

KAPOA Reminder: AGM This Saturday

May 2010

KAPOA Annual General Meeting: July 17th

Starting: 10am

Opeongo Seniors Centre

Attend the annual KAPOA Annual General Meeting to meet other property owners and learn about initiatives impacting Lake Kamaniskeg including:

- **Water Levels**
- **Forestry**
- **Water Quality**

Representatives from both Madawaska Valley and Hastings Highlands will be joining us.

FORESTRY MANAGEMENT ON CROWN LAND

The winter newsletter is now available for download ([click here](#)). It is the biggest KAPOA has ever produced: 12 pages packed with important information on:

- **Water quality**
- **New waste water treatment facility**
- **New HH Municipal Complex**
- **2009 Regatta Recap**

We strongly encourage all members to read the newsletter and especially take action on our recommendations about what you can do to improve the water quality of Kamaniskeg Lake (on page 5). Enjoy and as always we welcome your feedback.

LOCAL WINTER NEWS ROUNDUP

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WATER TEMPERATURE AND LEVELS

Was anyone else swimming this weekend? For the first time I can remember, we swam in the lake a lot over the May 2-4 weekend. The surface lake temperature was 19 - at our dock and out in the lake where the north and south basins meet. Compare that to summer temperatures: last August, the temperature only was 23.

You may have also noticed the lake water levels are high. OPG is working to manage the water levels on the entire Madawaska River waterway. Last fall, OPG began a project to upgrade the Bark Lake Dam. The warm weather, low snowpack level and little rain so far this spring has made the water level management more difficult. Now, they are holding back as much water as possible until levels in Bark Lake reach their normal height. According to OPG, flows on the Mad are 30% of normal for this time of year.

It will be interesting to see how the increasing nutrient levels, higher water temperatures and lower flow impact our lake this year.

You can read more about the [Bark Lake Upgrade](#) project

and [Madawaska River water levels](#) in [Barry's Bay This Week](#).

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NEW MEMBERS WANTED

A larger membership will give KAPOA a stronger voice in the community. Last year, we had about 33% participation. Our goal is to have 75% participation. Please help us increase awareness and presence by paying your annual dues immediately and letting your lake friends and neighbours know about the great work we are doing.

[Click here to access the 2010 membership form.](#)

What do you get for your \$20 membership:

- informative website (www.kapoa.ca)
- newsletters
- FOCA membership
- monthly email bulletins
- annual regatta
- annual general meeting

As always, we welcome your feedback. Please drop a note to kapoacares@gmail.com with your compliments, constructive criticism or ideas.

This summer we hope to launch a number of new initiatives such as improved water quality monitoring and regular Hinderland Beach clean-ups. We'd welcome your help. Please visit the [Help Wanted page](#) for details.

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