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GILLES BÉRUBÉ

Dear Friends,

As we celebrate Corporation Waskahegen's 50th anniversary, I would like to bring to light our unshakeable devotion to "serving our people" through all the challenges and successes encountered over the years. Our commitment to the values of mutual assistance, justice and sharing has allowed us to create quality housing units and support low-income Indigenous peoples and their families to promote their cultural, educational and social development.

If today we are celebrating the existence of our organization for half a century, we have to first and foremost thank the individuals devoted to Métis and off-reserve Indigenous peoples who have made housing a priority with various ministries and para-governmental organizations.

In 1972, the Alliance of Métis and Non-Status Indians was born, bringing to light an unacceptable situation: the majority of our people were living in conditions of extreme poverty and faced many problems related to health, education and employment, etc. Kermot A. Moore, the first Grand Chief of the Alliance, started negotiations with government organizations to create formal programs that were more adapted to the Indigenous reality.

This is why Corporation Waskahegen was created in 1972. It has defended low-income individuals and families by prioritizing housing as a means of action. Fernand Chalifoux, having gained experience in the Alliance of Métis and Non-Status Indians, became its first Director General in 1973. Under his wise captaincy, Corporation Waskahegen saw growth that is felt even today. This is how our adventure started.

The past few years, the COVID-19 pandemic turned our lives upside down, but our devoted team was able to adapt and reorganize itself to continue to serve our tenants with compassion and efficiency. Despite recruitment challenges and administrative constraints, we have continued our efforts to carry out projects in various municipalities and respond to the increasing housing needs of our community.

Our mission is more relevant than ever with a fast-growing Indigenous population and pressing needs in terms of housing for the elderly as well as young families. We are proud to manage more than 2,000 housing units, thus providing invaluable support to nearly 1,900 households and 3,700 tenants. In parallel, we play a dynamic role in stimulating economic development and job creation to boost the well-being of our community.

In this year of celebration, on behalf of the board and myself, I would like to thank our employees, partners and collaborators for their hard work and their commitment to our mission. Their dedication is Waskahegen's real strength and the reason for our success. Together, we will continue to transform challenges into opportunities, and to work for the well-being and development of our community for the next 50 years and beyond.

With gratitude and faith in the future.



HOW FAR WE'VE COME...

THE TRAJECTORY OF CORPORATION WASKAHEGEN

The constant quest for recognition continues. Corporation Waskahegen's story is inarguably one of success. An initiative of people determined to offer a roof to off-reserve Indigenous people, the organization took root across Quebec in spite of various obstacles in our path.

In going through historian Carl Beaulieu's salient points presented on page XX of this annual report, you will notice that Corporation Waskahegen's progress has been continuous. Encouraged by the heritage of our elders such as Louis Riel, who was a fervent defender of the Indigenous and Metis cause, we never give up fighting for our rights.

We wage our battle, which is also Waskahegen's, on all fronts. The last combat to date was the attempt by the Société d'habitation du Québec (SHQ) to cancel an administrative agreement entered into with us in April 2000 called the "Partnership Agreement."

Mediation and various other efforts didn't work, so we were compelled to go to the Supreme Court to have this agreement approved and the case was adjudicated in our favour on February 1, 2023.

In his judgment, the Honourable Suzanne Hardy Lemieux rejected the SHQ's claims and validated what has become the core of a fruitful collaboration between all the parties involved. Despite the fine speeches made by certain politicians and paragovernmental people about the situation of off-reserve Indigenous people, their actions are not in line with their words. This is why our efforts to defend our existence are still as strong. Our tenants, and particularly members of the Native Alliance of Quebec, deserve to see the fight for our recognition in the Court of Appeal.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT GRAND CHIEF OF THE NATIVE ALLIANCE OF QUEBEC

GÉRARD COULOMBE

MESSAGE TO OUR MEMBERS AND OUR COMMUNITIES

To all the members of the Native Alliance of Quebec Inc.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and as President-Grand Chief, I have the pleasure of taking the time to tell you about the works in progress at the Native Alliance of Quebec.

