

Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative



Summer Newsletter
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Muskoka Cottagers Ride for Cottage Dreams

Bryan Vaughn and Colin Love will be motor biking from Muskoka to Dawson City, Yukon this month and will raise money for Cottage Dreams along the way. They are life-long cottagers on Lake Rosseau who have been touched personally by a cancer diagnosis and want to make a difference in the lives of cancer survivors. If you would like to offer a pledge, please click [here](#).

Check Out Our New Video

Cottage Life Television creator Tony Armstrong kindly shot and produced this video of the rockin Mosquitos & Mojitos party in Toronto. If you missed it, please join us in



News from the Dock



At press time, there are **313** applicants with more coming each week. We are still accepting requests for visits from September to December, so please spread the word! We have many available fall cottage weeks but it seems that some don't understand the warmth and beauty of our fall.

If you have any July or August Sunday to Friday weeks, we still have families interested in getting away in the high season.

You Make it Happen

Many, many thanks to all of the incredible volunteers, donors and sponsors who have allowed us to present program excellence, raise thousands of dollars to support the increase in placements, show a great face at events and offered their professional experience as mentors. We always say that we couldn't do it without you but we keep going back to that expression because it is the truth, we couldn't.

New Cottage Dreamers

Welcome to Randy MacDonald, who joined Cottage Dreams on May 4th as its first Executive Director. Randy was raised in Brampton but spent the past 22 years in Sydney, Australia as Director of Sales & Marketing in the outsourcing industry. He was a board member for a large social service organization in Sydney as well as a volunteer Site Rep for Cottage Dreams during his sabbatical in Haliburton in 2007. Randy is based in Haliburton and is responsible for the day to day operations of Cottage Dreams while President Seana O'Neill moves to focus on fundraising, marketing and promotion. Cottage Steward Debbie Cumber remains as our Cottage Coordinator and Jennifer Goodwin is our Visitor Coordinator. Jennifer is funded by Human Resources Canada and will return to the University of Guelph at the end of the summer.

Muskoka and/or Haliburton for our cottage country party. Please [click here](#).

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Events

We hope you will join us for our upcoming summer events

Mosquitos & Mojitos Toronto was held at Steam Whistle Brewing Company on May 7th and was a huge success. Over 400 guests enjoyed mojitos, a cottage inspired silent auction and listened to Hamilton's own Thin Lines. Over \$24,000 was raised.



Based on the feedback of our Toronto guests, we will be hosting **Mosquitos & Mojitos Muskoka** on August 12th at Windermere House on Lake Rosseau and **Mosquitos & Mojitos Haliburton** on August 20th at Upper Manhattan in Haliburton Village. Tickets are available online at www.cottagedreams.org. To volunteer for any event, donate an auction item or sponsor, please click [here](#).

July 10 & 11

Antique and Classic Boat Show, Muskoka Wharf, Gravenhurst

July 23 - 25

Muskoka In-Water Boat and Cottage Show, Muskoka Wharf, Gravenhurst

July 23-25



Quilts for Cancer with [Willow Breast Cancer Support Canada](#), Muskoka In-Water Boat and Cottage Show, Muskoka Wharf, Gravenhurst & eBay.

On July 21, we will launch an eBay site featuring 20 beautiful handmade quilts for sale. The quilts will also be displayed at the

Muskoka In-Water Boat and Cottage Show from July 23-25 at the Gravenhurst Wharf. All proceeds to benefit Cottage Dreams and Willow Breast Cancer Support Canada. Visit www.willow.org or www.cottagedreams.org

August 7
Smile Festival - Head Lake Park, Haliburton

August 12, 7:00pm-10:00pm
Mosquitos & Mojitos Muskoka, Windermere House, Lake Rosseau, Muskoka

August 20, 7:00pm-10:00pm
Mosquitos & Mojitos Haliburton, Upper Manhattan Patio & Lounge, Haliburton

October
Wine, Dine & Pine, Stratus Restaurant, Toronto

November 26-28
Fall Cottage Life Show, International Centre, Toronto

Please consider **Sponsoring a Family visit this summer or fall**

for more information, please click [here](#)

