



ANNUAL LETTER TO MEMBERS ASSOCIATION DU DOMAINE ALPINE

Dear Members,

The Alpine Association is a structured, constructive association connecting our community for almost 50 years now. Our mission is to foster social ties, to ensure the environmental protection and the sustainability of our lake, which is contained by our two dams.

Our association has its own bilingual website, www.domainealpine.ca, where you can find updated information under the tabs and menu. We also have our own Facebook page/group to proactively keep you informed of community activities.

Please read the following letter carefully, as it serves to bring several important topics to your attention.

Members of the Board of Directors (BOD)

The Board members are: Claude Théberge President, Denis Langlois Vice-President, Caren Antrakidis, Treasurer, Anastasia Unterner, Secretary. Administrators include: Gilles Rousseau, Christina Costy, Lilyane Rachédi, Martin Bougie-Richer.

Annual Dues

Please refer to the attached dues payment form for the amount of your yearly dues. We request that, as in previous years, you pay your dues promptly after receiving this letter, at the latest **July 1, 2021**. You can now make your payment by direct deposit at **Caisse populaire Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts** transit **30190-815** account # **0817387**. Please do not forget to notify us at associationalpine@gmail.com. Our goal for 2021 is to increase awareness of the payment of annual dues which are used for the maintenance of the domaine as well as its management and coordination, repairs, activities, etc.

Dams on Lac des Pins

As confirmed at the last annual meeting, the ownership and responsibility of the dams on our lake have been transferred to the municipality of St-Adolphe-d'Howard who will manage and maintain them.

Major work is required at the dam near the beach and the municipality is presently holding discussions with the different ministries and departments of the Quebec government in order to have an intervention plan approved and to obtain the required authorizations.

These are the main issues on which the municipality is currently working:

- A biologist must be mandated to carry out a survey of fauna and flora in the spring
- An intervention plan must be authorized by the DSB ("Direction de la sécurité des barrages", the dam safety board)
- Preliminary plans and specifications should be submitted to the DSB by the end of April
- An application for authorization is expected to be submitted by the end of the summer, following the biologist's survey



- Plans and specifications for submission will be produced following obtention of the application for authorization and DSB authorization. No schedule has currently been set.

No work will be done in the summer of 2021 and you will be able to enjoy the beach and the lake as in previous years.

As owner of the dam near the beach, the municipality has authorized us, for this summer, to store Association members' boats near the dam at a minimum distance of 3 meters from the spillway. However, at no time can the boats be tied up. All boats must be removed prior to the start of work on the dam.

Quality of Lake Water

As usual, this year the quality of our swimming water will be monitored by an accredited laboratory and you will be informed of the results.

We will also continue our association with the RSVL ("Réseau de surveillance volontaire des lacs", a lake monitoring network) whose objective is to acquire data in order to follow the evolution of our lake's environment over time and to establish how quickly it ages, how it behaves and how to keep it healthy.

Activities planned for 2021 and important reminders

- Regular and annual activities such as the general assembly, beach clean-up and the corn roast are suspended for the moment in order to comply with the recommendations of the Public Health Department due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We will keep you informed of the date of the general assembly if it is maintained for 2021.
- **This summer at the beach**
 - Once again this year, we ask that you keep the beach and association property clean and in good repair so that we can all enjoy the beautiful environment that Alpine Estate offers. **Please act responsibly!**
 - Please leave **no more than two boats per address** and include your address so that you can be identified. This initiative is intended to give all non-lakeside members proper access to the site. A more sustainable solution (storage) will have to be found to better control the total number of boats on this part of the beach, which is also normally an animal area.
 - Please **respect the launch and removal dates** (May 1 and November 1 respectively) dates for the boats as stated in the association's rules. Several boats remained past the deadline in 2020.
 - Please note that we might hire **a security guard to control access to the beach** for non-members of the Association in an effort to protect our beach and lake, but also to limit the spread of Covid-19 and to ensure the safety of our members. The security guard would be required on random dates.
 - **Stickers/mirror hooks** for your cars will also be provided, in order to limit and control access to our parking lot by non-members, with the same objective as mentioned above.



- **Short term rentals and pets**

We wish to make you aware of the current regulations.

- The municipality of St-Adolphe prohibits short term rentals on its territory unless you have obtained a valid permit issued by the municipality. More information on this subject can be found in the municipality's online guide on page 7 (in French only):

https://stadolphedhoward.qc.ca/files/fichiers/pdf/Services_citoyens/residences/Guide-daccompagnement-Location-court-terme-a-STAH.pdf.

- We also invite you to consult the municipal by-laws in effect concerning the keeping of animals on a leash on the streets of the domaine and at the beach. You will find the applicable laws as well as the obligations of people who own an animal in order to ensure the wellbeing of everyone in our community. A link to the municipal guide is provided below (in French only):

https://stadolphedhoward.qc.ca/files/fichiers/pdf/Services_citoyens/residences/Fiche-3-La-reglementation-municipale-les-obligations-de-chacun.pdf

- **Oher pertinent information**

- Sureté du Québec phone: 450-227-6848
- SPCA phone: 1-866-960-7722
- SPCA website: www.spcall.ca
- Municipality website: <https://stadolphedhoward.qc.ca/>

- **Volunteers wanted**

Summer Volunteers Needed – The Association is seeking volunteers for weekly maintenance work throughout the summer. For those interested and available, please contact Caren Antrakidis associationalpine@gmail.com

As always, we thank you for your cooperation.

Claude Théberge, President
For the Board of Directors