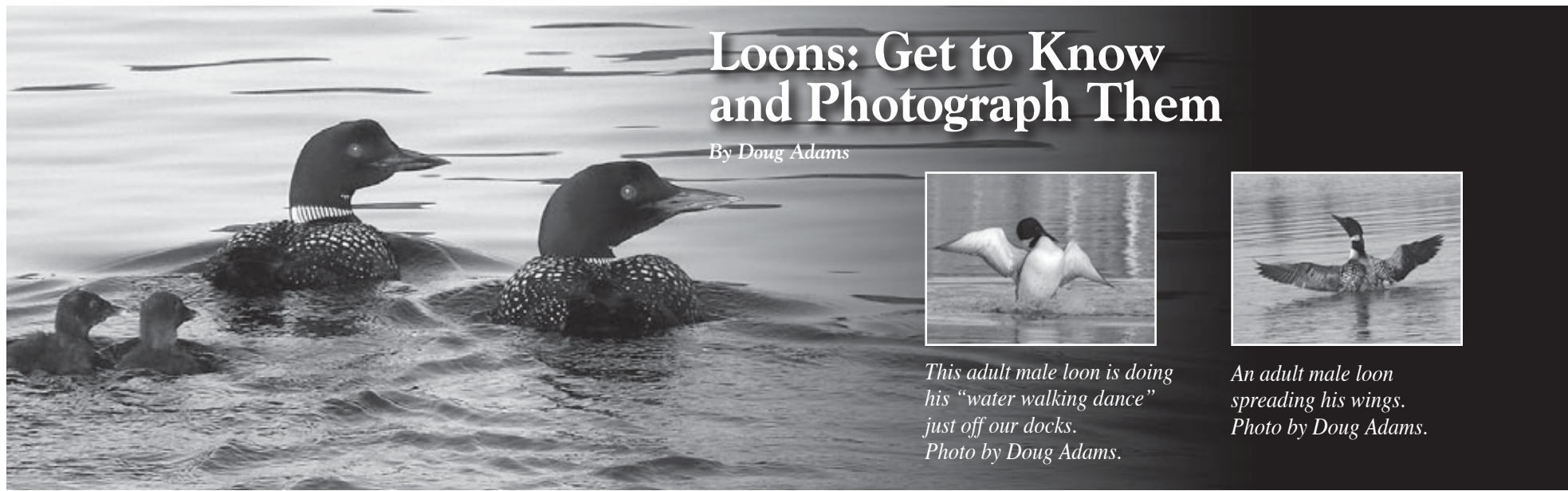


# Loons: Get to Know and Photograph Them

By Doug Adams



*This adult male loon is doing his "water walking dance" just off our docks.  
Photo by Doug Adams.*



*An adult male loon spreading his wings.  
Photo by Doug Adams.*

It doesn't take long. It's usually only about two or three days after the ice goes off the lake and the loons are back in Temagami. Somehow they know. They will stay all summer and into the fall until just before the ice comes in. When you see the loons leave, you know that easily within a week there will be ice on the lake.

The Latin term for the Great Northern Loon is "Gavia immer", but it is also known as the Common Loon and they are definitely common to Temagami. We love to see them return year after year.

Loons are very territorial; you will never see two loon nests close

to each other. There will generally be only one pair of loons per bay on a large lake. It would need to be a fairly big lake, or a have a set of narrows, to get more than one pair of loons on the same lake. They don't like seeing each other.

I have heard that loons mate for life; and that they always lay two eggs. By the end of June you will see them with the chicks. You will definitely hear them too. They have several different calls and they can get very loud sometimes. At night, the loon's call sounds like they are warbling – like one is telling the other about something.

Loons actually seem to fly underwater and they can turn on a dime chasing fish. It is amazing how tight of a circle they can turn underwater. They have huge webbed feet and are great swimmers and divers, but

cannot walk well on land – they have difficulty because their front end is so heavy, so they tend to nest very close to shore. They are solid birds, very heavy for their size.

Loons are beautiful looking birds and people love to get the chance to photograph them. Whether they are strutting their stuff in a show of superiority, giving the chicks a ride on their back, or just taking it easy, they make a great picture. I find the key to photographing loons is to take lots of pictures. It also helps to stay quiet, so minimize movement such as pointing fingers or moving arms around.

Ideally, try not to have a lot of people or any dogs in the boat. You are generally able to get closer in a low boat, for example a Naden, since loons tend to be very wary of larger boats sitting high out of the water. They get familiar with things though, and are fairly tame around humans if they know you, but on back lakes that don't get much traffic, these birds will be very wary.

In our bay, they are used to us, so I have been able to get quite close. You can get to recognize them as individuals too, since the pattern of that white band around their neck is unique to each loon, like a fingerprint.

Any time of day is good for photographing loons, but make sure the sun is behind you, unless you want a special effect like a silhouette in the sunset. Take the time to



*This female loon proudly brings her new family to show everyone.  
Photo by Doug Adams.*

compose the photo in your viewfinder if you want a good shot. Keep in mind that positioning the horizon in the top third of the shot suggests closeness and in bottom third suggests distance. I usually suggest trying to capture the bird moving toward the center of the picture.

Try to get your photos in the early summer, since in late summer they moult – the head feathers change color from the beauti-

ful black to a dirty brown. A loon in the fall is not a very attractive bird.

Go ahead and photograph them, but remember to respect them and don't get too close.

*(For more of my loon photos, see my website at [www.northland-paradise.com/wildlife.html](http://www.northland-paradise.com/wildlife.html))*



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# MUNICIPAL UPDATE

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## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT MASTER PLAN

When AECOM presented the revised Solid Waste Management Master Plan to Council in May, it included significant changes to the original recommendations in the draft report. The changes take into consideration public input made through comments at the public meeting in March, written letters and electronic submissions. Council received the Plan as a guide to Council and staff on waste management initiatives over the next 20 years.

