

Connections Update

July 22, 2015

Dear David:

The busiest time of year in Pointe au Baril has arrived! From Nares Inlet to the Ojibway Island to the Community Centre, there is something for everyone! From the Painted Rocks to PaBIA's Junior Regatta to the Ojibway Art Show to PaBIA's Naturalist Talk to a walk down history lane as we celebrate Champlain's historic sail through Pointe au Baril 400 years ago, there is much to enjoy! So come and participate as you so choose!



Pointe au Baril Islanders' Association

Junior Regatta

For all those 4-14 years of age
on Ojibway Docks

This Saturday, July 25 * 9 a.m. Sharp!



This fun annual event promises to be filled with lots of kids' events: swimming, canoeing and diving. So bring your kids and grandkids so they can participate and perhaps earn a ribbon, plaque or trophy!



This Sunday, July 26

10:00 - 12:00

Ojibway Movie Hut

In the Footsteps of the Group of Seven
with Sue and Jim Waddington

Sue and Jim have been on a quest to locate the places that inspired the Group of Seven painters. They particularly like to search for sites that can only be reached by canoe and on foot.

Their talk will compare photographs of some of the 500 painting sites they have found with the corresponding artwork. They will discuss how they find the painting sites and what they have learned about the painters. In their talks Sue and Jim show their photographs alongside art from the beautiful La Cloche hills of Killarney Provincial Park, from Bon Echo Provincial Park, the Georgian Bay islands, the Yukon and Nunavut.

Jim & Sue Waddington's book
In The Footsteps Of The Group of Seven
will be available for sale.

Ojibway Art Show THIS Weekend July 24-26:

New: Continental Breakfast with the Artists

The Ojibway wants to invite the entire PaB community to come to their annual Art Show on Friday July 24th - Sunday July 26th. The Opening Cocktail party is from 5-7 on Friday evening July 24th!

New this year will be a continental [Breakfast with the Artists](#) on Saturday, July 25th, from 9 - 10 am, where four artists will speak about their inspiration and process! Breakfast is limited to 30!

If you are interested in the breakfast, please contact [Janet Irving](#) before they are all sold out!

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Arts on the Bay TONIGHT

DINNER THEATRE

POINTE AU BARIL COMMUNITY CENTRE 23RD ANNIVERSARY



The Mantini Sisters WED. JULY 23

Everywhere The Mantini Sisters go, rave reviews and standing ovations follow. Described as "Canada's contribution to the great female trio's."

Sisters, Barbara and Ann have been captivating audiences across North America with their powerful voices, humour, musical versatility and style.

With a career spanning nearly three decades, the sisters continue to win the hearts of music lovers of all ages. From Swing-Jazz to Broadway and from Folk to Country. Their smooth sound brings freshness to popular songs and pays tribute to great artists.

"MUSIC, CHARM, HUMOUR AND FUN"

Social: 4:30 p.m.
Dinner: 5:15 p.m.
Show: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

The Mantini Sisters



Meet the Pointe au Baril Eaglets



Rebecca Middleton caught our two fledgling eaglets exercising their wings as they prepare to learn how to fly. By looking here at the tree line on A199 across from the Middleton's docks, one would be able to locate the nest where the birds are. Last summer, the eaglet didn't fly until after mid August; so if that serves as any indication, we still have the pleasure of watching them for a few more weeks.

Nature Stories, Interesting Observations or Questions

Summer is well underway and the Environmental Committee wants to remind everyone to record those nature stories you are witnessing in our wonderful Georgian Bay. We accept brief articles from a paragraph to a couple pages (preferably with photos) to include in the *Naturalist* section of our annual Yearbook.

Gord and Lynda Phippen have been photographing some baby birds in a nest beside their deck. They have pictures of the eggs and the babies soon after hatching. Hopefully a hungry fox snake won't consume them and the Phippens will be able to watch them fledge!

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We received an email and photograph from a member asking about strange looking growths on some plants on their island. As you can see from the picture, it is strange indeed! We didn't know what it was and forwarded the photograph to our friends at the Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve. We received a quick reply that it was an infestation of woolly aphids. Apparently it is rare for them to do damage beyond that of a cosmetic nature: and ladybugs, hover flies and parasitic wasps prey upon them. If you see anything like this on your island plants, don't be alarmed!

