

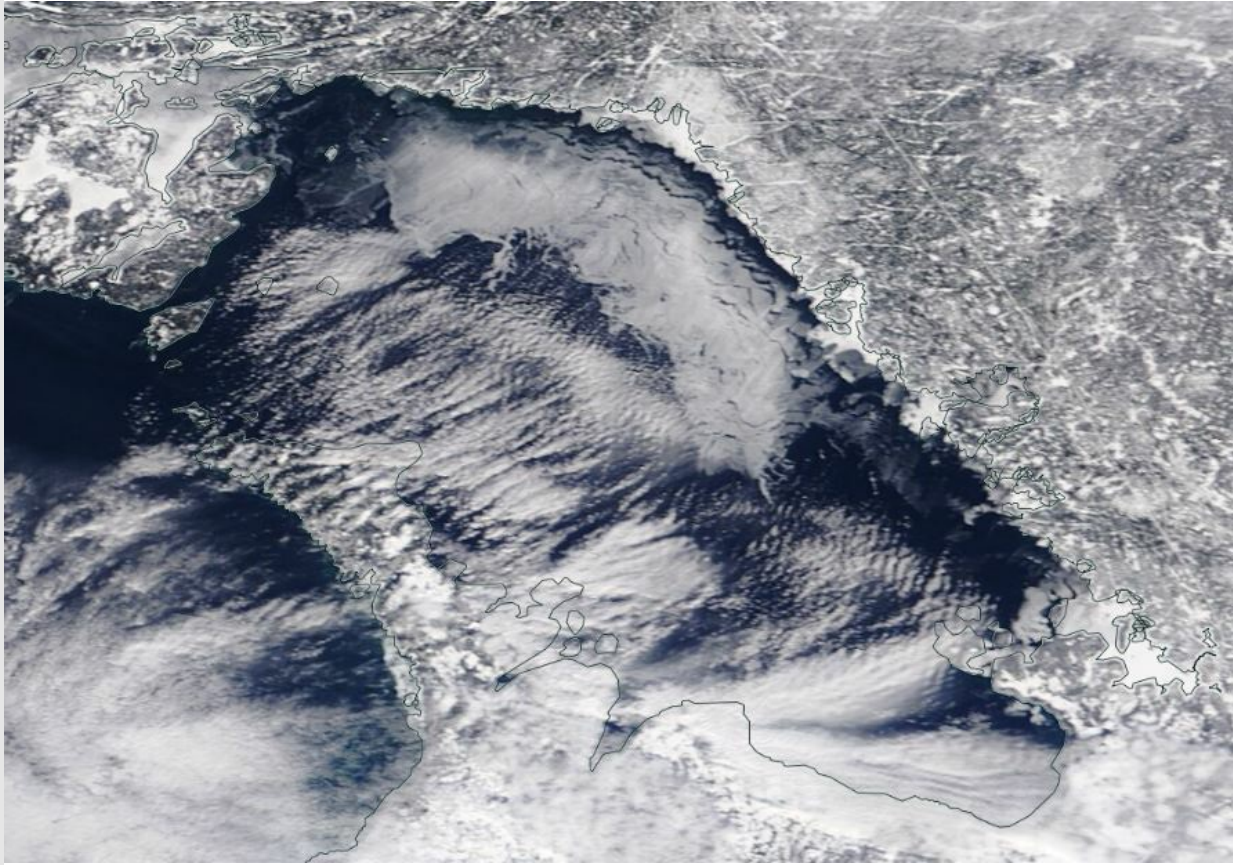


Sans Souci & Copperhead Association

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[NASA Satellite](#) picture for Jan 30, 2021
Link to the Bowens webcam - [here](#)

Greetings!

Happy New Year and good riddance to 2020!

I'm hoping all of you are staying safe. Ontario is currently in a lockdown situation that we hope will end in February as long as people stay home as the Premier has asked. Early indications are that its having a positive effect but time will tell.

Your Board is considering multiple phases for community centre operations this summer, from lockdown to complete opening. 2020 Deja vu. Updates to members will be in future newsletters.

The board continues to work on the future of the property and design ideas for a new community centre building. More news to come as the property committee finish their great work on this.

A group of Advisory and Board members are standing by for the restart of the Township of the Archipelago's (TOA) Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Review. We'll have more updates when it restarts. For more information you can go [here](#) to the TOA's website planning page Comprehensive By-Law Review for materials already presented in 2019.

