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Carleton Golf & Yacht Homeowners Association

Newsletter – June 2010

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Letter from the President

The election of the new Executive Committee took place at the **Carleton Golf and Yacht Homeowners Association** Annual General Meeting on April 23, 2010. I would like to thank the 40+ members in attendance for asking me to be your new President. I look forward to working on your behalf with the new and returning committee members. The list of your Committee is on the web site at <http://cgyha.com>.

As you can see, we have a vacant position as Membership Director. This is a very key and important position on the committee and we need a volunteer as soon as possible. We also need volunteers for four of the Street Rep positions. These are also listed on the web site. Please call me or any of the executive and we can give you info on the details of the jobs.

Also on your behalf, I would like to offer our appreciation and thanks to the out-going President, Paul Paton. Paul has put in numerous hours to make 2009-2010 a successful year. As Past President, Paul will continue to work with us providing the benefit of his experience. Thanks also to Mona Schuller for her years of support as the Secretary.

As I mentioned, there were about 40 people in attendance at the AGM. As this was combined with a Club Night, we expected to see more attendees. Those who were there enjoyed a great menu of finger food and good camaraderie with their neighbours. If there is something that we could do for the next AGM that would bring you out, let us know and we will try to accommodate.

We had Greg Richardson speak to us about the **Carleton Golf and Yacht Club (CGYC)** operations and events. He reminded us of the need for mutual respect for the private properties of the Homeowners and the CGYC. All golfers are reminded of the necessity to respect the private homes around the course and to report any damage caused. Residents also need to respect the fact that the golf club is private property. A question was raised from the floor about the use of the golf club for cross-country skiing. Currently this is not permitted, but I will take it up with the CGYC Board of Directors. Greg also told us about a new type of membership at CGYC *exclusively for CGYHA members*. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know the many benefits of a private golf club and CGYC in particular. Details are contained in the attachment to this newsletter.

Glenn Brooks has provided us with information regarding the new Borough system he has set up in Ward 21. **CGYHA** belongs to Borough 3 along with the residents of Kars and those in rural areas bounded by the Rideau River, Carsonby East, Highway 416 and Dilworth Road. Mike King and I attend the meetings which take place the third Monday of the month at the Kars RA Centre. Others are always welcome. We will be setting up a web site with information on our discussions in the near future. If you have any concerns that you want us to bring to the attention of the Councillor and the City, please call Mike or myself.

I'm looking forward to the many great events coming up this year and remind you that communication to us from you is very important. If there is something you don't like, call one of the executive; if there is something you DO like, call one of the executive! - **Marv Sywyk**

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Community Clean-up

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their afternoon on Sunday April 25th to help clean up the common areas in our beautiful community. Although we did not have a large turn out, we still managed to collect NUMEROUS bags of rubbish. Hope to see more of you out at next years clean up!

Rain, Rain Go Away

Poor weather conditions may have kept sales down at our **Annual Garage Sale**, but those who participated still managed to have fun?? Approximately 30 houses braved the climate to showcase their treasures. Given the circumstances, it's understandable that this number is lower than normal...

A second garage sale was set for **May 29th** for all those who wished to participate.

A motion is being set to permanently change the date of our garage sale to the last Saturday in May. What do you think? Please send us your thoughts to feedback@cgyha.com.

Family Fun Day

Bike Parade, Entertainment, Games, BBQ and more!

Mark **Saturday, June 19th** as the day to have fun and party with family, friends and neighbours. The event is fun for all ages, young and old, with our without children. Enjoy the bike parade, special event with L'il John the entertainer and summer barbeque.

Schedule of Events

10:15 – 11:00	Bike Parade from Clubhouse to Park (Don't forget to decorate your bike as prizes will be awarded)
11:00 – 12:00	Entertainment. A show for all ages. Bring a blanket, relax and enjoy!
12:00 – 2:00	Summer Barbeque Games for kids and adults Police Ident-a-Child Program

Mark Your Calendars

CGYHA Annual Street Party

Saturday, September 11, 2010

5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

A great night out with barbeque, dancing and socializing.
Hope to see you all there!

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Neighbourhood Watch Update

Neighbourhood Watch is an Ottawa Police Services (OPS) community program designed to help neighbours watch out for neighbours. Your Watch Coordinator works through your Block Captain to maintain contact with NW members. Block Captains explain the program to their neighbours, distribute educational material, accept applications and help to coordinate the reporting of suspicious events and activities to the police and Neighbourhood Watch members. For NW to be effective, each resident should take an active role in both security improvement and observation.

The Carleton Golf and Yacht Home Owners Association has facilitated a successful Neighbourhood Watch program for approximately 5 years. We believe our participation in the program reduces criminal activity in the community and supports excellent community relations between neighbours. Thank you for taking part!

We have experienced relatively few criminal activities over the past 12 months – compared to surrounding communities. There has been minor vandalism and theft of property from the Golf Course, theft of property from the exterior of a few homes and a limited number of “theft from parked vehicle” occurrences. The most significant event was the theft of a large (24-foot) Haulmark V-Nose black and chrome trailer, taken from the homeowner’s driveway during daylight hours. Similar trailer thefts occurred in Stonebridge, Kars and North Gower. We recommend that you take appropriate precautions when storing equipment, boats and recreational vehicles and/or trailers on your property.

The illegal entry and theft from locked and unlocked vehicles is a frequent occurrence throughout the Ottawa area. Homeowners should remove valuables, personal electronics, personal documentation, keys and loose change and lock parked vehicles at all times. Theft of property from residential homes is frequently the result of placing too much faith in the unknown. If we leave enough lawn mowers or other desirable goods exposed at the side of the street or house, someone will come by looking for a freebee.

