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### Message from the President



Dear member,

We have already reached June; summer will be here in a few days. We will still be confined because of COVID 19. We are all really tired of not being able to meet and see each oth-

er in families. We do not know if we will be able to hold our general assembly this year. But we hope to be able to hold it as soon as possible.

We will announce on Facebook and on the website of the Association des Chabot if we will be able to hold the general assembly and the brunch this year.

Even if we cannot hold our meeting, we will continue to produce the magazine Les Chabotteries and keep you informed of developments.

As always, we need help on the board of directors. We also need your family stories for the review, anything that might be of interest to our members. Even if you don't think you have writing skills, that's okay, we'll help you write your text.

It is important to let us know if you change your mailing or Internet address. If you don't receive your review, let us know so you don't miss a thing.

As you know, an Association would not exist without its members. Talk about your Association and be proud of it.

Offer a gift subscription in this time of pandemic to your parents, your children, your brothers and sisters, your cousins or even to

an acquaintance.

Let's be careful, the government is allowing deconfinement little by little, if we follow the instructions to the letter, we can come together more quickly.

We would love to be able to celebrate our 15th anniversary with you.

Keep your spirits up, all will be fine.

Maryo Chabot Tremblay



# Recruitment campaign for the 15th anniversary of the Association des Chabot

Our association will celebrate 15 years of existence in 2022 and, thanks to you, it is experiencing ever-growing activity today. In order to mark this anniversary, the board of directors has taken on a challenge for its recruitment campaign: to celebrate 15 years with at least 50 new members. That is why we would like to count on the collaboration of our current members to help us achieve this goal. In addition to renewing your subscription, we invite you to recruit a new member. So, every time a new member puts your name on their membership form, you have a chance to win a 5year membership! The draw will take place on June 1, 2022. So please do not hesitate to forward this message to your families who are not members of the Association.

### Interview with Cindy Chabot-Gingras, Parachutist

MCT, what city were you born in?

CCG, I was born in Montreal on June 7, 1988

MCT, what are your parents' names

CCG, I am the daughter of Yves Gingras and Manon Chabot

MCT, do you have any siblings?

CCG, I have a big sister, Patricia, 2 years older than me. I also have a sister, Katy, and a brother Patrick who form a set of triplets with me.

MCT, where did you study?

CCG, I obtained my DES from l'Érablière de St-Félix de Valois high school, but I did my high school (grades 1 to 4) in St-Gabriel de Brandon.

MCT, are you married?

CCG, I am not married, but I have been sharing my life with a wonderful man for almost 5 years.

MCT, do you have children?

CCG, yes, I have 2 wonderful children. A daughter, Keeyna, 12, and a son, Malyk, 11.

MCT, what is your job?

CCG, I have been working in customer service at the Voltige Parachuting School for 6 years.

MCT, why did you choose this job?

CCG, I have always enjoyed working in customer service and the field of skydiving appealed to me.

MCT, do you play sports?

CCG, yes, of course: skydiving, diving, motorcycling

MCT, which is your favorite?

CCG, skydiving

MCT, you have a sister who plays this sport, I believe.

CCG, my sister Katy trained to be a parachutist 3 years ago.

MCT, do you find this sport dangerous?

CCG, I believe that driving your car is more so... it's still a risky sport, but if you choose your school well, you are well supervised and you respect the standards and instructions, the risks are minimal.

MCT, why did you choose this sport?

CCG, I'm not sure?! At the age of 8, I already wanted to do a tandem jump. My parents agreed to sign the papers when I was 16 so I could do my first jump. My godfather accompanied me there for a first tandem as well. I repeated the experience a few times with my sister Katy and after that I did my training.

MCT What does this sport give you more than the others?

CCG, this sport gives us adrenaline, firstly, wanting to learn, and wonderful moments with friends. Skydiving is a small community with like-minded people who want to grow while having fun. I only have a little over 50 jumps, which is not a lot, as a skydiver, but each jump is unique and gives me a feeling of intense happiness. I am fortunate that my partner is also an employee of Voltige and a parachutist. It allows us to share this passion as a couple.

