# Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association 2020 Annual Report

June 2021





## **Your KLRA**

## **Purpose**

The KLRA is a not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to protect and enhance all aspects of the quality of life on Kahshe and Bass Lakes and their immediate surroundings, and to provide representation for the membership to Municipal and Government bodies.

# **Your 2020 Board of Directors**

Sandra Moad
Michele Phillippe
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Alison Smithers

# **Your Executive**

President:	Margaret Taylor
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# **Committees of the KLRA Board**

<b>Standing Committees</b>	Chair
Conservation	Bob Reyburn
Town & District Liaison	Bob Reyburn/
	Margaret Taylor
Nagaya Beach	Steve Wild
Rock Marker	Marnie Cryderman
Communication, Outreach & Membership	Cathy Dunphy
Safe Boating Committee	Rick Glatt
Water Access	Henry Kowalewski
FOCA Liaison	Sandra Moad

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### President's Message

Two thousand and twenty was a year of challenges and changes in our lives.

For some of us, it was a terrific summer at the cottage away from the worries of COVID-19, but for our American cottagers, who wanted to be at their cottages, it was also very sad.

Unfortunately, all our regular events in 2020 were cancelled due to COVID-19. However, Keith Price added a wonderful canoe trip, to do in stages or all at once around the lake, as well as the "Treasure Quest" a drive around the lake. The Drive in Theatre and entertainment night "Kahshe Cares" was a great success, with over \$3000.00 being raised and donated to "Gravenhurst Against Poverty".

Each committee has provided a summary of their activities, for the Annual Report. I would like to thank the committees for all their hard work.

The Communication, Outreach and Membership Committee (COM-Com) new chairperson, Catherine Dunphy is working diligently to increase membership and provide value for membership. Please see her report for an update.

During the summer of 2020 Kahshe Lake saw a large increase in daily boaters and wake boat waves. Following our AGM in 2020 a Safe Boating Committee was formed review the issues and make recommendations going forward. Please see their report.

Nagaya Beach was inundated with large number of visitors. Changes are happening. Please read the beach report for an update.

The Rock Marker Committee, led by Marnie Cryderman continues to work diligently, to have all Rock Markers in place for the summer.

The Conservation Committee continues to discuss issues as they arise especially the health of the lake. The Lake Stewarts report by Ron Pearson this past fall discussed the Blue Green Algae outbreak and resolution. Please follow Ron's valuable updates as more testing will be conducted this summer on both Bass and Kahshe Lake.

Financials are stable and I recommend our membership fees remain unchanged at \$40.00 for a one year membership and \$99.00 for a three year membership. We can work comfortably for 2021.

Waste Management: The District of Muskoka continues to work towards removal of the illegal garbage bins, at the Kluey's Bay site (Rockhaven), Denne's Marina and Nagaya Beach Bob Reyburn and I continue our involvement, but to date and due to COVID-19 no final decision has been made regarding future waste management for the bin sites.

As cottage owners please continue to be aware of how various activities impact the health of the lakes. A renter information sheet is in the works and will be available to Cottagers who rent their

cottages.

The 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held via Zoom on Saturday September 12th and was very well attended. Due to COVID-19 the 2021 AGM will also be held via Zoom.

Bass and Kahshe Lakes are special places let's keep them that way for now and future generations. I said this last year, how lucky are we to be able to enjoy these beautiful lakes and all they have to offer.

This summer will end my two year term as President of KLRA. I have very much enjoyed, my role, during the past two years.

Please feel free to provide feedback to our board as to how we can do a better job.

Margaret Taylor, President

# 2020 in Review

## **Conservation Committee Report**

During 2020, the Conservation Committee was engaged in the following activities:

- We worked closely with the District of Muskoka on the transition of bin sites to more environmentally friendly arrangements. This work continues in 2021.
- The District identified 12 Muskoka lakes as vulnerable including Bass Lake (due to elevated phosphorous levels), and Kahshe Lake (due to a blue-green algal bloom near Oak Road identified on November 11 by the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks). A causation study will be conducted in 2021 on Bass Lake by a consultant engaged by the District.
- As a result of the identification of Kahshe Lake as one of the vulnerable lakes, the Conservation Committee will be undertaking Near-Shore sampling in 2021.
- An article was published in the May issue of the Krier on septic system maintenance.

Our Lake Steward, Ron Pearson, continues to do important work in monitoring water quality on both lakes.

## **Lake Stewards Report – Summary of 2020 Activities**

As a result of COVID-19, the laboratories in Ontario were closed in 2020, and accordingly, all water sampling was suspended for the year. As such, there will be no Lake Steward water-quality report for 2020. However, as noted in my July 2020 AGM report, a new portal (Lake Health) on the KLRA web site was developed and was updated through 2020 to keep it current.

