

Photo Credit: Heidi Quigg - Northbound to Nephton

Enjoy the Town Hall on Your Time

On January 19th the LKRA held their first, online, Kosh Community Town Hall meeting. We'll share information about this event in the next issue of Kosh Lake News. If you or members of your family missed the live Town Hall, you can now view it through this FOCA MP4 recording.

Connecting Kosh To Everyone in Your Family

The LKRA has one email for most families but we want to ensure we have an email for **every** teen and adult in your family. So, <u>click here</u> and sign up all your family members for Kosh Lake News today!

Upcoming Presentation on Lake and Shoreline Health - Feb. 1

Anyone interested in hearing how good shoreline management supports clean and healthy lakes in our region should plan to tune in to the Havelock Belmont Methuen Council meeting next week. Contact Bianca at the Township office BBoyington@hbmtwp.ca for information about attending.

Note: since this is a Regular Council Meeting and not a Public Meeting, there are no public comments or input received during this meeting. Interested parties are invited to submit written submissions that are then circulated to Council for their information.

Be Prepared for Power Outages

With all of the big storms we've had, and the ones yet to come, being prepared is important for everyone's safety (and sanity). Here are some helpful contacts and resources to check out.

- Hydro One Power Outage Checklist
- Hydro One Outage Notifications signup
- Ontario Hydro Outage Map



Ready for a Little Summer Dreaming?

Winter is a great time to get those pencils out and start planning your next renovation or building project. For a quick refresher about building codes and permits, visit HBMTWP.ca



Five Simple Tips for Building the Perfect Kosh Lake Rink

It's the perfect way to get the kids outdoors having fun. Jeff McCarthy knows how. Here's his Honorable Mention photo from last year's Photo Contest. Check out these **five tips**.



Wildlife Wonders

Have you ever wondered how a Nuthatch can walk down a tree? They do this because of their strong toes and legs. One of their four toes faces backward and is longer than the other toes and is shaped like a claw. They move only one foot at a time while the other is hooked into the tree bark. Walking down the tree gives them a different perspective while foraging so they find food missed by other birds. Clever, aye! Since they don't migrate, they'll be entertaining you at the feeder all winter.

Just for Kids - Feed the Birds in the Winter

Making bird feeders is a fun activity and watching birds at the feeder can be very entertaining. A simple pinecone feeder is sure to attract Blue Jays. Gather some pinecones; tie a string for hanging them, then add peanut butter. Be sure to only use natural string for hanging (never use fishing line). You can also make your own suet or bird feeders ...

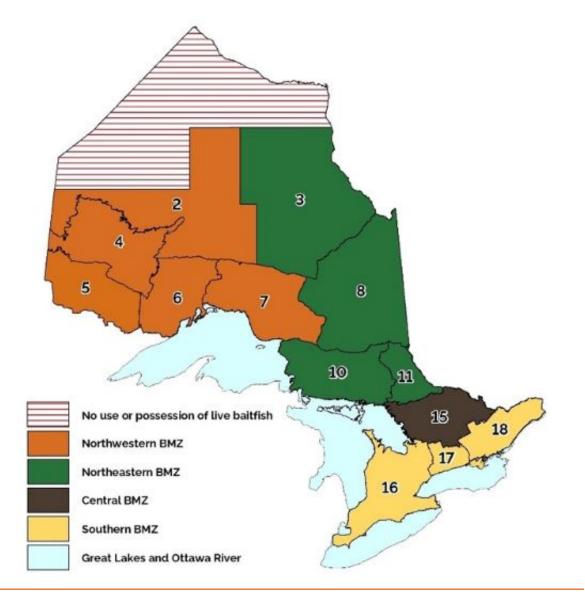
which is a messy, but fun DIY. Here are some cool ideas from <u>Birds</u>
Canada



Baitfish and Leeches

New rules came into effect January 1, 2022 that will regulate the movement of baitfish and leeches across the province. Bait Management Zones (BMZs) have been created to limit the movement of baitfish and leeches. This will greatly reduce (hopefully eliminate) the ecological risks of spreading invasive species and fish diseases. Read the <u>full article on Ontario.ca</u>

Kasshabog is in Fishing Management Zone (FMZ) 15, which is the Central Bait Management Zone (BMZ). Baitfish/leeches for fishing in Kosh must be purchased in the Central BMZ (and anglers are required to have a receipt).



The LKRA Executive Committee loves hearing your ideas and suggestions. Don't hesitate to get in touch with us. Your feedback and comments are an important way to make our lake better.

Land Acknowledgment

As we celebrate the ever-changing beauty of Kasshabog Lake, we are reminded to respect and nurture our sacred relationship to this land as well as to its First Peoples, both past and present. We acknowledge that our Lake resides upon the traditional lands of the Mississauga Anishinaabe. We recognize and value the contributions of Indigenous peoples past and present. On their behalf, we commit to supporting the health and welfare of this land in all current and future initiatives.

Yours to Enjoy...Yours to Protect
Lake Kasshabog Residents Association

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