Picnic Committee Meeting 1/26/2025, 11AM Marton Cottage (west)

Attendees: Adam Gordon, Kelly Meister, Brian Marton

Picnic Date: Saturday July 5th, 2025

- Budget is \$1000, plus \$100 prize budget
- Adam will reach out to Morin's to confirm availability of their beach
- Kelly will contact last year's sponsors and potential new sponsors about contributing prizes
- Brian will work on flyer, plan to have it ready for distribution to cottages by April or May (as well as posted to website and social media)
 - Flyer will emphasize prizes per event, to help increase participation
 - o Flyer will serve as schedule of events and times
- Kelly will handle distribution of flyers to cottages
- Adam will arrange for port-a-john

Food/Beverages

- Adam will handle arrangements for main dishes and soft drinks
 - Possible combination of Smoke Wrangler, Ludinton Meat Co, and a guest griller to be named later
- Please let Adam know if you have a beverage cooler you can lend for the event.
- Side dishes to be provided by attendees (flyer will specify this)

Activities

- Trivia Game: Same format as last year. Brian and Kelly will work on content (crowd sourced or otherwise)
- Sailboat Race ("Gifford Cup")
 - Enhancement this year will be that the top three sailors based on qualifying times submitted from the self-timed course over July 3-4 will race for the Commodore's Flag during the picnic

- Brian will reach out to last year's floating dock volunteers to set the course (should be same as last year)
- Adam will provide cones for marking the route
- Other boat races (same course as last year, Gordon's to Morin's):
 - Kayaks
 - Paddleboards (new this year)
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- Run around the lake
 - We will introduce age groups for prizes
- Annual Association Meeting
- Adam will confirm Georgia and Amy handling of kids games, and find out what they may need in terms of prize budget, etc.
 - o Including traditional sandcastle contest

Weather Backup Plan

- Linda, would you mind seeing if the pavilion is available as a fallback in case of weather?
- Most of our activities wouldn't be viable, but at least we could have the meeting and a meal

Committee Succession Plan

- Kelly will take over as committee chair next year, and attempt to secure a co-chair by then (if not sooner)
- Going forward, the plan would be for two-year commitments. First year as co-chair, second year as chair who will recruit the next cochair. And so on...
- This will help ensure continuity of process, institutional knowledge, etc.