



Hello DPPO Members:

Well, our wonderful summer has come to an end and we are now experiencing some beautiful fall colours on the Point. People have said that the colours this year have been some of the best in many years. Lots of activity with docks and boats coming out and many types of migrating birds stopping by.

Over the summer, your Board has been quite busy with many different issues. I will summarize the main ones.

1. **Dues** – we had a record 108 dues paying members this year. We had welcome packages delivered to new residents and tried to make contact with each in person. We also reached out to others who had not been paying dues to make sure they understand how the dues are used and the benefits of being a member.
2. **Right of Ways** – we recently had new gravel put down in the south right of way. This is done every few years to make sure that people launching boats have a good base. We also researched clearing weeds and cleaning up the shore in the west right of way (as was brought up at the Annual Meeting), however, there are restrictions on when this can be done and we will have to wait till next year. We also removed five dead ash trees from the west right of way.
3. **Summer Events** – thanks to overwhelming interest at the Annual Meeting, we were able to hold Field Day after a two-year hiatus due to Covid. Thanks to Cinzia Defrancesco and her team for taking on the organizing of this event with very little time to put it together. It was a tremendous success and very well attended. Next year we hope to once again expand the event to include kids and adult bingo (Looking for Bingo volunteers for next year!). We also held our Corn roast on Labour Day weekend and it was another success with good

attendance. Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the event and particularly the Sawney family who donated delicious samosas.

4. **Trees on the Point** – the town has removed many dead trees and has almost completed the stumping of the trees. They said the replanting would be done this year and we continue to follow up to try and make sure this happens. We continued with our treatment of 16 ash trees in the large park and these appear to be doing well.
5. **Playgrounds** – we have arranged for Weed-Man to professionally apply a weed treatment spray on the gravel in the two swing areas and the playground several times during the season. They are using a non-toxic child/pet safe treatment. We also repaired/added infant swings seats to both swing areas.
6. **Logo Etched Glasses** – the sales of wine and whiskey glasses was very well received and net donations of over \$1,000 were raised which will go to the Shelter fund. They have the new Duclos Point logo which is now also being used on the signs in the sign boxes.
7. **Shelter Project** – we have now received complete architectural & engineered drawings for the project and are continuing to seek out contractors for construction. We will be applying for a building permit in the near future. Many resident donations have been secured – please contact a board member should you wish to contribute to this fund.

As always, should you have any comments or suggestions for ways to improve this beautiful community, please reach out by email or through any board member.

Have a great winter!

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