There were 14 recommendations included in the final report. Those regarding the two waste transfer stations were addressed by Council at the May 17<sup>th</sup> regular council meeting, since these were urgent. The remaining recommendations, largely related to the Municipality's three waste disposal sites, will be considered by Council for adoption on an individual basis.

The urgency to deal with the transfer stations is due to the fact that the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) has informed the Municipality recently and repeatedly that the volume and types of material deposited at these sites has not been in conformance with our Certificate of Approvals.

Council adopted the revised recommendation to close the waterfront transfer station beside the Welcome Centre, rather than relocate it and restrict access.

### PLEASE NOTE that this transfer station will be CLOSED as of June 25, 2012.

The original proposal to gate and restrict hours for the transfer station (wagons) at the Lake Temagami Access Point was modified following further discussion with the MOE. The area will not be fenced, but an attendant will supervise the disposal of waste for 40 hrs per week during the summer months, when the usage is the heaviest. The Municipality is asking user groups to collectively propose a schedule for those hours. Volunteers from user groups will be asked to oversee the waste disposal in the off season for a few hours a week.

Besides enforcement, the attendant will provide public education on appropriate disposal of waste and recyclables. The Municipality is asking for the cooperation of all lake residents and visitors who use this transfer station to conform to correct usage of this waste disposal

site without it being fenced and locked. Please keep in mind that this is an interim approach to see if it will fix the problem. Without your cooperation, if the violations continue, the Municipality will be forced by MOE to take stronger measures.

In addition, the Municipality has improved the garbage docks at the Lake Temagami Access Point and will also be adding a new bin for cardboard recyclables. Construction waste will no longer be accepted at the transfer station and must be taken to the Landfill Site. Tipping Fees for construction waste will also be reinstated in the near future.

## NEW PLANNER

The Municipality welcomes Wayne Koethe to fill the position of Municipal Planner. Wayne was able to quickly put his combination of planning education and work experience to use in Temagami, as he stepped into some weighty planning matters.



These include working with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to facilitate their decision on the Official Plan Amendment resulting from the 5-year Review; the accompanying revisions to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law; a significant Plan of Sub-division application by Temagami Bays Estates, and a cost-benefit analysis of the Lot Creation and Development Plan Study on warm water lakes.

In addition to these larger matters, Wayne will be dealing with property owners on day-to-day planning issues such as Consents, Minor Variances, and Site Plan Control Agreements.

## PUBLIC MEETING RE TEMAGAMI BAYS

A Public Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm to hear public input with regard to an application for a Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment for Temagami Bays Estates Development Corporation.

The original applications were submitted in 2006, with the proposed development being for a 53-lot subdivision on their property on Kanichee Mine Road. However, some studies were required and also several changes were

needed to meet both the requirements of the Province and of the Municipality. The developer has now submitted a revised proposal to the Municipality for a total of 23 lots.

Council has determined that due to the changes made and time elapsed, another Statutory Public Meeting should be held under the requirements of the Planning Act. Following that meeting, a final staff Planning Report will be prepared, taking into consideration matters raised through the public consultation process. Upon receipt of the final report, Council will then consider draft conditions of approval.

A pre-meeting planning report on this application is currently available at [www.temagami.ca/planning-notices](http://www.temagami.ca/planning-notices), and a full package on these applications is available for viewing at the municipal office during regular business hours.

## OFFICIAL PLAN/ZONING BY-LAW UPDATE

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) has reviewed Temagami's Official Plan amendments that were adopted by Council last fall and submitted to the Ministry for approval. In March, MMAH sent proposed modifications to the Municipality and met with Council on April 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss them.

Council has concurred with the revisions that were minor in nature and which refined wording without changing the scope of the Plan. Council also agreed with the Ministry's recommendation to expand the "built boundary" in the urban area to show a "settlement area boundary" that includes areas of possible expansion within the urban area, but disagreed with including the potential for more than very limited development on private roads. Council also proposed alternate wording with regard to the potential for crown land disposition within the Municipality.

The resolutions of Council on these matters have been forwarded to MMAH and we anticipate being informed of their decision in the near future. Once their decision is made on the revisions to the Plan, the Ministry will send us a Notice of Decision, which we will post for public viewing. You may also have MMAH notify you directly of their decision by sending a written request to the Ministry.



## 2012 BUDGET

Council passed By-law 12-1063 on May 17<sup>th</sup> to adopt the Municipal Operating and Capital Budget for 2012. The by-law sets the municipal residential tax rate at 0.00714152, which is down from the 2011 rate of 0.00763618. With the assessment increases, the dollars raised through taxes are up 3.9% from last year, which is less than the decrease of 4.1% last year. Over the two years the net change in total taxes budgeted is a decrease of 0.2%. Those properties on municipal water and sewer and those with garbage pick-up will see a small increase in user fees on this year's bill.

Council does realize that due to disproportionate increases in MPAC assessments, the impact of the budget will affect properties differently. Those who saw a substantial increase in their current value assessment, will again see an increase in their property taxes this year. Council has attempted to mitigate this as much as possible through controlling costs. Since 2012 is the last year in the current 4-year assessment cycle, we are hopeful that the next cycle will not bring such drastic increases, but rather level off.

The Budget By-law and budget details can be found on the website at [www.temagami.ca](http://www.temagami.ca) under 2012 Bylaws, or please visit the municipal office to view a paper copy.

In addition, the 2011 audited financial statements are now available on the municipal website or a paper copy may be obtained from the municipal office during regular business hours at no charge.

