



**BIG RIDEAU LAKE ASSOCIATION  
VIRTUAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Members of Big Rideau Lake Association (“the Association”) will be held on **Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM.**

The meeting will be held virtually on Zoom. Please register via this link in advance.  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvduChqD4tH9FN10MAq5leOHqHWLeTmDy->

**AGENDA**

President’s opening remarks and overview of the activities of the Association

Approve the Minutes from AGM 2022 held on January 14, 2023.  
Message from Mayor Arie Hoogenboom, Rideau Lakes Township

Message from Reeve Rob Rainer, Tay Valley Township

Message from Reeve Steve Fournier, Drummond and South Elmsley Township

**Presentation from: Robert Pye, Executive Director, Watersheds Canada**

Executive Director Robert Pye will present an overview of Watersheds Canada's programs that are bringing nature back to shorelands, teaching children about aquatic life, and improving habitat for fish and wildlife

**Presentation from: Rob Bosomworth, Chairman, The Decibel Coalition**

The objective of the decibel coalition is to get Transport Canada to enhance the Small Vessel Regulations for boat mufflers to include performance standards that limits on motor noise (decibel limits) backed by efficient and effective enforcement procedures. This will bring Canada in line with both the US and the EU which have had decibel limits in place for years

Treasurer report on the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2022.

Appoint Wilkinson & Company LLP as Auditor for the ensuing year

Recognize directors leaving the Board

Candidate introductions for Board of Directors. See below for candidate introductions and follow bio links for more background.

Election of the President, New Directors and Re-Election of Current Directors

Meeting Adjourned

## Board of Director Candidates

### **Charles Buckingham:**

BRLA Board of Directors and Treasurer since 2019. Lifetime cottager on the Big Rideau Lake. Retired

### **David Campbell**

We have had our cottage on the lake for 7 years. My wife is from Burritt's Rapids. We really fell in love with the Big Rideau when we were doing an RV trip across Canada 7 years ago. My interest in the BRLA is focused around preserving the natural beauty of this area for our children and grandchildren. It has been an amazing experience for our children to spend summers here and I know they will want to come back for many years to come. I support the many positive things the BRLA does including the shoal markers, Canada Day celebrations and Cow Island summer camp (my youngest son has worked as a summer counsellor the past two summers).

### **Brian Jokat**

We have been on the lake for 30 years and I was personally heavily involved in building my current cottage. My daughter was a councillor in training at the Children's Day Camp on Cow Island this summer. I have a very strong background in marketing and partnerships and believe I could bring some fresh ideas to the board along with revenue generating opportunities. I am particularly interested in providing leadership and growth for BRLA's sponsorship/partner programs.

### **Tom Kohler**

I have been a lakeside seasonal resident in Rideau Lakes Township since 1974 and a full-time resident since 2012. My local connection is lifelong and my wife's family roots are deep going back to the original settlements. I have a strong regard for environmental outlooks and have witnessed a slow degradation of water and shoreline on the Big Rideau, along with uncontrolled lakeside developments and reduced fish stocks.