MCT Would you recommend your children to play this sport?

CCG, I believe everyone should take at least one jump in their life! As for my children, they are brought up in a "drop zone" they see and live with parachutists. Like everyone else, I believe they should take at least one jump in their lives, but only when they're ready. I don't expect them to become skydivers, unless that choice is theirs. My daughter has already done 2 tandems. At 8 years old, like her mother, she wanted to take a jump. She had to wait 2 years for me to accept and now if I listened to her, she would jump every week ...

MCT, in a few words could you explain to our members what you need to do to become a skydiver?



CCG, before becoming a parachutist, you have to do a tandem jump (hooked to an instructor) which is accessible to almost everyone from 14 years old to over 100 years old (it is this jump that must be done at least once in a lifetime). Subsequently, if we wish to become parachutists, there is the "PAC" training (assisted progression in free fall) which includes 9 to 10 jumps and which allows us to obtain our first certificate, the "solo" license.

We thank you, Ms. Chabot, for taking the time to answer our questions. We have a better idea of what skydiving is.

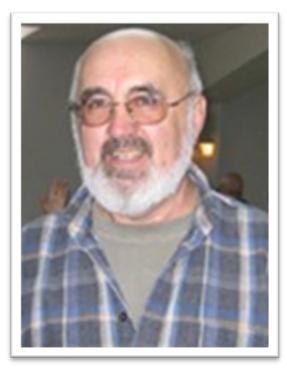
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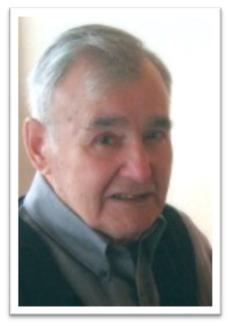
### Passionate from father to son



Photo taken at the Domaine museum in Pohénégamook



In the issue number 17 of Les Chabotteries (Winter 2012), I told you about Ronald Chabot, a collector particularly passionate about commercial catalogs distributed throughout Quebec at the end of the 19th century and during the 20th century. In his eyes, these publications were the witnesses of an era and reflected the culture here and the tastes of the society in which we lived. Nearly 2,900 additional promotional documents were added to more than 4,700 commercial catalogs: advertising leaflets, price lists, commercial guides, invoices, order forms, bonus booklets and coupons, samples, motor vehicle leaflets and thematic commercial publications. Among them was a brochure from the RCA Victor company telling people how to optimize the reception quality of their radio during the war to stay abreast of the latest news and of course mentioning that RCA Victor offered the best radio.



This enthusiastic collector has practiced his hobby for almost 40 years, having started collecting a wide variety of objects at the age of 21. It was when he saw antiques leaving Quebec that the flame was ignited that would devour a good part of his life. But it was from 1990, above all and in a systematic way, that he amassed mail order catalogs, postcards and wood stoves.

One day Ronald Chabot asked me to meet his father Léo, which I hastened to do. When we first met, Léo Chabot was already retired. And he made miniature pieces that he reproduced from real antiques or from utilitarian objects from another era. Even in a photo, one cannot imagine the work in all its beauty because these pieces were all made to scale, which means that all the dimensions of the reproduction were proportional to the original and that each object

worked either manually, or by steam or gasoline. I saw his pieces exhibited at the Musée du Domaine in Pohénégamook in the Bas-Saint-Laurent and I can assure you that what Mr. Chabot achieved was quite remarkable.

I saw Léo Chabot later at his home in Beaumont; he told me that as a paving contractor he had sold the company he had founded himself to his retired sons upon retiring.

We also spoke about his parents, Patrick Chabot and Yvonne Rancourt, from Saint-Zacharie in Beauce. Speaking of his father, he told me he was a blacksmith, but nowadays he would have been called a machinist or a founder. Another ingenious and talent-



ed man with a big heart, he had made several less expensive life-size stationary machines to help less fortunate farmers in the area. He also made coffins for the less fortunate and had been organist for his parish for at least fifty years. Recently, while visiting a friend who had known Mr. Léo Chabot, he showed me one of Léo's creations, who had given it to him as a gift: an anvil, a hammer and a miniature mace.

