

# SPRING 2015 UPDATE

## 2015 Dues are \$50.

### Important Dates

**May 17**

First Executive Meeting

**June 14**

General Membership Meeting

**July 26**

Meeting for Executive and Volunteers for Field Day

**August 2**

Field Day 1st Park 11 am  
Bingo 1st Park 7:00pm

**September 6**

Annual General Meeting and Elections

### Stop Means Stop

Police are also targeting the "Stop" sign at the corner of Blue Heron and Duclos Point Road. If you fail to stop, you will probably get a ticket.

### Reporting Bad Road Manners

Seeing someone driving too fast, parking illegally, or carelessly? Jot down the license number and report illegal or dangerous activities here: <https://onlinereporting.yrp.ca/RoadWatch.html>

### Emergency?

DIAL 9-1-1

### Welcome Spring!

The ice was a little late getting out of the lake this year. We didn't see the last of it until April 20. People are also reporting that the water seems lower than in previous years. If you are out in your boat, watch for rocks and other obstructions that may have moved over the winter. Now is a great time to clean up the shoreline.

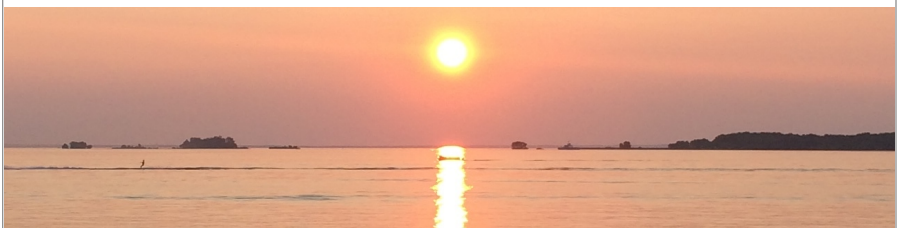
### Time to Pay your 2015 Dues!

The McRae Beach Association is your local community association. It was created to manage the maintenance and operation of the two private parks, to advocate to the Town of Georgina and the Region of York on behalf of Property Owners, and to help create opportunities for us to enjoy our community.

The Association spends several thousand dollars per year on your behalf. This includes maintaining the parks and purchasing liability insurance that helps protect us all if someone gets injured in the parks. What's more, we even get a little fun with annual Bingo and Field Day for the kids and adults. Make sure you pay your fair share. Dues will remain unchanged at \$50 per lot for 2015.

### *A Note from our new Beach Association President, Bruce Mortson*

Many of you know me well and many I hope to get to know better. My family has been part of this community since 1956. There is a rich history in our community. Some families have had five generations who have enjoyed our parks! Over the years many individuals have volunteered their time in service to the Association.



## Fireworks in Georgina

May 1, 2015

The Town of Georgina permits "Family" fireworks to be discharged around Victoria Day and Canada Day. Use on any other day requires a license. You must have a fire extinguisher handy, and you may only light them on your own property. Most importantly, please use common sense and courtesy.

For more information see:  
[www.georgina.ca/pn-bylaws.aspx](http://www.georgina.ca/pn-bylaws.aspx)

## Your New Executive!

President: Bruce Mortson  
Co-Vice-Presidents:  
Maria Egnatis & Olga Norman  
Secretary: Mona Mathews  
Treasurer: Pat Roughley  
Webmaster: Doug Atkinson

## Contacting Your Beach Association

Do you have agenda items, concerns or ideas for the McRae Beach Association? Submit them via email to [webmaster@mcrabeachassociation.com](mailto:webmaster@mcrabeachassociation.com).

Include your name, address and phone number anytime you write.

Don't forget to ask to sign up to our email list!

Thank you.

That being said, some newer members of our community are currently stepping up and getting very involved. We're lucky to have so many people volunteering their time and energy. On behalf of the entire membership I'd like to offer our sincere appreciation and thanks.

In order to keep our Association strong we need to increase our membership. To that end, I'd like to challenge each and every one of us to encourage our direct neighbours and friends to support us by paying their 2015 dues. We all have a vested interest in keeping the control of the parks in our community hands. Direct, tangible support of McRae Beach Association will help to bind us together as a community.

With increased support we can pursue other activities beyond the very successful Field Day. The Executive have established a committee to make recommendations for more community participation - stay tuned send me your thoughts.

Let's all abide by the rules, participate, have fun and most importantly be safe. Don't forget to support any and all initiatives which protect our biggest asset, our wonderful Lake Simcoe.

