



**CRANE LAKE ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JULY 13, 2019 - 9:30AM
CRANE LAKE RESORT BANQUET HALL**

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President's Letter

Darlene Cade Fraser

Although it may not be 'official', I believe the new cottage season begins when the black flies and the mosquitos are out in swarms to greet us back! Despite their unwavering efforts to extract some of our healthy blood, our spirits will not be dampened! The summer season is here, and it is great to be back! As with every year, the new and the old routine chores keep us active in these early weeks leading up to the slow and lazy days of summer when we will enjoy once again the gathering of friends and family on our docks and decks. Life is good!

The CLA AGM will be held on **Saturday July 13th, 2019 at the Crane Lake Resort Banquet Hall** and we invite everyone to join us this year! We will begin at 9:30 am sharp, there will be plenty of coffee and cookies and we have every intention of adjourning as early as possible, and certainly before noon! The AGM is a great opportunity to catch up with your neighbours and friends and be brought quickly up to date on: the CLA Board activities; the progress of both the Gas pump installation and the Resort Development; and, pertinent information provided by our two guests speakers regarding Fire Safety and Invasive Species – both critical issues that impact the future of our enjoyment on Crane Lake.

It is impossible to forget the smoke clouds that lingered over Crane Lake last summer from the

severe forest fires just north of Parry Sound. The Parry Sound 33 forest fire was discovered on July 18th and eventually consumed more than 11,000 hectares in less than a month. Firefighters from around the country arrived to help battle the blaze that forced evacuations, road closures and caused severe property damage. We are thankful that the winds changed direction before sparks arrived on Crane Lake. Fire is ferocious and the CLA Fire Safety Committee has always been proactive, maintaining our own fire boat and fire pumps located around the lake and offering fire safety educational tips for our members. This year, the TOA is also actively engaging conversation within local neighbourhoods about fire safety and fire protection and we are delighted that **Mr. Gary Joice**, a highly regarded consultant in Fire Safety, and the **Lead Officer for Municipal By-Laws for the TOA**, will be visiting with us at the AGM to bring us up to date on these topics. We can never learn enough regarding the safety of our families and the protection of our cottages and surrounding forest. This will be an important presentation!

On another very serious note, invasive species have literally destroyed lakes and rivers throughout cottage country, causing property owners heartache and financial stress. Crane Lake is not immune to such devastation. Each one of us has an obligation

to learn as much as possible on how to preserve the health of Crane Lake from these destructive plants! Unfortunately, it is so easy to remain passive on this subject without an immediate critical problem visible on our Lake. But, if we are not educated sufficiently to recognize the entry of these invasive plant species and take appropriate quick action, it will be too late. These are plants that have been moved from their native habitat and introduced to an area where they are able to reproduce quickly and crowd out our native species. These plants do have the ability to create a huge impact on our cottage lifestyle, let alone economic, ecological and/or social disruption. There are sightings of invasive plants on the roads into Crane Lake – so the threat is very real. To bring us up to date and educate us on these destructive plants, we are very fortunate to have a knowledgeable speaker from the **Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve** with us at the AGM. You will learn much from **Tianna Burke** about how to be proactive and protect the beauty and health of Crane Lake!

A WORD ABOUT OUR LOON POPULATION

Speaking of the beauty and heath of Crane Lake, there is nothing more special than hearing the call of the loon, nor so beautiful as watching a Mother Loon teaching her babies trailing behind her how to swim and dive. Please take seriously the safety of our Loons to ensure their continued presence on Crane. It is our responsibility as their close neighbours, to always respect their needs, and especially during their nesting cycle. **Please SLOW DOWN and REDUCE WAKE!!** They nest very close to the water and their nests are very susceptible to damage from excessive boat wake. With all the rain and high water so far this year, they are even more at risk. So, again, be respectful, and please minimize your wake close to shore. And, as we watch the babies grow up to be adult, continue your awareness for their safety as you travel around the Lake. It is important to remember there are by-laws about hurting wildlife – so resist the temptation, should you ever have one, of chasing a loon with your watercraft to force it to dive. The loons will learn to move to a more calm and quiet community, and it will truly be our loss.

