



## ANNUAL MEETING

**Date: Saturday, June 27, from  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Where: Duhamel Town Hall**

Unlike prior years, the meeting is being held in the Duhamel community centre.

We opted for this new approach because of problems with the weather and black flies and because we had to carry in all of the equipment needed.

The Annual Meeting is critical for the Board of Directors, as it is the opportunity for us to validate our course of action and get a better idea of your opinions.

We look forward to seeing you there in large numbers and hope to get your support!

### AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Adoption of 2008 Minutes
4. President's message
5. Activity reports
6. Tabling of financial statements
7. 2009-2010 action plan
8. Election of Board of Directors
9. Miscellaneous
10. Question period

## THE FUTURE OF THE BEACH AT THE SOUTH END

The beach at the south end of lac Gagnon belongs to the SÉPAQ and, since 1998, there had been an agreement under which the APLG handled the surveillance, maintenance and implementation of posted regulations.

Our primary objective was to maintain the natural, untouched character of this area and prevent it from being developed or commercialized. The agreement with the SÉPAQ ended in 2008.

In the course of negotiating a new agreement, the SÉPAQ asked us to take over the beach, charge an entry fee, make it accessible to all and include a supervised swimming area. This offer was not consistent with the direction we sought to follow, so we rejected it.

This region has been zoned since 2006 as a conservation area in the urban development plan. We therefore asked the SÉPAQ to find a way of managing this area without having to meet all the requirements of a managed beach. To get around these criteria, the SÉPAQ has proposed that the beach at the south end be considered a picnic or rest area.

The beach has therefore been designated as a picnic area with the following regulations being posted:

- No swimming
- Pets must be on leash.

June 6, Environment Day, will be an opportunity for you to express your opinion about the Municipality taking over the pumping of septic installations.

In the afternoon, don't miss the movie "Nos lacs sous la surface" by Pierre Brochu, who will be presenting his film!

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(in dollars)

	2007	2008
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Dues	5,370	5,800
Other revenues	11	0
Total revenues	5,381	5,800
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Water tests	301	1,158
Liability insurance	0	1,344
Office expenses	64	296
Event costs	264	39
Mailings	830	1,346
Bank charges	130	141
Inscriptions, association	139	354
Bouys, outhouses, tables	83	72
Internet site	117	116
Taxes and permits	32	32
Total expenses	1,960	4,888
Surplus	3,421	912
Cash as at December 31	10,077	10,989

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du  
LAC GAGNON

June  
2009



# APLG

Association des propriétaires  
du lac Gagnon

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## Board of Directors 2008-2009

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## Membership

This mailing is addressed to all property owners. It is your call to the Annual General Meeting that will be held at the Duhamel town hall.

If there is a membership application form in the mailing, it is because you have not paid your 2009 membership dues. Please fill in the form and send your \$15-cheque to C.P. 354, Duhamel, J0V 1G0.

Remember to notify us of any change of email address by contacting [info@aplq.ca](mailto:info@aplq.ca).

We would like to extend our most sincere thanks to Roger Ippersiel who is resigning from the Board of Directors. We hope we can still count on his hunting and fishing expertise for the Remous.

If you wish to become involved in the association and fill this vacancy, you can contact Nicole at 819-428-7441. We would like to introduce you during the June 27 Annual Meeting.

## CLEAR WATER

For the past three years, we have been promoting shoreline regeneration and have offered plants for sale that are particularly suited to the shoreline. The objective of this initiative is to prevent erosion and keep sediment from flowing into the water by using appropriate native plants.

Water testing results on water clarity are very telling. The clarity of the water has declined and results for the summer of 2008 indicate clarity to 5 meters. In the 1970s, clarity levels were at about 8 to 9 meters and were comparable to those of lac Viceroy where clarity levels are more than 8 meters.

The results may be viewed on the Web site of the [ministère de l'Environnement](http://www.milieu.gouv.qc.ca).

The results from last summer's water tests are a sign that we need to combat erosion to prevent the proliferation of algae and silting along the shoreline.

