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Event dates:

Parks Clean Up:
Saturday, May 7, at 10 a.m.
Rain-date: Saturday, May 14

Summer Barbeque:
Saturday, July 2, at 4 p.m.
Park 4

Annual General Meeting:
Saturday, August 27, at 2 p.m. Park 4
Followed by Corn Boil



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Message from the President:



Happy New Year to all!
I'd like to thank you for the vote of confidence in choosing me as your President for another two year term. Our new Executive team is composed of several returning members, as well as two newcomers. Nancy Baboolal remains our Secretary/Treasurer, and Rick Benz our Parks Director. Irina Jacobs is our new Vice-President, and Catherine Rutzgaizer is our new Recreation Director. We still have an opening for a Youth Director, so if you are interested in working on events for our younger members, please let me know.

Contact information for the Executive is contained in this newsletter.

2021 was certainly a challenging year for all, and unfortunately given the current COVID situation at the time of this writing, 2022 may also be problematic. However, we are thinking optimistically and have scheduled our normal 3 annual social events this year. The schedule for the events is listed in these pages. If we have to cancel or reschedule an event due to pandemic restrictions, we will let you know by email and by posting on Facebook, our upcoming website, and on the SCCA entrance boards on Tiny Beaches Road North.

Included in the package you have just received from us is this newsletter, your 2022 invoice (payment is required by March 30, 2022), and minutes from last September's AGM.

Dues remain at \$140 per year per lot for the third consecutive year.

We anticipate that we will need to spend an above average amount in parks maintenance this year, as we have suffered serious tree damage/loss during some major windstorms recently. Costs will include some removal of trees, the purchase of new seedling tree stock, and some probable beach repairs after winter storms. Fortunately, it appears as if we will not be dealing with any major gypsy moth infestation this year, as there are little or no egg masses on the trees in our area.

Dues Payment: can be paid by direct deposit through e-transfer using info below:
Email address:
sccapayments@gmail.com
Security question: what is this for?
Security answer: lotlevy
Message box:
Please include your name, lot # from your SCCA invoice, and street name and # of your SCCA property.

Security

As voted upon at the AGM, we will continue to have a Neighborhood Watch presence in our area during the cottage season. More will follow on this in the spring newsletter.

If you have a fire, medical emergency, or a personal threat, call 911 directly.

Communication

In addition to our current communication channels of Facebook, email and snail mail for those people without email access, we will be instituting an SCCA website page this year. Please see our Vice-President's message for more information. If we don't have your email address, we would

really like to have it, as it's our quickest way to contact the majority of our members at the same time. In addition, we don't have all your current full time phone numbers. We sometimes have to contact members for issues to do with their properties, so it is helpful to have your phone number as well as email addresses.

Please take a few minutes and send me your most current contact information.

We look forward to working with you in 2022. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact any member of the Executive. Stay well, stay safe, and stay optimistic.

Sue French

Recreation Director:

Dear SSCA members, I am very excited about being elected as your Recreation Director, and am looking forward to working with the Executives and fellow community members. For 2022 we are planning to provide a barbeque lunch for park cleanup volunteers in the spring, an annual BBQ in the summer and the corn boil following the AGM in August. Also, weather and quarantine restrictions permitting, we might organize a winter activity - like snowman making, snow-shoeing or cross country skiing in the parks. Please check the event calendar in this newsletter, and stay alert for the invites in your mailbox and on our Facebook page!

We welcome all SSCA members to join our events. The Annual summer BBQ is always fun, and we will be glad to see you all there. More details will follow in the spring newsletter and regular emails. As always, we will

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Parks Director:

Hello all. Welcome to the New Year! I thought parks clean up would be a breeze. But we have recently had two powerful windstorms, which knocked down almost a dozen healthy trees, predominantly in park 2. As well, hundreds of small and large branches and limbs have come down in all areas, so we will have a large amount of cleanup to do in the spring. Thanks to those who have already helped to cut up and clean up the fallen trees.

Recently Ed and Collette Henderson have resigned their park warden duties in Park 2. I would like to thank them both for all their years of service in maintaining park 2.

One of our major projects this past fall was reinforcing the gabion wall on the park 3 beach, using boulders from the boat ramp. Let's hope this stops the

erosion on the right side of the beach. **MARK THIS DATE: MAY 7th IS PARKS CLEAN UP!**

As we all know parks clean up never stops during the year, so as you are walking, please pick up branches and sticks and put them in to piles for easier clean up. We have had some concerns about bright lights on all hours of the night. Please be courteous to your neighbours and turn them off if not needed, particularly overnight. Allow residents to enjoy the dark skies for star gazing, and let the wild animals have darkness for their nightly activities.

Feel free to call or email me on any issues.

See you in the parks ...

Rick Benz



IMPORTANT TOWNSHIP CONTACTS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS & NEW FIREWORKS BY-LAW!

Tiny has a new fireworks by-law. Fireworks are now only allowed on Victoria Day, Canada Day, New Years' Eve and New Years' Day. If the weather is inclement on Victoria Day or Canada Day, fireworks can be set off on the next calendar day. Fireworks are only to be used from dusk to 11 p.m., with them allowed from dusk to 1 a.m. only on New Year's Eve. Fireworks are not to be used when there is a fire ban or winds over 20 kmh. Do you need help on who to call with problems that may require: Township By-Law enforcement, garbage /recycling, OPP Assistance etc? Don't ignore the problem, call the relevant number below.

