



Minutes  
Lac Bernard Association  
Board Meeting June 27, 2024

Board Attendance:

Officers Present: Jeff Stubbins, President Colleen Forer, Vice-President Glynnis French, Secretary Don McLean, Treasurer (later)	Members Present: Wendy Carr Charles Topp Peter Steele Absent: Blair Patacairk
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1. President's Welcome and Announcement

Jeff Stubbins welcomed Charles Topp and Peter Steele to the Owner's and Resident's of lac Bernard Association (ORAL-B) to the executive. Peter introduced himself to the members (Charles had done this at a previous meeting).

2. Review of the financial statements scrutineers' report.

As the Treasurer was absent this item was moved to the Board's July meeting. The President underlined the importance of the Board reviewing this report.

3. Environment:

Lead: Kevin Radford.

Kevin reported that the yellow buoys are now installed to help mitigate milfoil by indicating where boaters are discouraged. Given that milfoil is spread through shredding by boat motors, every broken piece can result in a new plant taking root. Kevin indicated that more yellow buoys are required, and he will be requesting funds from the Treasurer to purchase 20 buoys.

Kevin also noted that at the moment the water levels are high but that the issues of blocked inlet waters and uncontrolled outlet exit waters continue to command the environment committee's attention. He spoke with the MRC on the proposal to install a

culvert. The committee also discussed the advisability of a weir at the outlet to stop the guerilla clearing activities that lower water levels on the lake. This will be a matter to be considered and discussed as appropriate with adjacent landowners and relevant authorities.

#### 4. Membership

Lead (Peter Steele)

The President thanked Peter Steele as did Wendy Carr for agreeing the step into the role of membership chair. It was confirmed that as of this meeting date 182 were signed up. We need 68 more members to meet the initial target for 2024 of 250 members. An initial discussion was held on the advisability of raising the membership fee in 2025 and this will be brought forward for decision in fall 2024.

#### 5. Regatta and Regatta Infrastructure

Leads (Wendy – Community Affairs; Kevin – Regatta site infrastructure)

Wendy reported that she is working with Linda Radford and they already have many volunteers lined up to make the day a success. Wendy noted that a \$500 float is needed. Treasurer Don McLean confirmed that this amount is available and will be provided.

Kevin indicated that as in previous years there will be pontoon boat transporting people to the site. Kevin indicated that he would be conferring with Serafinis to see if the pontoon boat ferry can land at their dock so that the arrival of participants is kept separate from the events, which will be ongoing, to ensure the safety of all.

Kevin indicated that he is still trying to identify a suitable facility to act as a shed for barbecues etc for the regatta.

Kevin also indicated that he would like to speak to the neighbours about setting out permanent anchors for the raft that is used for events at the regatta as this would simplify annual set-up.

#### 6. History Committee

Charles indicated that he and John Macdonald have about 4000 historical records that they would like to launch on the website, and they have had challenges with the software. Some suggestion was made of using Google Workspace for non-profits. It was noted that we now have identified Carrie Ault as a potential webmaster and that she should be involved in these discussions.

#### 7. Next meeting

It was agreed that meetings of ORAL-B need to occur monthly. The next meeting would be Monday, July 29, 2024 at 7:30 pm.