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# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Welcome 2021! I am sure most of us were happy to see 2020 in the rearview mirror and are looking forward to a year full of hope and promise. There is no question this past year tested all of us. Everyone has been affected in some way, shape or form. To those who have contracted the virus or lost a loved one. our thoughts are with you. To our community of health care and front-line workers, THANK YOU for all that you do! More than ever, the motto "We are all in this together" has never been more true. It is so important that everyone continues to do their part so we can look forward with optimism to a great summer at the beach! So what has been happening at the Beach since our Annual General Meeting...



The Board welcomed its newest member, Derrick Breau. There have been 4 meetings (Sept, Nov, Jan and Mar), and approved minutes can be found on the DBA website. Our thanks to Phil Spademan for his continued support to keep our website up and running!

#### Maintenance

Four large trees were removed - two on Henry's Rd. and two on Glen Ave N. The cottages so it was important to have them removed. Potholes have been filled and areas where drainage is an issue have been addressed. A walk-about on all roads and footpaths will be conducted in the Spring to develop the 2021 maintenance work plan.

#### Fall Clean-up

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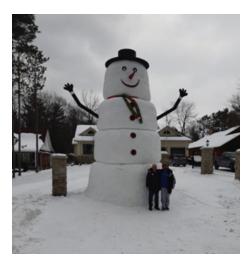
There was a "fall clean-up day" to secure the boardwalk sections, remove unwanted furniture that was left on the beach, and the area around the DBA shed was also tidied up. Thank you to Derrick and Wendy Breau, Loris Gaiotto, Matt Newman, Lorrie Locke and Brian Wheeler. And a special thank you to Barry Locke for his help and taking everything to the dump!

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#### Fun Day 2021

Following a lengthy discussion, the Board concurred that Fun Day will not take place this year. This decision was not made lightly. With the number of unknowns and in an effort to be respectful of everyone, the Board feels this is the right decision for this time.



# **BIGGEST SNOWMAN IN TINY!**

If you have been to Deanlea Beach over the winter, you have undoubtedly seen, and probably had your picture taken with, the snowman that was made by Josh Faria and his father, Antonio Faria. The 20 foot snowman was featured on the

Barrie news, in the Barrie newspaper and has been attracting people from all over. Congratulations and a big THANK YOU to the Faria family. Your snowman put a smile on many, many faces!

trees posed a danger to neighbouring

# **DBA SPRING 2021 NEWSLETTER**

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - SATURDAY JUNE 26, 2021 - 10:00am - 12:00pm

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Saturday June 26, 2021 from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the boat launch, located at the end of Henry's Rd. The rain date will be Sunday June 27, 2021. Please note if there is inclement weather, the meeting will be moved to another location within Deanlea Beach (to be

determined). The 2020 Financials will be presented at the DBA Annual General Meeting.

# ADOPT A FOOTPATH

The Board is proposing a new initiative where DBA members adopt a footpath. As it turns out, many people are already doing this, but for the paths that are not maintained, this is where we need you, DBA members, to jump in and lend a hand. The footpath could be near your residence or cottage, or perhaps it is a path that you use regularly to get to and from the beach. The intent of this initiative is to get more DBA members involved and for everyone to take pride in ownership. If you are interested in helping out, please email Connie Wheeler at: president@deanleabeach.ca and/or Derrick Breau at: dbreau68@gmail.com

#### MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT

At the Annual General Meeting held in September 2020, the topic of swimmer safety was raised. Specifically, there are concerns about the increasing number of motorized watercraft and their operation in the swimming areas, putting swimmers at risk.

This was further discussed by the Board. A decision to 'educate first', and evaluate in the Fall is the plan, before taking further action. The Board is committed to fixing the existing markers, and adding signage. Please remember Deanlea Beach is a family-friendly beach! All DBA members are asked to share this information with family, friends and renters.

Owners and/or renters of motorized watercraft are asked to:

• Use ONLY the boat launch area to launch, drop off and/or pick-up passengers, and anchor motorized watercraft.

• Operate motorized watercraft in the area immediately in front of the boat launch. Motorized watercraft should NEVER be operated in swimming areas.

• Important: The boat launch area is not maintained and individuals use it at their own risk/expense.

As in the past, we anticipate that everyone will co-operate to ensure Deanlea Beach is safe for everyone!

\*Motorized watercraft is described as "anything with a motor", e.g. boat, jet ski, etc. It does not include paddleboards, kayaks, canoes, etc.

#### **RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP**

In the coming months people will be returning to their cottages. There will be more dogs, more people and of course, more children. Deanlea Beach is a place where everyone should feel safe and comfortable walking our roads, footpaths and the beach.

However, over the past few months, there have been a number of unfortunate events involving unleashed dogs that were unaccompanied and unsupervised at Deanlea Beach. One such attack resulted in very serious and expensive injuries, while all attacks have left people feeling unsafe to go for a walk and/or walk their dog. The Tiny Township Animal Control Office has been notified and continues to monitor the area. If your dog is off leash and caught, it will be impounded.

Please remember:

• It is the law to control your dog at all times and to have your dog leashed and to not allow it to wander free.

• If you own a dog, walk it on a leash, and do not let it out unsupervised.

• Dogs are not permitted on the beach during peak times (July – August from noon – 4:00 pm).

 If you have a 'run-in' with an unleashed dog or see a dog wandering around unsupervised, it is very important to contact Animal Control at 705-549-2289.
Everyone should feel free to walk about without fear. Let's work together as a community to ensure everyone is safe – please be a responsible dog owner!

