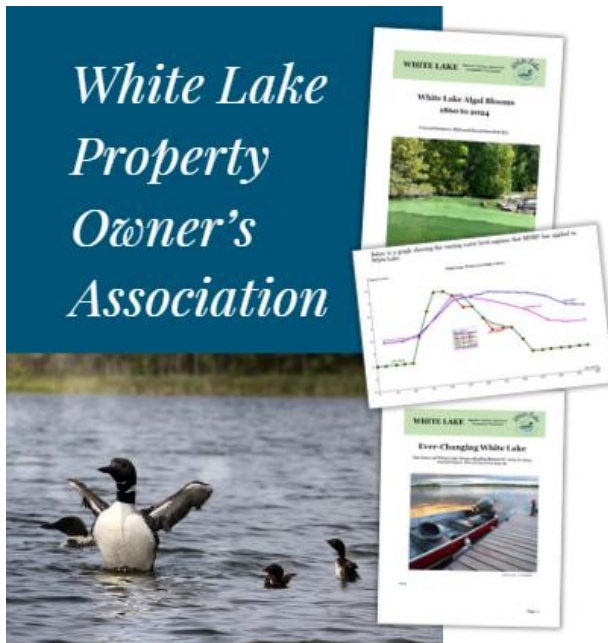


White Lake Property Owners Association Wins Environmental Award

The Federation of Ontario Cottage Associations (FOCA) has given the 2024 Terry Rees award to the White Lake Property Owners Association (WLPOA). FOCA has a membership of 525 lake and road associations representing 250,000 families living seasonally and year-round in waterfront communities across Ontario.

The award is given annually to a FOCA member association that has demonstrated innovation in its work, and dedication to community betterment.

The WLPOA received the 2024 Award for environmental monitoring and stewardship of White Lake by enthusiastic community science volunteers Conrad Grégoire and David Overholt.



For the last 12 years Conrad and David have been sampling White Lake every two weeks at 9 separate sites, collecting water samples and doing physical measurements. They write and distribute bi-monthly White Lake Checkups, monthly Environment Bulletins, annual State of the Lake Reports, and a White Lake Science website that goes into great detail on various environmental issues effecting the lake. They also conduct wildlife monitoring including loon and cormorant counts, and provide extensive environmental education through the website, webinars, bulletins, and ongoing community science efforts. They have participated in FOCA's Lake Partner Program for over a decade.

Check out the website at www.wlpp.ca