

OWL'S ROOST COTTAGE

Information and Directions

No Smoking Please

Please do not smoke inside the cottage. Ashtrays are provided on the decks and screen room. Please do not put butts on the ground.

PETS

Please clean up on the grounds after dogs or walk them on the road.

Power/Heat Source

Flashlights are available and handy in case of a power failure. If the failure is prolonged there are three coal-oil lanterns that can be used. One is on top of the kitchen cupboard and two others are on the shelf over the TV set. Also, there is a small portable gas stove in case under the TV set. Please remember that the water system relies on electricity and therefore there is no tap or toilet water when the power is off. If there is no power for a few hours the toilet tank can be filled with water from the lake and then flushed. A bucket is located under the sink in the bathroom. The drinking water from the water cooler is always operable and is not affected by a power outage.

The water system and water heater operate on the breakers 22, 23, 24 located in the panel box in the kitchen.

Wood burning Stove

The stove burns wood and is always available to be used. There is an adequate supply of firewood for your use. Please do not burn excessive amounts of wood unnecessarily.

Outdoor Fires

Please use fire pit provided. Keep fires small and safe. Burn only after 7:00pm. Fires are not allowed during the day. This is a Township By-law. It is also necessary to pour water on any live embers before leaving the fire unattended. This is also a By-law

Waste Disposal

Please place garbage at the end of the day (or few days) outside the cottage in the large green box in front of the shed. A blue box is located inside the green box as well. Make sure the lid is secure after use, as animals will try to access the garbage. If the garbage is accumulating you may wish to take it to the township dump on Pine Springs Road located just off Hwy 35 about 5 K North of the cottage. The dump hours are irregular but it is open Sat. and Sun. PM.

Water Source

This cottage uses lake water. It is pumped from the lake using electricity. The pump will go on whenever water is being used from the tap, shower or toilet. Please note that it normally does not run for more than about 5 minutes at a time after all water is turned off. If it seems to be running for a long time, check to see if a tap or the toilet is running.

Do not drink the tap water. Use the cooler water for all your drinking, cooking and bottled water needs. Use the ensuing bottled water for cleaning teeth. If you use up all three containers of water provided, they can be refilled at the artesian well at the hamlet of Hall's lake 7 K South on Hwy 35. (across from the bakery and beside the takeout fast food stand).

Tap water can be used for washing dishes because of the detergent quality in the soap.

There is a small room under the cottage, which contains all of the plumbing and tanks. It can be unlocked and left unlocked during your entire stay. The padlock key is just inside the door on the insect hook. It is the same key for the shed.

Bathroom/ Septic System

This cottage operates on a septic system, which is very sensitive. The rule is **DO NOT PUT ANYTHING** down the toilet other than natural waste and toilet paper (and be conservative with the paper).

Please do not put Kleenex, feminine pads, matches, hair, grease, or strong chemicals into the toilet.

If the power goes out and you need to flush more than once, fill the tank up with a pail of water from the lake.

Cottage Cleaning

Leaving the cottage neat, clean and tidy is appreciated. If you deplete any cleaning supplies, please replace them for the next guests.

General Inventory

Barbeque

Operating instructions are on the barbeque. However make sure the lid is open prior to using the electronic igniter. When starting the flame place the knob control to **LOW** and then shift it to high as needed. Also turn off both the burner and the tank when finished.

If you run out of propane, there is a spare tank in the shed and a wrench to put it on the hose. It would be appreciated if you advise us if a tank is emptied.

Television

There is a Bell Express Vu for your use and a DVD/VHS machine in the living room. Also there is a DVD machine in the main bedroom. Appropriate remotes are in the couch console drawer.

Canoe

There is a canoe for your use. You must have a life vest on when you use it. As well, you need one life vest jacket on each person in the boat and you need a whistle, bailing can and a fifteen-foot line when on the water.

Telephone

Please use the telephone. If you call long distance, please time your call and pay (10 cents per minute) before you leave. A jar is provided. This is on the honor system and your co-operation is appreciated. The cottage telephone number is 705-489-4251. If the power is out and you want to use the phone it is necessary to switch the phone line into the green cord phone which gets it's power from the bell phone line. It sits on the same table as the cordless phone for just an emergency.

Food Supplies

There are staples at the cottage. Please feel free to use these. If any are depleted please replace.

Linens and Towels

Linens and towels are not provided. There are pillows and extra blankets available if needed.

Leaving

Check-out is 12:00 noon unless. It is appreciated if this time is honored so that the cottage can be cleaned and prepared for the next family.

Left Items

We will try our best to return any left-behind possessions to you..

Insects

You will probably need repellent. You may also wish to bring head and leg nets. A screen room is provided for sitting outside and eating both during the day and at night.

Telephone Numbers

John and Karen Roberts	1-905-659-7787 Fax 1-905-659-1200
John and Joanne Roberts	1-905-659-3325
Norm and Pam McDonald	1-519-647-9847
Norm McDonald at work	1-800-681-7729 Cell 1-519-841-4884

If you cannot reach the owner 1-905-659-7787 you should go immediately to Norm McDonald at work (during business hours) or at home after hours.