



MUNICIPALITÉ DE
LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD

Happy Spring!

We have been moving forward on many dossiers you will see outlined here. Please continue to come to council meetings, or please start coming. We have been pleased with the amount of people present and look forward to more during the summer season.

Thank you to those who completed the survey. We had 105 responses and many helpful comments.

Environmental protection

As the boating season begins, we want to remind everyone of the importance of **washing** all watercrafts, trailers, and any equipment that touches the water (including fishing equipment, wetsuits, inner tubes, waterski ropes, etc.) **Inspect** for any loose weeds, or anything that does not belong. I cannot stress the importance of this enough. Many nearby lakes have Eurasian milfoil and we are at risk for other invasive species as well. Once they are in the lake, there is very little to be done to eradicate. It can have many impacts on your quality of life, including your ability to swim, boat and participate in other recreation such as fishing. Home values could also be affected. **Prevention is the key**, so please, talk to your neighbours and friends.

I would invite you to visit the following link for more information.
<https://crelaurentides.org/index.php/documents/eau-lacs>.

LTN also sponsored an episode with TVCL on Eurasian Milfoil, please watch this 5-10 minutes capsule <http://tvcl.ca/lheure-consacree-30-avril-2018/>.

If you think you see Eurasian Milfoil, do not approach, you risk spreading it. Advise the municipality and we will take the steps to have experts come in to assess and identify. If caught very early, there is more chance of preventing the spread of it.

CRE Laurentides held an information session in May where their summer plans were outlined. There will be a **training session** in June (dates and information to follow) for any citizens interested. There will be 2 specialists in the Laurentian area. One who will focus on **prevention and sensitization** at lac Bibite, Gervais and lac Tremblant (among other lakes). The other will be doing **characterization** of lakes, including lac Tremblant. The municipality is planning to work with our summer student to have lac Bibite characterized as well if CRE Laurentides does not do it.

Here are some of the measures being put in place in our municipality:

- Municipally subsidised boat washing for all LTN citizens, including those putting their boats in lac Gervais. This includes canoes, kayaks, etc. Starting mid-June
- Signs have been ordered from CRE Laurentides, you will see them appearing on roadways soon.
- Pamphlets will be available at the municipality and at the PLTN marina.
- Characterization of areas of lac Bibite and lac Tremblant not completed by CRE Laurentides.
- Increased information on our website regarding invasive species.
- Changes to our bylaws to control the washing of trailers and accessories as well as boats.

Initiatives through Comité du lac (collaboration between Ville and LTN)

- A letter was sent to all the boat suppliers to inform them that boats must be washed at 1 of 4 approved locations (previously washing in house)
- Underlining of best practices including transmission of new boat washing procedure to boat wash locations.
- Improved policing of boat washing facilities
- Boat washing stickers will now appear on both the boat and trailers (with a matching number). This will help to ensure that trailers are washed in between each use at each different lake.

LTN Summer Student

Welcome to Elizabeth Rohlicek who joined us recently. She brings a great amount of knowledge and enthusiasm to our municipality.



I am currently studying at the University of Victoria in BC, doing a double major in Biology and Earth and Ocean Sciences. I'll be living at my cabin on lac Bibite for the summer, working in and around the MLTN.

Some of the work I will be doing this summer includes: shoreline characterization, community education involving invasive species and future municipal projects like composting. I will be out measuring septic tanks, measuring current light pollution and the impact light has on lakes at night, as well as addressing current concerns that citizens may have. My work will be both in the field, and in the office.

Elizabeth would be happy to meet with citizens interested in having more information about shoreline protection, invasive species and composting. Please contact her by phone: 514-922-8264 or by email : erohlicek@gmail.com

Projects

Here are a few of our upcoming projects:

TECQ funded:

TECQ funds are Federal gasoline tax rebates to Municipalities for infrastructure projects.

- Paving of a large section of Thomas Robert started on May 30 and will last for approximately 6 weeks. A lot of work will be done to reinforce the quality of the road and water management around the road.
- M. Darmana (Agglomeration Fire Chief) proposed the use of water reservoirs for fire protection, in particular for homes not near the water. According to him, these are a significant improvement from a dry hydrant (Borne Seche). We applied for and were approved for the use of TECQ funds for these. We hope to put one in this summer at Tranquillité. Two more are proposed for the next round of TEQC funding.

Parc Funded

- Improvements to John's Way and access at lac Gervais in Tranquillité.
- Completion of lac Bibite marina works (dock upgrades, improvements to parking, cameras)
- Trail work to be defined by trail sub-committee.
- Completion of Boat wash at PLTN (paving, water well and septic weeping field)
- We are looking in to having defibrillators in Tranquillité, PLTN and lac Bibite. M. Darmana would ensure the verification and maintenance of these.

Trail subcommittee

Council has called an Ad-hoc trail committee, composed of council members and citizens, to identify what needs to be done to complete the Centennial trail move, identify existing trails and proposed trail extensions, make recommendations to council for possible next steps for trails. Citizen consultation is planned to define the LTN vision for trails. More information to follow soon.

Last Sundays' trail day was a big success. Thank you to all who gave their time to help work on the new Centennial trail.

Telecommunications update

Internet

The new Tower on Mont-Tremblant has been confirmed!

As some of you are aware Filau (non-profit organisation) has been attempting to have a tower put on the top of the Grand Manitou. This should provide cheaper and improved internet services to much of our municipality.

As we get more details of coverage and possible relay towers, I will keep you posted.