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#### COMMUNITY DAY - SATURDAY MAY 29, 2021 - 9:30am

This year, instead of just cleaning up the beach, we think it would be a great opportunity to clean-up the foot-paths and unpaved roads we all use! Please meet us at the boat launch at 9:30 am. Bring your rake, a wheel-barrow, and your work gloves. Let's all pitch in and make our community something we can all be proud of!

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT

NEW Waste Management Collection Program in 2021: Simcoe County is implementing a new automated program for the collection of recycling and waste, starting in November 2021. The new system utilizes a mechanical arm that picks up, empties and places the carts back on the curb/side of road. The new carts are quite large with plastic wheels, black cart bodies, and colour-coded lids. The size of truck used will vary on the type of road (municipally owned vs. private roads). There will be NO change to the current alternate week collection of garbage and recycling with weekly organic pick-ups.

Waste Management Information: You can now download the new Simcoe County Collects app to get customized waste management information, including service alerts, collection reminders, waste facility information and mobile Waste Wizard via Google Play or the App Store. If you don't want to download the app, but you want to know when service delays impact you, you can sign-up to receive service alerts and collections reminders via email, text message or phone call via www.simcoe.ca.

# FoTTSA REPORT

#### Water and Gravel Extractions from the Teedon Gravel Pit

On January 14, 2021, the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks of Ontario issued a Permit for Renewal for the CRH Canada Group to take water for the purpose of washing gravel the Company is extracting from the Teedon Pit. FoTTSA and Tiny Township appealed the decision, however both were rejected. FoTTSA has since re-appealed and is awaiting a response due sometime in April 2021.

If you are interested in supporting the opposition/appeals process, you can purchase a "Save Our Water, Stop the Pit" sign for \$10 each (donations are also welcome). Legal support is being provided pro bono by the Canadian Environmental Law Association. Further information is available here:

https://saveourwatertiny.wordpress.com/

#### **Road Safety**

Last summer, FoTTSA conducted a Tiny Beaches Road Safety Survey on traffic

volumes and speed. The Tiny Council has directed staff to report back on strategies/recommendations to address the concerns expressed by FoTTSA. In addition, the FoTTSA Safety Survey results will be included as part of the development of the Township's Transportation Master Plan (TMP) in 2021.

#### **Gypsy Moths**

On December 15, 2020 FoTTSA formally sent a letter to Tiny Township Council on this subject, and particularly the ban on overspray on municipal property, and the policy with respect to spraying the moths in general. Information provided by the Township regarding spraying on personal property, can be found on our website: www.deanleabeach.ca.

#### Short Term Rentals

FoTTSA carried out an anonymous survey on short term rentals (STR) via email submissions to The Tiny Cottager/FoTTSA Flash opt-in email list. There was an overwhelming response and FoTTSA has developed a suggested "Guide for Guests", which is available on their "Tiny Cottager" website at www.tiinycottager.ca. The Township is also working on a policy to address short term rentals. More information to follow.

#### **Better Internet Access**

Simcoe County is set to receive \$41 million from the Ontario Government to support six (6) fibre-to-the-home projects across the County; and BELL Canada (www.bell.ca) was awarded approximately \$32 million to support three fibre-to-the-home projects. Also, the Tiny Township Council has established an ad hoc Broadband Committee to ensure broadband internet is available to all constituents.

For more information on any of the above items, please go to: www.tinycottager.ca or the Deanlea Beach website at: www.deanleabeach.ca.

#### **DBA MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Thank you for your overwhelming response to our first notice regarding payment of your membership fee for 2021. The DBA Board members will continue to communicate the importance of paying your membership fee to ensure we maintain collective ownership of our private waterfront! Membership fees are \$50 for the year. If

you have not paid your 2021 fee, here is a list of 4 options for payment. Please make cheques payable to 'Deanlea Beach Association'.  Drop off: NEW LOCATION Lakeside Drive (or to any member of the DBA Board)
Mail cheque to:
Deanlea Beach Association
P.O. Box 1231, Perkinsfield PO, ON
LOL 2J0.
Interac email transfer (e-transfer):
Please send payment to:
treasurer@deanleabeach.ca
Security Question: best day on the beach?
Answer: funday (all lower-case)

4. PayPal: Visit the Deanlea Beach Association on the web at: www.deanleabeach.ca and click on the "Pay My Dues Online Here" (add \$1.50 for PayPal fees).

Please Note: DBA members have access to private waterfront after they pay their membership fee (please see Tiny Registered Plans #793, #1481, and #M76), and are responsible for the associated fees and management each year of said private property.

## **DBA CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

President

Connie Wheeler Peter Rossborough Lorrie Locke Petra Wolfbeiss Claudio Renini John Gordon Anna Dragert Douglas Cruickshank Derrick Breau

Vice President Treasurer Secretary Communications Director Director Director Director

# **2021 DATES TO REMEMBER**

DBA Annual General Meeting - Sat. June 26 - 10am - 12pm Deanlea Beach Community Day - Sat. May 29 - 9:30am

# EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST AND OTHER RESOURCES

A list of emergency contacts and other resources has been compiled by the Board. A short list will be added to the Friendly Reminders, and you can find a longer list with additional information on the DBA website at: www.deanleabeach.ca.

#### **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 PO BOX 1231, Perkinsfield PO 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):

Help us save costs and trees by consenting to have DBA e-mail our newsletters and Association News and Alerts by giving us your consent in writing by email.