

October 2021 Newsletter

Introduction

In this fall issue of our newsletter, we'd like to address the winter preparation of boat houses and sheds around the lake, the relevance of municipal elections to halt real estate development, and the newly-formed non-profit organization called "Les Amis de Mont-Tremblant".

Prepare Your Boat Houses and Sheds Properly

Every springtime, boaters and other lake users must be watchful of gas cans, planks, water skis, ropes, kayaks, oars, bottles and other devices that are floating on the water. These undesirable items come from boat houses and sheds affected by high water levels during the thawing spring period. If such items are left lying low on gangways of boat houses or lying on floors of sheds, the high levels of water caused by the snow and ice melt will carry those items outside their original storage spaces. All owners of boat houses and sheds should store any light and medium equipment and items on shelves that are high enough to prevent them from floating away. If this proves difficult, please store them in safer locations. We must always remind ourselves that our lake's environment is very fragile. Nobody would want a gerry can floating in the family swimming pool, and the same is true for our lake.

Elections and Real Estate Development

You may have noticed the several announcements made by municipal elected incumbents and their running opponents in regards to limitations and even stoppages of real estate development activities. Your Association board met with the mayoral candidates and some council seekers to discuss such issues, and all expressed the desire, even promises, for well planned development that is consistent with our natural environment. We applauded their positions, but we expressed our worries that such policies that favour limited real estate development remain strong during many years to come, and not just during election time. As the pandemic has increased the demand for secondary homes and resort-related facilities, we know it will be tempting for elected officials to cave in to pressures from developers. Let's remind our elected officials that the best legacy they can leave behind is the preservation of our mountains, lakes and the values of the people of Mont-Tremblant, and not increasing the tax base through real estate development.

Les Amis de Mont-Tremblant

This is a new organization that was formed by concerned citizens who are worried about how Mont-Tremblant's cachet and environment has been affected by in the last few years by accelerated development. The mandate of Les Amis de Mont-Tremblant goes beyond our Association's mandate. Our energy is focused on our lake and its environment, while Les Amis' brush stroke covers the agglomeration of Mont-Tremblant. Les Amis wish to preserve the unique cachet of our community for the benefit of current and future generations. Supporting Les Amis de Mont-Tremblant is especially important as elected municipal councils for communities such as Mont-Tremblant face little to no opposition in running town councils. As a non-profit organization, Les Amis de Mont-Tremblant is an excellent and objective proxy for this kind of opposition. We

strongly recommend you to support them by contributing to their efforts, either financially or by offering your relevant expertise. For more information, visit www.mont-tremblant.org.

Register to Vote

Municipal elections will be held on November 7, 2021. It is very important that you be registered on the voting list, even if you have another or several residences elsewhere. The criteria for voting is ownership of a property (land or a house) in your name inside the municipal territory, or your domicile being Tremblant, meaning that Tremblant is your principal establishment. Owners of a business are also entitled to vote. Registration allows you to participate in any referendum within your neighbourhood where zoning must be changed to allow development. This can become a key criteria in the construction of condos at the B&T location.

Interesting statistic

The LTA represents anyone interested in preserving the lake. Of the more than 300 lakefront properties that most benefit from this mandate, less than ½ are members!

- Annual dues are \$100 – What's your property worth?

If you love your lake - join the LTA
Want to do more – get your neighbors to sign up too