

## How Belwood Lake Sailing Club (BLSC) works

BLSC is a volunteer run club, with no employees. This means that all members are expected to pitch in with tasks, except for those members that pay the \$100 participation exception fee when paying their yearly membership. To keep the maintenance of the club in good order, each member is asked to indicate their choice of volunteer duty when renewing each spring. Members are also expected during each visit to the club to do things like taking their garbage and recycling home, stacking the plastic Adirondack chairs after use, and cleaning the BBQ after use.

If you have a question or see something isn't working: email [publicity@blsc.on.ca](mailto:publicity@blsc.on.ca)

## BLSC HAS MANY AMENITIES

**Secure locked gate:** At the entrance to the club is a secure metal gate that is kept locked at all times. Members use their key to open the lock, swing the gate open, drive through, and then **close and lock the gate. As in 2020, for at least the start of the season no guests or pets are permitted – only members may come to the club.**

**All COVID-19 protocols (self-screening, physical distancing, masking, members doing activities only with members of their immediate household) must be followed.**

**New for 2021** – members must do the COVID-19 self-screening posted at the gate. If a member does not pass the self-screening they and anyone they came with must not enter the club. Please do not come to the club if you are not well or you or anyone in your household has been exposed to COVID-19.

**Key:** Upon joining each member is issued a club key. This opens the gate lock and all buildings as well as the propane cage. There is a \$10 charge for each key and a family can request more than one key.

**Clubhouse:** Directly in front of you as you drive into the club is the clubhouse. The clubhouse door is unlocked by the first person arriving for the day. The last person leaving ensures the clubhouse lights are turned off and the door is closed and locked. The clubhouse has washrooms with hot and cold running water (water is drinkable), kitchen, ping pong table, and a good sized gathering area for meetings and social occasions. There is a ramp for wheelchair access and a spacious deck on the lakeside. The section of the clubhouse away from the lake is a storage and workshop room (see below), and also has a curtained off change area for men. At the rear of the clubhouse is the tile bed which is roped off as a reminder that it should not be driven over. The clubhouse is stocked with toilet paper, garbage bags, plates etc. and cutlery, etc. **Please note that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, like 2020, the clubhouse will be closed except for use of washrooms and to access the first aid kit and AED. There will be no access to the shared kitchen area or change rooms.**

**First Aid Kit:** A fully stocked first aid kit is kept in the clubhouse for emergencies. There is an AED in the clubhouse, located beside the first aid kit - both are on the back wall of the clubhouse near the ping pong table.

**Phone:** There is cell phone service available at the club. Members should bring a full charged cell phone when coming to the club so that they can call 911 in case of an emergency. Members can also access the Emergency Procedures that are posted around the club.

**Parking:** The main parking is to the left of the driveway into the club. There are accessible parking spots by the clubhouse. Members may also park near their boats if there is room without blocking access. Parking along the lakeshore is discouraged.

**Docks:** There are two docks. The brown EZE ramp dock is for launching and has a concrete ramp. Once your boat is in the water, please move it to the other black mooring dock as soon as possible to leave the ramp available for others to launch or remove their boat. Please do not tie up your boat to the brown EZE ramp dock or block the kayak/canoe EZE launcher.

**Garages:** There are two garages next to each other on the left as you turn into the field. The first garage has lawn mowers, gas powered weed trimmer and grounds maintenance supplies like rakes and shovels and an air compressor. The second garage is used to store the committee boats and racing equipment.

**Boat parking spots:** All members have an assigned boat parking spot. Please do NOT move your boat into a spot that is not assigned to you. Do not park your car in a boat parking spot that is not assigned to you. Members are strongly encouraged to have hitch locks on their trailers and secure all removable items like paddles, motors, gas tanks, seat cushions etc. Members are also encouraged to have a boat box that locks behind their boat to store items. Please put this boat box on a raised platform to help with grass trimming. Please do not cover the boat parking spot concrete marker.

**Boathouse and Racks:** Behind the clubhouse is the boathouse where canoes and kayaks can be stored indoors for an additional fee. There is limited space here. All canoes, kayaks, SUPs and windsurfers at the club must be stored on the club's provided racks, on the member's assigned rack. Racks are located in three different areas on the club grounds. Please secure your boat to the rack.

**BBQs:** There are three propane BBQs next to the clubhouse deck which may be used by members. Brush them off well after use. Spare propane tanks are located in the yellow propane cage behind the clubhouse. **Due to COVID-19 members must bring and use their own BBQ accessories and eating utensils, plates etc.**

**Picnic Tables & Adirondack chairs:** There are many picnic tables and plastic Adirondack chairs scattered around the entire property. Trees provide good shade in

the area facing the lake. Members are asked to stack the chairs after use to prevent them from being damaged by wind or storms.

**Play Equipment:** Swings and a sand box are under the trees in the picnic area. There is a Siren sailboat located near the sandbox. Children may use any of these but must be under active parental supervision.

## **USE OF CLUB**

**Camping:** Due to COVID-19 restrictions camping is not permitted during the 2020 and 2021 seasons.

**Lockers:** There are lockers in the clubhouse storage room which are used by members on a first-come first-serve basis. See below for general storage guidelines.

### **Storing your Possessions - STORAGE ROOM GUIDELINES**

- You may only store your belongings in the rafters or in a locker. Please do not store anything on top of the lockers.
- Do not store personal items that are not boat related like lawn chairs or bicycles in the storage area, or large items like dollies or canoes.
- You may store long and thin items like mast, booms or spinnaker poles and paddles neatly in the rafters. Smaller masts, booms and spinnaker poles and paddles maybe stored in the racking on the bottom shelves. Please make sure that each item is clearly marked with your name. Sails that are rolled up are to be stored in builder tubes in the racking.
- Lockers must be identified with a label showing your name. Lockers without names on them will be opened and the contents removed.
- All life jackets, tarps, bumpers and sails in bags must be stored in lockers.
- ANY ITEMS THAT ARE IN THE STORAGE AREA MUST BE MARKED WITH THE MEMBER'S NAME ON IT. IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THE ITEM IT MAY BE REMOVED.