The topics covered include:

- Water Quality all of the Lake Steward Reports and Executive Summaries from 2011 onwards
- Invasive Species a summary of aquatic sampling that has been carried out in 2017 and 2019
- Climate Change a look at projected changes in our Muskoka climate and on likely impacts
- Algal Alerts some general and more specific info on algal blooms and how they are caused
- Septic Maintenance general information on septic systems and how to ensure they work
- Fact Sheets on cottage life developed by members of the Conservation Committee

## What's Happening on the Algal Bloom Issue?

As you know, Kahshe Lake experienced a harmful blue-green algal bloom (HAB) in November 2020. This was confined to a shoreline area on Oak Road and was documented by the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). As a result, water quality alerts were issued by the Muskoka Simcoe District Health Unit (MSDHU); however, sampling of the water by the MECP failed to detect the toxins typically associated with this type of algal bloom, and the alert was lifted by MSDHU before freeze-up in December.

The development of an HAB on Kahshe was unexpected, as our lake quality monitoring over the past 35 years has documented fairly low nutrient levels and no evidence of increasing concentrations of total phosphorus or nitrogen, the nutrients typically associated with algal growth and bloom development.

Unfortunately, HABs also were documented in a dozen near-by Muskoka lakes in 2020 and the trend towards these findings appears to be increasing every year. In most cases, the impacted lakes did have higher total phosphorus levels than those in Kahshe; however, several lakes with total phosphorus levels similar to or lower than those in Kahshe also were impacted.

## How does this impact the environmental status of our lakes?

Both Kahshe and Bass Lakes have now been declared 'Vulnerable' by the District Municipality of Muskoka (DMM) under the Muskoka Official Plan and this will be taken into consideration in the review of development proposals starting in 2021. Bass Lake is considered vulnerable because of a total phosphorus level greater than 20 parts per billion and Kahshe because of the confirmed 2020 HAB.

The DMM is concerned about the trend of increasing HABs over the past few years and has decided to initiate 'Causation Studies' on 10 lakes with confirmed blooms in 2020 and the two lakes with total phosphorus levels exceeding 20 ppb. However, because of budget limitations, only five of these Causation Studies will be undertaken commencing in 2021, with the others being delayed until the completion of the first five. Bass Lake's Causation Study has commenced this year, which means that the study of Kahshe Lake will be delayed by at least a year and likely longer, as our HAB was small compared to other impacted lakes.

# Is there anything we can do on Kahshe while we wait for a DMM Causation Study?

Here's the problem. Almost all of the sources of algal friendly nutrients are related to development activity along our shorelines, with the three most significant being:

- Effluent leakage from septic tank and bed systems;
- Leaching of nutrients from fertilized lawns; and,
- Run-off of soil and its nutrients due to shoreline disturbance/vegetation removal.

However, all of our water quality monitoring is conducted in deep, mid-lake locations. The data from these locations provide an excellent base upon which to evaluate long term trends in lake water chemistry; however, in view of the massive amount of dilution, they may not be providing us with an accurate measure of water chemistry and nutrient loading in the vicinity of the above shoreline nutrient sources. As a result, it's possible that our fairly low levels of algal friendly nutrients are simply not representative of what's happening along our shorelines, particularly in the most heavily developed areas of Kahshe. Adding to our concern is the fact that the Town of Gravenhurst's Septic Re-Inspection Program has not taken place since 2009 for water access properties and 2013 for road access properties.

Based on the foregoing concerns, a Near-Shore Water Sampling Program was developed to explore and characterize water chemistry in much closer proximity to the three development-related sources of nutrient loading and to examine how water chemistry close to the shore changes as the season progresses. This

sampling and analysis program has been shared with the MECP and reviewed by the DMM to ensure that the findings will be of use down the road when a DMM-funded Causation Study for Kahshe is conducted.

The Near-Shore program will commence in May this year and will involve additional sampling in mid-July and late September. In order to keep costs as low as possible, it will focus on the most heavily developed areas of the lake along Oak Road and the north shore and will be carried out by Conservation Committee volunteers who will be trained in sampling protocols. The findings will be reported to the KLRA Board and shared with the DMM to ensure that they are captured later when the DMM carries out its Causation Study on Kahshe Lake.

## Will the results of the Near-Shore Program identify specific sources of nutrient enrichment?

The answer to that question is no, the findings from this near-shore sampling program will not identify specific sources of nutrients (mainly phosphorus) that are associated with algal bloom development. However, they will provide Kahshe-specific water quality information that will advance our understanding of whether shoreline sources of algal growth nutrients are playing a role in the appearance of greater algal growth now being observed along the shores of Kahshe Lake. The water sampling also will include total coliform (E. coli) bacteria, so this will give property owners a basis for assessing the quality of their shoreline water for consumption and recreational use. And finally, this will inform the KLRA's appeal to the Town to activate/enhance their septic re-inspection program and to shoreline property owners to minimize shoreline disturbance and the use of lawn fertilizers.