COVID-19 PANDEMIC

During this pandemic, much time and effort was spent on helping our members and supporting them during this difficult period.

Around \$5,000,000 was invested in food assistance and computer equipment for students and other things.

This project was made possible through a partnership with the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples and the Government of Canada, We believe that this is how we should be seeing our future.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE IN DYING AND END-OF- LIFE PALLIATIVE CARE

The NAQ has received a budget allocation to hold consultations on Medical Assistance in Dying and end-of-life palliative care. These consultations took place at the Annual Assemblies of NAQ communities. The final report will be presented to the Congress of Aboriginal People on June 30, 2023 at the very latest.

POLITICAL AGREEMENT

Work continues on the Political Accord. Demands were made to the federal government with the participation of the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples. Especially with regard to Bill C-29 on the establishment of a national council for reconciliation. This work is ongoing. We have also received a grant from the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, which enabled us to make progress in membership for the governance and development of NAQ communities.

MEMBERSHIP

We are at present about to prepare a project that would allow us to help our communities even more for renewals, dues and new memberships.

We have planned to take steps with our programmers to improve our platform, and make the task easier for our communities.

Thank you to all our volunteers for their involvement in the community.

MEETING OF NATIONS

This large-scale activity was made possible by financial aid received from Heritage Canada, and took place between March 1 and 4, 2023. It was also an opportunity to mark our organization's 50th anniversary. Several well-known artists participated in the event and NAQ members from across the province were also present. Special guests from Ontario and even Nova Scotia were present during the banquet that opened our 50th anniversary celebrations.

SUPERIOR COURT OF QUEBEC

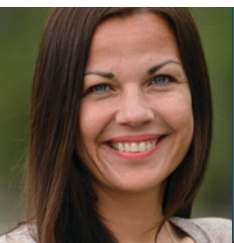
Our case on our ancestral rights will be heard by the COURT OF APPEAL, and the brief was filed in February 2023. We are confident and hope that this court will rule in our favour.

As from the beginning, Corporation Waskahegen has been supporting the Native Alliance of Quebec in this matter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their support and collaboration not only in legal cases but also in all other major matters at the NAQ.

AGM 2023

The NAQ's annual general meeting will take place from August 25 to 27, 2023 in Dolbeau-Mistassini. Preparations are in progress, and we will share more information about our AGM soon. It is a pleasure for the NAQ to partake in Corporation Waskahegen's 50th anniversary celebrations at our AGM.

**BE PROUD
OF OUR ORIGINS**



MESSAGE FROM THE
**DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
SOCIO-COMMUNITY WORKERS
SUPERVISOR**

VÉRONIQUE BÉRUBÉ

Fifty years of development, fifty years of service, fifty years of tireless building, fifty years of standing up... This is what half a century of Corporation Waskahégen is to me.

It is of great pride for us to be part of this vision of a better world for Indigenous people.

With a team built on the past and the future, we are all the more aware of the needs of our people and the issues they face. It is with this in mind that in 2000, our directors created a social intervention department to serve its clients. This is made up of six social workers who are attuned to the realities of the different generations of Indigenous peoples.

Having myself been a social worker for many years, I have the pleasure of leading and advising this wonderful team while playing my part in management. I would like to thank you all for the dedication you show and the work you do every day.

Fifty years of a story that continues...

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT



CHRISTIAN LAFONTAINE

We cannot let the 50 years of Corporation Waskahegen/Habitat Métis du Nord's existence pass in silence. Fifty years of work and devotion from each employee so that we would be able to offer safe and welcoming housing units to off-reserve Indigenous people.

Each year, we try to improve our housing stock by carrying out a lot of work, whether this is simply a minor repair such as a faucet or a doorknob, to major work such as kitchen or bathroom renovations. We take all these works very seriously to ensure the well-being of tenants.

