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Windermere Lake - By Amy Baxter

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Call for Donations



Hello Lake Enthusiasts!

With 2024 coming to a close, we are asking for your support to continue the administration and development of our programs in 2025 with a goal of keeping BC's lakes clean and healthy.

We are grateful for your support in helping to create a stronger network of lake stewards, a better understanding of lake health, and more training opportunities for our dedicated volunteer lake monitors.

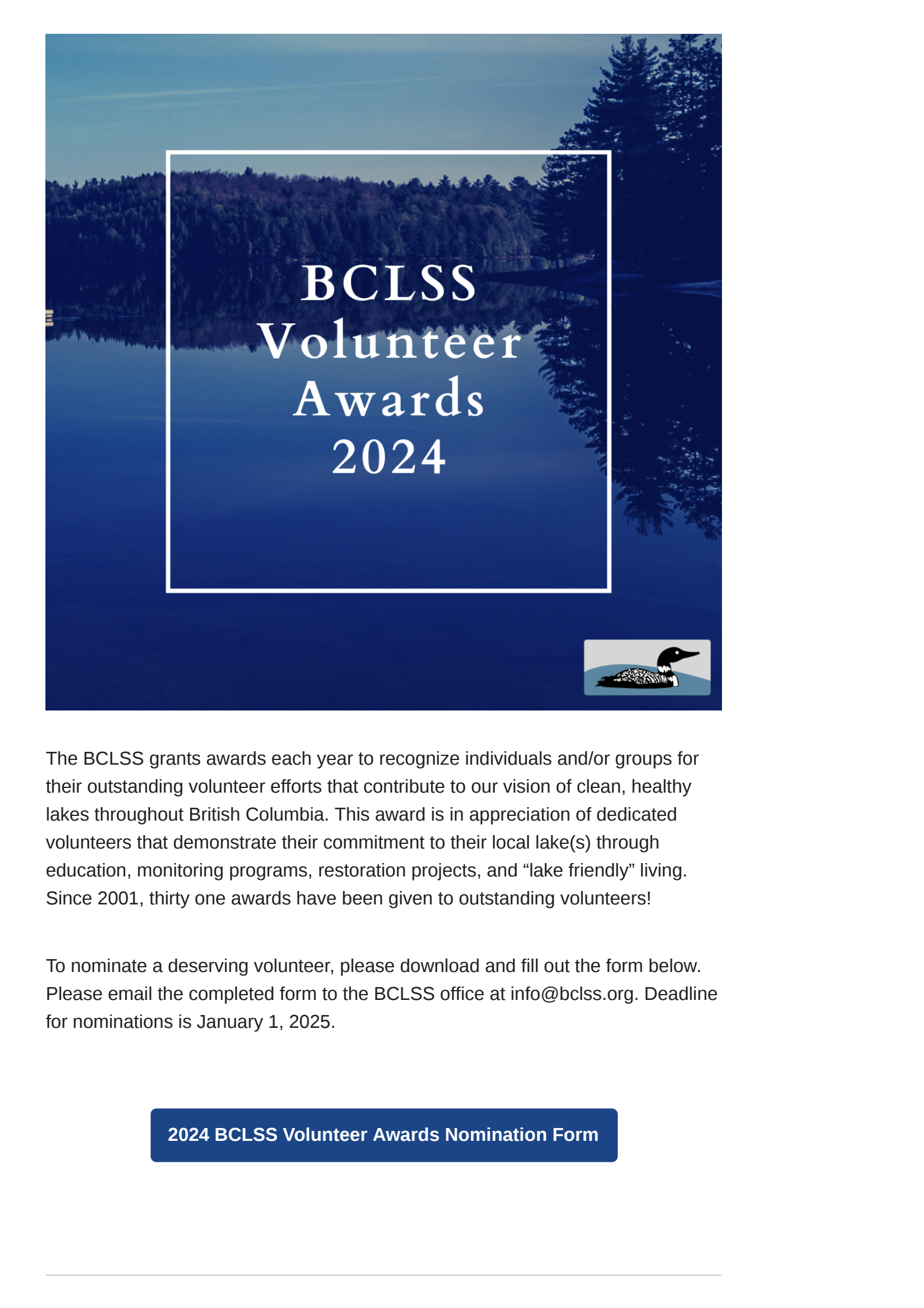
To our members and volunteers, thank you for your ongoing support of BCLSS and our mission. We truly appreciate your time and dedication to BC's lakes! Happy Holidays everyone!

With much gratitude,

The BCLSS team

(a charitable tax receipt will be issued through Canada Helps)

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BCLSS Volunteer Awards 2024



The BCLSS grants awards each year to recognize individuals and/or groups for their outstanding volunteer efforts that contribute to our vision of clean, healthy lakes throughout British Columbia. This award is in appreciation of dedicated volunteers that demonstrate their commitment to their local lake(s) through education, monitoring programs, restoration projects, and “lake friendly” living. Since 2001, thirty one awards have been given to outstanding volunteers!

To nominate a deserving volunteer, please download and fill out the form below. Please email the completed form to the BCLSS office at info@bclss.org. Deadline for nominations is January 1, 2025.

[2024 BCLSS Volunteer Awards Nomination Form](#)



Naltesby (Bobtail) Lake

2001-2002, 2018-2019 Summary Report

Release Date

Oct 21, 2024

Level of Study

Level 3

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Photo 1 – Naltesby (Bobtail) Lake



The BC Lake Stewardship Society (BCLSS) and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (ENV) partner with local volunteers and stewardship groups to characterize lake water quality through the BC Lake Stewardship and Monitoring Program (BCLSMP).

The BCLSMP's focus is on understanding water clarity, temperature, oxygen, and nutrients as these provide a basic understanding of lake processes and influence biological productivity. Concerns about productivity are common, specifically because high productivity can affect recreation and drinking water due to harmful algal blooms and can also impact aquatic organisms, such as fish.

Raw data collected for Naltesby Lake can be accessed through the BCLSMP Interactive Map: <https://arcq.is/1G9LG40>



BC Lake Stewardship
and Monitoring Program



New Lake Report! Volunteers on Naltesby Lake recently completed a Level 3 BC Lake Stewardship and Monitoring Program which provided current data to compare to historically collected level 3 data. Click the button below to read the report!

Naltesby Lake Report



Okanagan Lake by SM Jones

Not a member of the BCLSS yet?

Please consider joining our network of lake stewards! For more information on the benefits of membership, [visit our website](#).

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The BCLSS acknowledges that the lake stewardship activities of our staff, directors, and volunteers take place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of First Nations Peoples throughout British Columbia. We recognize that Indigenous Peoples have stewarded these lands and waters for generations and we are grateful to the Elders, Traditional Knowledge Keepers, and youth that implement their knowledge and traditional laws to preserve water and life for the benefit of all.



We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and the Ministry of Environment and Parks.



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