### Summary

Based on the foregoing information, the spring, summer and fall of 2021 will be a busy one in terms of water quality monitoring, and will consist of the activities summarized below. In addition, the DMM's Causation Study on Bass L has been initiated and the KLRA membership will be kept informed of progress.

Date	Agency/Program	Sample Loca- tions	Parameters
Mid-May	DMM's Water Quality	2 locations on Kahshe and 1 on Bass	Total phosphorus, calcium and metals from the top 2-3 m and water temperature and dis- solved oxygen at 1m intervals from surface to bottom
Mid-May	MECP's Lake Partner	3 locations on Kahshe	Total phosphorus, calcium and water clarity
Mid-May	KLRA's Near- Shore	22 locations on Kahshe	Fecal coliform (E. coli), total phosphorus, nitrate-nitrogen, ammonium-nitrogen, potassium, chloride, barium and iron
Mid-July	KLRA's Near- Shore	11 locations on Kahshe	Fecal coliform (E. coli), total phosphorus, nitrate-nitrogen, ammonium-nitrogen, potassium, chloride, barium and iron
Mid-August	DMM's Water Quality	2 locations on Kahshe and 1 on Bass	Water temperature and dissolved oxygen at 1 m intervals from surface to bottom
Late September	KLRA's Near- Shore	11 locations on Kahshe	Fecal coliform (E. coli), total phosphorus, nitrate-nitrogen, ammonium-nitrogen, potassium, chloride, barium and iron
Bi-weekly from mid-May to Oc- tober	MECP's Lake Partner	3 locations on Kahshe	Water clarity

Ron Pearson, Kahshe and Bass Lake Steward

#### **Town Liaison**

This function of the KLRA Board of Directors deals with the Town of Gravenhurst, and the District of Muskoka on municipal planning and by-law enforcement issues.

During 2020, one application for a zoning amendment, and four variance applications, for properties around Kahshe and Bass Lakes were reviewed at the request of the Town.

We offered no objections to these proposals.

Due to COVID-19, the meetings the mayor of the Town of Gravenhurst, had held with various lake associations in previous years, were not held.

## **Water Access Report**

Finally! The weather is turning, the lake ice has melted, and summer is close. So, here we are... Another spring, and another COVID opening for the cottage. There are always a few concerns when anticipating the "hamster wheel" of duties to open a cottage, especially a water access cottage and having a whole set of new rules and regulations to follow.

- Will arranging the launch of our boat(s) be hassle-free?
- Are the tires flat on the boat trailer again?
- Is my trailer stuck in the mud again?
- Will the motor start when in the water?
- When we finally get to the cottage, are there lots of mice? Was there any storm damage? Are there any leaks in the pipes?

While these are issues that we must deal with every year, they are also issues that we have little control over. A couple of other things we must consider when arriving for the first time, it is recommended to follow up with your marina on the below:

- Is my dock at the marina safe and in place?
- Can I park my car in an area where there isn't too much mud?
- Have any procedures changed since last summer?

These issues can be controlled to a certain point, but the marina is ultimately responsible for making sure that safe and solid docks are installed in a timely manner, there is parking when things dry out and there is access to parked boat trailers. We must all work together to make water access cottage opening as stress free as possible, and it does require an ongoing and positive dialog between the cottagers and marina owners

The rules regarding COVID can be confusing and are constantly changing, so it's important to keep updated with current regulations as it's still too early in the season to know how things will evolve.

Now, we can all look forward to seeing each other soon, even if it may be from a distance. Wishing everyone a low-stress cottage opening and great weather for the 2021 cottage season!

## **Safe Boating Committee**

The Kahshe Lake Boating Safety Committee (KLBSC) has been engaged over the winter in order to produce a plan for improved water safety on Kahshe Lake. We have been working diligently in order to meet timelines for the beginning of the cottage season.

We produced our mandate outlining the areas we felt needed improvement on the lake. As a result of our mandate, we felt it was important to focus on educating the lake's residents about unsafe boating practices and the laws and rules in place to mitigate them. Our committee has completed extensive research, as well as communicated with the OPP and rental companies. As a result of this research, we have produced documents that will be shared with Kahshe Lake residents soon, hopefully making an impact regarding the improvement of dangerous boating practices that are currently of great concern to us all.

Our educational plan is to disseminate information two ways. Large signs featuring the Boater's Rules will be placed at 5 entry points on the lake. 500 pamphlets of the rules have also been printed in order to be given to residents, along with 300 "Right of Way" stickers gifted to us from Safe Quiet Lakes.

We have put together a survey on safe boating practices that will be sent out to KLRA members. This result will provide guidance for future initiatives.