To give you a profile of what was done in 2022, here are a few statistics.

All these works were executed in close collaboration with the technical team, coordinators, subcontractors and contractors. Each link is extremely important. It allows us to be efficient, fast and professional while offering good management.

To highlight the 50th anniversary, I thought it would be apt to present (p. 22) a few employees who have been part of the team for many years, and ask them to write a few words.

I am extremely proud to be part of this organization that helps put a roof over the heads of 3,393 tenants in Quebec, and see how much of a difference this makes in each of their lives.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all employees and partners without whom we would not have been able to pursue our mission for the past 50 years.

| Regions | Work orders completed | Investments |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Val d'Or | 205 | \$215,103.27 |
| Rouyn-Noranda | 485 | \$288,615.23 |
| Maniwaki | 459 | \$287,019.16 |
| Mansfield | 408 | \$416,390.63 |
| Quebec City | 649 | \$716,188.06 |
| Montreal | 442 | \$157,823.66 |
| Dolbeau-Mistassini | 819 | \$434,756.61 |
| Baie-Comeau | 348 | \$82,599.46 |
| Sept-Îles | 366 | \$284,653.77 |
| Mont-Joli | 138 | \$182,036.98 |
| Total | 4,319 | \$3,065,186.83 |



MESSAGE FROM THE LEGAL COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR OF LEGAL SERVICES

JOSÉE BÉRUBÉ

For Legal Services, the last year was very busy and challenging. We recruited qualified employees when there was a labour shortage and updated tools and procedures to address major legal changes in rental laws over the past few years. At the end of the day, we can say: mission accomplished. The management and employees of Corporation Waskahegen/Habitat Métis du Nord can count on the support of a competent, effective and devoted legal team who want to contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of off-reserve Indigenous peoples.

In 50 years, Corporation Waskahegen has grown tremendously and its achievements are many, but its mission to help Indigenous families has remained constant. With this in view, Legal Services has developed, over the years, tools and procedures that allow us to uphold the high standards required by the legal aspect of the work, while having the openness, understanding and humanity necessary to pursue the organization's mission of assistance and support.

In conclusion, I would like to congratulate and thank the visionaries who believed in and worked to create Corporation Waskahegen and Habitat Métis du Nord. I would also like to thank the directors for their work and their support, as well as the employees who every day make a difference on the ground through their work. Happy 50th anniversary!



MESSAGE FROM THE BUILDING OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR



JENNYFER ROUSSEAU

As a Habitat Métis du Nord employee for the past 20 years in different capacities, including as Building Operations Supervisor for less than a year now, I can state that offering the best services to our clients despite the labour shortage in some sectors is challenging. The past year was a year of change and additional responsibilities for me. I work with my department to improve management as well as the services offered to off-reserve Indigenous clients.

There has been a lot of staff turnover in the past few months and employees have shown solidarity by making an extra effort so that tenants and the organization are not too affected by it. Working for Corporation Waskahegen/Habitat Métis du Nord is described as a vocation, and I can vouch for this. So, I would like to thank all employees who have stayed on track over the past year in spite of everything, keeping the well-being of our tenants in mind.

Over the past 50 years, Corporation Waskahegen/Habitat Métis du Nord has worked to help off-reserve Indigenous families find appropriate housing and supported them in their efforts to finally have a roof over their heads.

Many families have been able to benefit from this from the start and many others will benefit in the future. It is important to note that some of our tenants have been with us for more than 30 years.

So, I would personally like to wish them many more beautiful years to come.

CORPORATION WASKAHEGEN FOR US...



For those who do not know Corporation Waskahegen, it is the most important Canadian organization providing housing to off-reserve Indigenous peoples, with more than 2,000 affordable housing units in 117 municipalities in Quebec. The first Chairman of Waskahegen, Fernand Chalifoux, had created the Corporation by delivering renovation programs to off-reserve Indigenous peoples through the agency of dedicated men living in each region. Gilles Bérubé contacted Fernand Chalifoux to offer his services, and packed his bags to arrive in beautiful Zone 2, that is, Maniwaki, swapping his mechanical saw for a pen to take charge of program delivery for Waskahegen. From the start of his job, Gilles Bérubé showed clearly that he was serious about tackling the challenges he faced.