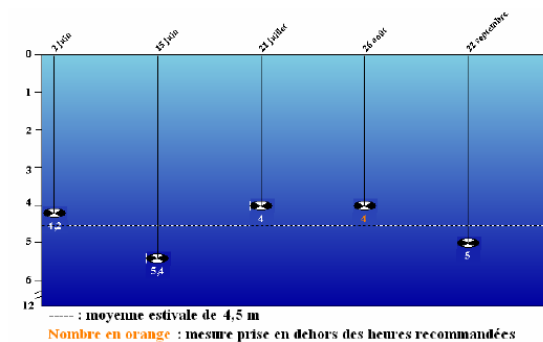
This year, 39 property owners ordered 500 plants through the Association.

Last year, 400 plants and hundreds of tree saplings were distributed for planting around the lake.

We hope these initiatives will motivate other property owners to do the same and help to better protect our environment.

### Station A – Bay of Isles

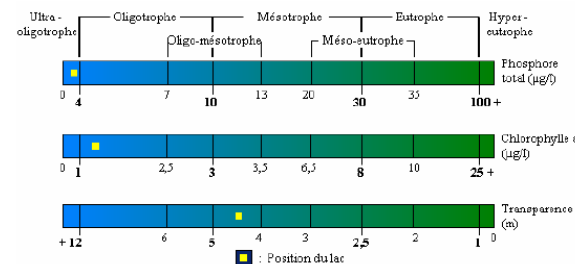
#### Transparence de l'eau - Été 2008 (profondeur du disque de Secchi en mètres)



#### Données physico-chimiques - Été 2008

Date	Phosphore total (µg/l)	Chlorophylle a (µg/l)	Carbone organique dissous (mg/l)
2008-06-02	5,3	1,6	4,1
2008-06-15	1,3	0,58	4,1
2008-07-21	3,6	1,2	3,4
2008-08-26	1,9	1,5	5,4
2008-09-22	2,2	1,4	5,2
Moyenne estivale	2,9	1,3	4,4

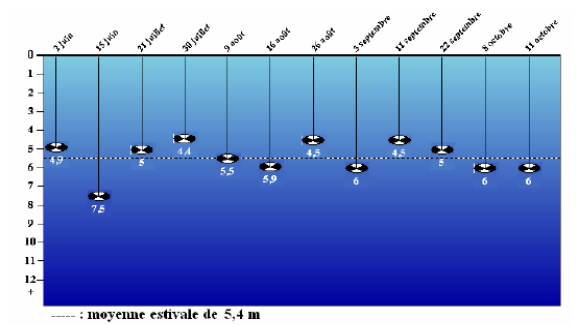
#### Classement du niveau trophique - Été 2008



- Results were similar at both stations.
- Water clarity is declining.
- There are very few phosphates in our water.
- There are few suspended microscopic algae.

### Station B – Centre of the lake

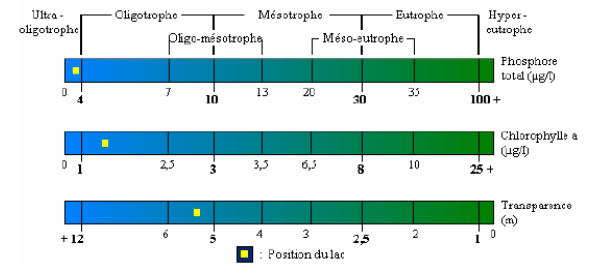
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#### Données physico-chimiques - Été 2008

Date	Phosphore total (µg/l)	Chlorophylle a (µg/l)	Carbone organique dissous (mg/l)
2008-06-02	4,9	1,7	4,1
2008-06-15	1,8	0,59	4,0
2008-07-21	3,6	1,4	3,8
2008-08-26	2,6	1,7	5,4
2008-09-22	2,7	1,6	5,1
Moyenne estivale	3,1	1,4	4,5

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- It is recommended that measures be taken to reduce nutrient overload from human activities.
- Last year, our lake was listed among those that have been affected by blue-green algae bloom.