Board Members

Tabatha Dean:	**President, VP & Finance, 9 years on board**
Ria Whatman:	**Membership Coordinator, 2 years in role**
Brenda Thomas:	**Secretary, 9 years in role**
Lucianna Adragna:	**Environmental Director, 5 years in role**

Another year has passed and we are thankful to the following people who have kept BBLCA going. A special thank you to:

- **Ria Whatman, for taking on membership & welcome baskets with such warmth.**
- **Rich Corbin, for handling our water testing with KLSA.**
- **John Boyce, for keeping up with phosphorus testing.**
- **Lucianna Adragna, for writing our environmental articles for our newsletter.**
- **Brenda Thomas, for keeping our board minutes clear and organized.**

In addition, I would like to thank Randy Whatman for his support of my role and to Ria Whatman for doing additional activities for our organization not covered in her role. Ria collected donations to help support our largest event, our children's regatta. We truly couldn't do this without your support. Most of us have been around longer than our term but have not given it up. We really need more volunteers who could provide us with no more than 20 hrs of work a year to help us run this organization. We are currently looking for new members for our Board, Vice President, Secretary, and Social Director and volunteers for the Welcome Committee on the North side of the Lake, Philrick Drive area. Please consider providing us with some support. We have hired Jonathan Whatman to run our website for the past two years. This is our only paid position. To reduce costs the website will only be updated when events are happening. We welcome more volunteers so we can bring back advertising, more contests, more frequent updates on our website, and other features that would help connect and engage our members.

Tabatha Dean
President of the BBLCA

Social Report

Winterfest was our first event of the year. We had around 100 people show up this year. The weather was beautiful and enjoyed by all. This year we hosted our first meet the neighbour event. Thank you to Ria and Randy Whatman for taking on this event and hosting at their home. We had about 45 people show up. I personally met several new people. We will host this event again next year, please come out next year and meet some new people. I want to express my gratitude for Sue Flanagan and Nancy Boyce for organizing our annual children's regatta. Thank you Sue for hosting the tie dye party. The t-shirts looked amazing! Once again, the donut eating contest was a huge success and the kids enjoyed the sprinkled donuts. The weather was terrible on Sunday. This year was the first time we had to reschedule the Regatta to holiday Monday. My apologies for the last minute cancellation. It was a tough decision. Sue Flanagan will continue to organize this event. She is looking for someone to take over this position and teach them the role over the next few years. Both her and Paul were away for a wedding for this year's Regatta. Thank you to the sponsors who stepped up to support our children's Regatta; Aucoin Plumbing, Trent Lakes Complete Plumbing, Kotowski Construction, That's Refreshing Home Painting and Redesign, Pizza Alloro, Scott's Concrete, Lynn Woodcroft, Tim Horton's Bobcaygeon and Fran Morton. Please find all their business details on our Website. Please take the time to thank them by supporting these businesses that support you and your children.

This year's outdoor movie night was one to remember! We couldn't have asked for better weather. It was a beautiful evening with the perfect temperature to enjoy a film under the stars. We had about 40 people come out and join the fun. The evening went off without a hitch, and it was wonderful to see our neighbours gathered together, some even enjoying the show from the comfort of their boat. Thank you to everyone who came out and made the night so special. Be sure to mark your calendars for next year's event. It will take place on the *Saturday of the Labour Day long weekend* and we cannot wait to see you there!



We also had two contests this year, our annual beaver dunk contest and the road clean up. Thank you to all who participated.

Social Media

Website: bblca.ca - to get our newsletter, small fee to become a member

Email: info@bblca.ca

Facebook: Big Bald Lake Cottagers Association

Instagram: bblca.ca Big Bald Lake Cottagers' Association

Facebook: Bald Lake Garden Club, Janene Greer

Social Committees

WinterFest:	**Tabatha Dean**
Beaver Dunk:	**Tabatha Dean**
Spring Social:	**Ria & Randy**
Regatta:	**Sue Flanagan**
Movie Night:	**Michelle Heming**
BBL Paddlers:	**Fiona O'Hanlon, Messenger Group email info@bblca.ca**
Festival of Trees:	**Sue Flanagan & BBLCA Board Members email info@bblca.ca**

Email us at info@bblca.ca or bblca.riaw@gmail.com if you would like to join our BBL Paddlers group, volunteer for the Festival of Trees, or if you are interested in volunteering at any of our other events. We look forward to hearing from you!

Contests

Beaver Dunk
Road Cleanup
Please let us know if you have any new contest ideas!

Please Welcome our New Volunteers!

Communication Director:	**Randy Whatman**
Secretary:	**Linda MacKillop**
Welcome Basket Assembly:	**Theresa Kowall & Kat Saltsman**
Welcome Committee, South & West sides of the Lake:	**Mel Eddy & Fran Morton**
Welcome Committee, North side of the lake:	**Anita Koch**
Regatta T-Shirt Distributor, North side of the Lake:	**Fiona O'Hanlon**
Regatta T-Shirt Distributor, South side of the Lake:	**Ria Whatman**

Treasurer's Report by Tabatha Dean

I prepared the Financial Statements for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. I have done this for the organization since 2019. Our numbers were flat compared to last year thanks to our sponsors stepping up this year to support the regatta, and fewer licenses payable this year versus last year. If you have not paid for your membership, please consider supporting us.