Gilles Bérubé, with his management skills, worked on shaping many projects, particularly one that was close to his heart: housing for off-reserve Indigenous peoples, in particular for members of the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians, which has since become the Native Alliance of Quebec. His dream came true. We now have more than 2,000 housing units thanks to the tireless woodcutter. Among all his projects, we can only name a few here: Habitat Métis du Nord, Widjiwagan, Kisis, Polyformes Structure and Pourvoirie du Lac Husky as well as a number of partnerships. All this in 50 years of dedication and perseverance.

In addition to being the CEO of Corporation Waskahegen, he was appointed to many boards related to housing or economic development, labour

market development as well as the Native Commercial Credit Corporation SOCCA. He was recognized for his dedication.

We have been employed by Habitat Métis du Nord/ Corporation Waskahegen for a number of years.

During these years, we have had many experiences that were fun, and some that were not so fun. We have persevered through it all.

Corporation Waskahegen/Habitat Métis du Nord is always ready to help our tenants.

We wish you the best!



Carole Romain, Rental Operations Representative – Habitat Métis du Nord branch Mansfield



Johanne Nault, Rental Operations Representative – Habitat Métis du Nord branch Rouyn-Noranda



Claudie Gagnon, Rental Operations Representative – Habitat Métis du Nord branch Baie-Comeau



Jacinthe Collin, Rental Operations Representative – Habitat Métis du Nord branch Sept-Îles



THE PERSPECTIVE OF OUR TEAM...



I have been a socio-community worker for Habitat Métis du Nord in Montreal for nearly 10 years. I would like to say that working in the field of social assistance is like taking care of a garden. You sow the seeds and water them so that they can grow on their own. Some flowers take more time than others, and some will need more help.

Every day brings its share of challenges in a context where individual and collective needs are becoming more complex. It is only by listening and showing empathy and goodwill that we will be able to find solutions to help our tenants in their various walks of life.

My work would not be possible without the cooperation of the team. Together, we can benefit from each other's strengths to achieve our shared mission: provide better living conditions to off-reserve Indigenous peoples.



Isabelle Leblond
Socio-Community Worker
Habitat Métis du Nord

Ever since I have been employed by Corporation Waskahegen, my work has required me to have an ear to the ground. Obviously, having played the role of a confidant to tenants at times, I know that in many of our housing units, some people welcome us with open arms.

Sometimes, it is a single mother who just got a housing unit where she can live, which finally gives her the break she needs to start over. Corporation Waskahegen allows people, whether alone or with support, who are ready to take charge of their lives pull themselves up and go forward.

Finally, the greatest reward we receive is when tenants decide to move out on their own, and realize how far they have come since they started living in our housing units. We all like to talk about success, but what I always remember is that Corporation Waskahegen gives tenants the opportunity to get back on their feet and live a more balanced life.

While working for Habitat Métis du Nord/ Corporation Waskahegen, I have come across people who have found the light that now gives them the power to reach for better days.



Olivier Brassard
Socio-Community Worker
Habitat Métis du Nord



50 YEARS LATER, WHAT THEY THINK...

I have been working at Habitat Métis du Nord for the past few years in different positions.

I am currently working in the Technical Department, where I have been for the past six years with a dynamic team that does everything possible to offer our clients safe and adequate housing.

This is why I must work in collaboration with my colleagues in different branches to support them in their activities. In this regard, I meet people who are committed to giving our tenants a good place to live.

Habitat Métis du Nord and I have in common the value of contributing to the well-being of the community.



Lynda Gagnon,
Technical Service Assistant

It has already been 14 years that I have been in the service of Corporation Waskahegen and Habitat Métis du Nord as a building maintenance coordinator.

