



## Word from the Mayor

News from your Municipality  
June 2019

### Slow down – children are arriving

The end of classes, combined with the advent of nice weather, signal the arrival of many families, including children, who look forward to enjoying the natural beauty that surrounds Ivry-sur-le-Lac.

It cannot be repeated often enough, slow down when driving, and please remind your guests to slow down too. People are often in a hurry, and as they are driving on secondary roads, unfortunately, they believe that the risks of accidents are low but this is not the case!

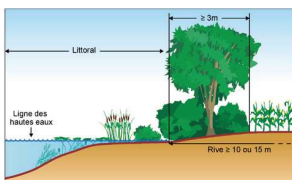


On certain narrow roads, the speed limit is lower than it is on others. The reasons for this are simple. People are walking, others are riding their bicycles, some are running, and many are simply crossing the road to get to their waterfront access on the other side.

Therefore, think twice before speeding! It is important as you will not get a second chance should an unfortunate incident occur!

By the way, this year, our dedicated police officer from *la Sûreté du Québec*, will be patrolling the territory much more frequently. One of his tasks will be to ensure that people also follow speed limits. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

### Activities – Protection of shorelines – Awareness campaign has begun



The protection of our shorelines, our bodies of water and our wetlands is a priority. In an effort to bring about change in our behaviour, we announced a period of time during which we would spend significant efforts raising awareness and this would be followed by incentives to improve and protect the health of our lakes.

We are happy to confirm that the awareness campaign is in full swing. Jessica Krejcik, *agente de liaison du Conseil régional de l'environnement (CRE) des Laurentides*, who arrived in May, will be more than happy to answer your questions. This rare and free resource is only available this summer, so do not hesitate to communicate with her should you simply wish to talk about this extremely important issue or should you wish to register for one of more activities. She is available by e-mail at [bleu.ivry@gmail.com](mailto:bleu.ivry@gmail.com) or by phone at 819-321-2332 ext.3704.

Residents are invited to participate in the activities listed below. These activities were designed to help you better understand the issues and help you in your efforts to revegetate the shorelines and protect our beautiful lakes. Register for as many of the sessions below as you wish:

## 1) Awareness visits and free expert advice

Since June 1<sup>st</sup>, Jessica has been going door to door to raise awareness about the importance of protecting our shorelines. **She is offering expert targeted and free advice** on the state of shorelines as well as best practices you should adopt. Book an appointment with her or give her a call to ask questions. Also, when she comes around to your place, please open your door and take a few minutes to listen to what she has to say. Her knowledge of the issues is wide-ranging and she will be able to provide you with important information that will serve future generations!

## 2) June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> – Training and on work onsite – characterization of Lac Manitou’s shoreline

*09:00 a.m. - Meet at City Hall, 601 chemin de la Gare*

This is a fantastic opportunity to learn, during a 2-hour theoretical session, what is the process used to characterize shorelines. You will learn to describe land use and types of developments on the shoreline. This also includes the degradation of shorelines. Following this, you will go on the lake and see for yourselves what the situation is like and you will also participate in the characterization of Lac Manitou’s shorelines.

## 3) July 13<sup>th</sup> – Workshop on the revegetation of the shorelines

*09:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – City Hall, 601 chemin de la Gare*

The purpose of this 2 hour workshop is to show you, among other things, diverse techniques that can be used to revegetate shorelines as well as recommendations on the different types, species and quantities of plants that should be cultivated on shorelines. This training session will be very interesting!

## 4) July 27<sup>th</sup> – Training on aquatic plants

*09:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – City Hall, 601 chemin de la Gare*

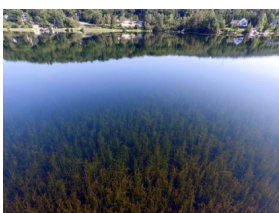
For those of you interested in participating in the characterization of aquatic plants on Lac Manitou, Lac de la Grise and Lac Fer-à-Cheval (see below), it will first be necessary to participate in a two-hour training session during which you will learn to detect exotic invasive aquatic plants and differentiate these with native plants with which these can be confused.

## 5) Characterization of aquatic plants (July 28<sup>th</sup> – Lac Fer-à-Cheval; August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lac de la Grise; and, August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> – Lac Manitou)

*Details to follow respecting hours and meeting location*

The purpose of these sessions, that will be held onsite, is to create an inventory of aquatic plants present in the lakes noted above. Of course, we hope to confirm that there are still no invasive aquatic plants. By taking advantage of this training, you will also have an ongoing and sustainable knowledge base that you may wish to pass on to others, thus increasing awareness throughout the community.

