

COFTON LAKE CONSERVATION LTD

NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2016



Dear Member,

Once again another busy year. Especially for the badgers! Well these dear little creatures are causing havoc in some of our gardens. If anyone has any ideas as to how we can keep them in the lake area and not digging up our lawns we would be very grateful.

Maintenance work has continued around the lake and we must thank the fishing club for the work they have carried out. They organized 3 working parties this year and the dates for these are always posted on our website and also announced at the AGM. We did have a few trees fall into the lake area on the north side earlier in the year and the fishing club working party dealt with the problem. The foliage they cut back will be shredded and spread on the pathways sometime in the next few weeks.

We must thank all members who attended the AGM. For the benefit of new members we would point out that our AGM is held on the last Sunday in April at what was 'The Poachers Pocket' now called 'Generous George' at the island at the top of Grovelly Lane. We would like more members to attend and hope that when this Newsletter is received you will put the date in your diary.

Discussions took place regarding extending the boardwalk along the bottom of the houses in Reservoir Road, Barnt Green Road and Ten Ashes in order that members who have bought a share can access the lake area. This area is extremely boggy and although the whole area would not need a boardwalk it may be too expensive to proceed - quotes are to be obtained.

We must thank Ted Brookfield for donating yet another bench in remembrance of his diamond wedding anniversary in December. We would point out here that all members who have purchased a bench, they do need maintenance.

Dog fouling is continuing to be a problem especially around the car park area it seems the signs are being ignored. Please look out for dogs not on leads whilst walking around the lake.

It was agreed that since the removal of the Islands supplied by the fishing club, the committee would purchase duck islands in order to encourage more ducks to the area. Hopefully these would be installed in 2017.

We must thank Alan Hicks for donating the life rings - CLCL have paid for the spikes and posts and the fishing club have kindly carried out the installation.

Please note the gate number on the lock will change as from 1st January 2017.

We would like to point out here that this number should not be passed on to friends and neighbours. They are only allowed in the lake area accompanied by a fully paid up shareholder.

A date for your diary - the AGM will be held on Sunday 30th April at 4.00 pm.

We would also like to thank Rob Mcculloch who is acting as our accountant, Simon Munn who looks after our web site and of course the committee . Thank you all for your continued support and we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Healthy and Happy New Year.

Diane Carr - Chairman
Cofton Lake Conservation Ltd
December 2016

PLEASE SEND THIS FORM WITH YOUR ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

PLEASE ENSURE THIS IS IN BY END OF JANUARY

Annual subscription is £12 but the Committee would like to thank all members who pay more - they can be assured that this money is put to good use.

Name.....

Address.....

Subs to be in by end January. Cheques to be made out to Cofton Lake Conservation Limited and sent either to Sue Garvey 58 Ashmead Drive Cofton Hackett B45 8AB or the registered office 19 Cofton Lake Road, Cofton Hackett B45 8PL or direct into our bank Sort Code 30-96-12 A/C 53186960

According to the Memorandum and Articles of Association the subs for the lake are due from the date of the AGM until the 1st January in the following year. Anyone not paying in this period would have their share cancelled and made null and void.