The 2021 SSCA Dues Notice went out to members Jan. 18th. We introduced a new e-transfer capability which has been very popular. Thank you for those that have made their payment already and to those that have not yet, please do.

Remember to make any address changes via the website by signing into your membership profile. Jason Drysdale, Chair of our Fire & Safety Committee, wants to remind you to make sure your cellphone number is in the **Cell Number** field as this is the only phone number our Northern 911 emergency service will contact if there is an emergency in your cottage area.

We are publishing again a paper Member Directory for **2021 paid** members. The Directory will go out in May. New this year will be the addition of email addresses sourced from your Membership info on the website.

Lastly, here is a fun video from Sheila Waengler that should take your mind off of COVID-19 and back to the Bay - [here](#).

Enjoy the rest of the Newsletter with lots more content.

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App Will Help First Responders Find You - from the GBA

The OPP is using the internationally recognized app what3words in all provincial call centres to direct first responders to precise locations for faster and more accurate emergency response. what3words has assigned a unique three-word tag to every three squared metres on the planet. By giving the 911 dispatcher the three words for your location, they



can convert the tag into proper coordinates, pinpoint exactly where you are, and direct help. This tool is proving particularly useful in helping OPP officers locate parties in remote and forested areas where signal is limited and on vast waterways.

More

Paintings and Prints from the Estate of Ed Bartram



The Mira Goddard Gallery in Toronto has a virtual exhibition of paintings and prints by Ed Bartram on from Feb. 6th to Feb. 27th. With the current COVID-19 situation, the gallery has created a virtual tour video that takes you through his beautiful works. The virtual tour is [here](#). To see each piece individually, go [here](#) and click < or > on either side of the large image.

What? Get paid to play on Georgian Bay?



The SSCA is looking for a Director and an Assistant Director to run the summer Day Camp Program! Applications should be submitted by April 1st.

We are looking for enthusiastic, mature, organized, and patient individuals who love working with children 5-12 years of age. The Directors are responsible for leading games, crafts, and outside fun for children in a safe environment. The program

runs from 9:30 to 3:30 pm from Monday to Friday throughout the summer weeks.

The SSCA Day Camp program is operated out of the school house on the SSCA property on Frying Pan Island. It is necessary for applicants to have their Bronze Cross, and their own water transportation to and from the island.

Please note, this program will run in accordance with the restrictions and safety protocols of our Public Health Unit.

Interested applicants should send their letter explaining their attributes and experience to:

Holly Loell, Programs Chair

hsloell@gmail.com

SSCA Property Maintenance Jobs

Once again the SSCA will be looking to hire 2 or 3 part-time students to help

with spring, and summer maintenance of the property on Frying Pan Island.

Interested persons please, email - Michael Ugarenko, Director SSCA, Chair of Property - mike.ugarenko@gmail.com

An application form outlining the job will be emailed to you.

Please note: Applicants require a runabout boat to carry out a few of the duties. A gas allowance will be provided in addition to salary.

SSCA Book Club Winter Date

Happy New Year! I know that we all have our fingers crossed that this year will bring an end to this pandemic, allowing our lives can return to whatever the new normal will be!



In the meantime, let's dream of summer at the Bay, and pass some of our lockdown time reading and meeting via Zoom.

Dawn Drayton has kindly offered to lead the discussion of the book **The Dutch House** by *Ann Patchett*, and Cathie Singer is happy to host our Zoom meeting. Reach out to me at - libbystratton@outlook.com to join us.

We will meet on Zoom to discuss this book on Tuesday, February 23rd at 7:00 PM. Cathie Singer mentioned that for those of you who like to listen to books, an excellent narration by Tom Hanks is available through Audible.

Looking forward to seeing you at this event!

Hope you are also thinking about books for this summer's book club discussions! Hang in there!

Libby
Libby Stratton, SSCA Book Club
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Iron City Fishing Club - 2020



The summer of 2020 will be remembered with sadness for the majority of our club membership as the border closure has prevented our enjoying the wonders of our dear Georgian Bay. But as a line in one of our favorite camp songs reminds us, "But another summer's coming, we'll be back with you!"

My wife Natalie has not missed a year on the bay for 67 years – a statement many other members can also make exemplifying their love of club and community.

Iron City and SSCA share very close histories. While Iron City Fishing Club (ICFC) was founded in 1881, our first encampment in our current location was not until 1900, and the club was incorporated in 1901, just two years prior to the founding of the SSCA. Iron City and its entire membership remain arm in arm with the SSCA.