When I joined, there were many challenges with staff turnover, which is now widespread in society.

My work was to continue to give disadvantaged people quality housing that they would be proud to reside in, and create a nice work environment that would make the personnel proud of working for Habitat Métis du Nord.

A good team is the secret to the success of any company.

As we all know, there is a pressing need for social housing, and it is my duty to provide good quality housing units to our tenants.



Yvon Robitaille,
Building Maintenance
Coordinator

It is with pleasure and enthusiasm that I am writing these few words about myself. My name is Valérie Desgagné, Coordinator of Major Works and Renovation Programs.

My responsibilities as Coordinator are to manage the budget effectively, provide follow-up for disaster victims, update file notes and keep track of charges to tenants.

In addition, as far as the RénoRégion program is concerned, my role is to help low or modest-income owner-occupants in rural areas with repairs to correct major defects in their homes.

There is also the residential adaptation program for owners of homes with a handicapped person living in them.

Finally, I am proud to be part of the team for the past five years, dedicated to giving the best of myself every day.



Valérie Desgagné,
Major Works Coordinator



HALF A CENTURY OF SERVING OFF-RESERVE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Corporation Waskahegen was founded on September 5, 1972 in Montreal. Its goal is to provide housing to low-income individuals and families. It also wants to promote the installation of cultural, educational, rehabilitation and medical infrastructures dedicated to these families.

Since its foundation, Waskahegen has been registered as a Corporation to serve members of the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians, and was incorporated on March 27, 1972. It became the first bulwark of off-reserve Indigenous peoples' rights.

The Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians noticed a pressing need for housing among its clients and made use of two Canadian governmental programs: the ERP (Emergency Repair Program, 1971) and the RIH (Rural Indigenous Housing, 1974). A third, the UIH (Urban Indigenous Housing program, 1977), has been applied by Corporation Waskahegen since 1985. The Alliance in 1975 highlighted the deplorable housing conditions of off-reserve Indigenous communities.

Corporation Waskahegen's first rules were set down in 1972 by the first members of the provisional board of which Francis Seamont acted as chairman until November 6, 1973. The same year, Fernand Chalifoux became the first CEO of the Corporation while maintaining his responsibilities as the coordinator of the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians.

His long-term strategies for Corporation Waskahegen were the following:

1. Establish and plan a "comprehensive" housing program across the province of Quebec.
2. Submit a five-year plan to the CMHC for Indigenous housing in the province, including operating funds for the Corporation.


However, Corporation Waskahegen did not become operational until November 1975. It completed the Fort George project, where status Indians and non-status Indigenous peoples live. These 300 Crees were living in shacks built with plywood boards and insulated with cardboard boxes. Through this project 21 families were housed.

Under Chairman Chalifoux, there was:

- The purchase of 84 houses from the Bank of Montreal in 1978 after the bankruptcy of the Désourdy construction firm. This allowed 64 families to be provided with good quality housing.
- The election of members to represent the administrative regions of the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians.
- The creation of 72 local housing committees to remedy the gaps in this sector.

In 1981, Corporation Waskahegen came under new leadership. Gilles Bérubé, who had served the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians as a regional worker in housing for Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean since 1977, was appointed Managing Director. Fernand Chalifoux remained Chairman of the board until 1984. From this date, Managing Director Bérubé has served as the Chairman.

Corporation Waskahegen managed to keep the Waskahegen non-profit program running thanks to an agreement negotiated with the Société d'Habitation du Québec (SHQ) in 1982. At the same time, the Canadian government committed to implementing the RIH and UIH programs unilaterally if the province did not participate. The SHQ refused to apply these programs in their entirety.



On its side, Corporation Waskahegen wanted the same standards to be applied to Indigenous housing if housing programs were transferred to the provincial level.

