Manders of his recent kayaking adventures round the Greenland coast. Steve's reputation for stunning photography and lively reporting means that this is DEFINITELY NOT TO BE MISSED.