

At the 2025 annual meeting of the Oliver & Martin Lakes Conservation & Improvement Association, interest was expressed in the idea of compiling a history of our lakes. A committee of interested Association members was later formed and charged by the Association Board with the project of compiling this history. The lake history committee held their first meeting in October.

A key part of the book is your stories and memories. The questionnaire below is designed to stimulate your recollections and give you a way to share them with the committee. We will compile all the responses over the winter and add to it, research we are doing on local history. Our goal is to publish a book by the end of 2026.

If responding via the internet is not a method you prefer but you have stories you'd like to share, please reach out to one of the committee members and we will arrange to speak to you in person or on the phone.

Respond to as many of the following questions as are relevant to you by January 5, 2026 at oliverlakehistoryproject@gmail.com

Thank-you,

Oliver & Martin Lakes Association History Committee

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Oliver-Martin Lakes History Project Questions

1. On which lake do you reside?
2. Is your family the original owners of the property?
 - a. If not, do you have information on previous owners/history of your property (please include the year(s) of ownership transition(s) if known)?
 - b. If so, please give us some family background on the lake.
3. What brought you or your family to Oliver or Martin Lake?
4. What does your family most enjoy about being at the lake and staying at your cottage?
5. Do you have any photos or film (video) of early life on the lake you would be willing to share? (The film could potentially be used on our website.)
6. Do you or any family members have any interesting stories of life at the lake that you think would be interesting to others on the lake?
7. What noteworthy history do you have about your property or other properties or locations at the lake? Which lake?
8. Who else do you know or have you heard of who might have historical information or stories that might not respond to an email or website page? If you can provide their name, we are willing to reach out to them to interview them to capture this information.
9. Would you or your business be willing to financially support the printing costs of the Oliver-Martin History book?
10. Do you have any special skills that could help the committee?
11. If you would like to get involved, how would you prefer we contact you?

