



# Glories heaped upon 46°North!

In our October/November 2009 newsletter, we made mention of the International Property and stated that 46°North was the proud recipient of the 2009 Award in the Best Development (over five residences) in Canada, category.

The Awards Ceremony was held on Nov 12 in San Diego. Of the 36 entries in the different residential and commercial categories, just two of the most outstanding entries was awarded the Silver medal in the Best Development category -46°N was one of them!



In Decem-

ber, we were informed that 46°North had also received the prestigious 5 Star Rating. This award is presented by the non-profit organization known as CITQ who is mandated by Tourism Quebec to maintain the quality of accommodation being offered. There are seven categories of accommodation that are inspected by the CITQ every two years (educational institutions are inspected every four years). There is a strict standard that every tourist home must adhere to and the list is more stringent for those applying for the 5 Star rating. According to the CITQ, only "tourist homes with exceptional facilities offering a full



range of services and amenities are conferred a 5 Star rating.

We are proud to say that only 5 companies were awarded the 5 Star rating in the category of "tourist homes" and of these

46°North is the only one in La Macaza and for the MRC d'Antoine-Labelle!

Kudos to the team!

## The Olympics come to Mont Tremblant

Not even a blizzard could keep away the cheering crowds who gathered to welcome the Olympic Flame to Tremblant on December 9 2009. Mont Tremblant is Canada's breeding ground for the winter Olympic activities. Former Olympian, Peter Duncan and Peggy



Austin both from Mont Tremblant formed part of the torch relay. Our team who witnessed the event described the arrival of the flame as a very emotional moment. 46°North joins Mont Tremblant in wishing Jasey-Jay Anderson the very best at Vancouver 2010.

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## *Eco-friendly winter activities 46°North is proud to promote*

Quebec boasts an incredible length of 35,000 kms of snowmobiling trails of what is known as a snowmobiler's paradise. What is more incredible is that these trails are accessible almost from your backyard at 46°North. Approximately 250 ms onto a trail from The Escape and you are on some of the most remarkable snowmobile trails through forests of ice-laden trees, over vast expanses of frozen lakes or rivers and through well laid out private property.

Riding the trails is similar to driving between destinations as the trails are maintained by local clubs within each region and you will find all the amenities on a snowmobile trail that you would find driving along any inter-city or major highway!



A visit to the Upper Laurentians in the winter is incomplete without a snowmobile ride. Let the magic of tours like “The Golden White Bear”, “The Forest Deep”, “Due North”, “The Carefree” and “The Devilish” lure you onto the ice on rides that can last as long or as short as you want them to. A mere 1.5 hours from 46°North is Devil’s Mountain that is located at the top of the second highest peak in the Laurentians.

Thanks to our efficient Concierge Service

(819-275-5255), we can organize the renting of snowmobiles. 46°North only partners with those companies that use eco-friendly snowmobiles—these have 4 stroke engines, and adopt a “without trace” policy of respecting nature and the environment. For the faint-hearted or visitors to the region, our Concierge Service also organizes private guided tours along trails that can be traversed in a day (without ever repeating a trail!) or in a couple of hours.

Take advantage of the day tours to enjoy the hospitality and authenticity of the woodland inns and lodges that dot the trails. Better yet, overnight at one of these charming inns and enjoy the thrill of such winter activities like ice-fishing, snowshoeing or dog sledding to truly experience the 46°North winter wilderness.

## *Snowshoeing anyone?*



Snow shoeing is one of the fastest growing recreational winter activities after skiing. These are simply shoes for walking over snow and by virtue of distributing a person's weight over a larger surface, a person does not sink into the snow. Unlike some of the other winter activities that require particular snow conditions, snow shoes can be used in any type of snow condition and by a person of any age!

Snow shoes have come a long way from

their original design and intent and can now be used for hiking, aerobics, mountaineering, racing and gliding.

We carry a range of snow shoes at 46°North or if you prefer a guided tour, our Concierge Service (819-275-5255) can help set you up with guided snow shoe tours along the Fireman's Trail or the more adventurous cross country trail through Domaine Saint-Bernard which is a protected park. Or, you can try out our very own three levels of trails around the resort.

## *'Twas the season to be jolly*

If the kids have worked hard all year to earn brownie points and do not want to go away at Christmas, have no fears, Santa follows you wherever you may be as these kids, visiting 46°North found out to their surprise! Depending on the amount of snow we have had, Santa is always most considerate in Tremblant, preferring to enter through the front door rather than down the chimney and leaving puddles of snow to clean up after his visit.

Holidays at 46°North are the best way to showcase our product. Call down in advance and ask our Concierge to stock the fridge with your favourite holiday goodies or, for a real treat, “rent” a chef and treat yourself and the family to a home cooked meal. Gather the family around a bonfire and sit around on logs, toasting

marshmallows under the stars on a cold crisp night. Top off the experience in true Quebec and Franco-phone style, by joining in the carol singing as you wend your way into the village, carrying torches in the traditional native fire carrying style.