Proof that passion is very fortunately transmitted in this Chabot family from one generation to another.

Claude Chabot Member #1



## For a \$5.00 Bet



The Jacques-Cartier Bridge in 1930

Who among you still remembers their early twenties? I am sure there are some among you who have struggled to reach a certain maturity; it often was good, but sometimes not.

It is an article from The Montreal Gazette published on August 20, 1932 that will bring us to the last moments of Maurice Chabot's short life. The story of Maurice generated considerable interest as the headline was published in newspapers across Canada and even in many American states.

Maurice Chabot was born on October 25, 1911 in the Parish of Saint-Vincent-de-Paul in Montreal. The fourth in a family of 13 children, he was the son of Joseph Paul-Émile Chabot and Marie-Rose Dulude. His mother passed away on December 2, 1932, two months after giving birth to her fourteenth child and two months after Maurice's death.

Little Maurice Chabot was surely no different from the young men of today; life was opening up before him and like many young people of that age he did not fear much. Known to be a good swimmer, he had apparently already jumped in the St. Lawrence River on several occasions.

A bet that will cost him his life.

Maurice Chabot had to jump from the Pont du Havre and rise alive to the surface after a \$ 5 bet taken between two friends several days earlier.

Maurice's daring feat had been announced in the newspapers a week before and a large number (1,000) of curious people had gathered at the foot of the bridge, not to mention the many others who had invaded Saint Hélène island to attend his performance.

After the police learned of what was to happen that day, Captain Cowley, along with four other police officers, attempted to stop him from jumping, but their efforts were unsuccessful. Maurice Chabot slipped between the curious, jumped onto the balustrade of the bridge, balanced himself and dived headfirst to perform his deadly dive, 155 feet below. The jump took place at 2:30 pm this Sunday, August 14, 1932. The curious had their eyes riveted on the river, but Maurice did not manage to rise to the surface.

The search began a few minutes later, rowboats equipped with grappling hooks were launched, the river was raked all night long, but the search was unsuccessful. It was a few days later, and a few miles away, that the young man's body was found near Longue Pointe.

### Autopsy result

According to the report presented to the investigation into the death of young Chabot by Dr. Rosaire Fontaine, the provincial forensic expert who performed the autopsy on the body, Maurice Chabot, aged 20, domiciled at 6523, rue Marquette in Montreal died following a dislocation of the spine during his dive and not by drowning.

#### Caution

The beautiful summer days being the months most prone to drowning or accidents of all kinds, advise your young people to always be careful because they are not invincible.

The history of the Pont du Havre

Did you know that the Pont du Havre was at the time the second bridge that connected the island of Montreal to the south shore, the other being the Victoria Bridge? Inaugurated on May 24, 1930, Le Pont du Havre was renamed Pont Jacques-Cartier in 1934 following a petition from citizens to mark the 400th anniversary of the great sailor's first trip to the country. When it opened in 1930, you had to pay 15 cents to cross the bridge on foot. Then in 1958, the rate rose to 25 cents per car, but a scandal broke out: the toll collectors were suspected of putting the coins in their pockets. At least one toll collector was never suspected: a certain Robert Bourassa. The future premier of Quebec indeed occupied this position when he was a student, recalls André Girard, spokesperson for the Federal Bridge Corporation. (Robert Bourassa became the 22nd premier of Quebec, a post he held under the banner of the Quebec Liberal Party on two occasions: from May 12, 1970 to November 25, 1976, then from December 12, 1985 to January 11, 1994.

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https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pont\_Victoria\_(Montr%C3%A9al)

Diane Chabot-Tard membre # 9



# Women of the rebellion 1837-1839

I had the idea of writing this short article when leafing through the **Dictionnaire ency-clopédique et historique des Patriotes 1837-1838**\*, which I had obtained a few years ago, when I was interested in the events that marked an era in our collective history. I do not hide that I am a fervent nationalist and that all the battles which allowed a handful of colonists of French origin, including, first and foremost, Mathurin and Marie Mésangé, our ancestors, to survive and succeed, through their valor and their determination to form a distinct people still alive has always fascinated me and filled me with pride. There were only a few hundred in the mid-17th century, many of them settled around lle d'Orléans, and now they have populated and built this Quebec we are fortunate to inhabit.

