

The problems of trash in the water of the St. Lawrence River have been well documented and can be observed on a daily basis by islanders and boaters. Removing plastics and other man-made debris from the St. Lawrence River is a pressing concern and with our Trash Free River cleanup we hope to continue an annual tradition of shoreline and River bottom cleanups removing a major source of pollution from The River.

On August 7th from 9:00am to 12:00pm the Thousand Islands Association is sponsoring our second annual River Clean Up. Registration is required and a waiver signed before you can participate (please see attached link to register.) Everyone is welcome! Make it an event for families, friends, roommates and teams!

We will all meet at the big parking lot at *Halstead's* Bay along the parkway at 9am. TIA will provide grabbers, buckets & gloves (however we do encourage you to bring your own if you have them.). We will review the housekeeping items, assign locations and then and set off to rid the river of some trash!

We are covering areas that are known as catch basins and problem areas for trash.

Brown's Bay

Gray's Bay- Parkette

Landon's Bay Bridge/Lookout

Club Island

Frontenac Arch Paddling Trail (clean up accessible by foot or by kayak)

Georgina Island (clean up accessible by foot or by kayak)

Who Can Participate?

- Families are also encouraged to register as teams, this is a family-friendly event but anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Individuals are also encouraged to register and will be assigned to a team and a specific zone.
- Calling all kayakers! TIA is hoping that our network of volunteers will help provide coverage from the water with your own personal kayak.
- TIA is encouraging local businesses to register a team and we will highlight them on our social media platform

We all love the St. Lawrence River. Help TIA's efforts to keep it clean.