Celebrating 400 Years Since Champlain Traveled Through Pointe au Baril Next Tuesday

To commemorate the 400 year anniversary of [Samuel de Champlain](#)'s paddle through Georgian Bay from the French River to Huronia, there will be a **ceremony on the Ojibway docks at 5 -6 pm Tuesday July 28th** (Prior to the Tuesday night dinner).

There will be a short informative speech by Tam Fairlie, whose family organized the original commemorative Champlain monument.

a toast by GBA President, John McMullen, and hors d'oeuvres. All are welcome and **encouraged**

to come to mark this historical event.





Sailina Race Is This SUNDAY at 11:00 a.m.



We made the best of a light wind for our 5th and 6th races of the July series on Saturday. The weather was better suited to the Rendezvous, and Jane Wilkins and Derek Wilson treated us to a fabulous party. Thank you Jane and Derek.

Our next race will be held on Sunday, July 26th at 11:00 a.m. on the Middle Reach Race Course. The Rendezvous will be hosted by Madeleine Arsenault and Rainer Kaufmann at Kewaydin (A96-81).

Check the [PABIA website](#) for course descriptions, race results and other pertinent information. Once again this year, Sue Grant will be organizing Junior PABAR for sailors aged 21 and under. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 2nd at 11:00 a.m. in Matthews Bay.

Thank you to Jamie 't Hooft and Jamie Isbester who have created [aew sailina blog](#) for the Pointe au Baril community. So far a number of posts have been made including an excellent and succinct rundown of the rules and helpful boat-tuning recommendations.

See you Sunday!

**Flvina Scot Sailina/Racina
School Beains Next
Monday**



Just a reminder that the Flvina Scot Racina/ Sailina School will start on Monday, July 27th at 9:30 a.m. at the Reaan's Oiiibway cottaae. The dates are three of July 27th, 28th, 29th, and July 30th with one lay day somewhere determined by weather conditions. Thanks to the aenerosity of Tim and Gail Reaan, lunch will be provided. The Flvina Scot Reaatta will be held on Friday, July 31st. Brina a picnic lunch for the reaatta please.

The sailboats will be on the north dock and participants should park at the Oiiibway Club and walk over. Practice starts in the mornina, followed by lunch and a debriefina. Please brina your sunblock, water, and a life vest. We will have a sian-up board aaain for a first come, first served basis. Once the boats are full, you will be aiven priority for a boat the next day. The minimum age for attendina the school is 10. Children aged 10-12 may need to be accompanied by an adult.

**Exploring the Thomson Reserve
July 26th - 2 pm
Nares Inlet**



Join us for an afternoon on this recently expanded GBLT property, aenerously donated by the late Robert Thomson. Bring your beach gear!



**GBLT Disc Golf, Picnic, &
Painted Rocks Walk, Bayfield**

Event Date: July 28, 2015

9:30 am Disc Golf

11:30 am Picnic (bring your own)

1:00 pm Rock Walk



Come for one or all of the day's events on this spectacular rockscapel! A morning disc golf tournament will be followed by a picnic lunch (bring your own picnic) and afternoon rock walk guided by geologist Dr. Nick Eyles.



Round Gobv - History & What You Can Do To Help

The round gobv is a small, bottom-dwelling invasive fish. Native to the Black and Caspian seas in Eastern Europe, it was first found in North America in 1990 in the St. Clair River north of Windsor, Ontario. Researchers believe the fish was brought to North America in the ballast water of ships from Europe. In less than a decade the round gobv has successfully spread through all five Great Lakes and has begun to invade inland waters. In some areas the fish has reached densities of more than 100 fish per square metre.

Round gobies have reduced populations of sport fish by eating their eggs and young and competing for food sources.

To prevent the spread of this invasive species, the Ontario government has banned the possession of live round gobies and the use of round gobies as a baitfish.

Check out/Submit Photos to PaBIA's Photo Album!



Check out the winners from the White Star Swim in [PaBIA's Photo Album!](#) And please remember to send [Hilde](#) any photos you deem worthy of your summer's activities, any animals you've caught on camera and special photos of the beauty you've seen in PaB! (Back) Leslie Taylor, Doug Alderdice, Maggie Pepper, Nancy Zintel; (Sitting) Kelly Watson (Chair of event) Bruce Spangler and Izzy Pepper.

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