

Lac Tremblant Association Summer 2020 Newsletter

The Covid-19 Summer Did Not Stop Us

Reinforcing our Community Spirit

When the Board of the Association was trying to figure out how to hold an annual meeting of the members in the midst of a pandemic, some members had the inspiration to hold an event right on the lake. With the cooperation of Lise Laberge and Daniel Labrecque, we held a jazz event to attract our members to the annual meeting. A week later, we were part of the organization that brought you the classical concert called *Les Dames du Lac*, starring Mme Angèle Dubeau

Both events were widely attended, all in compliance with the social distancing rules. More importantly, the two events allowed us to come together as a community, something the Association desires to promote. The lake belongs to everyone, but it is those living in periphery of this natural jewel, its community, who are the custodians to preserve this area. Our Association must remain strong and active in order to keep this community together.

Real Estate Development

We are most grateful to Mayor Luc Brisebois and his council who collectively ended the rumors of major real estate development at the Beach & Tennis Club. In its press release on the matter, Mayor Brisebois was quoted to say, "The Ville has always collaborated with developers insofar as their projects are in harmony with the cachet of Mont-Tremblant. Some locations however form part of our roots and must remain unspoiled for future generations, and the beach of Lac Tremblant forms part of those roots." Our Association had prepared itself to challenge any developer, as we had identified lawyers, urbanists and even land surveyors to assist us, but the Ville's initiative to terminate the rumors of development came as a huge relief.

Nevertheless, real estate developers are persistent and we must be watchful that our lake is not a theatre for their gain. We intend to make real estate development to be a perennial election issue in both Ville de Mont Tremblant and Municipality of Lac-Tremblant-Nord.

Long Boats

You may recall the referendum in regards to allowing wake and surf boats in excess of 21-feet, namely 23-footers, to be launched at the Marina of Lac-Tremblant-Nord. Owners of these bigger boats would end up launching their boats through private landings, without any assurance of boat/trailer wash. As all stakeholders work hard to prevent invasive species from reaching our lake, we took the practical view to allow them through the PLTN marina, and are pleased to inform you that at its recent AGM, members of PLTN approved to allow boats of up to 23 feet.

We encourage everyone from the Spring 2021, to use the PLTN marina to launch their boats.

Special Thanks

Doing the best of a summer period in the middle of a pandemic cannot be done without the collaboration of some people, and there are a lot. We want to thank Mme Angèle Dubeau and her husband and agent, Mr. Mario Labbé and La Pieta for holding the wonderful concert on our lake on July 25th. Of course, we thank the financial contributors including Ville de Mont-Tremblant,

Quebecor and the provincial government. We also would like to thank Mme Lise Laberge and Mr. Daniel Labrecque for their assistance in the Jazz/AGM event.

We must thank four of our board members who made their time and equipment made available for the two concerts, namely, Messrs. Jake Graton, Yves Delvalet, Brian Arnott and Pierre Plouffe.

If we've forgotten other volunteers who deserve our gratitude, please forgive us.

The writer of this newsletter as well as the remainder of the board would like to extend our special gratitude to our president, Mrs. Annette Pankrac and her husband, Mr. Andrew Liebmann. Their devotion to the Association is remarkable.

Joining and Maintaining Your Membership

We need you to either join the Association or renew your membership. Current member count is 94, and that is not enough. If people don't join or renew annually, it will be difficult to keep the Association together over the years to come. If you benefited from our efforts, you can see that your annual contribution of \$100 goes a long way.

Please continue supporting us. http://www.associationtremblant.ca/f_membership.html