## MAYOR FIGHTS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL

Despite the refusal of the District School Board Ontario North East (DSBONE) to hear a delegation from Mayor Hodgson at the May 22, 2012 Board meeting, they will certainly be hearing more from Temagami and from other municipalities in this district who are experiencing similar treatment of their local schools. Mayor Hodgson made a presentation to the school board on May 8<sup>th</sup>, but to no avail. At that meeting they gave notice of motion for the May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting to move grades 7 and 8 out of Temagami Public School this September.

That means that these students will be put on the bus for a daily 140 kilometre round trip to New Liskeard Public School. Additionally, Council is certain that this will set the stage for the closure of the school in the near future, due to "lack of enrolment".

Annoyed that the School Board is making these important decisions without any form of consultation with parents and municipal leaders, and contrary to professional protocol, the Mayor has sent letters directly to the provincial Minister of Education. Municipalities are required by the province to collect school taxes on property tax bills, at a set rate of the assessed value.

Temagami pays DSBONE about one million dollars annually regardless of the number of students we have in the school, or even if we have a local school. Council is adamant that keeping our local elementary school open is something that is definitely worth fighting for.

## CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

We invite you to come and celebrate Canada Day with the Municipality. Please join us on the July 1<sup>st</sup> weekend for fun activities for all. More details will be posted on our website and in flyers closer to the date.



## MARTEN RIVER ACTIVITIES

As usual, the community of Marten River will be a busy place this summer, but never too busy to share some fun with friends and visitors. The Marten River Volunteer Firefighters Association (MRVFA) will be hosting their three customary events this year and invite all to join them.

On Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> there will be an "All You Can Eat" pancakes and more breakfast from 8-11am. The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children aged 5-12. Children under 5 eat for free.

On Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, MRVFA will host the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Pork Barbecue, which will be served from 5-7pm. The cost for this sumptuous meal is \$12.00 for adults & \$6.00 for children aged 5-12.

Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup> is the Community Yard And Bake Sale from 7:30am -12:30pm. To rent a table (\$20.00) please call Chief Elliott at 892-2340, or you may sell your items from the trunk of your car/truck for free. The fire department would also appreciate donations of gently used items to sell. These can be dropped off on August 4<sup>th</sup> from 8am to noon.

And don't forget Logging Days at the Marten River Provincial Park on July 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. Step back in time for demonstrations of old fashioned logging techniques and fun activities. Contact Marten River Provincial Park for more details.

## FIRE SEASON CAUTION

The early hot, dry weather this year sparked a number of forest fires in the region. By mid-May the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) had designated the area as a Restricted Fire Zone (RFZ) and had caused the green and orange notices to be posed throughout the community.

During a RFZ no open fires, including campfires, are permitted (although portable gas or propane stoves are allowed if at least 1 metre from any flammable materials and you use extreme caution). During the accompanying municipal "fire ban", all municipally issued burning permits are suspended.

At the time of writing of this update, both the RFZ and fire ban are still in place. We anticipate that these restrictions will continue to be effective until sufficient rainfall has occurred to

reduce the fire hazard rating. In the meantime, please exercise extreme caution with any kind of flame, including your barbeque.

Information on fire restrictions are posted on the main page of our website at [www.temagami.ca](http://www.temagami.ca) and included in Public Notices. If you are unsure if a fire restriction is still in place, please check the website, or contact the Municipal Office. Let us all be vigilant and help protect the beautiful forests around us from the damage of forest fires.

## ONTARIO NORTHLAND DIVESTITURE

As part of the 2012 provincial budget cuts, the Province has decided to wind down the Ontario Northland Transportation Commission (ONTC). When the announcement was made in March 2012, a transition board had already been appointed to implement this decision.

The province stated in March that there would be no immediate changes for ONTC services or employees. To date we have not been given any further details about timing, but we have been advised that there will be no Dreamcatcher excursions this fall. This will have an impact on local businesses. At some point ONTC will also be replacing the regular passenger train service with bus service.

Ontera, the communications division of ONTC, is the provider of telephone and internet service in Temagami. Ontera is included in the plans for divestiture, with the intention to sell the assets to another provider, so we can anticipate changes to these services in the future, but at this time it is uncertain what those changes will be. There may also be a potential for local job losses for ONTC and Ontera employees, but we do not know to what extent.

Despite objections from Temagami and other affected northern Municipalities and ONTC employees, there is no indication that the province will reconsider this move.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

It is good to see new businesses opening in Temagami. Our municipal Economic Development Officer is pleased to provide information that will assist new business owners with starting a business or help existing businesses to grow. The Economic Development Office also maintains a list of business and commercial properties for sale or lease in Temagami.

We also recognize that sometimes a small business must close or move away for personal reasons. So if you are thinking of selling or leasing your business, we encourage you to forward your information the Economic Development Office to promote the business opportunity.

Please contact John Santarossa, Economic Development Officer at [EDO@temagami.ca](mailto:EDO@temagami.ca) or by phone at 705-569-3421 ext 207.

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# A New Business is Flowering on Lake Temagami



**Spring is here!** The planting season has begun and this is the perfect time to tell you about a new business on the lake. You may already know entrepreneur Reina Leudke as “Barret’s wife” or as “Aedyn’s mom”, but now it’s time to get to know her as the owner of the newest business to open on Lake Temagami: Blooms ‘N Loons. Reina would like to invite you to visit Island 212-44 to see what this business has to offer.

Reina says that she loves looking around her deck or through a window and seeing the vibrant colours of beautiful blooms and the hummingbirds and butterflies they attract. Her goal is to make it easier for everyone to enjoy these sights of summer, no matter when you arrive, plant or leave.

For those of you either arriving late or are later in getting started, she offers a Pre-selection and ordering service. You can choose what you would like through e-mailed pictures and she will maintain it for you until you arrive to ensure you don’t miss out. For those that come and go she offers “Blooms Babysitting”. Drop off your baskets and planters to be watered, deadheaded and fertilized until you return. Blooms also offers a Custom Container service. This service can be onsite, or you can drop off your favorite planter to be custom grown for your arrival in the spring.

