



TREE PLANTING DAY

On June 6th, a dozen volunteers got together to take part in our social reforestation project in collaboration with Arbre-Évolution. A total of 505 trees and shrubs were planted on municipal land near the Town Hall, at Coburn park and near the parking lot at the end of Garrett road

Among the different species were a variety of walnut, oak, mountain ash, basswood, pine, maple, honey locust and spruce. 5 mature trees were planted in Coburn park that will create a buffer between the park and the route 243



Although the activity attracted very few volunteers, all the trees were planted on this one day. This activity in Melbourne is part of a social reforestation movement that is sweeping across the province of Quebec.

The number of trees planted is obviously an important factor. By their very nature, trees bring benefits over the years. As they grow, they get bigger, sequester more and more carbon, intercept more sunlight and provide an ever-expanding living space for humans and animals. At the time of planting, a well-tended tree in an urban setting may seem small, even insignificant, but it will grow and benefit its environment and future generations once it reaches maturity.

PERMIT TO LIGHT AN OUTDOOR FIRE

It is forbidden for any person to light, cause to be lit or permit to be lit a fire of any kind without having first applied for and obtained a permit to this effect from the person responsible for the application of the present by-law and respecting the conditions set out when the permit was issued. (Article 41 of the general by-law)

Before lighting an open air fire, it is important to first check with the fire prevention officer, Steve St-Lauren : (819) 826-2427 ext. 302, to find out whether this is permitted in your area.

When the fire danger increases, the fire prevention officer may suspend the issuance of new permits and cancel existing burning permits.

Anyone who fails to comply with this by-law is committing an offence and is liable to a minimum fine of \$400 for a first offence, in addition to other fees



TREE AND COMPOST DAY :



The annual tree Day was held on Saturday May 17th. Despite the gloomy weather, some forty people took part in the event.

It was also an excellent opportunity for residents of Melbourne Township to meet some of the members of the municipal council who were present for the occasion.

The municipality gave each citizen a coupon to fill out to enter a draw for a \$50 gift certificate to be used at the Marché Champêtre.



The winner is Mr. Jean Dénommé received by Mr Réal Dénommé. Congratulations and have a great summer!

DISTINCTION AWARDED TO TWO CITIZENS OF MELBOURNE TOWNSHIP



Lieutenant-Governor's Medal: Congratulations to **Mrs. Robin Converse**, who was honoured as part of the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec's Honours Program. She was presented with the Silver Medal for Seniors by the Honourable Manon Jeannotte, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, in recognition of her volunteer work with a number of local organizations.

Mrs. Converse was accompanied by several members of her family, as well as the municipality's mayor, Mr. James Johnston.



Volunteer Day: Congratulations to **Mrs. Émilie Noël**, who was named Volunteer of the Year at the Richmond region Volunteer Recognition Evening.

Numerous certificates were awarded to volunteers from various associations, committees and/or organizations. Each year, a committee selects a Volunteer of the Year from among the recipients.

Both awards are well deserved.

A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING



→ We were stunned to discover that the **flowers had been stolen** from the cement pots in Parc de la Rivière just a few days after they had been planted. Keep an eye out, and let us know if you see anything unusual.

→ Items placed on the ground during garbage collection will **not be picked up** by the operator. A reminder: after collection, you must **bring your bins back** close to your home.



→ Please let us know if your **civic number** is damaged, fallen or even missing. In case of an emergency, it's important to be easily identifiable by police, ambulance, fire or other services.

→ There's very little time left to e-mail your photos to admin@melbournecanton.ca for a chance to be featured in the **2026 calendar**.