



# NEWSLETTER

Barb Brehn Langer, Editor

Spring 2023



## President's Message

*(Replaced for this edition by  
"Message from Editor")*

I hope you are not yet tired of the snow because the forecast supposedly calls for more snow than normal in March and April and cooler than normal temperatures.

When spring finally arrives, it should be good! So the weather forecaster says to hang in there for a few more weeks and keep the snow shovels ready. Perhaps we need a new forecaster?

Once again, our volunteers and your Board of Directors have been working over the fall and winter on various projects that you will hear about in the newsletters and at our annual meeting.

Please continue to spread the word about our association so that we can strengthen our work around our beloved lake.

We are all looking forward to another great season at the lake and let's be kind to each other!

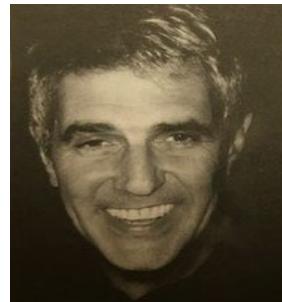
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## NO MORE CHEQUES!

**You can now pay your Association membership by eTransfer!** No need to provide any banking information. Just select the eTransfer option from your on-line banking and send the payment to the following email address: [lacpapineauproprietaires@gmail.com](mailto:lacpapineauproprietaires@gmail.com)

Please use the password: *papineau*  
**No need to pay until you receive your renewal notice!**

## Rest in Peace, Peter Prupas



In the spring of 2022, we lost an amazing man, Peter Prupas, who had been a resident and dedicated member of our association board for many decades. He loved Petit Lac Long and was often seen enjoying his time at the lake with his family, either on the roads or in the water. He had bravely battled cancer for 21 years and never let it affect his friendly demeanor. He always had a smile for anyone he met on the road. Peter, with others around the lake, worked tirelessly to raise the money to have the aerators purchased and installed in the third lake over 20 years ago.

Close friends of the Prupas family, the Puttermans, wanted to celebrate his life by giving back to the lake Peter loved. They have made a generous donation to our association, specifically to be used to assist with the repairs to our aerators.

We thank them for their contribution to the aerators, which will enhance Peter's legacy around the lake.

## DID YOU KNOW??

- That there used to be a dance hall at our lake? It was located at the corner of Ch Paiement, on the left corner at the first stop sign after leaving Ch Val des Lacs. Many of our residents will remember it from the 1940's and 1950's and some even met their future spouses there, including my parents! Unfortunately, it was destroyed a few years ago by a microburst during a summer storm. Now, it's just an empty lot.
- 1987... Association des Propriétaires du Lac Papineau was founded. Prior to that, it was called the Petit Lac Long Fish & Game Association
- 1994.... received permission from the town to install a fence at the boat launch.
- 2005... first annual lake swim at Petit Lac Long
- 2009... Proof of Competency required for all drivers of motorized boats

## Memories of winter

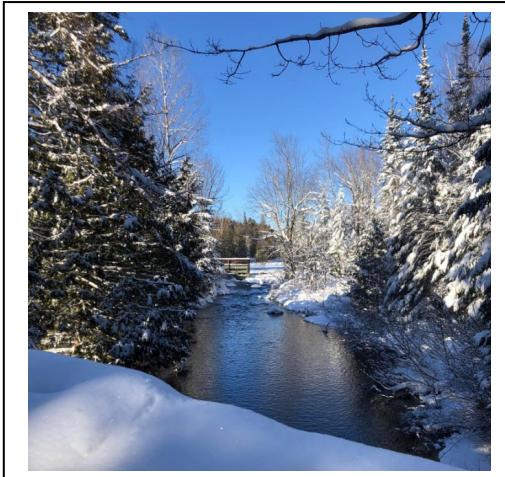


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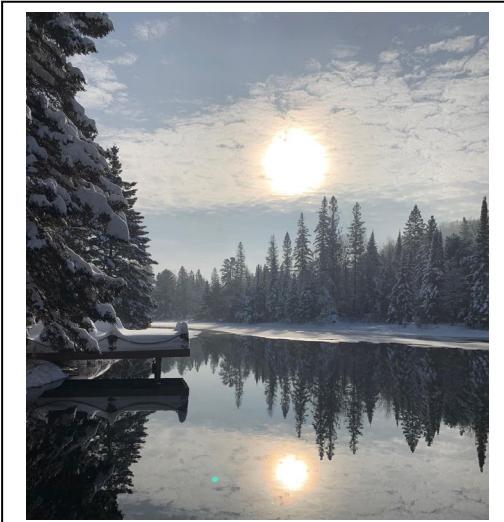


