

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I would like to highlight two important developments for our municipality that reflect our commitment to better serving our community while fostering strategic partnerships with our neighbors.

First, I want to reaffirm our commitment to local procurement, in alignment with the resolutions of the Fédération québécoise des municipalités (FQM). Now more than ever, it is essential to prioritize our local and Quebec-based businesses rather than turning to the United States or other foreign markets. By supporting our regional economy, we not only help preserve and create jobs but also strengthen the resilience of our territory. Mille-Isles will continue to do its part to ensure that municipal investments primarily benefit our local entrepreneurs, suppliers, and producers.

Next, I am pleased to announce a significant agreement with the Municipality of Morin-Heights, which will provide new services to our residents. Thanks to this agreement, Mille-Isles residents will now have free access to the Morin-Heights library, with the costs covered by our municipality. Access to culture is a priority, and this initiative will allow our citizens to expand their knowledge, enjoy a wide range of resources and activities, and promote literacy for all.

Furthermore, we have also negotiated access to Morin-Heights' hiking and cross-country skiing trails at the same rates as the residents of the MRC des Pays-d'en-Haut. This is a major step forward, as it grants our citizens better access to recreational activities by eliminating previous cost disparities.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Mayor Tim Watchorn and his municipal council for their openness and willingness to collaborate with Mille-Isles. This agreement demonstrates the growing importance of intermunicipal and inter-MRC cooperation. As municipalities, we continue to bear more responsibilities as the level of government closest to the people often without additional funding from the provincial level. In this context, such partnerships are not only desirable but essential.

The future of municipalities depends on regional solidarity, resource-sharing, and agreements that allow us to optimize services for our citizens without increasing the tax burden. Mille-Isles will continue working in this direction, forging collaborations that directly benefit our community.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our wonderful municipality.

Howard Sauvé, mayor



Mr. Howard Sauvé, Mayor of Mille-Isles &  
Mr. Tim Watchorn, Mayor of Morin-Heights

# LEISURE & COMMUNITY

## SEEDING & PLANTING ACTIVITIES

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

### PREPARE YOUR SPRING

#### \* WORKSHOP 1- SEEDING TRICKS AND PLANTING \*

SUNDAY APRIL 13 at 10 a.m.  
(75 minutes / Salle Strong)



#### \* WORKSHOP 2 \* PLANTING & SOIL PREPARATION

SUNDAY, MAY 18 at 1 p.m.  
(90 minutes / at Hammond-Rodgers Park)

Free activity - Registration required 450 438-2958 ext. 2616 or nchartrand@mille-isles.ca



(in collaboration with a local company)

## SEMAILLES D'ARGENTEUIL

Back!



### Seeds sharing !



Flowers



Vegetables



Herbs



Fruits

**Seeds offered free of charge**  
by the Société d'Horticulture d'Argenteuil to the citizens of Mille-Isles.



Take up to 12 pouches per year. Register your selection.  
Bring back the seeds you've harvested.

AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE DURING BUSINESS HOURS


## EASTER ACTIVITIES

**Easter egg hunt and craft**  
Friday April 18 th 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Strong community hall

Registration required at least 24 hrs in  
advance with Renée Lagacé  
438-932-5183 ou renee.lagace@gmail.com

## UPCOMING

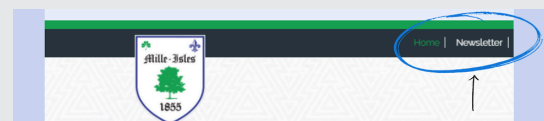
**We're working on other activities  
this spring for our 50 +.**

Keep up to date with our programming via our  
Facebook page  and our website.



## NEWSLETTER - MESSAGES OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Register online by clicking on Newsletter at top right of  
screen: [www.mille-isles.ca/en](http://www.mille-isles.ca/en)



# LEISURE & COMMUNITY

## MAJOR SPORTING EVENT

**On July 4th, Mille-Isles will have the great honor of hosting one of the stages of the prestigious 2025 Tour de l'Avenir, one of Canada's most important cycling races for young athletes.**

*We are proud to be one of the five stages of this competition and to offer these young athletes a course worthy of their talent, determination, and passion.*

*Cycling embodies values that are dear to us: perseverance, self-improvement, and team spirit. These values will be celebrated in Mille-Isles during the passage of these future athletes. We wish all participants a memorable race, to enjoy every pedal stroke, and to savor this unique experience.*

*I would also like to thank in advance the volunteers, sponsors, and our municipal team, who will contribute to making this event a success.*

*Mille-Isles will be ready to welcome the riders and their supporters with warmth and pride.*

*We invite you to join us this summer to celebrate sport, youth, and determination during the Tour de l'Avenir.*

(Excerpt from the mayor's speech, municipal council meeting on April 2, 2025)

Rest assured that access to residences will be maintained at all times.  
The maximum waiting time for traffic resumption during a race peloton passage is set to approximately 15 minutes.

### La Coupe de l'Avenir fera escale à Mille-Isles le 4 juillet !

La Coupe de l'Avenir est la course cycliste la plus prestigieuse au Canada pour les athlètes de 15 à 18 ans. Du 2 au 6 juillet, plus de 180 cyclistes venus de partout au pays s'affronteront sur les routes de Laval et des Laurentides dans l'espoir de décrocher les grands honneurs.

**Le vendredi 4 juillet**, la compétition fera étape à Mille-Isles pour la 3<sup>e</sup> course ! Le départ et l'arrivée seront situés devant l'hôtel de ville.