Ian Mead, our TOA Councillor for Ward 5, has always encouraged us to respect the 'Ribbon of Life'. The CLA will support Ian in his efforts to do everything possible at the Council level to improve the awareness of all stakeholders with respect to environmental concerns focused on the 'Ribbon of Life' which should play an important role in improving the safety for the habitat of loons. Ian will be speaking to us as well at the AGM regarding this important aspect of 'life on Crane Lake!' Our AGM Agenda is attached for you and we are looking forward to seeing you on July 13th at the Resort!

We hope you enjoy the articles in this edition of our Newsletter. If you have written an article regarding a topic relevant to our cottage life on Crane Lake, please send it to our email address for inclusion in an upcoming edition! If you have photos you'd like to show on our website, send these also to our crane lake association address!

All the best for a wonderful summertime!!! Be Safe and Have Fun!

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Crane Lake Association AGM Agenda

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1. WELCOME & UPDATES

Regarding the Gas Pump installation and Resort Development progress

2. MINUTES OF THE 2018 AGM

3. TREASURER'S REPORT / MEMBERSHIP REPORT

4. FIRE SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

5. GUEST SPEAKER – Gary Joice & Tom Evans - Life & Property Preservation

Gary - Originally, an OPP Officer/member of Marine unit & Tactical team & Volunteer Fire Officer, he became Fire Chief level. Later, he founded "Cancode Fire Training Company" doing high risk conditions training for Industrial/Fire Departments and Canadian & American Navy & Air Force teams at bases around the world. Gary created 'worlds first ' line of "mobile" fire training units. Since 2011, Gary has setup & overseen Municipal Law Enforcement & Fire Prevention roles in the TOA.

Tom - Tom has been very active in area Fire Fighting, Fire Training, and a first responder medical for over 15 yrs. He has been a senior field ops Officer & 'Training Officer on fire side over 10 yrs as Bylaw Officer for area municipalities.

6. REGATTA UPDATE

7. COFFEE BREAK – 10 MINUTES

8. CLA HISTORY PROJECT – A multi-media approach to the history of Crane Lake
Vote: A Membership Vote will be required to approve funding for the project.

9. WATER QUALITY REPORT

10. GUEST SPEAKER – Tianna Burke, Conservation Biologist, Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve

An informative introduction to Invasive Species and their potential destructive impact on our Lake.

11. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Ian Mead

12. APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR 2019-2020 TERM

All existing Directors have agreed to remain on the Board for another term. There are two (2) positions still open. Nominations should be emailed to the CLA or presented at the AGM. The Nominee must approve the nomination.

13. OTHER BUSINESS?

Adjournment – THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!!

Councillor's Corner

Ian Mead

As I'm writing this it is early June and guess what – it's raining!! However, for the first time this Spring they are forecasting 4 days in a row without rain – here's hoping.

Ribbon of Life

Thirteen years ago, having been retired for 6 years and getting a little bored, I ran for Council in Ward 5. At that time, I had some concerns about cottage taxes in the future and the possibility that my kids wouldn't be able to afford the taxes after we were gone. Well, after being on Council going on 13 years and having spent some time as the Chair of the Finance committee, I am no longer concerned about taxes going crazy in the TOA. We have the lowest tax rate in the district and we have great reserves. Plus, we have a great staff looking after the pennies. Another concern I had back in 2006 and still have today, is the future of our water quality. The quality of our water is paramount to the enjoyment of our time here at the lake and we have to do whatever we can to ensure the water quality remains high. Over the years, I have learned that there is a significant threat to our water quality in the form nutrient overload. Since the year 2000 a bay in the North Archipelago (Sturgeon Bay) regularly experiences a "blue/green" algae bloom. When this happens the Board of Health is called and people are notified not to go near or use the water for any reason. What we have learned from this is that there are many factors that contribute to this situation and the best way forward is to initiate a "best practices" policy.

One extremely important part of maintaining water quality is to maintain a healthy "ribbon of life". The "ribbon of life" is portion of land that abuts the water. The Township of the Archipelago currently has a front yard setback bylaw with a minimum front yard setback of 25 feet. This is the lowest setback of any municipality in cottage country. Most are from 50 to 66 feet.