-Bruce  
[bruce\\_mortson@hotmail.com](mailto:bruce_mortson@hotmail.com)

## Important Government Contact Information

*Town of Georgina. 905-476-4301*

Mayor Margaret Quirk, [mquirk@georgina.ca](mailto:mquirk@georgina.ca)  
Ward 5 Councillor, Dave Harding, [dharding@georgina.ca](mailto:dharding@georgina.ca)

*Government of Ontario*

MPP Julia Munro 905-478-2572

*Government of Canada*

MP\_Peter Van Loan 905-898-1600

*Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority*

905-895-1281  
<http://www.lsrca.on.ca/contact.php>

*Green for Life Environmental (Garbage Pickup)*

1-866-421.5625  
[yorkcs@gflenv.com](mailto:yorkcs@gflenv.com)

## Reduce, Reuse and Recycle:

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### *Garbage Pickup Days*

In Georgina, garbage is picked up every other Monday. The schedule is on the last page.

### *White Goods Day*

Please call Green For Life @ 1-866-421.5625 or email [yorkcs@gflenv.com](mailto:yorkcs@gflenv.com) to arrange for pickup. Please affix a garbage tag on each item. There is a maximum of five items per month.

### *Bag Tag Exemption Days*

June 1, 2015 and September 2, 2015 put out additional garbage bags without paying for garbage tags.

## Legal & Common Sense

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We extend a warm welcome to all who have made McRae Beach their permanent or summer address since last season. As a reminder to those of us who have been around for some time and for our new arrivals:




- Town of Georgina requires dogs to be leashed or otherwise restrained at all times.
- Parking and camping within the two parks is prohibited.
- Use of our parks is restricted to McRae Beach residents and their guests only.
- The speed limit on Blue Heron Drive, McRae Beach South and all side streets is **40km/h**.
- When on/in the water play safely! Swimmers and sailboats always have the right of way.
- All docks and boat lifts are to be out of the parks and in the water, or on your own property by June 10. This will assist the grass cutter to do his job and park users to pursue their enjoyment of this space.
- For safety reasons and the pleasure of all, don't leave vehicles in the parks. Please park along the road or return your car to your dwelling after launching.
- If you are within the first 30 meters of the shoreline you must operate your watercraft below 10km/h when entering or exiting this area. Many residents have placed buoys to assist in identifying the swimming area.
- The noise by-law for Georgina is in effect for 24 hours/day. Residents are to regulate their noise as to not disturb surrounding neighbors. If noise is bothersome and lasts hours, the town by-law officers can be reached at 705-437-2210. On weekends call the York Regional Police 905-895-1221 or 1-866-876-5423.

## We would like to keep in Touch via email

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Producing a printed version of this newsletter is expensive. We would prefer to keep in touch via email three or four times per year. If you would like to receive this email, please send a quick email to us at [webmaster@mcrabeachassociation.com](mailto:webmaster@mcrabeachassociation.com) along with your name, local address, and alternative address and we will add you to this distribution.

| Sunday                 | Monday             | Tuesday     | Wednesday            | Thursday              | Friday          | Saturday        |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 17 - Executive Meeting | 18<br>Victoria Day | 19          | 20                   | 21                    | 22              | 23              |
| 24                     | 25                 | 26          | 27                   | 28                    | 29              | 30              |
| 31                     | June 1             | 2           | 3                    | 4                     | 5               | 6               |
| 7                      | 8                  | 9           | 10 - Docks from Park | 11                    | 12              | 13              |
| 14 - General Meeting   | 15                 | 16          | 17                   | 18                    | 19              | 20              |
| 21                     | 22                 | 23          | 24                   | 25                    | 26              | 27              |
| 28                     | 29                 | 30          | July 1<br>Canada Day | 2                     | 3               | 4               |
| 5                      | 6                  | 7           | 8                    | 9                     | 10              | 11              |
| 12                     | 13                 | 14          | 15                   | 16                    | 17              | 18              |
| 19                     | 20                 | 21          | 22                   | 23                    | 24              | 25              |
| 26 - Executive Meeting | 27                 | 28          | 29                   | 30                    | 31              | August 1        |
| 2 - Field Day - Bingo! | 3<br>Civic Holiday | 4           | 5                    | 6 - Sutton Fair Opens | 7 - Sutton Fair | 8 - Sutton Fair |
| 9 - Sutton Fair Ends   | 10                 | 11          | 12                   | 13                    | 14              | 15              |
| 16                     | 17                 | 18          | 19                   | 20                    | 21              | 22              |
| 23                     | 24                 | 25          | 26                   | 27                    | 28              | 29              |
| 30                     | 21                 | September 1 | 2                    | 3                     | 4               | 5               |
| 6 - Annual Meeting     | 7<br>Labour Day    | 8           | 9                    | 10                    | 11              | 12              |

 Recycling Only
  Recycling, Garbage and Yard Waste
  Community Events