

Hilton's Point Cottagers' Association (HPCA)

New Member Information

Welcome to our Association!

We are a close group of friends consisting of 38 individual cottages who share the love of active outdoor living and camaraderie with respect for neighbour privacy. Our Association has an Executive consisting of:

- President, Murray Walker,
- Vice President - Gary Blom,
- Treasurer - Dave Fletcher
- Secretary - Jeff Walker

This elected volunteer management committee oversees the Association's finances and orchestrates all activities on behalf of its members. Its primary role is to make decisions regarding road maintenance but also initiates an Annual General Meeting, an Annual Picnic, annual dues collection, coordinates Head Lake stewardship activities, roadway brush clearing and the distribution of important information.

As well, we maintain a Road Committee consisting of:

- Murray Walker,
- Aubrey Gostlin and
- Gary Blom

This group monitors road conditions and makes recommendations to the Executive regarding road maintenance and improvements.

See our *confidential* directory of [HPCA members](#). To view/print this document or have your name added, contact hiltonspoint@gmail.com.

HPCA is a paid member of the Federation of Cottagers' Associations (FOCA) and the Head Lake Stewardship Group.

Below, we list a few of the important points that all cottagers, guests and renters need to be aware of:

- The annual association fee of \$150 will be due by April 1st each year. On occasion, there may be an additional levy for capital improvements.
- The HPCA arranges the road and driveway ploughing. To have your driveway cleared for the year, payment of \$300 must be received by November 30. Clearing on a case-by-case basis is each \$30 and must be arranged with Dave Hopkins ([see directory](#)) at least 48 hours in advance.
- Each year, typically the July 1st weekend, we ask your assistance in an organized roadway brush clearing. Please plan to bring limb cutters, grass trimmers, chainsaws or shovels. This usually is a maximum 2-hour commitment. Notifications will be sent before the event.

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- The Association maintains a certified poison ivy control substance for roadways and your property use. Please contact the Executive for distribution.
- The cottage road sign board is maintained by a professional contractor. Any changes will be organized through the Executive for a nominal fee.
- Since 1961, the HPCA has held an Annual Labour Day Picnic. This is a wonderful event with many children and adult games such as a treasure hunt, a horseshoe tournament, ladder toss, pass the parcel, shoe kick, three-legged race, egg toss, balloon stomp, Hilton's Point vs. Chipmunk Alley tug of war competition and plenty more. There are many terrific prizes, a healthy 50/50 draw and a silent auction. At the end of the afternoon festivities, cottagers and their guests can feast on barbequed hotdogs and corn on the cob. This is organized by a volunteer committee (help always wanted) and subsidized by your annual dues and a small \$5 per person adult entry fee.

HPCA Information

Visit the HPCA website: [Hilton's Point Cottagers' Association](#)

Feel free to contact hiltonspoint@gmail.com for additions or suggestions to this guideline or the website.

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Please consider printing and posting this page in a conspicuous location in your cottage (i.e. refrigerator) for your reference as well as for guests and renters.

Association Rules

Laws

- All personal, property, vehicle and boating laws must be obeyed.

Rental Properties

- The City of Kawartha Lakes By-Law Complaints website for short-term rentals is [HERE](#).

Vehicle Speeds

- For safety reasons, the roadway speed limit is 20 km/hr. This begins at the entry of our Hilton's Point Rd. W. (private road) at the municipal mailboxes. Many adults, children, pets and wildlife walk out of driveways and the bush unexpectedly. Lower speeds also minimize flying stone chips for vehicles and pedestrians as well as reduced dust and road maintenance. **If you witness any violations, get licence plate details and their cottage number; then call 911.** Police have confronted violators in the past with the Executive's permission to enter our private road.
- When boating near shorelines and into bays, please reduce speeds to avoid excessive wakes and watch for submerged rocks, swimmers, pets and wildlife.

Noise

- There is a noise ban between 9:00 pm and 9:00 am each night. This relates to all excessive sounds including the running of motorized equipment (chainsaws, lawnmowers, noisy ATV's, boating etc.), blaring music and loud conversations.

Bonfires and Brush Burning

- Fire regulations for bonfires or brush burning **must** be strictly followed! The City of Kawartha Lakes has [Burn Bans, Permits and By-Laws](#) listed on their website
 - All outside burning must be closely monitored and not left unattended. Have a means of controlling the fire nearby, and when finished, completely extinguish the fire so no coals are glowing. During a fire ban, no fireworks are permitted.
 - We've had incidents with property damage in the past, so this requirement will be enforced!

Pets

- Respectfully, all children and pets must be monitored on roadways and kept on your property. Pick up after your pets and dispose in your own garbage.

Garbage & Recycling

- Garbage is picked up each Monday. You **must use** clear plastic bags. If you place garbage out overnight, you should use an animal-proof container.
- Recycling and yard waste collection are scheduled by the City of Kawartha Lakes. For the rules (there are many) and the schedule, please pick up a calendar at the mailbox by the road signs. An alternative is to download the [Recycle Coach](#) app for your phone or tablet.
- Failure to comply with the city rules may result in a non-pickup.