Fortunately, after all these years, the Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw is up for review and change. As a result I am going to do my best to have the minimum

front yard setback in Ward 5 changed to 50 feet from 25 feet. I am also going to ask for some rules to ensure a healthy ribbon of life.

This will go a long way in our quest to maintain our great water quality. I hope you will support me on this mission!

Stay tuned!

Clear Lake Subdivision (Update)

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, the developer of the proposed Salmon/Clear lake subdivision has had a "stop work order" issued to stop any more work on creation of roads and they have also been charged under the Endangered Species Act.

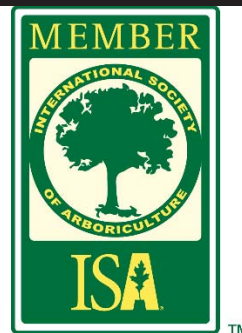
A hearing was held at the Stockey center last fall regarding the stop work order – nothing new has come of that. A first trial hearing has been held at Parry Sound Court regarding the Endangered Species Act charge. The next court hearing will be in July. From my perspective, this is all good news! Stay tuned!

Are you on My E-mail List?

If you currently are not on my E-mail list and would like to be, just send me an E-mail at ianm@vianet.ca and ask me to add you.

Cheers, Ian

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Hi, I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Tyler Slade and my family has been on Crane Lake since 1973. I reside all year round at 76 South Crane Lake, (across from Bass Island), at my family's cottage.

In 2012, while helping rebuild the family cottage, I had the opportunity to watch a man take down two huge trees. I was absolutely fascinated by this event. I knew then, that was what I wanted to do as a career! In 2013, I started working in Muskoka for a tree service company and learned everything I could about becoming an arborist. The more I did, the more I loved every aspect of arboriculture. I have worked full time for 5 years now in the Muskoka, Simcoe County and Parry Sound Districts. I also attended and graduated with Honours from Humber College and now, I have my own company.

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With the warm weather finally here, my season is starting up and my team and I are eager to get busy.

Please feel free to call, text or email me for a free estimate, or even just an opinion.

Sincerely

Tyler Slade

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Treasurer & Membership Report

Steve Neugebauer

Treasurer's Report

As of December 31, 2018, our combined bank/savings balance was \$46,279. For 2018 both income and expense were better than our budget and forecasts. The 2018 fund activity is summarized below:

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund
Income	\$ 8,087	\$ 7,035
Expense	\$ 7,122	\$ 349
Net Gain (Loss)	\$ 965	\$ 6,686
Balance at 01-Jan-2018	\$ 7,198	\$ 29,418
Balance at 31-Dec-2018	\$ 8,039	\$ 36,104

As of June 5, 2019, our combined bank/savings balance was \$47,429. The fund activity is summarized below:

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund
Income	\$ 4,399	\$ 2,840
Expense	\$ 4,302	\$ 0
Net Gain (Loss)	\$ 96	\$ 2,800
Balance at 01-Jan-2019	\$ 8,039	\$ 36,104
Balance at 5-Jun-2019	\$ 8,135	\$ 38,944

Our financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 will be available at the 2019 AGM in July, as well as an update to our financial position at that time.

Membership Report

As of June 5, 2019, 71 memberships of the Crane Lake Association have paid their dues for 2019! Thank you to those members who continue to support the Crane Lake Association. For those of you who have not yet sent in your 2019 dues, I hope you will join the membership in 2019. The association dues for 2019 are \$100. The benefits of membership in the Crane Lake Association include:

- *Winter, Spring and Fall Newsletters highlighting upcoming events and current issues*
- *Entitlement to vote at the Annual General Meeting*
- *Participation in the Crane Lake Regatta*
- *Maintenance and renewal of our fire pumps, fire boat, defibrillator and other fire protection and life-saving equipment*
- *Representation in matters of mutual interest pertaining to the Crane Lake community.*

We hope that all Crane Lake property owners will join us at the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM) in July. If applicable you can pay your membership dues at the AGM, by Interac e-Transfer to Steven Neugebauer – CLA.Steve1@gmail.com, or forward your cheque payable to the Crane Lake Association, to the Membership Secretary: Steven Neugebauer, 32 Arden Crescent, Scarborough, ON, M1L 3R5, Canada. Please do not send cash by mail.