Financial Report

2025/2026 Year-End Financials				
June 30,2026				
General Operating Fund		**2025-2026**	**2024/2025**	**2023/2024**
Beginning Balance		$13,974.25	$19,881.88	20,013.27
Membership fees collected		$3,275.00	$3,393.68	4,326.71
Raffles, Donations, sponsors		$1,169.40	$619.40	895.05
Clothing				
Total		**$ 18,418.65**	**$ 23,894.96**	**$ 25,235.03**
Expenditures				**2023/2024**
BBLCA Clothing				
Prizes/contests		$ 100.00	$ 50.00	
Welcome baskets		$ 130.00	$ 49.00	$ 41.87
BBLCA Expenses (email,insurance, water,prizes and website)		$1,207.42	$5,384.51	$ 2,072.42
Community Sponsorship		$425.00	$1,350.00	$ 293.25
Activities		$ 2,431.68	$ 3,087.20	$ 2,945.61
Total		**$ 4,294.10**	**$ 9,920.71**	**$ 5,353.15**
Total BBLCA Assets		**$14,124.55**	**$13,974.25**	**$19,881.88**

Membership Report

It has been a pleasure getting to know more people in our community! Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns. (bblca.riaw@gmail.com)

Please let me know if you have new neighbours. This will help me know who to visit with the Welcome Baskets.

If more of your family members would like to receive our newsletters, please send me their emails and we will update our files. (bblca.riaw@gmail.com)

At our year end we had 99 members and 127 members last year. We will be sending out the membership renewals in October. Then in November we will update the Directory to the Membership page after the AGM. Please ensure your information is correct, and email us any changes. The password is: bblca123Dir. If you happen to forget the password, please email info@bblca.ca.

We appreciate that the majority of members paid their fees by e-transfer. These payments were automatically deposited into our bank account with no additional cost. We continue to accept payment by cheque and PayPal because it is important to offer convenient options. Multiple year renewals reduce our administrative time and normally result in no lapse in membership. If you pay by e-transfer, please be sure to include your local address under the comments.

$35 per year, or 100 for 3 years ($5 savings)

E-transfers can be sent to: info@bblca.ca

Thank you for your financial support to the Big Bald Lake Cottage Association. With your help, we can make a greater difference in our community.

Ria Whatman
Membership Coordinator

Big Bald Lake
E. coli monitoring results 2025 - 2026

2026 RESULTS

Location	06-Jul	13-Jul	04-Aug	17-Aug	09-Sep	Average
10 - Saunders Bay	8	12	17	461	8	101.20
1 - Catalina Bay	5	17	13	3	6	8.80
3 - Jump Rock	16	1	5	1	17	8.00
12 - Philrick Bay	16	9	4	11	2	8.40
13 - Northeast Bay	4	29	17	2	1	10.60

Saunders Bay retest - 19-Aug	Top of bay: 6	Middle of bay: 3	Bottom of bay: 22

2025 RESULTS

Location	02-Jul	14-Jul	05-Aug	18-Aug	02-Sep	Average
10 - Saunders Bay	6	5	2	0	1	2.80
1 - Catalina Bay	2	11	2	0	0	3.00
3 - Jump Rock	5	6	6	2	0	3.80
12 - Philrick Bay	20	3	7	2	1	6.60
13 - Northeast Bay	4	7	19	52	0	16.40

Secchi Depth testing indicates how clear the water is.

The depths listed below are how deep the disk can be seen.

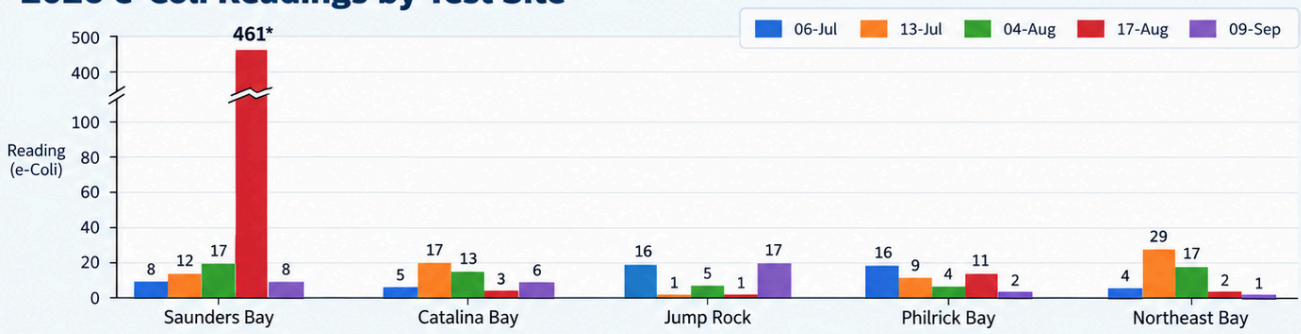
Secchi Depth Testing – Water Clarity - 2026				
Date	**Time**	**Depth – Metres**	**Conditions**	**Water Temperature**
Oct				
Sept 29	11:00 am	3.9	Cloudy/Calm	61◦F
Sep 4	10:45 am	Lost Disk – no result	Sunny/Calm	69◦F
Aug 5	9:40 am	2.6	Sunny/Calm	76◦F
July 10	10:15 am	3.6	Sunny/Calm	77◦F
May 31	10:00 am	3.3	Sunny/Windy	62◦F

