

Lake Matinenda Cottage Association Inc.

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With just under 6' of snow on the ground in the Sault, it not only assures that we will have plenty of time to enjoy the white stuff (skiing, skating, snowmobiling, etc.), but it also allows us to think longingly of the up and coming cottage season on Lake Matinenda.

'95 was a very progressive and productive year at the lake, and the cottage owners support was very encouraging. I would like to thank a few members for yeoman service in '95. John Lee for his contribution and organization of the Rock Bass Tournament (understandably there was a significant contribution from a number of members) to make this not only an enjoyable event for youngsters of all ages but a money maker as well to support the association. I would also like to say a sincere thank you to Nellie Otteson and all those involved with the quilt raffle for the contribution to docking facilities at the landing.

Speaking of docks and their ongoing maintenance and replacement, I think some monetary background is necessary. Cottage owners dues, a nominal \$35. , provides support and payment for such things as Hydro (lights at the landing), garbage pick up and removal from the landing as a very important facet of ongoing activity on our beautiful lake. However, that being said, the most important aspect of our collective enjoyment of Matinenda, the launch and docking facilities, require ongoing monetary input so we can all enjoy our special time on Matinenda. Sharon Dupuis has approached and is approaching businesses in the Blind River business community for contributions to maintain, as well as enhance these facilities. These businesses contributing will be recognized by a suitable plaque at the landing acknowledging their support for our association. I would like to propose that the cottage owners using the lake, who have always been supportive of our endeavours in the past, continue generously to support this very worthwhile and necessary endeavour so that we can maintain a first class docking and launching facility. Your support will be acknowledged at the annual general meeting, summer '96 with name, lot # and contribution. It is hoped that a levy on annual dues need never have to happen. '96 dues of \$35 and extra contributions can be mailed to:

Austin MacKay
169 Plaintree Drive
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6B 5G9

Two 40' sections of dock will be installed for the 1996 season, constructed by Peterson Welding of Blind River in conjunction with Ken McLeod of our Matinnda Association. Cost of these sections is \$18,000 plus taxes. Your generous support over and above the dues is required to make our facility on the Lake second to none.