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Tribute to Robert J. Rooks (1929-2019)

Published in The Globe and Mail from May 4 to May 8, 2019

It is with a sad heart that we say goodbye to Rob Rooks who passed away at the age of 90 on April 23, 2019. A cottager on Crane Lake since 1952, many of you have known Rob from his various levels of involvement in the Crane Lake community. He was certainly one of our lake's keenest sailors. From the earliest years of our annual Sailing Regatta, Rob was a passionate supporter and competitor! For several years, Rob served as the President of our Association and even after his retirement from the Board, he would assist with our financial reporting to the members. His commitment to Crane Lake, a place he loved deeply, will not be forgotten. Our thoughts are with Peggy and their family.

ROBERT J. ROOKS March 29, 1929 - April 23, 2019 Robert John Rooks, loving husband, father and grandfather died of a heart attack on April 23, 2019 in his 90th year. Rob grew up in Port of Spain, Trinidad, the eldest son of Canon C.R. Rooks. He graduated in 1953 with a B.Comm. from the University of Toronto, where he met and married his wife Peggy (née McCallum). He obtained his C.A. at Clarkson Gordon. After some years in public practice, he pursued a career in municipal finance with the cities of Sudbury and Burlington, where he was Treasurer from 1974-1993. Rob and Peggy built a cottage with hand-held tools on the shores of Crane Lake, near Parry Sound. The cottage is a source of many wonderful memories for the Rooks family. Rob was an avid sailor, and a mainstay of the annual Crane Lake Sailing Regatta. Always a sportsman, Rob also loved tennis, badminton, swimming and skiing. In later years, he greatly enjoyed weekly bridge games with friends.

Rob was President of the Crane Lake Association for many years and a lifelong volunteer, giving his time to numerous community organizations. He was a Foster Parent for 60 years with friends, supporting more than 30 children around the world. Rob maintained an intellectual curiosity and a love of learning throughout his life. He was a steady, thoughtful, courageous, generous man who was very proud of his family; he will be dearly missed. Rob is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Peggy, his brother Frank, children Doug, Sue and Ally, son-in-law Shane Henderson, grandchildren Nicholas, Eleni, Madeleine, Katie and Brooke and other family members Grant Tomlinson and Heather McCallum.

A memorial service was held at St. Luke's Anglican Church in Burlington on Monday, May 27th at 2 p.m. In remembrance, donations may be made to Parkinson Canada (parkinson.ca) or to the School of Medicine at McMaster University (impact.mcmaster.ca).

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2019 REGATTA

Saturday August 3rd

9:30am Registration
10:00am Races Begin

Swimming Races

Front & Back Crawl

Paddle Races

Canoe & Kayak

Fire Pump Relay

Your Team of Three

Enjoy a BBQ lunch for \$5!

**Please bring your own PFDs
and Canoe/Kayaks, if able.**



2019 SAILING REGATTA

Sunday August 4th

2:00pm Registration
South End of the Lake

Sailors and their cheering fans are welcomed for a celebration and award ceremony after the race.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in helping with either event, please email
contactus@cranelakeassociation.ca
Students - Get Your Volunteer Hours!

Fireworks - Fire Safety Committee

Bruce Sanderson - Chairman, Fire Safety Committee



The warm weather has finally arrived, amid the (hopefully) declining wave of blackflies and the first swarms of mosquitoes. Our thoughts now turn to barbecue, water activities and evening campfires. Once more and ever importantly, we must also think about fire safety around the cottage.

I was disappointed, but sadly not surprised to hear two reports of Township Bylaw infractions on Crane Lake already this year, both occurring in May. One incident was a cottager setting off fireworks on the weekend following the Victoria Day Holiday weekend. The other incident was a cottager having a campfire in the middle of the afternoon. For those of us familiar with the by-law on outdoor burning and the by-law on Fireworks, it will be clear that these were infractions. For those of us who aren't familiar with the by-laws, I have good news.

First, let me explain why I said I wasn't surprised by these infractions. An unfortunate reality in our world today is the need for frequent and persistent reminders, awareness campaigns or education if we want to "get the word out" to a large group of people. This is especially true when it comes to our lake abodes, where we retreat to relax, get away from the hustle and bustle and unwind a little (or a lot). We don't always have time to keep up with the latest information about Crane Lake. Some people might be new to the lake and unaware of local by-laws. Others might not have time to read the Crane Lake newsletters or review the Township website. And of course, there are some who aren't yet members of the Crane Lake Association and therefore don't receive the valuable information we provide to our members.