Secchi Depth Testing – Water Clarity - 2025				
Date	**Time**	**Depth – Metres**	**Conditions**	**Water Temperature**
Oct 13	3:00 pm	5	Windy/Choppy	62◦F
Sept 18	10:00 am	4.6	Sunny/Calm	68◦F
Aug 22	11:00 am	3.3	Sunny	76◦F
July 22	3:00 pm	3.1	Sunny	77.7◦F
July 2	10:00 am	2.9	Sunny	74.8◦F
May 27	1:00 pm	4.2	Sunny/Breezy	63◦F

Big Bald Lake e-Coli Testing Results

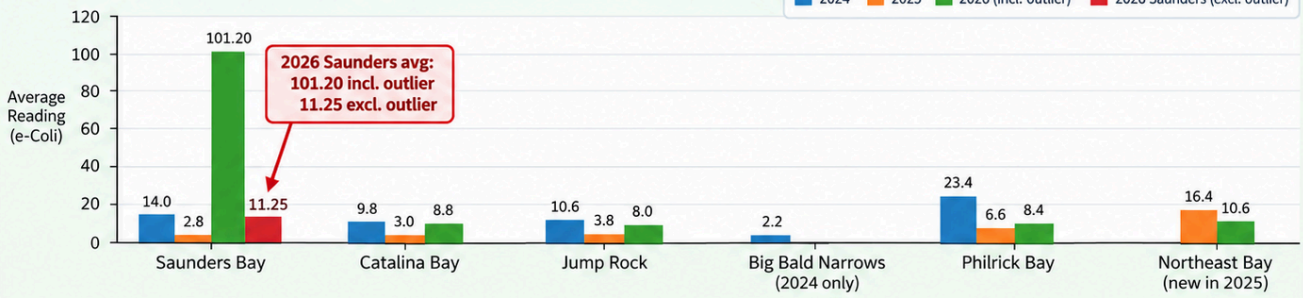
2026 readings and comparison to prior years

2026 e-Coli Readings by Test Site



** Saunders Bay retest on 19-Aug: top of bay 6, middle of bay 3, bottom of bay 22.*

Average e-Coli Readings: 2024 vs 2025 vs 2026



Key Takeaways

- Most 2026 readings were low and consistent with previous years, with one high outlier at Saunders Bay (461 on 17-Aug).
- Saunders Bay 2026 average: 101.20 including the outlier; 11.25 excluding the outlier.
- A retest at Saunders Bay on 19-Aug showed 6 (top of bay), 3 (middle of bay), and 22 (bottom of bay).
- Results help monitor lake water quality over time. Lower readings are better.

Lake Name	STN	Site ID	Site Description	Date	Total Phosphorus 1 (ug/L)	Total Phosphorus 2 (ug/L)	Mean Total Phosphorus (ug/L)
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	27-May-21	11	11	11
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	28-Jun-21	11	12	11.5
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	20-Jul-21	11.3	11.6	11.5
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	16-Aug-21	12.2	10.7	11.5
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	10-Sep-21	8.9	8.6	8.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	06-Oct-21	8.7	8.5	8.6
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	28-Aug-22	12.4	12	12.2
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	30-Sep-22	10.4	11	10.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	24-Oct-22	9.8	9.6	9.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	26-May-23	9.8	8.6	9.2
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	29-Jun-23	12.1	10.9	11.5
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	25-Jul-23	11.9	13.5	12.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	31-Aug-23	11.3	11.2	11.3
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	27-Sep-23	13.8	12.3	13.1
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	17-Oct-23	11.5	10	10.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	26-May-24	10	11.5	10.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	28-Jun-24	16	17.4	16.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	26-Jul-24	16.1	16	16.1
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	26-Aug-24	12.3	11	11.7
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	26-Sep-24	9.8	10.1	9.9
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	18-Oct-24	9.7	10.2	9.9
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	27-May-25	9.6	10.5	10
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	02-Jul-25	13.4	16.5	15
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	22-Jul-25	13.8	13.8	13.8
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	22-Aug-25	11.7	15.3	13.5
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	08-Sep-25	9.8	10.6	10.2
BIG BALD LAKE	6941	1	Mid Lake, deep spot	13-Oct-25	11.6	12.2	11.9