## **Rock Marker Report – June 2021**

The Rock Marker committee continues to take care of installing and removing spherical ball markers as well as columnar lighted towers in Kahshe Lake. These markers show the location of hazards in commonly travelled channels. The committee also ensures that flashing solar lights on our permanent towers are working.

In 2020 the installation of our rock markers in Kahshe was later than usual due to Covid 19. In the fall, all spherical balls and lighted towers were removed and stored on land for the winter. The lights on the lighted towers were removed and stored indoors so that the solar light batteries did not freeze.

In last year's report I mentioned that installation and particularly removal of the columnar lighted towers is a difficult task. For that reason we have budgeted money to pay for the installation and removal of the columnar lighted towers this season.

Last year we planned to build and install more permanent lighthouse towers, affixed to land/rock to replace some of the columnar lighted towers. Unfortunately, Covid-19 interfered so these towers will now be installed during the 2021 season.

Installation of these permanent lighthouse towers will be in the following locations:

- 1. East end of Hens & Chicks (on the most easterly rock that is above water)
- 2. West end of Hens & Chicks (on the most westerly rock that is above water)
- 3. Most easterly rock before Bass Lake Entry (installed on cement tower currently there)

- 4. At the west entrance to Grant's Bay where the channel coming out of the kettles meets the west channel of Grants Bay
- 5. East of Chief Island
- 6. South end looking for a suitable location would appreciate input from residents

The Rock Marker Committee welcomes input from members about the location of permanent lighthouse towers that will eliminate the necessity of the columnar towers. As is the aim with all KLRA rock markers, permanent lighthouse towers should assist boaters with navigation through the main channels of our lake. If you have suggestions about where these permanent towers should be installed, please email me at <a href="KLrockmarkers@gmail.com">KLrockmarkers@gmail.com</a>. Also, if you notice any towers with lights not working, please contact us.

Marnie Cryderman

## Nagaya\_Beach Report

Nagaya Beach is one of the key focal points for Kahshe Lake, and holds great memories for many of our cottagers that have brought their children here or have used this tranquil place for themselves. The KLRA and the Town of Gravenhurst jointly own this property and we have been leasing the shore allowance portion of the beach for years from the Town of Gravenhurst.

Ontario wide Covid restrictions closed the beach for the early part of 2020 cottage season, as such the KLRA requested COVID Signage from the town, which they provided. As the restrictions were lifted and the weather turned warm, we had a tremendous usage of the beach from our community and beyond.

With the massive number of people using the beach there were parking and waste and garbage issues that have been seen in the past.

Without the support from our volunteers our beach would not be possible. No doubt there are more people that help; however, I wanted to highlight a few KLRA members that make a real difference to our community:

- Our Beach Lead, Jesse Mirlocca and family, commission, de-commission the beach, lawn maintenance and focal point.
- Jim and Shelly Davies, for helping keep the hedge and grounds clean and safe
- Stephanie Boyd leadership, spring beach cleanup and ongoing support
- Ron Shatkowski and family, master beach groomer and all-around great guy.

We are currently in negotiations with the town for our lease renewal and hope that the outcome will enable the KLA to have further control over our beach to align better with the needs of our community.

## Communication, Outreach & Membership

COMCom is a busy, productive group of volunteers. Yes, even last year! Our report is in three parts:

**Communication**: If you heard about rock markers being installed throughout the lake again, water testing, the Kahshe photo contest and much else this summer, that's because KLRA webmaster Clare Henderson made sure that <a href="www.kahshelake.ca">www.kahshelake.ca</a> was always up to date -- if not ahead of the times. And because the KLRA's social media coordinator Maureen Smithers never missed a chance to spread the word

via cross and repeated postings. Maureen stepped back from the position this fall but everyone in COMCom is relieved that she remains an important committee member. Paisley Pinard took over the position and has already instituted plans for exciting new initiatives.

This year the KLRA newsletter, **the Krier**, became a totally eco-friendly online-only publication. Only a few hard copies for the editor's records and to display on the KLRA Notice Boards are now printed. This move to a digital format involved a considerable learning curve as editor Keith Price familiarized himself with the complexities of the Wild Apricot program but the Krier production costs have dropped and advertiser revenue has grown as a result. And there is more room for more articles and photos in each edition. Submissions are always welcome. Deadlines are Jan. 10, May 10, and Sept. 10 for the three annual issues.

**Outreach:** The summer of 2020 may not have had the likes of the regatta, fishing derby or craft show but it did feature a movie night fundraiser, our biggest ever photo contest and a brand new lake quest. Clearly nobody told Kahshe Lakers you can't have safe fun in a pandemic.

