



June 2022

Dear Manitou Association Members,

I hope you all had a safe and healthy off season and have had the opportunity to start enjoying cottaging on The Bay. We are happy to finally resume in-person meetings for 2022 so mark your calendars! We look forward to connecting with everyone in person to celebrate our community and enjoy spending time together after a challenging few years (to say the least).

- **The Manitou Association Annual General Meeting** will be held on Saturday, July 9th at Martin Island (B137-1) at 11am
 - Lunch & social to follow
 - Directions will be emailed closer to the date
- **The Manitou Regatta** will take place on Sunday, July 31st

This year is a non-voting year for our Manitou Board although we do have a vacant position for Vice President. We appreciate your consideration regarding this opportunity and are happy to answer any questions about the role. We are looking forward to having a brand-new VP selected at the upcoming AGM! In addition, the GBA has one volunteer director from each association, a role that Jamie Drayton has been filling for the past number of years. If you are interested in stepping up in this capacity, please contact Jamie Drayton to inquire.

Current 2022 Manitou Board:

- Hal Martin, President
- Chris Galberg, Past President & Webmaster
- **Vacant, Vice President**
- Jenifer Martin, Treasurer
- Darin Buckland, Director
- Cathy Coles, Director
- Liz Drayton, Director
- Kristi Ellenzweig, Director

With respect to dues for 2022, we have maintained \$110 per property owner (\$60 to Manitou and \$50 to GBA) for primary membership with voting privileges. Once again, we also ask additional families, couples or individuals who share a property to contribute \$50 (\$25 to Manitou and \$25 to GBA) as a secondary membership. The secondary membership provides the same benefits without voting privileges. Membership benefits include a listing in the Manitou directory, login access to

www.manitouassociation.com, email updates and direct mailings from Manitou Association, Georgian Bay Association and Georgian Bay Forever. Dues can be paid in 2 ways at or before the AGM (with eTransfer being the preferred):

- **eTransfer to:** jemartin@shoppersdrugmart.ca
- **Mail cheque:** Jenifer Martin, 29 Edgewood Grove, Toronto, ON M4L 1X8

If you have not already, check out the Manitou Website and don't forget to add it as a bookmark. As a member, once you've logged in, you can find the following valuable information. There is also a newly launched section for members to post classified advertisements & opportunities to buy/sell products and services.

- Membership Directory: <https://manitouassociation.com/roster/?py=yes&view=table&st=>
- Latest News: <https://manitouassociation.com/news-events>
- This Newsletter & Newsletter Archives: <https://manitouassociation.com/latest-message/>
- Emergency Info & Important Numbers: <https://manitouassociation.com/emergency-info/>
- Link to Transfer Station Info: <https://manitouassociation.com/transfer-station/>



We are also very proud to highlight Alan Harman and Chris Galberg's upcoming initiative to **Swim for Georgian Bay** on August 6th. They are doing an open water swim out at the Western Island and are donating and raising funds to Georgian Bay Forever. Let's cheer for our Manitou Members as they challenge themselves for this very important initiative - we wish you smooth waters Alan and Chris 😊.

Click here to donate:

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=E229489QE&id=3>

Georgian Bay Forever is a charity dedicated to scientific research and public education on Georgian Bay's aquatic ecosystem. GBF's mission is to protect, enhance, and restore the aquatic ecosystem of Georgian Bay by funding accredited research on water levels, water quality, and ecosystems; by educating the public and governments on issues regarding the environmental protection, conservation, the safety and preservation of the water and the natural features of the Georgian Bay area of Ontario; and by enhancing the public's appreciation for their environment.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Hope to see you at the AGM!

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