On Sunday afternoons, Reina will be hosting “Planter Planting Parties”, an afternoon of flowers, soil, music and refreshments. She can offer guidance for creating beautiful planters or you can simply enjoy a pleasant afternoon out. Call 705.237.8777 for upcoming dates and further details.

What better way to welcome your special guests, or let someone know how appreciated they really are than with locally grown fresh cut flowers. Blooms and Loons’ cutting gardens have everything from hydrangeas and smoke bush to lilies and dahlias. A bouquet can be purchased for your own vase, or you can purchase an arrangement in a new or re-loved vase to be used again.

Reina also points out that the business is environmentally friendly: “I want everyone to enjoy beautiful blooms, but I don’t think our environment should pay for it” she says. “I have taken care in selecting growers that do not use chemicals in their growing process, have reduced their use of plastics and will re-use the undamaged plastics they

do use. I encourage my customers to please return their plastic containers to me. I also only use 100% organic fertilizers. These fertilizers will be available for purchase, as will regular and organic bagged soils”

As summer heats up and the planting season finishes, the focus will move inside to the solarium. Why you ask? Reina feels that there is a lot of great local artistic talent and she would love to help give these artists the exposure they deserve. If you are one of these artists, you are encouraged to contact her.

She will also be proudly serving organic fair trade coffees and teas, locally roasted in Sudbury. Whether you would like a bag of beans to take home or a fresh cup while you’re browsing, Reina is sure this local brew will help you appreciate your Temagami morning even more.

Blooms and Loons’ days of operation will be Wednesday to Monday from the May long weekend through to the end of September. Starting June 30th through to Labour Day weekend on Saturday mornings you will be able to find this energetic entrepreneur at the Temagami Community Market starting at 9 am.

Please note that at this time Blooms N Loons can only accept payment in cash or cheque. Gift certificates are available.

Blooms ‘N Loons can be found on line at [www.BloomsNLoons.ca](http://www.BloomsNLoons.ca). You can even keep up with current products, see pictures and find dates for upcoming events on Facebook under Blooms N Loons. For delivery and all other inquiries please e-mail [reina@bloomsnloons.ca](mailto:reina@bloomsnloons.ca) or call 705.237.8777.

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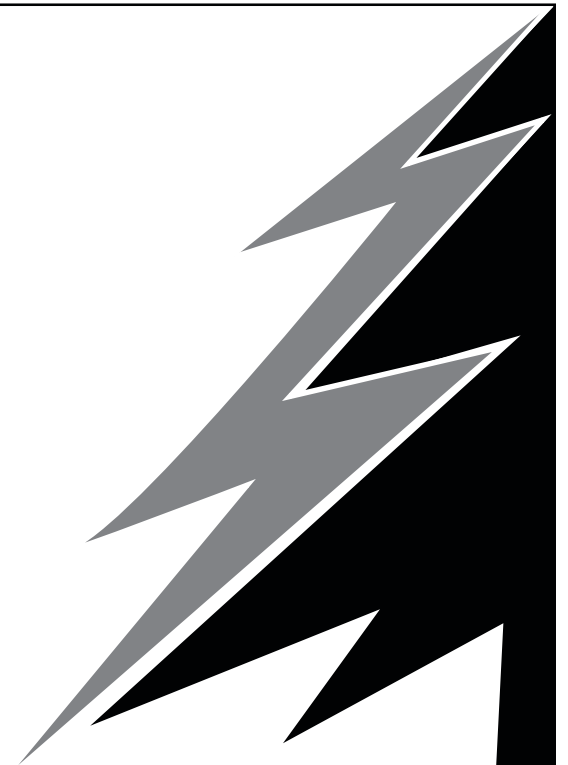
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Upon successful completion of the Check, a decal will be issued, which should be displayed on the vessel. Some boaters worry that they will not successfully complete the Check. You should not

be concerned about this. The volunteer will offer suggestions that can assist you in remedying any deficiencies.

The information obtained during a Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check will not be forwarded to any enforcement agency and is protected by the Privacy Act. A Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check is not mandatory or required by law.

*Pleasure Craft Courtesy Checks are available from: Angus Scully, Island 1087 and at TLA events.*

## Temagami Lions Club Hospitals Fundraiser Update

As the thermometers outside our windows continue to rise this spring, so will the Lions Fundraising thermometer to keep track of Temagami's generosity. As detailed in the Winter edition of the Temagami Times, the Temagami Lions Club is currently fundraising for the two area hospitals – in North Bay and New Liskeard.

As this is being written they are "to date" +/- \$17000.00 towards the \$50,000 goal, with some pledges still outstanding. Donations in any amount are appreciated and tax receipts will be issued for any amount of \$25.00 or over. The donors list below was provided as of the end of April. Many thanks to those who have donated so far, and to those who will donate to this worth cause.

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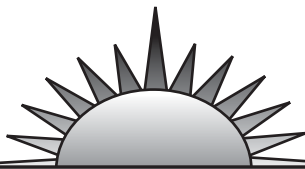
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## The Temagami Artistic Collective: Bringing Music to Your Ears

By Vicki Blake



The Temagami Artistic Collective (TAC), a not-for-profit group that was formed in 2004, has been instrumental in developing a music scene in Temagami. Along with providing wonderful entertainment, TAC's mission is to provide opportunities to develop and mentor local musical talents.

There have been a number of great concerts featuring a variety of music including country, folk, and bluegrass. By applying for grants, TAC has been able to bring some well-established musicians to perform in Temagami including George Leach, Shane Yellowbird, April Verch and Jory Nash, to name a few. The Temagami Artistic Collective has had a positive impact on the community of Temagami and would like to acknowledge support from the Municipality of Temagami.

