



THE MINNOW LAKE NEWS

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New back yard burning by-law now in effect

Even though we live close to water, the new open air burning by-law still applies to us. Any type of fire must be located at least **6 metres from any building or structure** which is double the previous limit. Offenders can be fined and may be liable for other costs.

New Noise Bylaw Hearings Planned

Of interest to those who live on the water, where sound travels further, is news of a new noise by-law to be created with a public hearing at 7.00 p.m. on **Aug 6th - Room C11 at Tom Davies Square**. More info available from the City Clerk's office by calling 311.

Shoreline Home Visits

Receive a **free waterfront living package** with natural cleaning products and an assessment of your shoreline plus identification of possible invasive species and tips on controlling algae and aquatic plants. **See over for more information**. This free service is provided by the Sudbury Lake Water Quality Program.

Important Lake Meeting July 29th on Blue-Green Algae Threat

Anyone that is concerned about lake water quality should plan to attend this important meeting **Wednesday July 29th - 6:30 p.m. in the cavern at Science North**. Blue-green algae has been observed in a number of Sudbury lakes including Lake Ramsey.

Blue-Green Algae can be very **highly toxic** and has resulted in cases of severe illness and death (mostly animals) from drinking the infected water. Even coming into physical contact can be harmful.

It is obviously important that as Ramsey and Minnow Lake are connected that we know as much as possible about this threat and how to **guard against outbreaks** and what to do if we are affected.

Community Action Network Serves all of Minnow Lake

The Minnow Lake Restoration Group works closely with the Minnow Lake Community Action Network which represents an area from the Kingsway down to Ramsey Lake and along to Moonlight Beach. E-mail info.minnowlake@gmail.com to be put on the mailing list or visit the Restoration Group and Action Network web-site at www.minnowlake.ca. Both groups continue to look for interested residents to help make our community a better place to live.

Did You Know? - Protecting our Lakes

The Minnow Lake Restoration Group has created a pamphlet for residents **of all lakeside properties** in the city. Lake side owners have a special responsibility for the protection of our more than 300 lakes within the Greater Sudbury city limits. If a copy of this pamphlet is not attached, you can find it on our website.