- Township Office / General Enquiries: 705-526-4204
- By-Law Officer: [24 hours] 705-526-4136
- For confidential complaints about burning during a fire ban, burning leaves, improper garbage disposal, disturbing/excessive noise.
- Animal Control : 705-549-2289 Recycling/Garbage Collection: 705-735-6901 or 1-800-263-3199
- For information about schedules and acceptable materials.
- OPP: Non-emergency: 1-888-310-1122

For confidential complaints concerning road safety - including speeding or reckless driving, snowmobiles, unlicensed ATV's and off-road/trail bikes on roads, disturbing/excessive noise, suspicious persons or activities, and other safety and security concerns.

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ask for volunteer help to assist with setup, cooking and cleanup at events. .

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any suggestions on what recreational events you would like to have in our SSCA community.

I hope all SSCA members and their loved ones had a safe and Happy Holiday season, and are looking forward to an exciting 2022.

Catherine Rutzgaizer



Vice President's Message:

Hi everyone. I hope everyone had a great holiday season, and is ready and enthusiastic to achieve their goals and aspirations in a New Year! My name is Irina and I am the new Vice-President of our association. I would like to thank everyone who was brave enough to vote for me as a new member of the executive team of our association.

I would like to thank every member of this community who helps keep our community clean, safe and beautiful. Thank you all for doing your part to create the community and keep it so inviting and friendly. Especially, I would like to thank everyone who volunteers their time and resources to keep our parks, beaches and boat launch safe and beautiful for us, family members, friends and our pets.

I would like to welcome all new members who joined our association recently. I hope you will be enjoying this community as much as I do and have a lot of happy times in this special place.

I strongly feel that the most important thing to keep such community thriving is open communication among all community members. That's the only way YOUR voice becomes the one

that may create positive changes and may improve the lives of our SCCA members. As SCCA executive team members we will do our best to diversify the ways you can communicate to your community and us. We hope that this year we can have more of our association members signing up for our upcoming website, Facebook page and simply by talking to us. Yes, you heard this right! We decided that we want to have our own website with all security features that we need to keep it private to the association members. We hope to make it an easy place to communicate and share your ideas. More information on this to follow.

When enough members get engaged in the community, more, new and diverse ideas are formed and shared. Your idea may be accepted or not, but without voicing it you will never have a chance of being heard and participate. Please understand that not all ideas are possible to implement, due to legal, insurance or financial reasons, nor will all ideas be supported by other community members. Sometimes it

takes time to implement them. No matter how great someone's idea is it may not be feasible at this time. However, by voicing and discussing those ideas other ways could be explored to satisfy your needs in our community. We may agree or disagree on certain aspects of what is happening in our association, but staying friendly and supportive to each other will keep our community a beautiful and desirable place to live and enjoy our lives. After all, we all strive to be happy. It is in our power to create a happy and a safe community where we live.

Irina Jacobs



SAND CASTLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION 2022 RULES AND REGULATIONS

We are very lucky to live in a lovely area of Ontario, and it is rare to have properties with access to four parks, four beaches and a boat ramp to enjoy. More houses are being built in the SCCA, and more people are living here full time, which means that our communal areas are becoming busier than ever. Because each of us are partial owners of these areas, and share ownership with 140+ other families, it is important that we respect the area that we share with our neighbours. Please be considerate and respectful of our SCCA community and the beautiful nature we have available to enjoy.

In order for us to fully enjoy our shared spaces, it is important for all of us to be aware of, and abide by the following rules for the parks, beaches and ramp:

SCCA shared properties are to be used only by members of the SCCA who have paid their annual dues on a timely basis. Your guests and renters may also use the property. Boat ramp members must be present if guests or renters are using the boat ramp.

Fires and barbeques – are not allowed in the shared spaces. Please feel free to have picnics, but do not include foods that need to be cooked on site.

For fires that you have on your personal property, you must have a fire permit issued by Tiny Township. Please do not burn if the wind is blowing more than 20 kph. If there is a fire ban in the Township you cannot have a fire. Do not dispose of ashes in the parks as this is a fire hazard.

Beaches and Parks – please leave the beaches and parks at the end of your daily visit as you've found them. Do not leave any garbage, chairs, beach toys, kayaks, canoes etc. on the beach. There will be a portable toilet in Park 4 again, so please use it or your own homes when nature calls – do not use the beach as a toilet.

We had hoped to do a trial providing fixed kayak/canoe racks at the beaches, but our lawyers and insurer have ruled against it for liability reasons.

If you take your pet to the beaches or through the parks, please ensure they are leashed, and you clean up their waste.

If you choose to smoke on the beaches or in the parks, please be respectful of other SCCA members that are present. Please smoke a respectful distance from others and remove all cigarette butts when you leave.

Please remember that the beaches are shared, and relatively small, so for the enjoyment of all SCCA members, please be respectful and share the space.

SAND CASTLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION 2022 RULES AND REGULATIONS (cont'd)

Parks – do not dispose of your yard waste or leaves in the parks.

Motorized Vehicles – are not allowed in the parks/beaches. The only exception is SCCA vehicles which are required for parks cleanup, maintenance and security/patrols.

No camping – on shared property.

Loud music – please keep your volume to a low level.

We thank you for adhering to these rules, which apply to all homeowners, renters and guests. You are responsible for any damage on shared property, whether it is caused by you, your guests, or your renters.

Thank you for your adherence to these rules.