So where do we find the information? The first, and most informative reference is the Township of the Archipelago website. Go to www.thearchipelago.on.ca and on the "Your Government" tab you will find "BY-LAWS". In this section, under "Fire and Emergencies" you will find By-Law 17-20 pertaining to Fireworks, and By-Law 17-21 pertaining to Fires and Open Burning. Fyi, there are also 2 information documents that summarize these by-Laws and provide tips on safe practices. This link also includes a copy of the Township "Emergency Response Plan" for those of you who are interested.

The next best place to find information on the local by-Laws is also the BEST place to find a myriad of information about Crane Lake, its history, our Lake Plan, outdoor activities in all seasons, and of course, Fire Safety. That is, the Crane Lake "Preserving Paradise" reference binder. Every cottage with a membership in the Crane Lake Association will have a copy of this great document. If you aren't a member and would like a copy, please contact the CLA at contactus@cranelakeassociation.ca or fill out the form on our website at www.cranelakeassociation.ca.

Another important link to bookmark is the webpage www.thearchipelago.on.ca/p/fire-rating. Load this link on your smartphone or bookmark it on your computer and you have instant access to the current Fire Danger Rating for the township plus a summary of all the Fire Ratings and what is allowed and not allowed under that rating.

Continuing with the theme of Fire Safety, one of the guest speakers at our upcoming AGM is Gary Joice, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the Township of the Archipelago. Gary's job is to assist in educating property owners about the Township by-laws and to issue warnings or fines. At our AGM, Gary will be speaking about Fire Safety and available to answer any questions we have on that topic or about the by-Laws.

I believe that most by-law offences like the examples noted above are due to a lack of knowledge. If you see someone contravening one of the by-laws and are comfortable approaching them to let them know of the by-law, you may do so. If you are not comfortable with this, you can contact Gary Joice or leave him a message, 24 hours a day. You can reach Gary at 705-774-3630 or fire@vianet.ca.

I know that everyone (including myself) would like to have campfires on a regular basis, as it's a cottage tradition and a social event for family and friends. However, we must adhere to the local bylaws, and for good reason. These laws exist to protect people, property and natural habitat from the ravages of forest fires. Destruction of forest cover would not only have a devastating effect on our enjoyment of Crane Lake, but also on our property values. The top 2 causes of forest fires are: #1 – Lightning strikes, and #2 – Accidents by People. Don't be one of those people. Act responsibly for the sake of your own property and the properties of your fellow Crane Lake cottagers. Enjoy your summer and be safe!



2018 Sailing Race Report

Steven Neugebauer

The 2018 race was held in the central part of the lake. It was a beautiful day, but the winds were light and sometimes changing direction. This proved challenging, especially for the mark down in Overflow Bay! The final stats on the race:

Place	Skipper	Vessel	Elapsed
1	Bob Neugebauer	JY15	1:16:10
2	Klaus Faisst	Windsurfer	1:22:44
3	John Collins	Laser	1:38:58
4	Emily Vibien, and Clair Hwang	Pico	1:57:50
5	Dylan Follett	Skunk	2:19:19

The sailors from left to right: John Collins, Bob Neugebauer, Klaus Faisst, Dylan Follett, Emily Vibien and Clair Hwang.

2019 Sailing Race – Calling All Sailors

This year the sailing race will be on Sunday, August 4th at 2:00pm. The race will be in the south end of the lake. I hope to see everyone again this year, and more.

Ontario Budget 2019

Federation of Ontario Cottagers Associations



What does the Ontario budget 2019 mean for our members?

Budgets are an important opportunity for governments to set out their mandate and to ensure that their priorities are suitably funded. In the April 2019 budget, the Ontario government has indicated a number of decisions which may impact waterfront property owners in ways that we will only be able to determine in the coming months – budgets are notoriously light on details.

Generally, the Ontario 2019 budget includes no new taxes for residents or businesses. But it does include tax credits and other measures meant to help parents, seniors and business owners.