Through a grant from the Ontario Arts Council, the TAC is pleased to present Juno award winning "The Good Lovelies" in concert at the Temagami Welcome Centre Theatre on July 5, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The Good Lovelies are a nationally established, upbeat trio that plays folk and traditional music with banjo, mandolin and guitar. These musicians have a rich, three-part harmony, and their



*Temagami Artistic Collective Members (left to right): David Laronde, Vicki Blake, Caryn Coleman, Carolyn Laronde, and Marvyn Morrison. Photo by: Jenna Sanderson*

light-hearted song writing and irresistibly buoyant dispositions have made them the darlings of the summer festival circuit. If you would like to have a preview, their website is [www.goodlovelies.com](http://www.goodlovelies.com)

The Kwe-Wag Drum Group (Deep Water Women) from Bear Island will open the show with traditional drumming and a welcome song; it promises to be a great evening of music. For further information or tickets (\$20 each), please contact Carolyn or David Lar-

onde at 705-569-2904 or email [meegwich@ontera.net](mailto:meegwich@ontera.net).

TAC is also very pleased to announce that Micah Barnes will be returning to Temagami this coming August. Micah is an acclaimed Vocal, Career and Performance Coach who toured as a member of The Nylons from 1989 to 1993. Canadian and U.S. Film, TV and Recording Industries seek him to develop artists and improve vocal talents.

If you are an aspiring musician or simply want to sound better in the shower, you are encouraged to take part in this fun-filled one-day workshop at Smoothwater Lodge on August 15th from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Micah will also be performing at the Welcome Centre on August 16th at 7:30 p.m. along with workshop participants that wish to apply what they've learned, in a concert setting. This concert received wonderful reviews when it was first introduced two years ago.

*The cost of the workshop with lunch is \$65 and concert tickets are \$15 (free for performing workshop participants).*

*For more information, concert tickets or to register for the workshop, please contact Vicki Blake at 705-569-2749 or by email [vickyb008@ontera.net](mailto:vickyb008@ontera.net).*

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## TEMAGAMI PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS



By Shelley Rowland

It has been a long winter and I'm sure that, like me, many are looking forward to the warm weather and to seeing our summer friends. Please be sure to drop by the library, we'd love to see you!

We hope that many of you have been accessing the library's website [www.temagami.library.on.ca](http://www.temagami.library.on.ca) and have utilized some of the many features we have. Sue Maurer has continued to add new photos to our on-line Archive. There is still a lot of work to be done and we are hopeful we can find additional funding.

The on-line databases provided by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (OLS-N and SOLS) offers a large and varied selection for all ages including downloadable books (e-books and audio). To access these databases you need your library card number that includes the library identifier. Call the library (705 569-2945) if you are unsure of your number. Funding for these databases has been provided until the end of the year.

Temagami Public Library's databases are Mango Languages (38 languages) and Hobbies and Crafts. Both are excellent resources and can be accessed through our website.

### BOOK REVIEW

I just finished reading the national best seller, *Cascadia's Fault: The Deadliest Earthquake That Will Devastate North America* by Jerry Thompson. I found it to be very informative, fascinating and worrisome. After reading the book I did some quick research about earthquakes in Northern Ontario. On the Natural Resource Canada website ([www.nrcan.gc.ca](http://www.nrcan.gc.ca)), I learned that in Northern Ontario we have a very low level of seismic activity. From 1970 to 1999 on average, only 1 or 2 magnitude 2.5 or greater earthquakes were recorded for this area. However, a magnitude 5 earthquake occurred in 1928 northwest of Kapuskasing and in 1935 the area of Temiscaming was shaken by a 6.2 magnitude earthquake. To me these last two numbers are not low.

Now in addition to fears of such emergencies as forest fires, flooding and severe winter storms one could add earthquakes. Are we prepared for such an event? In the book, *Cascadia's Fault*, only the communities who were informed and regularly practiced emergency measures/procedures were the ones who had the least causality.

I was told that the Municipality of Temagami does have an emergency plan and if warnings/information were to be given to the public they will call us we are not to tie up phone lines and call the Municipality. Perhaps a public

information session that covers such possibilities would be helpful.

The following is a book description by HarperCollins Canada.

"The Cascadia Subduction Zone is a crack in the earth's crust, roughly fifty kilometres offshore, running 1,100 kilometres from northern Vancouver Island to northern California. About every 500 years this fault generates a monster earthquake. There is roughly a thirty percent chance that it could happen again within the next fifty years. Or it could happen tonight. Without a doubt, the coming quake is one day closer today than it was yesterday.

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Written by a journalist who has been following this story for twenty-five years, *Cascadia's Fault* tells the tale of this devastating future earthquake and the tsunamis it will spawn

### NEW BOOKS

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*A Thousand Farewells: A Reporters Journey from Refugee Camp to the Arab Spring/Ayed*, *Cascadia's Fault/Thompson*, *The Ripple Effect: The Fate Of Freshwater in the Twenty-First Century/Prud'homme*, *The Best Advice I Ever Got/Couric*

#### Adult Fiction

*Guilty Wives/Patterson*, *Loving/Kingsbury*, *What Doesn't Kill You/Johansen*, *Angel of Dark/Sheldon*, *Triggers/Sawyer*, *Come Home/Scottoline*, *The Innocent/Baldacci*

#### Large Print

*Betrayal/Steel*, *Capitol Murder/Margolin*

#### Young Adult

*The Green Man/Bedard*, *Between Shades of Gray/Sepetys*,

#### Junior Non-Fiction

*Earth-Friendly Buildings, Bridges and More/Kaner*, *Faith: Five Religions and What They Share/Steckel*, *Technology: How today's technology really works/Gifford*.

