

SPRING 2018 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

It was good to see so many neighbours at Deanlea Beach on the May long weekend. Each year, many of us love those moments of greeting after months of absence: “Great to see you again! How’s everyone been?” “Looks like there’s more beach this year.” “Hope you had no plumbing problems.” “Have you got time for a drink?” It’s been a cold, wet Spring and it was particularly fresh on that May long weekend. In the past, we’ve seen the brave go swimming but this Spring, the brave needed that extra layer. It was overheard that a local nursery owner felt that the growing season was behind by three weeks. Let’s hope we can get in the water on the Canada Day weekend!

The Deanlea Beach Association is trying to get re-organized again after a quiet winter. Apart from maintaining our financial obligations, we have not made any significant changes to the proposed By-law after receiving various comments last season. There will be some time devoted to this issue at the Annual General Meeting on June 23. We have also been in discussions about Tiny Township concerns about the fire truck access to residences on the narrow gravel roads.

Several members of the DBA Board of Directors are stepping down formally from their roles but will continue to make

volunteer contributions in many and various ways. Their efforts and friendship are much appreciated and we thank them for their community service. And thank you, once again, to all of you DBA members who do many, little, unrecognized things to help make this a really nice place to live. The DBA needs help this year to replace these Directors. Please consider joining us if you feel you can commit to at least 4 of 7 meetings a year.

Deanlea Beach Association Board of Directors

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Deanlea Beach Association will be held on Saturday June 23, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Wyevale United Church on 846 County

Rd #6 South (1 block north of Jug City Convenience Store). Please mark this date on your calendar. We encourage everyone to attend! This is the best opportunity to meet your Deanlea

neighbours and discuss matters of common interest. We will have updates on our DBA By-laws, activities, and our finances. Stay in touch and be informed by attending!

TREASURER’S REPORT - PRELIMINARY 2017 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The most recent review of DBA finances shows that we will be in a net loss position for the first time in several years. Revenues are forecast to be down due to a lower number of paid members and lower raffle ticket sales during Fun Day. Expenses increased in 2017 due largely

to increased road maintenance activities. A full discussion of DBA financial position will be held at the Annual General Meeting in June 2018.

- At 170 fees collected to date vs 181 in 2016
- Income Statement review:

- Membership revenues down
- Fun Day revenues down due to small raffle
- Road maintenance higher this year;

If you wish to contact Lorrie Locke, you can email her at: treasurer@deanleabeach.ca

FIRE ACCESS ISSUE

Last year, the Township Fire Chief identified Deanlea Beach as one of the most complex unassumed road networks in Tiny and expressed a concern to the DBA about the difficulty in gaining quick fire truck access to some of our road locations. In follow-up meetings with the DBA, the Fire Chief communicated the

complex, multiple-truck logistics that the Fire Dept. must use to supply water to a potential fire site. He also stressed the importance of ensuring that all gravel roads were always clear from obstructions and able to accommodate wide pumper trucks. Discussions with the Fire Dept. will continue and community

outreach on several issues is an important priority. As a community, our responsibility is to ensure that all gravel roads are accessible and part of this means that we must be vigilant on our No Parking on Gravel Roads rules. We will likely start to have broader discussions about snow clearing in winter months.

FIRE HYDRANT REQUEST

In discussions with the Tiny Township Fire Chief in the Fall of 2017, the DBA asked about access to fire hydrants. Deanlea Beach has only two fire hydrants, which are located at: 1) 2 Pineshore Cres. (north end); and 2) 1420 Tiny Beaches Rd. S. (north of Deanlea Blvd. entrance). After making inquiries, the Fire Chief confirmed that the water mains on the Deanlea paved roads are 6" diameter

pipes, which is considered the minimum size to supply a sufficient flow to hydrants. The Fire Chief supports the idea of installing one or more fire hydrants at locations closer to the gravel roads, since this would reduce the complexity of the fire truck logistics. However, the Fire Dept. cannot request this directly from Tiny Council for Deanlea Beach. He advised that the DBA must prepare a

formal request to Tiny Council to consider the installation of one or more fire hydrants at strategic locations to broaden the fire water supply and, when Council seeks technical input, the Fire Dept. will support the request. The DBA will prepare such a presentation for Tiny Council this Spring.

WATER TESTING

The Federation of Tiny Township Shoreline Associations (FoTTSA) is planning to organize the local beach volunteer water testing program again this year and the DBA would like to have volunteers to help with the sampling. A community-based water testing program has occurred every two years for the last decade (most recent was 2016). We thank Carlotta Lee and her helpers for many years of wetting their knees for our peace of mind. The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit (SMDHU) will continue

to monitor E. coli levels at the five public Tiny beaches, which includes the Bluewater Beach Park, just north of us. To refresh our understanding of the issue, our beach at Red Rock has had a remarkably clean record among all Tiny beaches over the years, with E. coli counts of 20 per 100 ml or less for the majority of the summer weeks. Readings have increased after stormy weather. Historical water testing results for Tiny are available from FoTTSA. Health Canada and the SMDHU sets the following

contamination limits for primary contact activities (swimming) in fresh water:

- a geometric mean concentration (minimum of five samples) ≤ 200 E. coli/100 ml; and
- a single-sample maximum concentration ≤ 400 E. coli/100 ml.

It is comforting to know that we are well below these limits but we must continue to observe good septic tank management and hygiene practices in our shared water resource.