**The photo contest**: Clare Henderson and Toby Fletcher once again coordinated the Kahshe Photo Contest, which received a new record for entries -- 175 photos. The judging took place in October. All of the photos can be seen on the KLRA website with the 15 winners on specified pages.

**Our night at the movies**: We called it Kahshe Cares 2020: A Night at the Drive In. It happened on the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 2 at the Muskoka Drive-In where 56 cars unloaded about 160 socially distanced cottagers who finally got to chat with neighbours and friends not seen in the Covid summer. And Gravenhurst Against Poverty (GAP) got \$3,500 to go towards their new wellness centre in town.



The Fundraiser was conceived and organized by Housey Rapids cottager Gord Robinson, with help from Catherine Dunphy, Maureen Smithers and April Drane, Muskoka Drive-In owner William Alexander as well as the weather gods. It stopped raining just in time for DJ Scott Dunlop's set and a mini live concert from Boyd Islander Steve Rae, who wrote a song celebrating Kahshe Lake especially for the occasion. Instead of trailers or advertisements on the big screen before the movie, we had something much, much better – a thrilling sound and visual collage of Randy Craig's photos and drone footage of the lake we love.

Gord's daughter, Jocelyne De Romana, had the connections that allowed us to present the Muskoka premiere of *The Peanut Butter Falcon*, an inspiring and truly entertaining film starring Shia LeBeouf and Dakota Johnson.

Rob Abbott won the Grand Prize in the draw. It was a free foursome donated by the Muskoka Bay Resort.

## The Kahshe Covid Car/Boat Treasure Quest 2020 (aka The Quest)

Created and overseen by Krier editor and Deep Bay cottager Keith Price, The Quest asked participants to visit 20 plus locations on the lake and another 20 plus locations on the roads around the lake -- and to prove their visit by taking a selfie at each location. Lake locations included the Naked Lady, the bridge over the Gartersnake River, the dam at the bottom of Grant's Bay and several jumping rocks. The road portion required stops at several locations along the Ryde Barn Quilt Trail, the Summerland Store, a bridge over the Black River and the roadworks preventing access to Lock 42 on the Trent-Severn Lock System. Although the response was not as fantastic as hoped for, all who participated thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learned something new about the lake and its environs. Will there be another one in 2021? Yes. Happily, Keith has agreed to do it again.

**The Boutique**: When all the activities and events where cottagers would normally buy their Kahshe Lake gear were cancelled, boutique coordinator Leslie Pinard came up with the idea of Pop-Up Stores. She and her team had one at Denne's government dock and another at Rockhaven government dock for grateful Kahshe cottagers. Plus they even did dock- to- dock deliveries.

And they expanded their inventory to include four extremely popular items:

Beach Towels - SOLD OUT!

Bag Cooler - SOLD OUT!

Can Cooler – 41% SOLD

Playing Cards – 33% SOLD (These only arrived in late July.)

Keep an eye on the KLRA and lake community websites to see what's new in the Pop Up Stores for this summer. Contact Leslie at lesliepinard@gmail.com or text/call 905-724-2022 to place your order.

**Membership:** At the 2019 AGM, members affirmed that Voting Members of the KLRA must own property. This is consistent with the name of our organization, which includes the word "Ratepayers". At the same meeting, members also affirmed the membership category known as Friends of Kahshe Lake. Friends of Kahshe Lake enjoy the same privileges as Voting Members, except they are not permitted to vote. This category is for anyone who rents, stays at a cottage, is related to a cottage owner or just wants to show their love of our lake. Fees are the same for both categories.

Our website (<u>kahshelake.ca</u>) has been updated to help members join or renew with the right membership category. When joining as a Voting Member, applicants are asked to attest that they own the property associated with the membership. The same attestation is requested for membership renewal. Anyone can join as Friend of Kahshe Lake. Membership fees for both categories remain at \$99 for three years or \$40 per annum. To date, we are holding at 351 members

## Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association (FOCA)

My role as your volunteer Board member is to act as your FOCA Rep and to ensure that we get value for money from that umbrella Provincial organization that exists to protect waterfronts and act as Provincial advocates of Lake Associations and individual people who live at the waterfront in Ontario.

We do get value for money but only if the word gets around that membership in our Lake Association allows automatic member benefits in FOCA at no additional cost. However to take advantage and due to privacy issues, KLRA cannot automatically provide the membership list to FOCA without consent.

It takes only about a minute to go to the website titled <u>foca.on.ca</u> and follow the prompts to sign up and get a password as a member of KLRA and then take advantage of member discounts, webinars, and a huge library of materials for our perusal at our leisure. Also there are semiannual meetings in Toronto in the fall and the spring with mini trade shows that bring best cottage and Lake Association management practices to the forefront. All of the information is available online once each of us obtains a password at no charge.

Thanks again for the opportunity to have been your FOCA Rep this past year. Happy cottaging!