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## Bleach Bottles and Floating Cans:

*What you should know about private buoys and hazard markers*

By Angus Scully  
Chair, Marine  
Committee



The red and green channel markers maintained by the Town of Temagami safely guide us around the Lake. Combined with a shoal map, they should keep most boaters away from shoals and other hazards, and save us a lot of money for engine repairs.

Private buoys, such as the common "No Wake" Buoys, are legal, as are bottles used to mark hazards. Any person may place a private buoy that meets Transport Canada regulations. No permit is needed. For further information, go to the Transport Canada web site at [www.tc.gc.ca/acts-regulations/](http://www.tc.gc.ca/acts-regulations/) for the Canada Shipping Act 2001, Private Buoy Regulations SOR/99-335.

A booklet containing the regulations and information about how to build your own private buoys is also available - "An Owner's Guide to Private Aids to Navigation," available from the Navigable Waters Protection Branch of Transport Canada at 519 383 1826.

I asked Kelly Thomson of the Navigable Waters Protection Branch (NWPB) about the commonly used white bleach bottle. She said that NWPB prefers people use a yellow plastic bottle or empty sealed pail that meets the regulation size of 15.25 cm wide by 30.5 cm high (5 inches x 12 inches). White should be reserved to mark swimming areas.

If you are concerned about the location of a private buoy placed by someone else, speak to them, as we are all concerned about safety and the marking of shoals and other hazards.

If you cannot reach a resolution of your concerns, Kelly Thomson said that any complaints about private buoys should be made to the Parry Sound office of the Navigable Waters Protection Branch at 705 774 9095.



Temagami & District Chamber of Commerce President Marilyn MacLeod (left) joined Temagami Economic Development Officer John Santarossa (right) to promote Temagami at the 2012 Toronto Sportsmen's Show held March 14 to 18th at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Temagami received excellent exposure at this show as well as at the Outdoor Adventure Show held in February. The South Temiskaming Community Futures Development Corporation (STCFDC) provided funding for the two tourism sector trade shows.



(Left to right) Debby Burrows, Chair of Temagami EcDev Committee, John Santarossa, Temagami EDO, and Marilyn MacLeod, Chamber President, participated in the 2012 Tourism Industry Exchange held on April 18th. Temagami hosted the successful event at the Community Centre and over 60 persons attended the symposium to hear presentations on government programs, tourism trends, and to exchange information. Mayor John Hodgson opened the event with a welcome speech to the delegates.

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## I N R E M E M B R A N C E

### *Roy Weddel*

1937 to 2012

Roy's e-mail address said it all -- "islandlover.com". He passed away suddenly, but peacefully on his 'southern' island in the Bahamas where he winter vacationed with Marg, his bride of 53 years.

In 1988 Roy discovered his "northern" island in Temagami (#856). He spent the majority of his time (from the moment the ice left the lake) to well after Thanksgiving, on his beloved Lake Temagami. An avid fisherman and moose hunter, he lived the outdoor life to the fullest.

Known to many cottagers on the lake, he was often consulted when plumbing or electrical problems arose. A master of all trades,

if he couldn't help supply a part, he would 'MacGyver' something and you'd be back in business!

An avid storyteller, Roy will also be fondly remembered for his many tales of fishing, hunting, cottaging and just life in general. His 'bigger than life' personality, quick wit, and endless knowledge will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

This summer, if you pass by island #856 (known for the totem poles gracing the shoreline) please pause for a moment and appreciate all the beauty that is Lake Temagami. We know that our Roy will be doing the same thing.



### *Margaret (Bunny) Miller*

Islands 709 and 710

Bunny Miller (Margaret Charlotte MacKenzie) passed away April 27, 2012 with Husband of 52 years Don at her side.

Bunny was a lifelong resident of Temagami who gave herself unselfishly to raising money for many charities in the area. Much of her time was devoted to the Daffodil room at the Temiskaming and District Hospital, where she formed a group in making dolls known as the 'Dammit Dolls'. The dolls are given to those affected by the serious illness, which allows them to release their anger. Many people were so touched by Bunny's creation that the group has now grown to a membership of over 25 volunteer's.

Bunny also had a wonderful sense

of humor and more particularly at Halloween. Many local residents would be fooled by Bunny's costumes not knowing it was her until she revealed her identity. This was by far her favorite time of year.

While Bunny spent her early summers on Island 86 on Lake Temagami it was at Pinto (Islands 709 and 710) that many lake residents met Don and Bunny where they managed affairs for owners Graham and Carol Hall for 11 years through 2007. While working there they made countless friends on the lake and supported numerous lake activities and events. One was always welcomed at the Pinto docks with a big smile.

Bunny will be greatly missed by all whose lives she touched.



### *Joan Loving*

Island 680

One very cold boat ride in October of 1967 would initiate a family ritual of monumental significance. In everyone's life there are pivotal events, which change the course of their future. For our family it was Ed Loving's chance conversation with a childhood friend about aging parents and an island in Canada that they wanted to sell. It was typical of the many stories and hilarious adventures Jo and her beloved, Ed, would have about the lake and the fantastic chaos that is Island 680.

With three teenage daughters, and an island 700 miles away from all that they knew, not a telephone or boy for miles, it ironically turned out to be heaven for everyone. Jo always loved her boats—her father intended to make a racing boat for her to drive on the Ohio River. She passed along all of her stories and



shared how he had taught her to fish on their trips to Chesapeake Bay. Each summer held the promise of a new craft project to be tackled and a new and exciting 'toy' for the grandchildren to enjoy. She gobbled up books and puzzles (jigsaw, crossword or Sudoku, it didn't matter), cards and games by the hour.

She never missed a summer despite weddings, births, surgeries or even the golf club championship. Summer was always arranged around family time in Temagami. She reveled in the solitude with Ed, the girls and later their families and grandchildren, and always with the wonder of the wilderness.

