

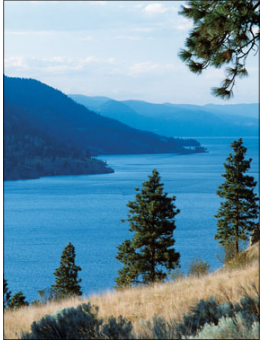


BCLSS LOONIE NEWS

A monthly e-newsletter from the BC Lake Stewardship Society

March 2008

BCLSS 2008 CONFERENCE



Climate Warming: Less Water, Cooked Fish

June 20 - 22, 2008. The 11th annual BCLSS conference and AGM will be held at UBC-Okanagan in Kelowna.

Please visit www.bclss.org/conferences.html for more details as they become available.



UPCOMING EVENTS

World Water Day - March 22nd

The international observance of World Water Day is an initiative that grew out of the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro. The theme for 2008 is Sanitation. For more information on World Water Day visit: <http://www.worldwaterday.org/page/1088>

Earth Hour 2008 - March 29th

Created to take a stand against the greatest threat our planet has ever faced, Earth Hour uses the simple action of turning off the lights for one hour to deliver a powerful message about the need for action on global warming.

This simple act has captured the hearts and minds of people all over the world. As a result, at 8pm March 29, 2008 millions of people in some of the world's major capital cities, including Copenhagen, Toronto, Chicago, Melbourne, Brisbane and Tel Aviv will unite and switch off for Earth Hour.

Get involved by visiting: <http://www.earthhour.org/>

Earth Day - April 22, 2008

Earth Day 2008 is already underway. Join in the preparations for the biggest Earth Day yet! For information on how you can become involved visit: <http://www.earthday.net/earthday2008.aspx>

Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society Conference: "Water, Weather, and Climate: Science Informing Decisions"

May 25 - 29, 2008. For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.cmos2008.ca/>.

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REMINDERS TO VOLUNTEER LAKE MONITORS



It's that time of year again! **Spring overturn sampling** should be taking place soon. Depending on your region, your lake may already be in overturn. Get those Secchi discs & meters ready for 2008's maiden voyage.



Volunteer insurance, provided free of charge to BCLSS members that **actively** participate in volunteer activities, is up for renewal on April 15th. If you or members of your group require insurance, send a list of names and phone numbers, along with a signed waiver (if not signed in previous years) to the BCLSS office. Waivers and other information will be sent out in the coming weeks, as is also available at <http://www.bclss.org/membershipandspon.html> under the heading "Insurance".