- Sandra Moad

# Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (1994) Inc. (KLRA)

# **Balance Sheet**

As at December 31, 2020

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		2020		2019	Notes
Assets					
Cash on hand and in bank	\$	36,770.71	\$	14,618.46	
Accounts receivable		-		-	
Prepaid expenses		-		307.22	
Inventories, at cost		2,164.42		1,821.30	
Investments		53,567.05		69,287.47	1
Equipment, net of depreciation		11,993.69		11,874.22	2
Real estate (Nagaya Beach)		12,000.00		12,000.00	3
Total Assets	\$	116,495.87	\$	109,908.67	
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	300.00	\$	447.38	
Prepaid membership dues		17,328.00		14,547.00	4
Total Liabilities	\$	17,628.00	\$	14,994.38	
second contracts					
Members' Equity	_		_		
Balance at beginning of year	\$	94,914.29	\$	83,921.23	
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year		3,953.58		10,993.06	
Balance at end of year	\$	98,867.87	_\$	94,914.29	
Total Liabilities & Members' Equity	\$	116,495.87	\$	109,908.67	
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Schedule 1 - Allocation of Members' Equity					
Designated Income Funds Surplus (Note 5)	<u>ئ</u>	9.106.60	<u>ئ</u>	0.624.21	
Kahshe Lake Preservation Fund (Sched. 1a)	\$	8,196.60	\$	8,634.21	
Rock Marker Fund (Sched. 1b)		12,531.82		14,133.53	<b>c</b>
Contingency/Emergency Reserve		13,000.00		13,000.00	6
Undesignated Members' Equity		65,139.45		59,146.55	7
Total Members' Equity	\$	98,867.87	_\$	94,914.29	

# **Notes (Balance Sheet)**

1. Investments mature as follows:

Mature in 2021	\$ 16,577.85
Mature after 2021	 36,989.20
Total	\$ 53,567.05

Includes interest accrued to year end.

- 2. Rock markers, shed, beach benches, swim raft.
- 3. Reflects MPAC property value assessment of Nagaya Beach as of 2008. Assessed value was \$15,600 in 2012 and \$15,900 in 2016.
- 4. Portions of 3-year memberships that will be earned in future years.

Will be earned in 2021	\$ 9,180.00
Will be earned after 2021	8,148.00
Total	\$ 17,328.00

- 5. Designated income funds are tracked separately but are stored in the same bank and investment accounts as general KLRA funds.
- 6. The Contingency/Emergency Reserve was fixed at \$13,000 by Board resolution in 2017.
- 7. Of the Undesignated Members' Equity amount, \$47,029.19 is available to fund operations or initiatives. The remainder is fixed assets.

# Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (1994) Inc. (KLRA)

# **Income Statement**

For the year ending December 31, 2020

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	2020	2019	Notes
Income	·	·	
Membership dues	\$ 11,036.00	\$ 11,369.00	1
Donations	1,178.62	11,000.27	5
Fundraising proceeds	2,962.00	52.50	2,6
Merchandise sales gross profit	2,028.18	1,762.36	3
Advertising	1,596.00	1,040.00	
Interest	1,259.38	1,288.85	
Other		5.47	
Total Income	\$ 20,060.18	\$ 26,518.45	
Expenses			
Programs and Events (Sched. 2)	\$ 6,098.72	\$ 9,833.28	
General and administrative	1,496.57	1,112.56	4
Insurance	2,230.20	2,230.20	
Depreciation	2,627.50	2,349.35	
Donations	3,653.61		7
Total Expenses	\$ 16,106.60	\$ 15,525.39	
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 3,953.58	\$ 10,993.06	
Memo: Sources of Net Surplus (Deficit)	ć (427.61)	ć (201.20)	
Kahshe Lake Preservation Fund (Sched. 1a)	\$ (437.61)	\$ (301.28)	
Rock Marker Fund (Sched. 1b)	(1,601.71)	(2,725.31)	
General operations	5,992.90 \$ 3,953.58	14,019.65	
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 3,953.58	\$ 10,993.06	

# **Notes (Income Statement)**

1. Membership dues includes current portion of new/renewed memberships and current portion of prepaid memberships from prior years.

2. Calculation of Fundraising proceeds:	2020	2019
Income from Fundraising	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 105.00
Less: Fundraising expenses	 (338.00)	(52.50)
Proceeds	\$ 2,962.00	\$ 52.50
Margin	90%	50%

3. Calculation of Merchandise sales gross profit:	2020	2019
Merchandise Sales	\$ 5,274.00	\$ 5,176.47
Less: Cost of Goods Sold	(3,142.27)	(3,307.25)
Less: Selling Expense	 (103.55)	(106.86)
Gross Profit	\$ 2,028.18	\$ 1,762.36
Margin	38%	34%

- 4. G&A includes: AGM, post office box, office, bank charges, merchant account fees, audio and video conferencing, miscellaneous.
- 5. 2019 Includes donation from Kahshe Lake Community Facebook of \$10,901.32.
- 6. Income from Fundraising (see Note 2) is \$180 from the Ice-Out Contest and \$3120 from Movie Night. Expenses were for prizes, printing, etc. Movie Night fundraiser was in aid of Gravenhurst Against Poverty (see note 7).
- 7. Donations were: Gravenhurst Against Poverty (\$3500); Gravenhurst Opera House (153.61).

# Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (1994) Inc. (KLRA)

## **Cash Flow Statement**

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For the year ending December 31, 2020		2020		Notes
Cash flows from operating activities		2020		140105
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	•		\$ 3,953.58	
Adjustments for non-cash income and expenses				
Depreciation	\$ 2,627.50			
Interest earned in period but not received	(233.99)			
Non-cash income and expenses			2,393.51	
Adjustments for changes in assets and liabilities				1
Assets				
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	-			
Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	307.22			
Increase in Inventory	(343.12)			
Changes in assets		(35.90)		
Liabilities				
Decrease in Accounts Payable	(147.38)			
Increase in Prepaid Memberships	2,781.00_			
Changes in liabilities	_	2,633.62		
Total changes in assets and liabilities			2,597.72	
Cash flows from operating activities			8,944.81	
Cash flows from investing activities				
Cash used to purchase equipment	(2,746.97)			
Cash received from redemptions of GIC holdings, less	15,954.41			
interest included in investment income	15,554.41			
			13,207.44	
Cash flows from investing activities			13,207.44	
Net change in cash			22,152.25	
	1			
Cash Summary	l			
Cash on hand and in bank at beginning of year			14,618.46	2
Net change in cash during the year			22,152.25	_
Cash on hand and in bank at end of year		:	\$36,770.71	2

# Notes (Cash Flow)

- 1. Excludes investments.
- 2. Cash includes bank deposits, merchant accounts (e.g. AffiniPay, Wave, PayPal), cash on hand and advances outstanding. Value of investments held is not included.

# Schedule 1a - Kahshe Lake Preservation Fund

For the year ending December 31, 2020

						Notes
Opening balance, consisting of:						
Portion of cash on hand and in bank, and investme	nts		\$ 8,616.96			
Inventory			17.25	\$	8,634.21	
Income						
Interest	\$	129.34				
History Book sales, gross profit/(loss)		(62.95)	66.39			1
Expenses						
Muskoka Conservancy membership		(504.00)				
			(504.00)	_		
Net change during year					(437.61)	-
Closing balance				\$	8,196.60	
Consisting of:						
Portion of cash on hand and in bank, and investme	nts			\$	8,029.40	
Inventory					167.20	-
				\$	8,196.60	

The Kahshe Lake Preservation Fund was established in 2001 and funded by donations by residents of Kahshe and Bass Lakes for development, implementation and ongoing stewardship of the Lake Plan. The fund is administered by the Conservation Committee.

#### Notes

1. Calculation of History Book sales gross profit:

Sales of History Books	\$ 160.00
Less: Cost of Goods Sold	(148.61)
Less: Inventory Adjustments	 (74.34)
Gross Profit/(Loss)	\$ (62.95)
Margin	 -39%

2. Inventory Adjustments comprise the cost of 4 History Books that appear to have been lost.

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# Schedule 1b - Rock Marker Fund

For the year ending December 31, 2020

	Portion of cash and investments		Equipment (depreciated cost)		Total
Opening balances	\$ 7,729.29	\$	6,404.24	\$	14,133.53
Funds raised in year	-				-
Less: Fundraising costs	-				-
Equipment purchased	(1,252.99)		1,252.99		
Balances before income and expenses (A)	6,476.30		7,657.23		14,133.53
Income					
Interest	116.01				116.01
Donations	151.00				151.00
	 267.01				267.01
Expenses					
Rock marker maintenance expense	(94.92)				(94.92)
Depreciation expense			(1,773.80)		(1,773.80)
	 (94.92)		(1,773.80)		(1,868.72)
Net income/(expense) (B)	172.09		(1,773.80)		(1,601.71)
Closing balances (A-B)	\$ 6,648.39	\$	5,883.43	\$	12,531.82
Change in fund value for the year	(1,080.90)		(520.81)		(1,601.71)

The Rock Marker Fund was established in 2012 to upgrade existing navigation hazard markers, to expand the number of locations, and to provide for their maintenance over their useful life.

## Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (1994) Inc. (KLRA)

## Schedule 1c - Undesignated Members' Equity

As at December 31, 2020

This schedule identifies the portion of Members' Equity that is available to fund operations or initiatives.