The Ontario government has announced a focus on five core commitments:

- "Put more money in people's pockets"
- "Create and protect jobs"
- "Restore accountability and trust in government"
- "Clean up the hydro mess"
- "Cut hospital wait times and end hallway health care."

They've also indicated that government will hold itself to the same customer service standards as private sector businesses. **So what does this mean for FOCA, and for waterfront Ontario?** Immediately, we have seen some changes in the approach taken in the realm of natural resource management.

Invasive Species

FOCA and others have been involved in invasive species outreach and education and have done so in partnership with other non-profit groups and with some modest financial support from the Province of Ontario through the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in 2018 – 2019. FOCA has been informed that in this current year there will be no funding forthcoming to FOCA for ongoing programming, so the invasives pilot projects, signage and other outreach initiatives which have been delivered by FOCA member associations on invasive species prevention may be significantly curtailed for the foreseeable future.

Lake Partner Program

The popular and important Lake Partner Program, which FOCA members deliver in partnership with the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks, is set to continue for the current fiscal year. What happens in 2020 will be a matter for future discussions, to determine how best to continue our long-term water quality monitoring, so that we have scientifically defensible decision-making and an informed citizenry and public service when it comes to managing our lakes in a sustainable manner.

Flood prevention

Preparedness for climate change and extreme weather is of particular interest to FOCA and our members. Some initial budget impacts include a significant (approximately 50%) reduction to the flood prevention resources provided to conservation authorities from the province. Note that about half of FOCA's 500+ member groups are in municipalities served by a conservation authority.

Fighting Forest Fires

There are also significant reductions in funding to the forest firefighting budget of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (from \$212 million to \$69 million). Given recent experiences with wildfire and the significant impacts it can have to human health and community safety in the near north and north, FOCA is hopeful that fire fighting activities can be adequately resourced when fire events once again threaten our properties and our communities.

Ministry budget reductions

Several Ministries of interest to waterfront property owners are facing significant budget reductions. The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks' budget will decrease by approximately 35% (from \$983 million to \$631 million). The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's budget will decrease by 20% from \$834 million to \$672 million.

Rural health care/public health

The government plans to merge 59 municipal and local paramedic operations into 10 regional ambulance providers, and will reduce the number of public health units in Ontario from 35 to 10. How this will impact rural health services remains to be seen.

Broadband/cellular service

In the budget, Ontario also commits to ensuring that communities across Ontario have access to critical broadband and cellular connectivity, with an investment in regional projects of \$315 million over the next five years.

Energy Prices

The Province has vowed to fix expensive and confusing electricity programs, to make electricity bills more transparent, and to lower electricity costs for residential, farm, and small business customers by 12%. The Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines' budget will drop by \$566 million, or about 10%.

Downloads / Property taxes

FOCA remains concerned that changes to Provincial priorities and funding will impact cost-shared programs and ultimately, municipal budgets. As a significant group of Ontario property taxpayers, any downloads to the municipal level will be reflected in property tax bills. See this analysis of the expected impacts to municipalities, from the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).



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Overall, FOCA will continue to monitor the situation, and to advocate for the interests of waterfront property owners, as provincial funding can impact many aspects of rural waterfront living. This includes everything from the management of natural resources that impact waterfronts (water quantity and quality management, forestry, mining, aggregates, farming), approaches to land-use planning, the funding of municipalities and thus how our property taxes are impacted, and many other aspects of rural living.

The Crane Lake Association is a member of FOCA, the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations. As the pre-eminent Ontario organization, FOCA serves and represents lake associations, waterfront property owners (WPO) and waterfront communities through education, communication and government advocacy. In 2018, FOCA completed an updated Strategic Review, guiding their areas of focus. In the coming years, FOCA will:

- raise greater awareness of waterfront issues facing all Ontarians
- strengthen our member associations so they can expand their roles as stewards of waterfronts and their surrounding watersheds
- support citizen science and evidence-based decision-making, and
- strengthen partnerships with non-waterfront and rural residents concerned and affected by waterfront and related environmental factors.

A copy of [FOCA's 20/20 Vision: A Strategic Framework](#) is available at their website.

For more information about FOCA, visit www.foca.on.ca.

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