Jo lost her battle with breast cancer in October, 2011. Lake Temagami will never be the same without her lifeguarding on the dock and holding down the fort.

## I N R E M E M B R A N C E

### *Martha Gries Davis*

March 21, 1934 - March 13, 2012

Martha Gries Davis (Marty) was the youngest daughter of Lincoln and Lillian Gries, original owners of Island 1193 in the North Arm of Lake Temagami. The lake was Marty's beloved summer retreat, beginning at age 13. Almost every year since her parents' purchase of the island in 1946, she spent countless weeks on the lake enjoying its solitude and beauty. Marty loved every aspect of Lake Temagami, from its fishing and swimming to its unlimited area for exploring nature. Even as a young girl, she quickly learned how to run the boats and navigate the lake.

Memories of Marty's earlier days on the lake have been passed along through the generations. As a teenager, Marty, along with her brother David Gries and her sister Jean Gries Homeier, planned square dances in the boathouse and water fights using the hand-pump fire extinguishers.

During her married years, while living in Pittsburgh (PA), Hartford (CT), Akron (OH), Denver (CO) and Naples (FL), Marty and her husband Joe always made time for annual trips to Temagami. Again, Marty was the adventurer. Her children remember the days when Marty gunned the canoes. There were picnics at Sandy

Inlet and trips to Ojibway for ice cream brought in by the boat, Aubrey Cosens. Early morning and late night swims, cookouts on the front porch, special times with children and grandchildren, the serenade of loons and the starry nights were among her favorite moments.

One vivid memory is when a bear unexpectedly appeared during a picnic at the lower entrance to Sharp Rock Inlet. Along with her husband Joe, Marty quickly escorted her four young children into the boat, told them to loudly sing camp songs, while she drove them away just in time. Even though the bear was likely more afraid than they were... a daring escape nonetheless!

Like Marty and Joe, all four of their children, Betsy Davis Banks, Kathy Davis Guay, Mark Davis and James Davis, continue the Temagami tradition with their own families each year. All of Marty's eight grandchildren love Temagami as much as she did. Her unending love of the lake has been passed on through the generations.

She will be lovingly remembered each summer when her children and grandchildren visit the island.



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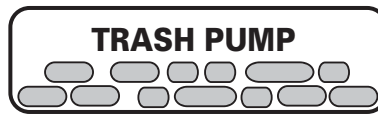
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# Magic of Temagami and Safety on Ice

By Don Fraser Is. 992

For many of us a visit to Temagami starts with the long drive North. This winter our mid-February trip went smoothly with good road conditions, although car tracks past a jack-knifed tractor-trailer was a reminder that there can be uncertainty on the route.

The Saturday weather was calm and sunny, but frosty; the Lake ice was uneven from earlier thaws. We followed the usual ploughed winter road from Manitou to Bear Island, but it was surprising to meet a sign off the south side of Bear Island rerouting traffic; see Picture 1.

The sign was seemingly for cars and heavy traffic, but there can of course be pressure cracks and other things of concern for snowmobiles, so it did seem prudent to follow the arrow and take the spur road to Bear Island. So we started up to the right towards the island. I was with Nancy on the lead snowmobile, with a small rigid hitch sleigh loaded with groceries for a week's visit; my daughter Andrea and a friend were on the second snowmobile following behind. Both machines had studs and were super secure on the ice, now glassy smooth.

I was pondering whether to go over the Island or along the shore when out of nowhere there was a sudden and large impact. I was aware of my helmet crashing the ice but no understanding of why or what or where. The snowmobile was on its left side and we were both lying on the ice trying to extract ourselves. Andrea was following slowly behind with her friend and saw it all evolving.

To her disbelief a white Ford Explorer type vehicle with

a red light flashing passed her on the right at high speed, heading on the spur road to Bear Island -- in apparent hot pursuit. But Andrea could see that the vehicle was headed straight for us; that it braked, skidded side ways, sideswiped us and then caromed off to the right to get stuck in the snow bank on the right side of the spur road as you can see in the track marks in Picture 2.

The fast moving vehicle turned out to be an Ontario Provincial Police Cruiser from the Bear Island detachment. The officer was shaken, and wanted to call paramedics, or an ambulance from North Bay, or an air ambulance from Sudbury. None of these fit my sense of how to spend winter magic time on Lake Temagami in my winter break!

We were both badly bruised and it turned out I had pelvic fractures, but bones don't heal faster in an ORNGE air ambulance. Our cabin was already warmed, and clearly the place for needed therapy for any fracture. I explained to the officer that I was going to my home just to the West of Bear Island, although he didn't recognize the local place names I mentioned; he was, it turned out, from a different reserve and didn't know the Lake.

And didn't know what rubber tires on a fast vehicle were like on glaze ice?

Of course leaving the scene of an accident is never wise, but the circumstances were far from the usual, the wind was cold, and it was clear that the wait for the OPP would be long (it turned out to be nearly 4 hours). Warmth and

healing comfort overrode the clear 'political' risks.

While the physical discomfort for the week on the Lake was quite unreal, (I wouldn't be able to stand comfortably for two months) at least we were in Temagami; I could drive the snowmobile, although not walk; the week was pleasant. There was of course the visit next day from the OPP to describe events. The snowmobile was un-damaged; although there turned out to be clear tire markings of the impact on the right side, see Picture 3. These show that the impact had lifted the snowmobile up, with the top of the tire making a nearly horizontal mark before the snowmobile fell to the left.

