



December 2021

MAPLE LEAF ACRES MEMBERS' ASSOCIATION INFORMATION LETTER

Dear Friends and Members of MLA.

The 2021 year was COVID-19 driven, although it turned out to be a bit more like 2020 than we had hoped, however there was a healthy dose of optimism mixed with the challenges. It was nice to see that gatherings were permissible along with venturing out to see baseball finish up its season, and to see hockey and basketball start theirs, along with the snowbirds being allowed to cross the Canadian/U.S. borders or to other overseas destinations.

The success of our Association is built on the efforts of our membership, volunteers, employees and business partners. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all their efforts throughout the year; you the members for in most cases adhering to all the COVID-19 guidelines; the volunteer committees for their effort in putting together as many functions as they did, considering the many restrictions during the 2021 year. Thank you for the continued support you have given us and our staff. Our employees have again demonstrated their loyalty to the membership. A great thank you goes out to all of them.

As the year end is fast approaching, we wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Despite continued uncertainty due to COVID-19, let us all hope that the 2022 brings us a brighter year!

Sending Warm Wishes & Christmas Cheer!

COVID-19:

Maple Leaf Acres Members' Association continues to make every effort in our response to the COVID 19 pandemic, ensuring that the Association and each of our members & staff are aware of the guidelines as set by the Provincial Government and take the necessary steps to safeguard the health of our members and staff. As such we would remind all members that at the time of printing restrictions are still in place. It is important to keep practicing physical distancing, washing of hands often, wearing a mask and get tested if you experience COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive.

You are also being reminded that as of this date, proof of vaccination is required if entering any of the park's facilities when you are attending an event/function. If proof is not shown, entry to the event will be refused.

For local updates you can visit www.wdgpUBLICHEALTH.ca

GRCA – Dock & Swimming Improvements:

We are happy to report that The GRCA has recently approved the removal of vegetation to the right side of the boat ramp to allow for the creation of a swimming area with easier and safer access. However, our request for a sandy or rock beach has been denied by the ecologists. We anticipate that a new swimming area will be operational for the beginning of the 2022 season.

Park/Facilities Upgrades:

The Board of Directors has recently approved the installation of the remaining 11 hydro panels/breakers in Phase 1. This installation was not part of the scope of work of the phase 1 infrastructure upgrade. We anticipate the work to be completed early in the New Year. When known, members affected will be notified as there might be some power interruption.

The Association has recently installed a new hot tub chemical feeder.

Water Sample Results:

Attached you will find a letter from Dufferin Water Co. LTD dated October 12, 2021 detailing water sample results for 2020.

Have a question for the Board about the park?

Starting in our next newsletter we'll be adding a Q and A section where we will answer 3 of the most frequently asked or hot topic questions from our members. Please submit your questions via email to admin@mapleleafacres.ca or carole.rampling@mapleleafacres.ca

Reminders

Electrical Safety Authorities:

As a reminder, all construction work, which involves electrical work of any nature, will require a permit and verification of approval of all electrical wiring by the Electrical Safety Authority.

Cooking Oil/Grease disposal:

During recent routine maintenance of pumping stations, large amounts of cooking oil/grease was observed. Oil is not only costly and hard to treat and dispose of, but it is also one the major causes of sewer line blockage. Please dispose of cooking oil in the container provided which is situated in the garbage area. Do not dispose of food, bones, paper towels or diapers in the sewer system as they clog the lines and cause major problems. The system is privately owned by MLA and not the township, so major problems can be costly to everyone.

Parking Vehicles:

Members are reminded that they are not to park on the road at any time. Street parking restricts access to emergency vehicles and obstructs maintenance equipment particularly during winter operations. Members' vehicles shall be parked on their own site. However, should they need to park somewhere else for a short time, there are visitor parking lots around the park where a member can park for a short period of time.

Winterizing of Units:

Winterizing your unit by insulating around all your water lines and connections to ensure that there is no freeze-up and the possibility of broken pipes is an important step to take. Disconnecting the water line altogether when leaving your unit for the winter season is highly recommended. Please do not leave your faucet continuously running, as it is not the way to winterize water lines and only adds extra volume to the sewer system.

Overstays/21 Ski Days:

Seasonal Members are reminded that during the period of November 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022 members are not permitted to use their units on a regular basis during the day or night other than the pre-approved 21 ski days and/or on weekends (Friday and Saturday nights as well Sunday during the day).

****Note: December 29 & 30 is not considered holiday and should members wish to use their units during those days, they will have to book the time with the office.**

2022 Maintenance Fees - effective January 1, 2022

Due the 1st of each and every month

NSF Charges of \$50.00 will apply

6 Months	-	\$226.42
9 Months	-	\$283.02
12 Months	-	\$339.63

Winter Office hours effective October 1, 2021

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Every 1st & 3rd Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Closed all Statutory Holidays

The Rec. Centre closes at 10:00 p.m. sharp providing there are no functions taking place

Holiday Hours – Christmas/New Years

Office

December 23, Open 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 December 24/25/26/27/28 Closed
 December 29/30 Open 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 December 31 Closed
 January 1/2/3 Closed
 January 4 Open-regular hours

Maintenance

December 23, Open 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
 December. 24-Open 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 December 25/26/27/28 Closed
 December 29/30 – Open 8:00 a.m-4:00 p.m.
 December 31- Open 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Jan.1/2/3 - Closed
 Jan. 4-Open- regular hours

Winter Pool Hours

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Adult Exercise
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Parents and Tots
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Open to All
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Adults
3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Open to All
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Adults Only

****Note: Due to the lack of manpower to fulfill the Heath Department guidelines to disinfect, cleaning, testing and closing the premises during the holidays, the pool will be closed from December 24, 2021 to January 4, 2022.**

Shuffleboard

Three Courts
Main Rec Hall
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Chairperson – Linda Osmond – 519-803-8153

Pickle Ball

Tuesday & Thursday – Main Rec Hall at 7:00 p.m.
Chairperson – Judy Middleton – 519-787-5283

Darts

Wednesday & Saturday – Main Rec Hall at – 7:00 p.m.

If you have a recurring activity, you want listed, please contact the office.

REMEMBER THESE DATES

Information Meeting	May 28, 2022
Harmony Day	July 9, 2022
Annual General Meeting	July 23, 2022

The Board of Directors/Officers

Steve Mifsud – President
Arnold Vervoort – Vice President
Al Dias – Secretary/Treasurer
Fred Griffin
Chris Macedo
J.C. Lapointe
Heather Fitzner
Susan Richardson

Staff

Carole Rampling, Mel Montgomery, Dave Oliver, Scott Hassell

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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12 October 2021

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Re: Water Sample Results

To Whom it May Concern:

Dufferin Water Co. Ltd conducts weekly testing of the treated (potable) water that is supplied to the residents of Maple Leaf Acres. All of the testing conducted in 2020 and up to and including the samples collected the week of June 15, 2020 indicate that the water meets or exceeds all of the chemical and microbiological standards mandated in the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Sodium is tested once every 5 years with the last test conducted on January 23, 2020. This sample returned a result of 15 mg/L. The standard for sodium is 20 mg/L for individuals on a sodium restricted diet. For those not on a sodium restricted diet the standard is 250 mg/L. To put the sodium levels into context consuming 2 litres (8 glasses) of MLA water would add 30 mg of sodium to your diet. For comparison a single slice of bread contains from 170 to 450 mg of sodium.

If you have any questions please call.

Regards,



Joe Miedema P. Eng.
General Manager