

Dear Residents of Mayo,

As autumn settles into our beautiful municipality, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on some key events and achievements from the past season.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the annual picnic. Your strong turnout made this event a success, continuing a wonderful tradition in our community. It is always a pleasure to gather with you in such a friendly and festive atmosphere.

I must also highlight the 67th edition of the pilgrimage that took place this summer. This event, deeply rooted in our heritage, once again brought together many participants. It is a source of great pride for our municipality to see this tradition continue year after year with such enthusiasm.

Finally, I am proud to acknowledge the swift response we had in addressing the damages caused by storm Debby. Repairs were completed in a remarkably short time, ensuring the safety and well-being of all residents.

We will continue working together to make Mayo a dynamic and welcoming place where life is good. Thank you for your commitment and solidarity, which are the foundation of our wonderful community.

Robert Bertrand
Mayor

News

Upcoming municipal council meetings

October 15

November 11

December 9

Did you know that dog tags are now permanent?



As of this year, when you get a dog tag, it is valid for the lifetime of your dog in the municipality of Mayo.

These tags are available for free until December 31, 2024. However, starting January 1, 2025, they will be sold for \$10. As stipulated in bylaw 2024-03 regarding the management of dogs in the municipality of Mayo.

Now is the perfect time to get yours!

Toques and caps

As autumn settles in and the weather cools, it's the perfect time to keep our heads warm! Take advantage of this opportunity to grab one of our toques or caps featuring the Mayo municipality logo. They are available for \$25 for toques and \$20 for caps. Show your community spirit while staying cozy!



Fire departments

Tips for the cold season

The volunteer firefighters of the Mayo and Mulgrave-et-Derry Fire Department would like to remind you that for your safety, it is important to check the batteries in your smoke alarms, clean and sweep your chimney, and ensure that your civic address is clearly visible this winter for emergency services.

Urban planning and environment

Temporary car shelters

In accordance with current regulations: Temporary car shelters may be installed from November 1 of the current year until May 15 of the following year. These shelters must respect a setback of 1.50 meters from the road right-of-way and a lateral clearance of 0.75 meters. ([Bylaw 2011-03](#))

What to recycle

Recycling is a simple action that makes a big difference! Be sure to properly sort your recyclables: paper, cardboard, plastics (codes 1 to 7, except for 6), glass, and metal. Avoid placing plastic bags, food wrap, and Styrofoam in your recycling bins.



To help, ask yourself these two questions before recycling:

- Is it a container, packaging, or printed material?
- Is it made of metal, glass, plastic, cardboard, or paper?

If the answer is "yes" to both questions, it's recyclable! Together, we can reduce waste and preserve the environment of our beautiful municipality.

Ecocentre

Please note that you have until November 30 to use your 2024 access card for the Lochaber Canton Ecocentre. It will then be closed until next year.

Public works

Road network maintenance

In 2024, the municipality of Mayo undertook several important infrastructure projects, particularly on Burke Road. Key projects included:

- Several culvert replacement and paving projects were completed on Cameron, Rivière-Blanche, and Burke Roads;
- Additional ditch digging to improve drainage and prevent water accumulation, helping to protect the roads;
- Slope stabilization on Burke Road, with the addition of riprap and erosion correction work to ensure the durability of the infrastructure and the safety of road users;
- Repair of a sagging section on Burke Road, including ditch digging to improve water flow;
- Sealant application on Roy and Monaghan Roads to extend the lifespan of the pavement.

Culvert maintenance

It is essential to regularly maintain your culverts to ensure proper drainage and prevent flooding on your property and the surrounding roads. By cleaning and clearing debris from them, you contribute not only to the safety of your property but also to that of the entire community. A little attention today can prevent big problems tomorrow! ([Bylaw 2021-04](#)).

Recreation

Picnic

What a great success! On July 13, our annual picnic gathered more than 187 participants.

We're already looking forward to the 2025 edition!

Thanks to the participants, volunteers, and generous sponsors who helped make this event a success.



Family assistance

Do you live in Mayo and have children under 17 years old enrolled in artistic or sports activities outside the municipality? The municipality offers an annual reimbursement of up to \$100 per child. To learn more about the family assistance program and apply for reimbursement, please visit the Municipal Office or print the form from our [website](#).

Ancient Tree Hunt at Forêt-la-Blanche Ecological Reserve September 28

Did you know there are many ancient trees (over 150 years old) in the Forêt-la-Blanche Ecological Reserve? The Friends of La Blanche Forest are organizing an "Old Trees Rally" on the trails.

This educational activity will take place on Sunday, September 28. It will be a great outing for families. All details will be shared on the Friends of Forêt-la-Blanche [Facebook page](#) around mid-September. We hope to see many of you there!

Community Library

A reminder that the community library is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (we recommend calling 819-281-6700 to ensure staff is available and not on the trails during your visit). Everyone is welcome!

A major cleanup has been done at the library, and we now have space for new books. If you have novels in good condition published in 2014 or later, we invite you to donate them to the library. You can drop them off during opening hours.



Local businesses

Discover the serenity of yoga at the Forêt-La-Blanche Ecological Reserve

For over 18 years, our yoga program at Forêt-La-Blanche has been a cornerstone of wellness in the Mayo community. Nestled in the heart of the tranquil old-growth forest, our Hatha Yoga classes offer a peaceful learning environment for students of all levels.

Evening and morning classes are offered, where you can deepen your practice surrounded by the beauty of nature.

For more information, please contact our dedicated instructors:

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Connect with nature and nurture your mind, body, and soul.



Registered massage therapy at Forêt-la-Blanche Ecological Reserve



Located in the peaceful and serene setting of Forêt-la-Blanche, enjoy a revitalizing massage in the heart of nature. During the warmer months, let yourself be soothed by the gentle breeze and the birdsong through the open window; during the colder months, relax on a heated and comfortable massage table.

With over 11 years of experience, Jessica uses a variety of manual techniques to relieve tension, reduce muscle and joint pain, and promote injury rehabilitation.

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