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Subject: Spring Message to BGLEECA Members

I hope this email finds each and every one of you safe and healthy. These times are very different and change daily. As a result of the Covid-19 virus, the BGLEECA Executive has made some decisions regarding Summer 2020 at the lake.

There will not be a Spring Newsletter this year. Instead, I will advise you of any developments from the North Frontenac Municipality, the Ontario Government, Federation of Cottage Associations (FOCA), Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority or BGLEECA Executive. I hope to be in touch with all of you a minimum of every 2 – 4 weeks. However, because the situation is fluid, this could change. If there are any developments with the status quo, you will hear from me as soon as possible.

The Area Rep meeting scheduled for June 6 has been cancelled. As a result any news, cottage directory and dues notifications will be sent electronically. The 2020-21 Big Gull Lake Calendar is prepared and currently with the printer. The print shop is closed as non-essential, but we are hopeful that as things ease over the next weeks, they will be able to print the calendars. When there is more information and a more definite timetable, I will be in touch to discuss a strategy for distribution.

The Executive has decided to cancel all our lake activities. Given the social distancing still in force, it made sense to make this decision. However, as things progress during the summer, this may change. We will keep you informed of any revisions.

As far as the AGM is concerned, we will still attempt to have some form of meeting. Our by-laws state that we must have a business meeting once a year. I will be on a call with FOCA to discuss options for the AGM and hopefully we can determine a suitable venue for this event.

As mentioned above, dues will still be collected. These dollars help to cover our Lake insurance, Directors' insurance, FOCA dues etc. Road maintenance is ongoing and will still be collected by each group. Thank you for still supporting the lake during these turbulent times.

Hopefully, we will start to see things return to normal. On a positive note, the Government is allowing marinas to start preparing boats for pick-up. While the marinas are still closed, once they have permission to re-open, our boats will be ready to go.

Please take care of yourselves and your families so we can all enjoy the Lake this summer. Stay safe and healthy and hopefully see you soon on Big Gull Lake, at a socially appropriate distance.

Donna Commerford
President, BGLEECA