## Propagation of invasive plants – not limited to boats

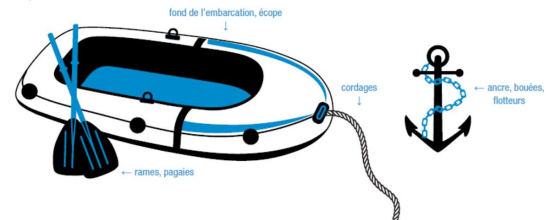


It cannot be repeated often enough. Many lakes in the region are already contaminated with invasive exotic plants such as the Eurasian water-milfoil. What can we do to ensure that these do not invade our lakes?

The first question we need to ask ourselves is the following: has the article I am putting in the lake previously been in another body of water, whether it is a wetsuit, a safety vest, a boat and its trailer or a fishing rod.

If yes, here are a few steps that *le Guide des bonnes pratiques du Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs* suggests be followed to wash a boat (or any other piece of equipment having previously been in a different body of water) before launching it onto one of our lakes.

- Thoroughly **inspect** the boat, its trailer and any material used for nautical activities that constitute a potential entry point for introduction of invasive plants and **remove** all plant fragments, other visible debris and mud;
- **Empty**, away from the lake, all the water that may be on board and in the different parts of the boat (boat, rowboat, kayak, pedal boats, etc.), including the hold, the bottom of the boat, the bait containers, the engine, the coolers, etc. Also, carefully examine the trailer;
- **Clean and dry** the boat, trailer and all equipment used in the aquatic environment such as paddles, anchors, fishing equipment, lifejackets, water skis, etc.;
- **Repeat** these steps every time you plan on visiting a different body of water.



To find out more about how to properly clean your boats, have a look at the following YouTube video entitled: *Espèces exotiques envahissantes : 5 étapes pour protéger son lac* [www.youtube.com/watch?v=RC4qLKF6ofg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RC4qLKF6ofg).

\*\*\* The boat launch attendant will guide you through this process. Should he deem it necessary, he will also recommend that you visit a certified washing station. While it is rare for visitors to launch their boats on our lakes, it is important to know that all non-residents must produce, without exception, a valid certificate from a recognized washing station.

## Boating speed limits – Lac Manitou

Before the official arrival of the summer season, we thought it was important to remind boaters about the speed restrictions in force on Lac Manitou, in accordance with the federal government's Vessel Operation Restriction Regulations:

Federal government item number	Description	Maximum speed in km/h
50	Lac Manitou outside the zones described in items 51 to 53	55
51	Within 23 m of the shore of Lac Manitou	10
52	Lac Manitou between Nord Bay and Adams Point	10
53	Lac Manitou in the channels of the island locally known as McCall Island	10

Also, please remember that as Baie Lacasse is quite small, it must be shared with swimmers, kayakers, canoeists, sailboats and motor boats. Priority belongs to swimmers and boats without motors. So, if you drive a motor boat, please stay at least 50 meters from other users. Safety First!

## Nautical activities – permitted hours – Lac Manitou

In accordance with Schedule 7 – Part 5 (Québec) of the federal Vessel Operation Restriction Regulations, it is permitted to pull a person on any sporting or recreational equipment during the following hours: from 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



With respect to the use of wakeboard type boats, the Municipality is asking citizens not to use wave amplifications devices because of shallow water, erosion created around the lake and damage to residents' docks.

## Construction permits – these must be displayed!



We often receive calls or e-mails asking us if specific residents have a valid permit to conduct work on their properties. We thought it wise to remind you that construction permits must be clearly displayed in a visible place during the whole period during which the works are being performed.

In accordance with article 12 of *le Règlement 2013-059 sur les permis et certificats*, applicants for a permit or certificate of authorization must «afficher tout permis ou tout certificat d'autorisation de manière à ce qu'il soit bien en vue, durant toute la durée des travaux ou de l'usage autorisé par le permis ou le certificat».

This way, you avoid having your neighbours call to complain about works being carried out without a valid permit.

## Land Registry reform – new deadlines

In February, we wrote to you describing the process and steps that Rado, Corbeil and Génereux had to take to produce the renovated cadastral plan. As these dates have changed, we want to share them with you:



- In July 2017, a letter signaling the start of the program of works was sent to all citizens inviting them to submit, to the land surveyors, any copies of private documents relating to their properties (certificate of location, surveyors' plans or any technical description of the property);
- **In September or October 2019**, citizens will be invited to attend a meeting with the land surveyors. This will give citizens an opportunity to consult and comment on the new land registry plan on which the properties will be represented;
- As recommended by the Québec government, at the latest, it will be in **February 2020** that the new plan will be deposited and citizens, if they so wish, will be given an opportunity to request a revision;
- Following any request for revision, if needed, a request for amendment will be submitted confirming the changes that have been made.

## Other subjects of interest

Should you have any other topics you would like us to address in a future Word from the Mayor, just let us know and it will be our pleasure to include them in a future article.

For any questions, do not hesitate to ask. The municipal team is here for you!

Once again, thank you for the confidence you have shown in me. It has been a real pleasure representing you.



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