I will be forgiven ... this little patriotic outburst took me away from my subject ... On page 98 of the said book, I came across four entries which correspond to our surname (of which I reproduce the explanatory note attached to them):

- CHABOT, Antoine Saint-Damase. Signatory of a letter of support in favor of patriot

Joseph Duvernay while the latter was imprisoned in February

1838.

- CHABOT, Jean Husband of Zoé Dupuis. Saint-Cyprien. Manufactured balls in the

fall of 1838.

- CHABOT, Zacharie Present at the Patriote Assembly of Quebec on June 4, 1837; he

supported a resolution during it.

- **CHABOTTE**, **Jean** Day labourer. St-Jean. Fought in the Battle of Moore's Corner,

December 6, 1837.

Pushing my investigation a little further, I discovered that Zoé Dupuis, the wife of patriot Jean Chabot (above), from St-Cyprien, was also making balls. And immediately another idea came to me, and I embarked on the rather boring exercise of going through the entire book, entry after entry, to find all the names of women. I wanted to know what place women could have occupied during this pivotal moment, when we know that history is above all a men's affair.

Still, I was able to glean, between the letters A and Z, a few names of women who participated, sometimes from afar and perhaps even in spite of themselves, in the current events. But there is no muse, like Madeleine de Verchères, who would have stood out for her brilliant actions. Here is the list, along with a few comments from the same dictionary

AINSSE, Zoé Married Amury Girod, a patriot leader, to whom she alleg

edly said when he was preparing to go to Deux-

Montagnes before the battle of Saint-Eustache: "Go where your duty calls you, do not think of me, I would rather see you dead on the battlefield than abandon the cause of the fatherland. The latter committed suicide before falling

into the hands of the English troops.

BABY, Marguerite About her, we found the following anonymous note: "This I

lady [...] was always a warm patriot and devoted support er of my father (?), even after the inauguration of the new

regime called "responsible government".

**BERTHELOT, Marie-Émilie** Daughter of the patriot notary Joseph-Amable Berthelot.

Imprisoned (no date) (no location) for shooting bullets with

her father in the fall of 1837.

CHOQUET, Marie-Louise With her husband, Maurice Montgrain, she guaranteed the

property of the patriotic brothers Luc-Hyacinthe and

Damien Masson who were arrested on December 16, 1837.

**DELORME, Mrs.** She is the only woman among of the group of fifty-three

subscribers raising a relief fund for the eight exiles in

Bermuda. She subscribed to ten sols.

DESSAULES Papineau, Rosalie Sister of Louis-Joseph Papineau. On November 24, 1837,

she is said to have sent two bags full of bread to supply the

combatants of Saint-Charles.

D'ORMICOURT, Marie-Louise Daughter of Doctor d'Ormicourt and aunt of patriot

Étienne Guertin. With her sister Thérèse, she took care of three English soldiers brought to her home during the battle of Saint-Charles. The two were imprisoned for refusing to

testify against a poor unfortunate ...

**DROLET, Lucille** aughter of patriot Joseph-Toussaint Drolet. She often

visited the prisoners in Pied-du-Courant and asked them to

write in her album.

**DUMOUCHEL**, Marie-Victoire Wife of patriot Jean-Baptiste Dumouchel, of Saint-Benoit.

Composed many satirical patriotic songs, many of which

could go to eighteen verses.

**DUPUIS, Zoé** Wife of patriot Jean Chabot de Saint-Cyprien. Manufac

tured balls in the fall of 1838.

ETHIER, Mme Noël, widow In the secret notebook of the loyalist priest of Saint-

Eustache, Jacques Paquin, she is considered "compromised" within the patriot movement.

**FOURNIER, Césarie** Daughter of Alexis Fournier also known as Préfontaine. On

October 10, 1837, she married patriot Marc Janotte also known as Lachapelle, who was killed in action at Saint-

Charles a month later.

