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Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help organize 'The Great Muskoka Paddling Experience', a fun racing experience on the Muskoka River for canoeists and kayakers of all ability levels. Funds raised will go to support MWC programs. The event will take place on October 8th. Contact Sandy Schofield (caschofieldstream@cogeco.ca) for more information on volunteer opportunities.

Save the Date

July 15th – MHF Annual Summer Cottage Tour on Lake Muskoka. Tickets \$150, 705-645-7393 x204 for info.

July 21st – Environmental Lecture, Gravenhurst Seniors Centre. Admission by donation, 705-645-7393 x203 for info.

July 30th – Glenn Miller Orchestra at the Bala Arena. Tickets \$40, 905-728-8429 for info.

August 22nd – MHF Annual Golf Classic at Muskoka Highlands Golf Course. Tickets \$150, 705-645-7393 x204 for info.

October 8th – Great Muskoka Paddling Experience at Annie Williams Park, Bracebridge. muskokapaddlingexperience.com for info.

October 20th – Environmental Lecture, Canada Summit Centre in Huntsville. Admission by donation. 705-645-7393 x203 for info.

October 22nd – MHF AGM and Stewardship Awards Ceremony at the Port Sydney Community Centre. 705-645-7393 x201 for info.

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Benthic Monitoring Program

There's still time to join the fun and book your benthic monitoring day with The District Municipality of Muskoka's Biological Monitoring Technician, Delaina Arnold.

Whether you are a member of an association or just an interested waterfront resident, you can help monitor the health of Muskoka's lakes and rivers by looking at the critters that live in the muck and form the basis of our aquatic food chains.

So get a few friends together and give Delaina a call. You can reach her by phone at 705-645-2231 x332 or by email at biotech@muskoka.on.ca.



ENVIRONMENTAL Lecture Series

The second lecture in the 2011 Environmental Lecture Series will occur on July 21st at 7 pm at the Gravenhurst Seniors Centre and will feature three speakers:

- **Our Lakes: How Have They Changed Over the Last 25 Years?** by Dr. Michelle Palmer, York University
- **Benthic Invertebrate Monitoring in Muskoka: Insights & Opportunities** by Dr. James Rusak, Ministry of the Environment
- **The Continually Rising Threat of the Spiny Water Flea, *Bythotrephes*, in Muskoka Lakes** by Dr. Norman Yan, Professor, York University

The 2011 Environmental Lecture Series, co-hosted by the [Muskoka Watershed Council](http://www.muskokaheritage.org) and [Muskoka Heritage Foundation](http://www.muskokaheritage.org), is open to the public and admission is by donation. Visit www.muskokaheritage.org/lectures.asp for details on upcoming lectures.

Canadian Water Attitudes Study



Do you value our water? What about the rest of Canada? Survey results are now available for the 4th annual [Canadian Water Attitudes Study](http://www.muskokaheritage.org) released by RBC and Unilever.

The study indicates that while Canadians say that water is the country's most precious resource, their actions indicate that they take water for granted. "This data highlights, once again, that Canadians are not making the connection between their personal water use and the true value of water," says Bob Sandford, EPCOR Chair, Canadian Partnership Initiative of the [UN Water for Life Decade](http://www.muskokaheritage.org).

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