

LAKE MATINENDA COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION  
BLIND RIVER, ONTARIO, CANADA

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Greetings to you all.....

As I was contemplating early this week, some items to be contained in this memo to you, I thought to say "winter is nearing an end and we're all starting to check on boating equipment, etc." - but today, I have driven through a real blizzard to Blind River so I'll say, "we can look forward to spring in the next six or eight weeks!"

Algoma has had one of the most severe winters in many years - heavy snow as well as extreme cold. Through the months of January and February, travel on the Lake was quite impossible due to deep slush conditions. Since the first of this month, with some bright sunny days, conditions have improved (until today), and we have had good going. John and Kaye Menard spent a week at their cottage, the local teachers had a gathering, Bill Otteson and three fellows from Kalamazoo spent most of a week, some lights were seen in Purity Bay, Stan McGregor and his wife visited their cottage, a few fishermen were noted taking some lovely trout out last Saturday, and reports indicate things are visibly in good condition around the Lake.

You will remember last year at our Annual Meeting, the motion to raise the garbage collection fee to \$15.00 from \$12.00 was defeated by one vote. It is now my considered opinion that it should be increased to \$15.00. Inquiries to the Health Department, the Ministry of Natural Resources and to other Associations, disclose no other way at the present time to effect satisfactory garbage collection and it looks as if we will have to resign ourselves to it until something more permanent turns up. Last year's price of \$1600 certainly isn't going to be less this year, and our sagging bank balance (less than \$50.00) is sad! How do you feel? If you agree, please send your cheque or money order for \$15.00 to me, or the Treasurer, J. Lind, 27 Northwood Drive, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, as soon as possible. Enclosed is a copy of circular letter sent out last fall-- in case you have mislaid yours.

We look forward to the installation of a closed box to be erected under the bulletin board for the purpose of exchanging paper backs and magazines. Whoever promised to do this - please note!

Also, will you kindly advise me approximately when you expect to arrive and the length of your stay, in order that meeting dates may be set to accommodate the majority....and then watch the bulletin board for notices of meetings. On the bulletin board, too, you will see notices of local events in the area which may interest you.

The Fitches are reminded that they are sponsors of the proposed "Flea Market"-- proceeds to go to the Association. Everyone please start collecting!

Sincerely,

" Gord Davey ", President  
59 Lansdowne Avenue,  
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.