If you have any incidents regarding crime against you or your property, no matter how insignificant, you need to alert our Neighbourhood Watch program and call the Police.

Ottawa Police Service Numbers are:

- 911 – for life-threatening emergencies or crimes in progress;
- 613-230-6211 – other emergencies, i.e.: suspicious incident or disturbance
- 613-236-1222, ext. 7300 – the O.P.S. call centre, to report a theft, missing person or stolen vehicle.

-**Mike Curtin** (Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator) 6517 Marina Drive, 613-692-2345

Volunteer Round Up

The CGYHA is still looking for volunteers! We currently have an immediate need for Street representatives on **Marina Drive, Woodland Place and Fairway Drive**. As street representative, you would assist in the distribution of community association newsletters and the collection of membership dues each spring. This position provides the opportunity for you to get out and meet your neighbours and be a source of CGYHA information for them! If interested, please contact **Karen Recoskie** (613-692-2182)

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Wildlife in the Community – Bird's Eye View

Every year the Nepean Wild Bird Care Centre receives baby birds that are brought to the centre that could have been left with the parents. If you spot a young bird out of its nest, watch it continuously for at least one full hour to see if the parents are feeding it. If so, leave it where it is, they will continue to look after it. If it is in immediate danger, or an inappropriate location, see if you can relocate it nearby to a safer location.

A fledgling may need your help in any of the following cases;

- It is prone or its eyes are closed
- Found in the mouth of a pet
- Cool to the touch
- Covered in parasites or ants or tangled in foreign material
- Parent bird known to be killed or injured

Keep your cat indoors as baby birds are no match for Fluffy's talons or teeth. Once injured the survival rate drops dramatically.

Around our Community

Farmers Market

The North Gower Farmers Market opens for its 17th season on May 29, 2010. The hours are from 8:30 to 1:00 pm. For more information www.ngfarmersmarket.com.

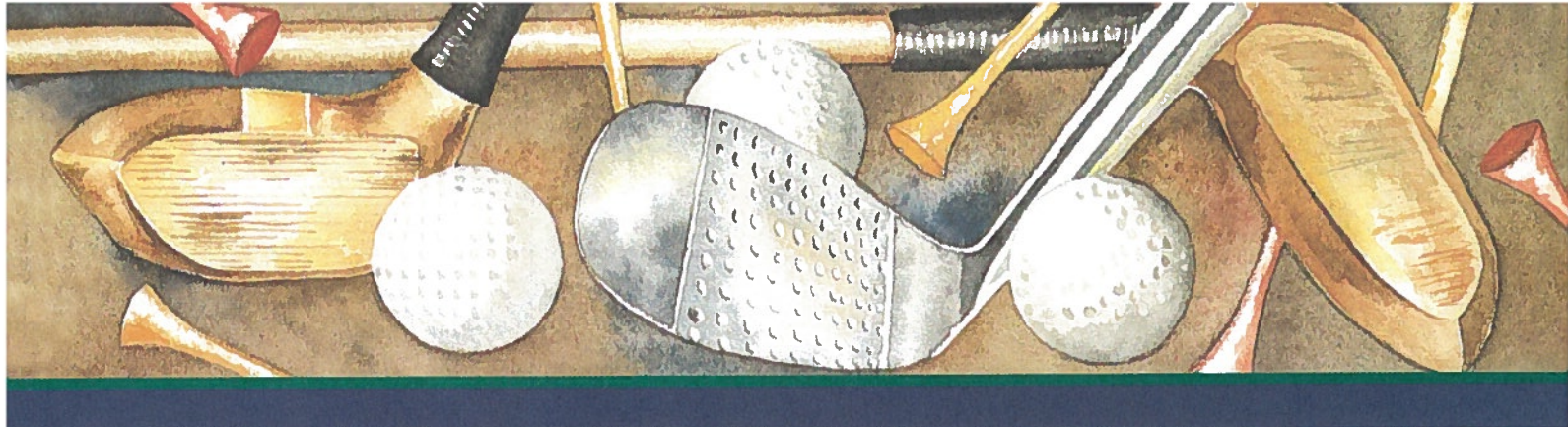
Trees Anyone?

The City of Ottawa continues its "Trees For Tomorrow" Program for this fall. Ottawa residents are eligible to register for a tree to plant on their property and have it delivered right to your door *at no charge!*

The city is now accepting registrations for the fall 2010 TREE delivery. For your tree call 311 or register online at www.ottawa.ca.

Organic Origami

With paper green bin liners costing up to \$5.49/10pk why not make your own? Check out www.greenbinottawa.ca for instructions on how you can save money while saving the environment.



Carleton

Golf & Yacht Club

Clubhouse Membership

2009/2010

Carleton Golf & Yacht Club is pleased to launch a new membership offering this season aimed at the residents of the local community. For a price of \$250+tax a household can purchase a Clubhouse Membership and receive the following benefits:

- / Full Access to all *Club Social Events* (excluding *Hole-in-One Party*; including *Holiday Brunches, Wine Dinners, Movie Night*) at member rates**
- / Unlimited use for the season of our *Dining Room* with no reservation restrictions (*payments required by cash, debit or credit*)**
- / Two *Guest Voucher Passes*, to be used for 18-holes of golf, as booked through the General Manager**
- / A shared *Electric Cart Rental* for your golf game**
- / Inclusion on the *Club's Newsletter & E-Newsletter list***

To Apply For Membership Please Contact:
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