The magic of course was that we felt lucky to be alive, after being rear-ended and sideswiped by a heavy highway vehicle on rubber on the glaze ice road. And the driver as an OPP was already in an uncomfortable position. But clearly leaving the scene had its risks for us too – we were astonished a week later to receive a rather delicately announced call from the OPP saying that we would receive \$300 ticket for carelessness! The report stated that the police cruiser was going 5 km/h, which is hard to picture given the results of the impact. But we had acknowledged the risks of not staying at the scene.

We paid the ticket; not keen to spend a few days in court in Haileybury, but couldn't help thinking that, as one often hears about in big cities, cops have an interest in helping their own.

In spite of all, ice in the winter in Temagami is very special, and you wouldn't normally factor in a rough encounter with a highway vehicle when peacefully snowmobiling on a Saturday afternoon. With more than 80 summers and 60 winters on the lake, it will take more than that to discourage me from enjoying the magic of a winter visit!



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3



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1. Authorized BASS PRO dealer for the second season,
2. New Visitors Lounge equipped with a computer, printer, supplies, Keurig coffee machine, used book exchange cabinet, WI-FI environment; all for your enjoyment,
3. Temagami Marine recycles both its used oil AND filters through an authorized recycler,
4. We are expecting confirmation by press time that all our lighting fixtures will be replaced thus lowering our energy footprint- the payback is predicted to be a short as 2 years,
5. The new TOP SHOP is now ready to take care of your enclosure needs,
6. Floors in the main show room, parts & accessories area as well as in the main service shop have all been resurfaced with a new Enviro Epoxy paint which is non toxic and emits no fumes. Temagami Marine is now the approved retailer for this product in Temagami. Come by to see the results!
7. We have joined forces with Crown- one of ONLY four battery manufacturers in North America ( Johnson Controls, East Penn, Exide are the other three ). These four manufacturers make ALL the batteries for every other seller of batteries including Wal Mart, Sears, Canadian Tire, Interstate, Mercury, etc. Crown has a direct relationship with a foundry and is actively seeking old batteries. As such Temagami Marine is now a recycling center for lead acid batteries. We all have old batteries at the cottage. Bring these in ( as long as they are car or boat batteries ) and we will take them at no charge to you. Temagami Marine wants to be a leader in this important recycling area as well.
8. Management has spent 18 months researching and negotiating a new business model for boat sales. Indeed I have signed a deal with Legend Boats that is THE pilot program in ALL of Canada. Our showrooms will be full of various floor models from utilities, side consoles, dual windshields and pontoons for you to peruse. Once you have selected the proper model we will log onto our dealer site and pick the right options ( including power ) that you wish- nothing more, nothing less! The objective is to have your new water craft available within two weeks. Similarly I have formalized agreements with other dealers for Lund, Glastron, Yamaha Sport boats, Stanley and others. We will be able to supply you with the boats and motors you want through these various agreements.

## CHAPTER 5

*The ice is gone and the 2012 boating season is here! Welcome to Temagami. For the first timers you will find the beauty inspiring. For all the people returning we look forward to seeing you again. Thank you to all who have sent us notes from all parts of the world with respect to our progress at Temagami Marine and Temagami Boat Manufacturing (Naden boats). It is appreciated. The energy level is positively contagious and it is due to the team's renewed sense of purpose; to give you the attention and service you deserve!*

### Here are some of the highlights that will permit us to achieve that goal;

- Evolution to a three (3) person team in the parts, accessories and service area. Des continues to lead the P & A department including the BASS PRO section of the store. Bernie and Phil have returned from service writers' training in Edmonton and the ideas gleaned from the course are shaping that department.
- Marty and Barry are seasoned veterans that complete the technical parts of rendering great service. Barry taught a small engine course again this winter at Northern College. They both helped us set up the manufacturing facility on the Naden side.
- Nick has joined our team this year. You will remember him from years of friendly service at the hardware store. He is a quick learner and we are happy to have him on board.
- Tammy has returned after a two year absence to head the detailing department. We have received many compliments in the past from customers saying how clean their boats were.
- Our new TOP SHOP is now in operation. Candy and Jim will repair existing enclosures or fabricate new ones. Thank you for letting others know that this service is available right here at Temagami Marine. Boat tops, awnings, tents- we will take care of all your needs.
- None of the above would function without the administration department. Gloria begins her second year with us and continues to deepen her knowledge of the new accounting software and more as part of her development program.
- As a General Manager I depend greatly on my team. Last year Kim evolved into a trainer for Temagami Marine. She has led the various initiatives including our IT system change last fall, one that I believe is leading edge dealership software in North America. Kim is in charge of Administration for Naden as well. Her tremendous organizational skills keep our entire company efficient.
- I would be remiss if I did not mention Jos. You see him in the evening looking out for anyone who might need help while in our yard or at our docks as well as keeping our facilities clean.

As you might be able to tell I am extremely proud of our team. Their positive attitude and desire to train and improve our methods in order to better serve you, our friends and loyal customers, make it a joy for me to lead. We are thirteen strong in this unit and we are all eager to see you again!

Are we excited about 2012? Absolutely! None of the above happens without you. We are looking forward to seeing you again. Tell others about our evolution. The energy is contagious!

Similarly Temagami Boat Manufacturing ( Naden ) is doing well! We are now entering the production phase. We are 14 strong in this division including the director of Operations, Norm Paterson. There will be Open Houses on July 21 and August 11 from 11AM to 1 PM. Much more of the next Times edition will focus on Naden.

I am pleased to report that a total of 24 Temagami residents now work at Temagami Marine or Temagami Boat Manufacturing. It is very important for our Community. Our Federal Member of Parliament has asked me to join his Business Advisory Council and I have humbly accepted his invitation. My wish is to add my ideas in order to develop initiatives in concert with elected and administrative personnel that may bring more employment to our Community.

In conclusion, on behalf of all of us at Temagami Marine and Temagami Boat Manufacturing, I remain

Respectfully yours,

*Andre*

