

Block B Cottage Association

Summer Newsletter 2023

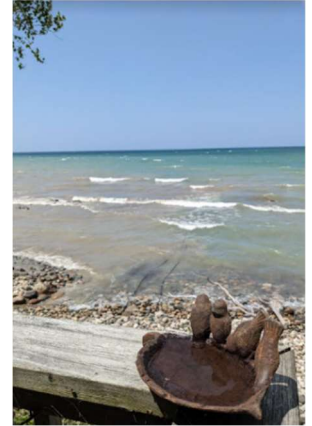


Our Association <https://scoi.ca/block-b-cottage-association/>

The Block B Cottage Association is one of four associations that comprises the Saugeen Cottagers Association Inc (SCOI), representing cottagers on Saugeen First Nations (SFN) #28 and #29. SCOI works with SFN to address areas of concern and provide updates.

Block B includes members from 315 cottages along the Lake Huron Shoreline on Bruce Road 13 (ERNs 209-967), Ah-Sineese Crescent (ERNs 1-45) and 2nd Avenue (ERNs 1520-1492).

The annual membership fee is \$20 and supports the Block B Board who work to collect and address specific concerns from our members. Membership fees support SCOI and includes access to scoi.ca



2023 Annual General Meeting – Saturday, August 5, 2023, 10am

We meet annually to review the past year, meet new members, solicit new ideas/initiatives that will help us all. This year's meeting is on August 5th at 10am at the Southampton Rotary Club Hal, 39 Grey St South. This year we are looking for those interested in getting involved as Directors and in Membership.

Bruce Road #13 East Ditches

As a reminder, excess brush and debris should NOT be placed in the ditch on the east side of Bruce Road #13. Build-up of brush is causing back-up of water and the result is flooding on the west side of the road. We are working with the County to ensure ditch maintenance is performed as required but need everyone's support to keep brush out of these ditches.

Adopt-A-Road/ Spruce Up the Bruce

We are always looking for volunteers to support our efforts to keeping Bruce Road #13 clean and free of debris. The current commitment involves going out once a month and collecting any garbage off the road. If interested, please contact Roy Williams at (905) 599-6995

Lake Huron Coast Watchers

Input what you see from your cottage once a week during the season! Information on volunteering with Lake Huron's Coast Watchers is here: <https://www.lakehuron.ca/coastwatchers>

Invitation to Learn: 4 Seasons of Reconciliation

Block B Members interested in learning more about the history of Indigenous people in Canada can do so through the online course "4 Seasons of Reconciliation" www.reconciliationeducation.ca/deloitte

Developed in conjunction with First Nations University of Canada, Deloitte has graciously opened access to this course, developed as part of their Reconciliation Action Plan. Thank to Jim Grant, Block B President, for the heads-up.

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Winter Surveillance

Members can sign up for winter surveillance by an independent third party for an additional fee of \$98. This surveillance begins October 1 and continues through April and includes a complete inspection of the exterior of your cottage and outbuildings. Any damage due to vandalism or weather will be reported to you with a call or email. If a break-in is discovered, the Police and cottage owner are both contacted. You can sign-up for winter surveillance here:

<https://scoi.ca/plan-comparison-for-block-b-memberships/>



Septic Requirements

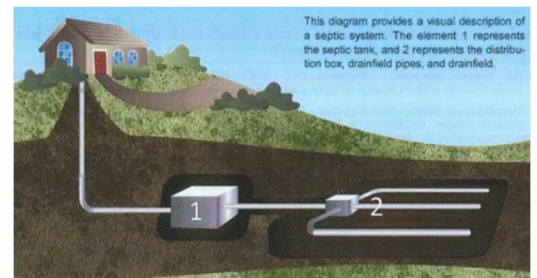
All cottages are required to have a septic system that meets or exceeds the standards set out in the Ontario Building Code and by SFN.

Currently, the minimum system in the ground must be:

- an 800 gallon tank and bed or
- 2,000 gallon holding tank.

If a new system is required, then the following is required:

- a 1,000 gallon tank and bed or
- 2,500 gallon holding tank.



All leased lots are required to show proof of a compliant system prior to lease renewal in 2026.

Be sure to engage with a local septic contractor* to determine if your septic meets the requirements or requires an upgrade. If you require an upgrade, ensure you have your plan submitted to the SFN Works Department (kirk.roote@saugeen.org) to be approved and a septic building permit issued.



Get Involved!

Beyond membership, consider joining our Board and part of the group of people that work to keep the association available for all to benefit.

We are always looking for ideas and suggestions on how to make things better for all.

You can reach us at blockb.members@gmail.com

Your Block B Board of Directors:

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