

Historical Home Tours -2026

By now you might have heard about the celebration next summer (2026) of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the town of Barkmere.

Activities are planned throughout 2026. One of them is visits to some of the original and iconic homes and cottages in Barkmere.

The committee is actively looking for families who would be interested in offering their home/cottage for the tour. The criteria for consideration would be the age and original integrity of the structure. It can be in the village or on the lake.

We have contacted several owners and have had an enthusiastic response. But we are still looking for people we may have missed.

The tours will be on July 18th, 2026. Owners who have agreed to be part of the house tour would be asked to write a short history of their property. Any memorabilia /photos would be a welcome addition.

Volunteers would assist in tying up boats and helping the owner with the tour. One group would visit at a time.

In the spring, a list of homes on the tour will be sent to all residents of Barkmere. You will be given an opportunity to sign up for the visitations.

We want these visits to be accessible to all citizens. To that end, we will also be looking for volunteers with a boat who would be willing to provide tour transportation to those who do not have a boat.

As part of the centennial, we wish to invite former residents to celebrate with us. Please pass this information on to those you have contact with. They can contact us, and we will send them the information.

If you have suggestions, questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact the committee below.

We would appreciate hearing from those interested as soon as possible.

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