GAMELIN, Émilie The sanitary conditions of the prison (Pied-du-Courant) be

ing detestable according to patriot Jean-Philippe Boucher Belleville, a society of ladies of the city (Montreal), include ing Mrs Gamelin and Gauvin, mother of patriot Henri- Al phonse Gauvin, wrote the latter, provided soup every day to those prisoners who have only a pound and a half of

bread to subsist. Mme Gamelin later became the

foundress of the Sisters of Providence.

GRAVELLE, Marie-Clémence Cook at the Saint-Eustache camp in the company of Jo

seph Robillard.

HÉBERT Lambert, Justine Daughter of patriot Pierre Lambert Hébert, killed at the

battle of Saint-Charles. Wife of patriot Toussaint Brodeur. She would take in her brothers and sisters who were or phaned after the death of her mother, Marie Reynaud. She would frequently remind her children of the humiliate ing circumstances of their father's burial in the cemetery

for unbaptized children.

JOBSON, Marguerire Wife of patriot Hector-Cyrille-Octave Côté. In January

1838, she made bullets with her husband and the patriots in preparation for the second uprising, while they were tak

ing refuge in Plattsburgh.

LABRIE, Marie Éloïse Daughter of Doctor Jacques Labrie and sister of Marie-

Adèle and Pierre-Auguste-Labrie, patriots. Made balls for

the patriots. Imprisoned.

**LEMAIRE, Ovide** Daughter of Antoine-Hyacinthe Lemaire. Niece of the pa

triot leader, notary Jean-Joseph Girouard. After her house was burnt down by British troops, she died of cold at the age of twenty-five for having been outside too long, al

most naked.

MASSON, Esther Wife of Maurice Montgrain of Saint-Benoit. Daughter of

Louis Masson and Louise Choquette. Jean-Joseph

Grouard bears witness to her for her devotion while on the run, he was kept by her and other patriot women with a

certain Payen, from December 15 to 16, 1837.

### PERREAULT, Euphrosine

Mother of patriot Charles-Ovide Perreault, killed in Saint-Denis, and of patriot Louis Perreault (in exile in the United States) and Joseph-Adolphe Perreault. Louis-Joseph Papineau, wrote, in a letter to Louis Perreault, that in response to a certain Colonel Buchanan who blamed the Canadians for having revolted, Mme Perreault had replied vigorously: "Mr. I blame the government which forced virtuous citizens to have to defend themselves, I deeply regret the losses I have suffered, but if it was to be done over again and my children wanted to act as they did, I would not try to them turn away because they did not act out of ambition, but out of love for the country and out of hatred for the injustices it suffers (sic)."

### RAVARIE says Francoeur, Élizabeth. No further detail.

One could add to this list the wives of executed patriots who, if they were not directly involved in the events, suffered their consequences.

**Eugénie Lemaire Saint-Germain**, wife of Joseph-Narcisse Cardinal, hanged on December 21, 1838 in Pied-du-Courant. She was pregnant with a fifth child.

Maria McCabé, American, wife of Pierre-Théophile Decoigne, notary, hanged at Pied-du Courant, January 18, 1839.

Marie Hamel, wife of Ambroise Sanguinet, hanged at Pied-du-Courant on January 18, 1839.

Marguerire Dupuis, wife of Charles Sanguinet, hanged at Pied-du-Courant on January 18, 1839.

**Joséphine Lanctot**, wife of Joseph-Marie Robert, hanged at Pied-du-Courant on January 18, 1839.

**Catherine Leclaire**, wife Pierre-Rémi Narbonne, hanged at Pied-du-Courant on February 15, 1839.

**Henriette Cadieux de Courville** \*\*, wife of Marie-Thomas Chevalier De Lorimier, hanged at Pied-du-Courant on February 15, 1839.

The other hanged patriots were unmarried.

