

Dear Neighbours and Friends,

Spring 2025 has sprung! We hope this memo finds you and your families in good health.

It's time to talk about our Lakes

1. The **Eurasian Milfoil** situation has been an evolving situation since we began tracking it in 2016. We are currently in a very good place. Three years ago we had 5 zones that were roped off to inhibit access. By the end of 2023 we only had 1...the original "aerator" zone near the launch that is still infected. Please continue to avoid this area which is roped off. This includes motorized and non-motorized watercraft, plus all fishing lines. We must prevent the spread of the Eurasian Milfoil, and this is the only way to do that. Please keep away from this area at all times.
2. **The Divers** as of mid June will continue removing plants in the "aerator" zone and will spot check all the previous locations to see if any growth has returned. The divers found 90% fewer plants in 2024 as compared to 2023, so for now we seem to be winning the battle. The Municipality of Lantier has generously maintained our budget and we will continue to actively manage the situation.
3. **The Boat Launch** has been overhauled this month with the removal of some rocks and the installation of a cement carpet to create a smooth launch zone. They have also installed a digital lock for the gates with a new code every day. Please refer to the memo we sent out on May 12 for further details and instructions. The cost of a boat sticker has increased this year as a result of these and other expenditures by the city to protect our lakes. You should be receiving your invoice from the city shortly, which will include details on the new procedures.
4. **Nautical Patrols**- Last year the City of Lantier hired a new patrol service from Camping Ste-Agathe. They were very good, but feedback from members indicated there was not enough patrol days. After some negotiations with the city, we increased the patrol days for 2025 by 50% over last year. The guards have a copy of our code of conduct and will be enforcing it throughout the summer.
5. **Boating Safety**- The code of conduct for boating on our lakes remains in force. You should receive a copy from the city with your invoice for boat stickers. A copy is also available on our web site www.ludger-cardin.org. Please share this with your family, neighbours, and friends. At last years AGM, it was resolved to establish a committee of residents to review the code of conduct with particular emphasis on quiet time and wake boats. This new committee will decide if any new measures should be tested this summer. We are also monitoring the Federal and Provincial governments intentions regarding wake boats and will communicate any changes that we become aware of.
6. **Lake Water Testing**- Volunteers will once again take lake samples from 15 different locations in mid to end August. Last year's results were all rated as either "good or excellent".

7. **Well Water Testing** – Your association has organized well water testing with H2Labs in Ste Agathe. As in the recent past, you will go online in after June 23 and before July 22nd to book and pay for your test which can be taken at the time of your choosing. **A 30% discount code will be sent to all members who have paid their 2025 dues (thirty dollars) by Mid June.** A separate memo with detailed instructions will go out in the next few weeks.
8. **Septic Cleaning** – Sani Nord was purchased by E360S who did the septic cleanings last summer. Once again, we have arrangements for APLC members to receive a significant discount. Two dates are offered: August 8th and September 5th. A detailed memo will be sent out as we get closer.
9. **Beavers** - The prevailing opinion from leading environmentalists and the Committee for the Environment in Lantier is that beavers are generally healthy for a lake. Their dams filter water feeding our lakes and create and maintain wetlands. We should be leaving the beavers where they are and focus on protecting trees by putting wire cages around them.
10. **Membership Fees** – our membership fees remain unchanged at 30.00 per household. We truly need your support to keep our lakes healthy, and to continue to offer services such as nautical patrols, divers, lake water testing, roping off no-go zones, and offering valuable discounts for well water testing and septic cleaning. We accept payments by **Interac E-Transfer** to info@ludger-cardin.org or by PayPal on our web site www.ludger-cardin.org. Please go online with your bank or visit our website and make your payment now. If you use Interac E-Transfer, please put the primary member's name and your Lantier address in the memo field. We can accept payments covering 2 years if you wish to E-Transfer 60.00 instead of 30.00
11. If you have **new neighbours**, please let them know about our association, and if possible, please forward their contact info to us at info@ludger-cardin.org.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you on the lake