Photo credit: Lise Philibert

## Need your 2023 boat stickers?

Members of your board will be available on dates in May, June and July at the boat launch, to hand out 2023 stickers to residents who have paid their 2023 membership.

**\*\* May 20 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm \*\***

Watch your email for the dates in June and July later in the spring.

## Snow clearing on Ch Paiement

Thanks to Robert Laliberte for writing to the mayor, complaining about the lack of snow removal on Ch Paiement. Let's hope that it has an impact!

## Important Reminders

1. **If you are having visitors who are bringing a boat with them, please let them know about our boat washing rules. Boats can be washed with a power washer and vinegar, lemon juice, borax or baking soda. Do not use harsh chemicals or acids!!!! Regardless of where you wash your boat, the harsh solutions will seep into the lake.**
2. **If replacing your dock, please dismantle and remove old one. People are just leaving their old docks in the water, which allows any chemicals from the wood to leach into the water. They also pose a safety hazard.**
3. **Fireworks are illegal in Sainte Agathe des Monts! Fireworks disturb everyone, especially children and pets and their usage may be reported to the fire department.**

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Nuisances

\*\*\* En cas de disparité entre ces informations et la réglementation officielle en vigueur, cette dernière prévaut.

2003-SQ-39, art 4 - 2007-SQ-39-3, art. 2

**ARTICLE 5 FEU D'ARTIFICE**

Constitue une nuisance et est prohibé le fait de faire usage ou de permettre de faire usage de pétard ou de feu d'artifice.

Le Conseil municipal peut, par voie de résolution, émettre un permis autorisant l'utilisation de feux d'artifices aux conditions qu'il précisera dans ladite résolution.

2003-SQ-39, art. 5

**ARTICLE 6 ARMES**

6.1 Armes à feu et armes à air comprimé

Constitue une nuisance et est prohibé le fait de faire usage d'une arme à feu ou d'une arme à air comprimé à moins de 500 mètres de toute maison, bâtiment ou édifice.

6.2 Arcs et arbalètes



## 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.

## Septic Cleaning Offer for Lac Papineau 2023

Once again, your board has negotiated discounts for **2023 PAID MEMBERS** for septic cleaning. The dates and discounted prices will be emailed to all paid members later in the spring, once prices are received from SaniNord. Residents must be present.

**Please do not call SaniNord directly to book a cleaning on these dates.**

## Get Caught Up on Past Newsletters on our website

Read about.....

- The Weekend Athletes, a group of PLL residents who cycled from West Island to the lake (1984)
- The story of our aerators (Spring 2020)
- Types of water testing (Summer 2020)
- Famous resident, William Shatner (Star Trek) (Summer 2020)
- Satisfaction Survey results (Fall 2020)
- Invasive plants around the lake (Spring 2021)

These and other stories are waiting to be read on our website!

## Know your board

President:	Robert Brès
Vice President	Jean-Claude Lecompte
Treasurer	Daniel Zours
Secretary/Editor	Barb Brehn Langer
Technical Director	Adam Finkelstein
Administrator	Louis Doré

**Many thanks to Mathieu Huppé, Hugues Raymond and Wolf Raan 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!

## Don't forget to check out our website!

[www.petitlaclong.org](http://www.petitlaclong.org)

## 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.

## 2023 Waste/Recycling Calendar now available!

Please go to our website [www.petitlaclong.org](http://www.petitlaclong.org) and select "About the Lake" to find the 2023 Garbage/Recycling Calendar. Please recycle and help Sainte-Agathe meet its' targets.