Our stated Purpose closely matches the interests of the SSCA and its entire membership, "To maintain and preserve a safe haven in the beautiful natural environment of Georgian Bay, and for the members of the Club to enjoy recreational, social, spiritual and educational activities."

Here are a few details of our current Club. Our property includes 194 acres and about 2 miles of shoreline. Our 55 Corporate members share the club ownership and most own their own cottages. We have 60 associate and 61 Intermediate members over the age of 26, and countless young adults and kids, which speaks well for the future health of ICFC!

Around 20 community buildings include caretaker, manager and staff housing, a business and doctor's office, a lodge for meetings and events, and our crown jewel the dining hall which was built in 1902 and has undergone several renovations throughout its history.

Iron City is the largest of very few fishing clubs remaining on the bay, out of hundreds of clubs that at one time existed up and down the shoreline and islands. We understand, appreciate and dearly love this gift we have been given by our great, great (and maybe even one more great) grandparents and vow to keep it healthy and thriving long into the future.

Walter Sloan, SSCA Director - ICFC Liaison

Member Remembered

Fran Wardlaw

Fran passed away November 16, 2020 at her residence in Toronto in her 67th year.

Fran was a warm and vibrant person who always had a smile and a laugh to share. She was a great cook, loved to travel, and could wear any colour and look fantastic.

Her last years were a fight but she persevered with grace and courage. She spent her final months in her favourite place, Georgian Bay.

Fran was a keen tennis player and won the ladies



title with Eli Taylor while battling cancer in 2018. She passed away quietly at her home in Toronto in the company of her brother and a few close friends. She was much loved and missed by all who knew her. - Val and Laura Hay

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Message from Reeve Liverance

January 13, 2021

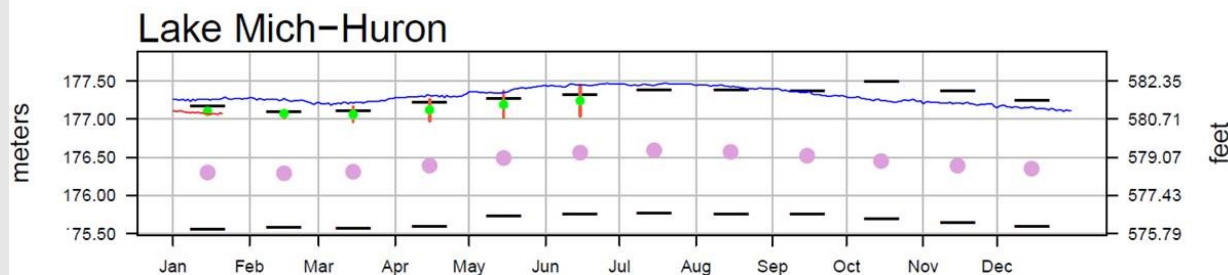
Dear Resident(s),

As you may be aware, on January 12, 2021, our Premier Doug Ford declared a second Provincial Emergency to address the Covid-19 crisis and save lives. This action comes as a measure to fight the 2nd wave of the virus, and to help curb the rising number of cases and deaths across the Province by reducing the level of travel.

An important aspect of the Provincial Emergency Declaration is a stay at home order, effective Thursday at 12:01 a.m., which will require all Ontarians to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care services, for exercise, or for essential work.

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Georgian Bay News



GBA Water Levels Report - Jan 24, 2021

Precipitation throughout the basin has been well below normal so far for January.

Water levels continue to be well above average and near record high levels, but all the lakes are continuing their seasonal declines.

Lake Michigan-Huron continues to be below the level it was at this time last year – see first graph above. All the lakes are now lower than they were at this time last year.

From a month ago the water levels on Lakes Superior, **Michigan-Huron** and St Clair are **down 4, 2 & 2 inches respectively**, Lakes Ontario is unchanged and Lake Erie is up 1 inch. Lakes Superior, **Michigan-Huron**, St Clair, Erie & Ontario, are lower by 7, **8**, 10, 7 & **19 inches**, respectively, than they were at this time last year. Lakes Superior, **Michigan-Huron**, St Clair, Erie & Ontario are 7, **31**, 28, 26 & **1 inches**, respectively, **above their long term January average**. All the lakes are now below their January record highs.

In a month's time, the levels of Lakes Superior & **Michigan-Huron**, are expected to be **lower 2 & 1 inches** respectively, and Lakes St Clair, Erie & Ontario are expected to be slightly higher, or remain the same.

High water levels and potentially record high water levels are expected to persist for at least the next six months, so flood prone areas are expected to remain vulnerable.

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