## The 56th Annual Housey's Rapids Picnic



July 15 th dawned clear and sunny and stayed that way for the enjoyment of over 80 cottagers and guests at my final hoorah as organizer. After running the kids' games and then the whole Picnic for the past 20 years, I have finally found a replacement - KLRA Board member, Gord Robinson, who has vowed to be the new, improved Keith Price - his words, not mine. $\leftarrow$ Cathan DeForest, the new organizer for the kids' games, did a fantastic job with old games and new, keeping the kids running (and throwing, hopping, splashing, falling, wrapping, even eating Oreo cookies) all afternoon.

And when the kids weren't busy with the games, Gwen Hems had fun things for them to do at the Craft Table, Gord and Tien White fed them sausages and hotdogs, and they


My sincere thanks to all those volunteers and donors who have helped to make the Picnic such an enduring success over the past 20 years. I wish Gord the very best for the next 20! ate Canada150 Birthday Cake. The Horseshoe Tournament, organized by Scott \& Joanne Watson, was won by Dennis Houlberg and Bob Reyburn. As usual the volleyball area was well used, the Bucket Brigade finished with a drenching for me - again! And the Tug-o-War was a long dragged out affair! Go figure.

Donors - Dave Purdon at Muskoka Meats, Muskoka Springs, Cottage Life Magazine, Muskoka Steamships, Grace and Speed Museum, Gravenhurst Opera House.
Picnic Committee - Shawn \& Nancy Corbett, Dennis \& Wendy Houlberg, Scott \& Joanne Watson, Wes \& Janis Ryan, Cathy Dunphy, Alison Price, Matt Barker.
Volunteers - Gwen Hems (Craft Table), Gord \& Tien White (Barbecue), Bob Reyburn and Ruth Miller (Kahshe Boutique), Art McReavy (loan of volleyball and tug-o-war equipment), and Belinda Sutherland who ran the Kids' Games for the past 8 years.


