

January 30th., 1984

Hi Fellow Cottagers!

It is time again for the Annual Newsletter. To begin, I will give you a report on activities since our last meeting in August.

During October, we installed three mercury vapour lights in the parking lot. Needless to say, it sure has improved things and hopefully it will cut down on vandalism. I would like to thank the fellow's from MacDonalds Bay for their help.

Log Chateau held their annual wild game dinner and it was a success as usual. We met a few cottagers there. Dick and Doreen, myself and my wife handled the bar. It was an enjoyable evening. We also had help from Doreen's sister, Verna.

Now, some news from Matinenda:

- The ministry has informed us that they are going to build a new dam between Matinenda and Chiblow Lake. Hopefully, that will enable them to better control the water levels.
- We are having a very heavy snowfall this year, I hope all your roofs are strong enough.

In closing, I would like to inform you that the annual meeting will again be held at Gordie's on August 5th., at 11:00 a.m. At this meeting we will be asking for a \$5.00 hike in annual dues to cover the added expense of power for the lights.

Well, that is all the news I have for now. I am enclosing a report from Gord on the expenses we incurred for the docks and lights.

See you all next summer.

Your President,

Rally

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario,
January, 1984.

To All Our Friends on Matinenda::

Dear Friends and Neighbours:

Here we are facing 1984 and another happy summer. I hope the winter season has not been too severe in your area. Some places have been hit pretty hard. Personally, I'm still holding on. I'd just like to get rid of my back pains and get some strength back.

1983 was a very busy year and pretty succesful too. We completed the new finger of docks and the ramp. There are a few minor corrections to be looked after in the spring but they shouldn't involve too much money. I noticed in the summer the new docks were being made good use of.

Here are some basic figures that apply to these docks and other things we were able to get completed in 1983.

<u>Docks</u> - The Federal Manpower Department supplied money for treated lumber and other materials equal to	\$ 9,334.00	
The Federal Small Harbors Dept. paid for labour to	10,000.00	
Our Association met a shortfall of	<u>1,742.00</u>	
Total cost of docks installed	\$21,076.00	
<u>Parking Lot Lights</u> - financed and organized by our executive	\$ 1,684.70	
This account breaks down as follows:		
Ontario Hydro Material	\$ 59.63	
Purchase of Poles	25.00	
Labour to install poles	80.00	
Digging Cost to D. Tullock	121.50	
Electrical Labour - Timmermans	<u>1,398.57</u>	
	\$1,684.70	
<u>Sign</u> - for boat parking installed on docks		
Material for sign	64.20	
Material for steel post for sign	22.20	
Extra material for docks	6.26	
Painter's Fabour	<u>75.00</u>	
	\$167.66	167.66
Garbage Removal		1,800.00
Incidentals such as phone, annual meeting, postage and stationery.		<u>171.77</u>
TOTAL		\$24,900.13

This is quite an impressive figure for our little organization and we were very fortunate for the wonderful response we received from the membership. We would have been stopped dead in our tracks had we been without some ready cash when it was needed. The nice part of it is all accounts are fully paid and the association owes nothing.