In addition, two women opposed the patriotic movement quite fiercely. One of them was **Hortense Globensky**, a staunch supporter of the Constitutional Party, who even went so far as to shoot at a hostile crowd approaching her home. The other was **Rosalie Cherrier**, known as "Madame Jacques", cousin of Louis-Joseph Papineau, who courageously and openly opposed the patriots. But deviant and whimsical in her personal life, even the conservative bureaucratic press refused to recognize her as their heroine.

For those who would like to know more on the subject, I advise them to read the excellent article by Allen Greer, La république des hommes: les Patriotes de 1837 face aux femmes, which they can find on the following site, in downloadable PDF format:

### https://www.erudit.org/fr/revues/haf/1991-v44-n4-haf2393/304922ar.pdf

- \* Messier, Alain. Encyclopedic and historical dictionary of the patriots 1837-1838. Montreal, Guérin editor, 2002, 497 p.
- \*\* An article by Lise Jolin can be found at the address below; it contains interesting information on this lady, including a photo of her and of the funeral monument (on which her name is inscribed) located in the city of the Assumption where she ended her life.

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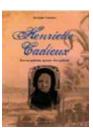
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Funeral monument to Chevalier de Lorimier at the Assumption and cover of a book by Yolande Gingras (Point du jour, 2010) on Henriette Cadieux.

Note: I do not know if these photos taken from a website are copyright free.





Émilie Gamelin young and older, when she became a nun

Marcel Chabot Membre 96



# A New Centenarian In the Chabot Family

Madame Jeanne Chabot celebrated her 100th birthday on January 30, 2021!



Born in Sainte-Justine near Lac-Etchemin, she was the daughter of Joseph Chabot and Lucie Lessard. His father had two sons from his first marriage to Alice Renaud: Antoine in 1901 and Apollinaire in 1903. Alice died during this childbirth.

In 1905, her father remarried Lucie Lessard. They had 8 children: Marie-Louise (1910) dead at 2 months, Jules (1911), Vénérand (1913), Alphonse (1914), Hélène (1917), Rosaire (1919), Jeanne (1921), and Alexina (1923) ). Jeanne was therefore the seventh child of Lucie Lessard and remains the only survivor of the children of Joseph Chabot.

Photo above: Jeanne Chabot (photo taken January 30, 2021).

### Right picture:

Back row from left to right: Alphonse, Rosaire, Antoine, Hélène, Vénérand.

Front row: Alphonse and Jeanne

As a child, Mom attended secondary school. She told us that at the very beginning of her schooling, her



cousin was the schoolteacher. Her father brought her bed and food to school so that she could sleep there with Helene and Alexina during the colder months. It must be said that school transport was non-existent in those days. Mom would have liked to study beyond elementary school, but in those days, it was an out of this world idea. In 1928, her father lost his right arm in a threshing machine. The following year saw the start of the Great Depression. The family was trying to survive. Her mother accepted orders for knits and the children tried to earn their daily bread quickly.

### Les Chahotteries



Jeanne married Alphonse Lapointe from Saint-Cyprien-des-Etchemins in 1941. They had 3 children and 7 grandchildren, an eighth is due to arrive in July. They stayed in my father's village until he bought a farm in Joly in Lotbinière County. It was at this time that his mother came to live with the family until her death in 1963.

Alphonse, like many men of his day, went to work as a forester all winter and his wife took care of the children and the farm. In 1970, they sold the farm to go and work as janitors in an apartment building in the city of Quebec. In 1982, they retired and moved to Terrebonne to be closer to their children. The death of their first grandson a week later was very difficult for them. As they were kind-hearted people, they volunteered for fifteen years at the parish and at the Amis de Lamater. A series of deaths followed: their daughter Gisèle in 1999, her husband in 2007, her son Jacques in 2016.

Our centenarian is a religious, hard-working woman with a strong sense of family and the good of the community. At the age of 95, she decided to leave her small apartment and move to a seniors' residence recommended by friends. She spent peaceful days there but found confinement difficult even if she was well surrounded by staff.



On your 100th birthday, the Association des Chabot wishes you health and inner peace. Happy hundredth birthday to you, Friend who have survived the ages ... Your longevity is the proof of your great wisdom and of a flawless inner balance ... The youth of your heart forever erases the signs of old age ...

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