			1	hshe Lake Preserv.	Rock Marker	Contingency / Emergency	Undesig-	
		Totals		Fund	Fund	Reserve	nated	Notes
Sou	rce	Balance Sheet	•	Sched. 1a	Sched. 1b	Fixed	Calculated	
ASSETS							Note1	
Cash on hand and in bank	\$	36,770.71					\$ 36,770.71	
Accounts receivable		-					-	
Prepaid expenses		-					-	
Inventories, at cost		2,164.42		167.20			1,997.22	
Investments		53,567.05		8,029.40	6,648.39	13,000.00	25,889.26	3
Equipment, net of depreciation		11,993.69			5,883.43		6,110.26	
Real estate (Nagaya Beach)		12,000.00					12,000.00	
Total Assets	\$	116,495.87	\$	8,196.60	\$ 12,531.82	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 82,767.45	
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	300,00					\$ 300.00	
Prepaid membership dues		17,328.00					17,328.00	
Total Liabilities	\$	17,628.00	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,628.00	
MEMBERS' EQUITY	_						<u> </u>	
Balance at end of year	\$	98,867.87	\$	8,196.60	\$ 12,531.82	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 65,139.45	

## Available Undesignated Members' Equity

This amount is available to fund forward year operations through the annual budget process. It is in addition to income that would be planned to be generated in the year covered by the budget.

Undesignated Members' Equity balance at end of year (from above)	\$ 65,139.45
Less: Non-liquid amounts	
Equipment, net of depreciation	(6,110.26)
Real estate (Nagaya Beach)	(12,000.00)_
Undesignated Members' Equity available to fund future year operations	\$ 47,029.19

#### Notes

- 1. Undesignated amounts are the balances after deducting the designated amounts.
- 2. Designated Income Funds are governed by our previously-defined policy.
- 3. Investments (GICs) are typically non-cashable but can be liquidated (sold before maturity) at a penalty.

#### Schedule 2 - KLRA Programs and Events

For the year ending December 31, 2020

Programs		2020			2019		Notes
Beach Committee		\$ 1,110.26	,		\$ 2,345.29		1
Communication, Outreach, Membership Committee							
Newsletter, Door and Dock Drop	\$ 433.92			\$ 708.37			
Website and membership admin system	1,477.18			1,472.68			
Membership drive	103.56			-			
Awards	68.37			61.59			
Other		2,083.03		15.00	2,257.64		
Conservation Committee		504.00			604.51		
FOCA		1,072.50			1,260.00		
Rock Marker Committee		94.92			1,223.23		3
Water Safety Committee	_	-	\$ 4,864.71			\$ 7,690.67	
Events							
Benthic Monitoring	\$ -			\$ -			
Flea Fest	-			170.26			
Housey's Rapids Picnic	-			65.42			
Kahshe Country Craft Show and Sale	-			-			
Kahshe Lake Regatta	-			291.81			
Kermit Long Kids' Fishing Derby	-			450.00			
Photo Contest	300.00			869.97			
Treasure Quest	293.33			-			
Other	250.00		843.33	295.15		2,142.61	2
Other							
Other Programs and Events expense	390.68		390.68	-		-	
Total Programs and Events			\$ 6,098.72			\$ 9,833.28	

#### Notes

- 1. Includes Maintenance (\$0), toilet rental (\$708.3), misc. equip., property tax.
- $2. \, Primarily \, event-related \, equipment \, purchases \, and \, storage \, shed \, location \, rental \, expense \, .$
- 3. Excludes depreciation.

April 6, 2021

#### To: Members, Kahshe Lake Ratepayers' Association (1994) Inc. (KLRA)

I have reviewed the accompanying Balance Sheet of the KLRA as at December 31, 2020 and related Statements of Income, Cash Flow and supporting schedules for the year then ended.

My review included primarily applying analytical procedures to the financial data and supporting information provided by the Treasurer. A review is less in scope than an audit, and accordingly I do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material corrections or modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to reasonably present the financial position of the KLRA as at December 31, 2020 and the results of its financial activities for the year then ended.

. Alex Milburn

# **Looking Ahead**

The KLRA Board of Directors has set out priorities and initiatives for 2021. Some initiatives build on the tradition and work of prior years, while others are cyclical – require attention every few years.

# **Our Dedicated Volunteers & Contributors**

Throughout the year, the programs and events organized by the KLRA are only possible because of the dedication of many, many volunteers.

### How to Get Involved

The events and programs on Kahshe and Bass Lakes are a big part of what makes our lakes great. The events and programs organized by the KRLA are always looking energetic volunteers of all ages.

Join in the fun this summer and help keep our lakes great: volunteer!

If you would like to volunteer to lead or help out with any of our events, simply contact the event organizer or email

info@kahshelake.ca and let us know how you would like to help out. ■