

Lake Barron Citizen's Association  
**2010 SPRING NEWSLETTER**

Editors: Dick Murry, Leslie Evans

## **AGM SET FOR JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

The 2010 LBCA Annual General Meeting (AGM) is set for:

**Saturday, July 3, 2010**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Church Hall  
Lakefield, QC**

This is a very important event for our association and your chance, not only be updated on issues critical to our lake, but to also have your voice heard.

### **GORE MAYOR SCOTT PEARCE TO JOIN US**

In addition, we are again pleased to have Mayor Scott Pearce joining us to provide an update on what is happening in Gore. Also, in 2009, the mayors of Quebec elected Scott to represent our province on the Board of Directors of the *Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)*. The *FCM* was founded in 1901 and represents more than 90% of all Canadian municipalities. It is likely that Gore is one of the smallest municipalities to have a member on the *FCM* Board of Directors.



Scott is also on three key FCM committees which are; *Environmental Issues and Sustainable; Development; Rural Forum* and *International Relations*. He will provide details on the recent, May FCM Board Meeting – including issues which will impact on those of us living in Gore. Scott's participation alone makes it worthwhile to join us on at the meeting. See you on the 3rd.

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### **BOATING SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S JOB**

As we enter another season enjoying water activities on Lake Barron, everyone is reminded that safe boating is critical. In addition to having the mandatory equipment on your boat there are several other things that are also very important. First, don't forget to get your license – it's now a fineable offense if caught without one.



Additionally, as reminded every year, boating around our lake is in a counterclockwise direction. This will help ensure that boaters will not end up "running into" their neighbours on the water in an "un-neighbourly" manner. (cont...)

It is the law that, in a boat towing a person (or persons) on any sort of device, it is mandatory that there be a minimum of two people in the boat – one to drive it and one as a spotter. Too often, every year, there are boats towing someone with only one person in the boat, driving and looking back over their shoulder at the person (or persons) – this is not only highly dangerous but illegal.

Finally, as in past years, we will have an unannounced visit by the SQ. on the lake. So, not only practice boating safely for safety's sake, but also to avoid an unwanted ticket – and keep that license handy!

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### REGATTA ON “LIFE SUPPORT”

This year's Regatta is urgently in need of volunteers, particularly someone to act as the overall coordinator. The lack of volunteers has jeopardized its existence in the past and, unfortunately, the 2010 version is no exception.

As everyone knows, this very popular Lake Barron event is a great opportunity to, not only, see your friends and neighbors, but to participate in a wide variety of fun water activities.



However, should there not be someone willing to head up the Regatta Committee by the July 3<sup>rd</sup> AGM, it will be President Jeff Patterson's sad duty at the meeting to announce its cancellation for this year.

Hence, if you are willing to volunteer for the coordination job, you can contact Jeff at: [jeff@dmilne.com](mailto:jeff@dmilne.com), or Jacquie Ogilvy; who has headed the Regatta for the last two years. Jacquie can be reached at her email: [buttrflyz\\_blue@hotmail.com](mailto:buttrflyz_blue@hotmail.com). She can then provide you with the details of what is involved.

Indeed, many helping hands truly make this event happen. If you can help in any way, before and during the Regatta, give Jacquie a shout. She can fill you in on what other activities need volunteer assistance. Also, if the Regatta is a “go” by the AGM, you can sign up on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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### TIME TO PAY YOUR 2010 DUES

A blank cheque form with the amount 2400 written in the top right corner. The form includes fields for 'PAY TO THE ORDER OF', 'DOLLARS', and 'FOR'. At the bottom, there is a MICR line: ⑆ 22405278⑆ 6724304068⑈ 2400⑈.

Your LBCA dues are a very small investment to help ensure that our lake remains a safe and enjoyable place. Simply complete the enclosed form and mail it back with your cheque, or give them to your Zone Director. A list of Zone Directors can be found on the LBCA website.

## IT'S YOUR WEBSITE: USE IT!

The LBCA website is destined to become the primary communication tool of our association. However, it cannot fulfill that mandate without your support. You are now viewing the, much more colorful, version of this newsletter. We had "snail mailed" this in black and white to keep our printing costs down. But, by signing up for the electronic, email version we can further reduce our costs -- a much "greener" idea for all of us!



In addition to this newsletter our site contains; links to other relevant sites, an updated *Membership Directory*, pictures of lake events and scenes around our lake, and other relevant association documents. The site can be found at:

[www.lbca.ca](http://www.lbca.ca)

User Name: lbca

Password: lbca

Dave Anderson has done an excellent job designing, and maintaining, the website, and you are missing a lot if you don't use it. So, if you are not already receiving the newsletter in your email box, just drop Dave a note and it will be emailed to you on a regular basis.

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## FISHING TOURNAMENT DETAILS ON THE WAY

Again this year the kids will enjoy the opportunity to show off their skills at the *2010 Fishing Tournament*. Plans are that everyone meets at Bartlett Beach to sign up, get the rules, and then head out on the lake. After a few hours of fishing it's back to the beach to do the "count," receive prizes, and have some eats.



Full detail will be on the LBCA Website shortly – see above article – another excellent reason to continually visit here!

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Editor's Note: It is fun being back editing the LBCA Newsletter. I truly feel that strong communications are the foundation of a strong organization. Hence, I am also an unabashed supporter of the LBCA Website. Also, the assistance of Leslie Evans has been invaluable.

As an aside, the French version of the newsletter was done by a first class, professional translator with whom I have worked with for years; Robert Villemare, who can be contacted at: [rvilmr@videotron.ca](mailto:rvilmr@videotron.ca).

So to all, have a fun and safe summer!

- *Dick Murry*

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L'association des riverains du lac Barron**

Name/Nom: \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Address:  
adresse au lac: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. Lake/lac (450) \_\_\_\_\_

City/ville \_\_\_\_\_

2010 Membership Dues: \$30 Payable to *LBCA*  
Frais de cotisation 2010: 30\$ payable à *ARLB*

Cheque Enclosed  
Payment remettre

Would you be interested in receiving newsletters and lake information by email?  
Est-ce que vous êtes intéressés à recevoir les bulletin et l'information du lac par courriel?

Yes/Oui merci

Email address/  
adresse de courriel \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

No/Non merci

Please return this to: Leslie Evans, Memberships/Info Membres  
S.V.P. remettre a: 29 Parkdale, Pointe Claire,  
Quebec, H9R 3Y4

**THANK YOU!  
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