Finally, the SHQ proposed building 66 additional housing units to the 200 proposed by CMHC if Corporation Waskahegen agreed to SHQ becoming the representative of Indigenous peoples where housing is concerned. Consequently, Waskahegen could therefore build 266 housing units per year.

In addition, the SHQ asked that the housing units be managed by a single non-profit administrative entity. The SHQ and Waskahegen agreed in 1983 on the choice of Habitat Métis du Nord to bring all constructions under the RIH and UIH programs.

This federal-provincial agreement took place in 1985 to make the SHQ the main government negotiating partner where housing in Quebec was concerned. The non-profit organization Habitat Métis du Nord was tasked with the application of these programs.

Two other major agreements were signed between the SHQ and Corporation Waskahegen:

1. One in 1986, which concerned the implementation and planning of the management of housing units.
2. The other in 1987, where Waskahegen consented to making use of the CQRAP (Canada-Quebec Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program) and ERP (Emergency Repair Program) proposed by the SHQ. As a result, the agreement between Waskahegen and the CMHC ended.

For this reason, the President of the Native Alliance of Quebec asked for four conditions to be met for his organization to support the transfer of housing programs, including the following two:

1. All the housing units constructed should be the property of off-reserve Indigenous peoples.
2. The number of housing units to be constructed by Quebec (SHQ) should equal the federal offering (CMHC).

These conditions were met.

So, from 1985 to 1993, Waskahegen had 1,875 housing units constructed.

A SIGNIFICANT STEP


Faced with the inflammatory statement of a government official about the price paid by the governments of Canada and Quebec following the Oka crisis in 1990, off-reserve Indigenous people mobilized to take charge of their economic development. Waskahegen, under the direction of Gilles Bérubé, started three departments for the following purpose:

1. Obtaining a general contractor's licence
2. Creating a technical department
3. Activating Carrefour Widjiwagan, founded in 1989, to create gathering places for the cultural growth and development of Indigenous peoples.

In 2000, a new alliance sealed a constructive partnership with an administrative agreement between Waskahegen, the NAQ, the SHQ and the CMHC to increase investments and to better adapt housing to the Indigenous reality.

The Waskahegen Classic, inaugurated in 2003, supports the Fernand Chalifoux Foundation, established the previous year to help disadvantaged Indigenous youth access better schooling and medical care. For the past 20 years, it has been organizing a golf tournament to support the next generation of Indigenous peoples and create charitable partnerships.

A book was written in 2010 to retrace the history of Corporation Waskahegen in view of its 40th anniversary in 2012. Professor Ryan Walker stated in The Montreal Gazette in 2008 that Corporation Waskahegen was the biggest Indigenous housing organization in Canada. It received a prestigious distinction from the National Aboriginal Housing Association (NAHA) in 2004.



In 2010, Corporation Waskahegen expanded to 117 towns and municipalities with more than 2,000 housing units. Its subsidiaries owned sizeable housing assets: \$170m of which \$150m was held by Habitat Métis du Nord (HMN) and 15m by Carrefour Widjiwagan.

In 2023, Corporation Waskahegen offers more than 2,200 housing units to off-reserve Indigenous peoples. Its subsidiaries have inherited real estate worth \$400m and employ more than a hundred Quebecers. The perseverance, resilience and respect for Indigenous principles and values, which have characterized half century of dedication and development since our foundation remain at the heart of our rigorous and efficient management, carrying the promise of a better future.

IN ECONOMIC MATTERS

In 1997, Corporation Waskahegen was mandated by the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples (CAP) to coordinate and deliver Canadian government programs for labour market development to help off-reserve Indigenous peoples.

In 1999, the Waskahegen Fund made it possible to acquire and develop businesses for off-reserve Indigenous peoples, such as Carrefour Widjiwagan, Terrassement Clément Dumais and Pourvoirie du Lac Husky.