Fibre optics

The fibre optics study on our territory by the MRC has been approved for funding. With the results, the idea is to apply for funds to provide better coverage across our municipality. Results should be available in August.

Bell will be installing fibre optics along Thomas-Robert this summer. Once tested, we will inform citizens how to sign up. Bell has informed us that there is currently no plan in Tranquillité for fibre optics.

Police in LTN

Charles de Broin and I met with M. Jean Desjardins, chief of police. Among other things, we discussed police services on the lake and in Tranquillité. In terms of general patrolling, here is what we were told:

- 1) There were 30 boat outings on Lac Tremblant on 2017. Many of them were planned on weekends, but due to rain, were moved to weekdays.
- 2) Tranquillité receives regular patrols. As part of their obligation to patrol outlying sectors, a patrol is obligated to pass once per shift (3x in 24 hrs). There are multiple outlying sectors, one of which is Tranquillité. There are currently no stats on the exact numbers for their visits to Tranquillité, but between those patrols and the alarm calls that they receive, they appear to go quite often. I hope to have more information soon.

In terms of lake security, many people have asked what to do in different situations. Many have expressed a discomfort at calling the police for a “mild offense”. However, many have reported trespassing, vandalism, noise nuisance, boating too close to shorelines, etc.

Of note, the police received no complaints from lac Tremblant in 2017 and very few in past years. The police service is there to provide services to our citizens. They can go out on the lake at any time of the day or night.

Here’s some recommendations we received from M. Desjardins:

911 is for emergencies, such as an accident, criminal act, danger on public road (including lake); fire, gas smell, severe health concerns, person in distress.

819-425-2723 is the police station number. It gets you to the same place as 911, but it allows the dispatch to prioritize 911 emergency calls. Therefore, this is the number you should call for the following issues:

- nuisance violations including noise (from boats, parties, etc)
- Trespassing issues (with visual trace of trespassing). If you feel in danger by someone on your property call 911
- Speeding on the lake (police can apply the federal speed laws due to the buoys in place)
- Boat washing violations (penalties as per LTN bylaws).

819-425-8614 ext 4040 is a number where you can leave a message confidentially. It is important to specify that you are calling from Lac-Tremblant-Nord. This number can be used to report environment and nautical conduct code violations. It is important to give as much detail as possible regarding the colour of the boat, the registration if possible, the location where it happened, the time of day and the date.

Examples :

- Dangerous boating practices
- Waterskiing or wakeboarding less than 60 metres from the shorelines

Whatever method you use, please report violations, illegal acts and dangerous behaviour. In order to show a need for increased police presence at key moments, the police need to identify when and where the problems are.

Fire safety

- The new fire boat submission has been approved and should be delivered in September. In the meantime, the existing boat is still in use.
- Improvements have been made to entente with Labelle re fire safety in Tranquillité. Our fire department will play a more active role in responding to alarms (previously only responding to confirmed fires and not just alarms). This will increase the fire departments familiarity with Tranquillité.
- There will be one practice per year in Tranquillité.
- Campfires are a great family activity. Please take the time to verify on SOPFEU <http://sopfeu.qc.ca/> the fire risk and get a free fire permit through the fire department. <http://www.villedemont-tremblant.qc.ca/en/citizens/safety-and-security/fire-safety/safety-advice/open-air-fires>

Composting

The Quebec government's policy on the management of organic waste aims to stop sending this matter to waste management sites by 2020. Our municipality will adhere to this new policy to ensure our organic waste disposal policy is in accordance with provincial guidelines. We will have this in place **May 2019**. One of the driving factors behind this policy is that organic waste, when buried at waste management sites, creates methane, a greenhouse gas. It is in everyone's interest to participate in this program to reduce, if not eliminate, the organic materials sent to waste management sites.

Your Council is currently working on elaborating the process that will be used to collect the organic materials to ensure its proper disposal. LTN signed an agreement in September 2017 with a site in Rivière Rouge that will collect our organics. They will produce compost that they will then redistribute, at no cost, to the citizens. Results of our spring survey indicate that citizens want to participate in this program.

Citizens who currently have an outdoor composter can continue to use it. You will soon be able to bring organics not suitable for your composter to the municipal brown bins. If some citizens are interested, LTN could possibly offer Green Cones to those who wish to use this method of organics waste management. We still have to evaluate the viability of this option and we will advise everyone if we decide to make this available to those who are interested. This site provides information on Green Cones and how they work: (<http://www.compostec.ca/the-green-cone.html>).

We will provide you with more information in due course, but we wanted all citizens to know this new program is coming May 2019.

Wood cut

We are pleased to confirm that there is no proposed wood cut in our municipality. There have been many public consultations on this subject and the MRC has been very active in presenting memoirs to the government concerning the environmental and financial impact on municipalities.

Congratulations to Lisa Roth, co-producer of the film *Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World* (<https://www.rumblethemovie.com/home>) on winning multiple awards, including Canadian Screen Award for Best feature length documentary.

Congratulations to Brittany Phelan who won the silver medal in women's ski cross at the 2018 Winter Olympics in PyeongChang.

Congratulations to Laura Thomas on her win at the Quebec Provincial Travelers Curling Club Championship. She will represent Quebec at the National championship to be held in November 2018.

Please note upcoming dates:

Council meetings

Saturday June 9 at 11 a.m.

Saturday, July 7, at 11 a.m.

Saturday, August 11, at 11 a.m.

Annual regatta and BBQ, Saturday August 4, 2018. More details to follow.

Looking forward to seeing you around this summer!

Kim Meyer and your council