



ASSOCIATION DES PROPRIÉTAIRES DU LAC PAPINEAU

NEWSLETTER

Barb Brehn Langer, Editor

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President's Message

As I sit in my armchair, I look for inspiration to help me write this message. I look out of my huge window at the beautiful landscape that awaits me: the sky as far as the eye can see, the mountains and the lake. There are several trees that prevent me from seeing more of the lake. Every time a new person comes to my home to enjoy the beauty of the Laurentians, they tell me to cut trees, in order to see more of the lake. I invariably answer: I could, but I love trees!

I also explain that the trees are there to protect the lake. I add that each tree, shrub and plant plays a role as a protective natural barrier. They prevent sediments from leaching into the lake and their roots also capture runoff and pollutants. I'm not here to lecture anyone. People love to see the lake, as I do and I will admit that I cut a tree down from time to time. The majority are fir trees, so that's where I pick up my Christmas tree.

Our cohabitation with nature often provides a dilemma: do I give priority to my pleasure of being able to see more of the lake or do I let nature take its' course? I try to find a balance. Perhaps I could plant lower-growing shrubs or hardwoods that, even in summer, do not hide the view.

In the past, we didn't know much about the repercussions of planting and cutting. However, we now know that we must protect these sensitive ecosystems that are the lakes.

I wish you a beautiful autumn.

Robert Brès, President

Annual Lake Swim was another success!!

The weather was perfect and the turnout far better than past years, according to reports. People on the second lake were lined up on the shore waiting for the parade of swimmers and even walkers!

Thanks to everyone who participated, either by swimming, keeping swimmers safe, or by helping with refreshments at the end of the swim!



IMPORTANT REMINDER!!!

Old buoys, docks, fishing gear, etc are being found in and all around our lake. Please remove old equipment, including docks, when you remove or replace them. They are a hazard to everyone using the lake.

LOOKING BACK....AT 1963

(Provided by Jill Munro)

Very interesting article from The Gazette and the resulting "prize", as given by the Petit Lac Long Fish & Game Association, the precursor to our current lake association. The 3rd picture is of Tom Brehn and Barb Brehn Langer, holding the original association sign, found in Tom's shed a few years ago.



DID YOU KNOW ??

... that Princess Elizabeth visited Sainte Agathe des Monts before she became Queen?

On November 4, 1951, Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh (the future Queen Elizabeth II of Canada) and Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh, attended the service with the rest of the local congregants at the Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Sainte Agathe. A small Legion guard of honour was standing outside the church and two college groups were in place to play "God Save the King", all in front of a crowd of about 2,000 people. Elizabeth & Philip returned to the private property where they enjoyed a horse-drawn sleigh ride and stayed until boarding the royal train in the evening for a 5am departure for the Maritimes.



(Thanks to Comité du Patrimoine de Sainte Agathe des Monts for article and photos)

Pileated Woodpecker – seen at Petit Lac Long by editor.
(photo from internet, no camera handy when bird flew close to my boathouse)



ARE YOU MOVING???

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS??

Don't forget to update the association with changes to your email address, or if you move away from Lac Papineau, so we can update your contact information.

MEMBERSHIP PAYS!!

25 of our members took advantage of the septic cleaning discounts this summer! The discount was more than the cost of membership! Good deal!

Pet Owners – please take note!

It may not be the city but people still don't appreciate picking up after someone else's animals! Keep your dogs on leash when walking, to prevent any mishaps.

WALK AMONG THE TREETOPS!

Sentier des Cimes is now open!!
737 Rue de la Pisciculture, St. Faustin



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Many thanks to Mathieu Huppé and Hugues Raymond for their translation assistance. Without the help of these volunteers, we couldn't issue this newsletter!

Everyone on your Board volunteers their time but we can't do it alone! We really appreciate the help we are given by volunteers around the lake.

Do you have a new neighbour?

Please tell them about our association and how to get in touch with us. We will provide them with a Welcome Package, containing the most recent issue of our newsletter, our Code of Conduct, information on our board and more!

Sunrise Sunset

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