E.COLI LEVELS AT DEANLEA BEACH - JULY/AUGUST 2016

SAMPLE	JULY 4	JULY 11	JULY 18	JULY 25	AUG 2	AUG 8	AUG 15	AUG 22
BAY - RED ROCK	<10	<10	70	<10	10	40	10	70
BAY - N. CULVERT	10	10	70	<10	10	<10	50	120
STREAM - N. CULVERT	30	10	100			110		

WATERCRAFT OPERATION

Every year, several members have had concerns regarding the operation of watercraft near the Deanlea Beach shore. It may be useful for all to be aware that Transport Canada sets rules for power-driven watercraft operation in

recreational waters and that there is a maximum speed limit of 10 km/h set for a zone extending out to 300 metres from the western shore of Tiny. Transport Canada created this wider zone to respect the fact that our waters are quite

shallow and that there is widespread personal use of these waters in summer months. Please continue to respect the shared use of our beach waters with controlled piloting of watercraft.

DBA LAWYER RETIRED - NEW LAWYER SEARCH BEGINS

Gary French, Barrister and Solicitor, of Elmvale has acted as corporate lawyer and provided a head office address for the Deanlea Beach Association since the 1980s. While the DBA has not required his services since the late 1990s, he provided support to the DBA in our early years for various legal and organizational initiatives, including deed transfer, By-law

revision, the strategy against proposed landfill development, and beach ownership inquiries. He informed the DBA that he was retiring and closed his office in Elmvale in October 2017. On behalf of DBA members, the board would like to thank Gary French for all his help during our formative years.

We would like to begin the process to identify and select a new corporate lawyer who could be our primary contact for legal and governance inquiries, if deemed necessary. We want to notify DBA members that we are starting this process and welcome any input from members who have expertise or who could provide professional advice.

FUN DAY 2018

Fun Day will be Saturday August 4th, with a rain date of August 5th. I have received offers of volunteering from 20 DBA members so all events are covered. There are always spaces for extra hands however, so please contact me (Impk.phillips@gmail.com) if you would

like to participate in any way. Our format will change a little this year, in that we will start events at 10 a.m. for member cottages, by beginning with costume parades, then games and sand sculpture creations, then end our day with a pizza lunch at 1 p.m. Clean up will take place

between 1 and 2 p.m. leaving the rest of the day for your family enjoyment. Information flyers will be posted on all the beach paths in late June or early July. See you then!

Linda Phillips

IN MEMORIAM

Sadly, two long-time Deanlea residents passed away last year.

ART BUSBY

On October 1, 2017, Art Busby passed away peacefully in Midland in his 95th year. Art was a WW II veteran, a career employee of CP Rail in Chatham, and a kind, gentle, and generous person. The Busby family has been one of our original Deanlea neighbours.

ELEANOR HARRISON

On January 4, 2018, Eleanor Harrison passed away of natural causes in Naperville, IL, USA in her 90th year. Eleanor loved to travel, her knitting and sewing hobbies, and music. She spent over 50 summers at Deanlea and shared her care, compassion, and generosity with so many of us.

We will miss our beloved neighbours and wish to extend our condolences to their families and loved ones. The Deanlea Beach Association has made donations to the Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation on behalf of these very special individuals.

DBA MEMBERSHIP FEES

The annual dues are \$60 and if you pay on or before the AGM on Saturday June 23 you can take advantage of the early payment discount and pay \$50 (\$51.50 via PayPal). Those who pay later will have to pay the full \$60 (\$61.50 via PayPal).

Payment Options

1. At the Annual General Meeting pay by cheque (Deanlea Beach Association) or cash.
2. Drop off a cheque or cash to the treasurer Lorrie Locke at 26 Lakeside Drive or to a member of the DBA Board.

3. Interac email transfer: Please send payment to treasurer@deanleabeach.ca and use "funday" as the security code.

DBA CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

Bill Palmer	Vice President
Lorrie Locke	Treasurer
Petra Wolfbeiss-Clarke	Secretary
Claudio Renini	Communications
John Gordon	
Linda Philips-Kelm	
Connie Wheeler	

DATES TO REMEMBER

DBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Sat. June 23rd, 2018
 MEMBERSHIP DUES EARLY BIRD CUTOFF - June 23rd, 2018
 FUN DAY - Sat. Aug. 4th, 2018 (Rain date - Sun. Aug. 5th, 2108)

CONTACT US

You can find the Deanlea Beach Association on the web at: www.deanleabeach.ca

You can contact us directly by email at: board@deanleabeach.ca

And by letter mail at: [Deanlea Beach Association](mailto:board@deanleabeach.ca)
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 Ontario, L0L 2J0

Moved or new to Deanlea Beach? Update us with your contact information. Write a letter to the above mailing address or send an email to treasurer@deanleabeach.ca with the following information:

NAME:
 DEANLEA BEACH ADDRESS:
 DEANLEA PHONE NO:
 HOME MAILING ADDRESS:
 HOME PHONE NO.:
 WORK PHONE NO.:
 MOBILE PHONE NO.:
 EMAIL ADDRESS(ES):

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Deanlea Beach

FUN DAY

Join us at the north end of the beach

SATURDAY AUGUST 4TH

Rain date Sun Aug 5th

For paid DBA Members and guests

10am

- Registration opens - dues, bracelets, raffle tickets
- Costume Parade
- Begin Sand Castles (finish by 1pm)

11am to 1pm - Games

- Running Race
- Balloon toss
- Shoe toss
- Egg toss
- Wheelbarrow race
- and MORE

PRIZES

New this YEAR:

1pm - LUNCH

1:30pm - Raffle draw*

2pm - Announcement of Sand Castle Contest winners

* Please give donations for raffle to Wendy Spademan @ 44 Glen Ave. North