Ne manquez pas cette occasion unique de voir ces jeunes talents à l'œuvre !



## PUBLIC WORKS

**(Emergency number outside of business hours)**

**1 855 960-0699**



## FACEBOOK PAGE

Visit, like and share the page

**Municipalité de Mille-Isles**

## LOCAL ORGANIZATION PRESENT IN OUR MUNICIPALITY

### **MAVN (Mesures Alternatives des Vallées du Nord)**

What if kindness were present everywhere around us, even in the most ordinary places?

This spring, whether you're at the grocery store, in a café, or at the bakery, develop the habit of small acts of help. Because yes, your act of generosity can make all the difference! Let's all be kind to the members of our community and prioritize helping each other!

And if you encounter conflicts, don't worry, it's normal! MAVN can assist you for free in restoring social peace.

Contact them directly by phone at 450-436-6749 ext. 104 or by email at [info@mavn.ca](mailto:info@mavn.ca).

**Between citizens, let's be helpful, kind and generous, no matter the situation.**



### **Café Partage**

Low-cost fruit and vegetable baskets offered by the organization Café Partage d'Argenteuil are distributed year-round in Mille-Isles.

They are delivered to the town hall every other Thursday.

Three (3) different sizes are available: the small \$16, the medium \$20, and the large \$24.

For more information or to sign up, contact Café Partage at 450-562-0987. Other products, including prepared meals at affordable prices, are also available.

Visit our website: [mille-isles.ca/en/leisure-and-community-life/community-organizations/](http://mille-isles.ca/en/leisure-and-community-life/community-organizations/) under the Café Partage section.



### **Centre d'entraide d'Argenteuil**

Going through a difficult time and need a helping hand?

The Centre d'entraide d'Argenteuil helps low-income individuals obtain food for free.

To access this service, contact Hélène Messier at 450 562-5151 ext. 101 to schedule an appointment.





# HERITAGE

## THE DEMOGRAPHIC GROWTH OF 170 YEARS OF MILLE-ISLES HISTORY

Although the region was settled in the 1830s, nearly 200 years ago, the establishment and construction of the first log or hewn wooden houses, chopped with an axe, took place gradually. On May 29, 1844, 42 landowners reached an agreement while awaiting the construction of an official road. The municipality, which included the sectors of Côtes Sainte-Angélique (Chemin de Mille-Isles), Saint-Joseph, Saint-Eustache, and Sainte-Marguerite (Chemin Tamaracouta), detached from the parish of Saint-Jérôme, was officially created on July 1, 1855, with Andrew Elliott elected as the first mayor.

During the 1861 census, the population stood at 561 residents. Twenty years later, in 1881, the population remained nearly stable at 567 residents (287 men and 280 women) and 89 houses, five of which were unoccupied. However, starting in 1891, a demographic decline was observed, with 519 residents. The population continued to drop, reaching its lowest point in 1931, with only 231 residents, less than half of the number recorded in 1891.

It wasn't until 1971 that a steady population growth began, reaching 370 residents. Over the years, the population continued to rise, increasing by nearly 300 people every ten years. In 2001, the total population was 1,210. According to the latest data (MAMH, 2025), Mille-Isles now has 1,838 citizens.

The legacy of our pioneers is still very much present, embodied by the built heritage and landscapes that bear witness to our rich and vibrant history. This story has kept being woven, day by day, and that for almost 2 centuries.

Text by Ginette Mayer, citizen of Mille-Isles, passionate about history and heritage

# ENVIRONMENT

## TREE FELLING

Before proceeding with tree cutting, you must complete and sign a tree felling authorization certificate request (available on our website under the Urban Planning and Environment/Permits and Certificates section). This request is **free of charge!**

For any information, contact Isabelle Bouchard by email at [ibouchard@mille-isles.ca](mailto:ibouchard@mille-isles.ca) or by phone at 450-438-2958, ext. 2613



Did you know that it is mandatory for your dog to wear a tag throughout the Mille-Isles area?  
For more information, contact us!  
**The tag is free of charge**



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# RECYCLING HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER

Doing our part means establishing good recycling bin habits



Containers, packaging, printed materials. That's it.



Empty and lightly rinse the container.



Separate recyclable materials from the same container or packaging.



Make balls with aluminum foil.



For more information, visit [binimpact.ca](http://binimpact.ca)

## MUNICIPAL TAXES

The Municipality of Mille-Isles would like to remind its citizens that the due date for the second payment of municipal taxes is **Friday, May 2nd**.

You can pay your bill using one of the following payment methods:

- ✓ By telephone or online banking service;
- ✓ By postdated check sent by mail;
- ✓ By phone with a credit card;
- ✓ In person at the municipal office.

**If you have any questions regarding your account, contact Chrystine Slight by email at [cslight@mille-isles.ca](mailto:cslight@mille-isles.ca) or by phone at 450-438-2958, ext. 2600.**

## CLOSURE OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE



FRIDAY, APRIL 18 &  
MONDAY, APRIL 21  
\*\*\*\*\*  
MONDAY MAY 19



### UPCOMING SESSIONS COUNCIL MEETINGS

May 7    June 4    July 2

All minutes are posted online on the Municipality's website at [www.mille-isles.ca/en](http://www.mille-isles.ca/en)

### ECOCENTER - GOOD NEIGHBORS

#### Opening Hours

Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

\* Wednesdays added starting May 19 \*

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