Carl Beaulieu, M.A.
Les Éditions du Patrimoine

TIMELINE OF THE CORPORATION HISTORY

TIMELINE OF EVENTS: CORPORATION WASKAHEGEN, 1972-2022



Corporation Waskahegen team, 1980

1972

Incorporation of Corporation Waskahegen.

1973

Fernand Chalifoux becomes Chief Executive Officer of Corporation Waskahegen.

FROM 1975

ERP (Emergency Repair Program), RRAP (Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program) and the CMHC's (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation) UIH (Urban Indigenous Housing) application.

1977

Gilles Bérubé is hired as a housing worker for Waskahegen in the Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean region.

1978

Creation of 72 housing subcommittees by the Laurentian Alliance of Metis and Non-Status Indians.

1981

Gilles Bérubé becomes Managing Director. Fernand Chalifoux serves as Chairman until 1984.

1982

The headquarters relocates from Maniwaki to Mistassini.

1983

Incorporation of Habitat Métis du Nord (HMN), which is the owner of the housing stock.

1984

Gilles Bérubé becomes Chairman of the Board of Directors.

1985

Agreement between Corporation Waskahegen and the Société d'habitation du Québec (SHQ) as well as the CMHC in the delivery of Rural and Urban Indigenous Housing programs as part of the Canada-Quebec agreement.

1985-1993

Construction of 1,875 housing units by Corporation Waskahegen across the province of Quebec.

1989

Incorporation of Carrefour Widjiwagan for the management and ownership of community and cultural spaces for off-reserve Indigenous peoples to gather.



Jean-Claude Legros, President of the NAQ Ste-Véronique and his wife, 1987



Raymond Savoie, deputy of Abitibi, Minister of Indigenous Affairs



Golf competition of the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, 2003

1990

Waskahegen is recognized by the Dolbeau-Mistassini Chamber of Commerce with a special prize.

1997

Mandated by the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples for the coordination of Canadian government labour market development program delivery.

1999

Creation of the Waskahegen Fund for economic development.

Over time, acquisition, creation and development of enterprises such as Carrefour Widjiwagan, Terrassement Clément Dumais and Pourvoirie du Lac Husky.

2000

Partnership agreement between Corporation Waskahegen and the SHQ to boost investments in housing better adapted to the Indigenous reality.

2003

Creation of the Waskahegen Classic, a charitable event, inaugurated to financially support the Fernand Chalifoux Foundation.

2004

Distinction awarded by the National Aboriginal Housing Association (NAHA) in Vancouver.

2010

Publication of a book on the history of the Corporation in view of its 40th anniversary (2012).




2022

Corporation Waskahegen celebrates its half century of activities in the service of off-reserve Indigenous peoples.

Daniel Richer, at the launch of the Waskahegen book, 2010





POURVOIRIE DU LAC HUSKY: PLEASURE... IS NATURAL!

ALL SEASON ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE:

- fishing
- hunting
- walking
- canoeing
- quad biking
- snowmobile rides
- snowshoeing
- etc.

Do you want to go on an adventure and have an unforgettable experience? The Pourvoirie du lac Husky is the place for you! We invite you to come and enjoy the breathtaking panoramas of the Quebec boreal forest with its innumerable lakes and be charmed by the range of outdoor activities that we offer. This corner of paradise located around 200 km north of Dolbeau-Mistassini is the ideal destination for family vacations or successful hunting and fishing expeditions. You can choose the American or European package, according to your needs, or yet, opt for a customized one for a stay beyond your wildest expectations. Rest assured that by choosing the Pourvoirie du lac Husky, your stay will be a hit without compromises!

Accessible by car, Lake Husky is located above the 50th parallel north. This headwater lake is the source of the Mistassibi River and stretches over a distances of 8 km, which is a lot of fresh water for fabulous fishing! Get off the beaten track by exploring the vast spaces of the Pourvoirie du lac Husky!

Pourvoirie du lac Husky

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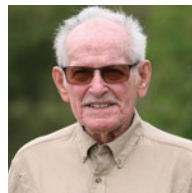
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