



## NEWSLETTER FOR LAKE FRONT/ACCESS OWNERS Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association Ltd.

The Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association (LBHA) has had the responsibility of caring for the beautiful lake we all enjoy since 1978. We would like to remind all members of a few precautions that will ensure the continuing quality of the lake and park.

### Docks

Docks and any maintenance/repairs associated with the docks are the responsibility of each owner(s). Those residents who live on lake access ways and share a common dock should work together to keep the docks in good repair.

For lake front homes, replacement docks should be no larger than 12 ft by 12 ft. For lake access homes, shared replacement docks should be no larger than 14 ft by 14 ft.

### Plants in the Lake; Dumping Pool and Hot-tub Water In the Lake

Please do not introduce plant species into the lake, even along your own shorefront. And please do not empty your pools or hot tubs into the lake. The LBHA must maintain a specific water quality in order to qualify the lake waters for permitted swimming. Either of these practices puts that qualification at risk. Obviously, no other kind of waste should be put into the water, either.

### Watercraft

The LBHA strongly suggests that all members and guest using their own watercraft be wearing a life jacket at all times. Please help your children and guests to observe this important safety guideline. No watercraft is permitted on the water before or after the park's hours of operation, and no-one is permitted in the park itself after hours.

### Floating Trampolines and Other Large Floating Structures

The lake and park area is titled to the LBHA, up to the high waterline of each lakefront homeowner's property. All access land areas are also the property of the LBHA. That imposes on the LBHA a risk of liability for accidents on the water. Please note the following rules:

- Members may place floating trampolines or similar floating structures on the Lake only when they are in active use by the Member or other Family Members, and are attended by the Member or a Family Member personally. When such structures are not in actual use, they must be removed from the Lake and the Park.
- For Members living on the Lake or having Lake access, such structures, when not in actual use, must be placed entirely on the Member's property.
- Trampolines and similar floating structures left on the Lake unattended by a Member or Family Member will be removed by Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association Ltd. at the Member's expense.
- Recreational equipment or structures of any kind brought to the Park must likewise be removed by the Member or Family Member responsible for them, when he or she leaves the Park.

### Fences

- Any fencing parallel to the waterline between lake front homes and the waterline shall be chain link.
- Any extensions of the present fencing along lines toward the waterline shall be chain link.
- Any extension of the present lake access walkways fencing toward the waterline shall be chain link.

- Property line fences, chain link, may extend into the water not more than two feet when the lake is at its highest.
- The landscaping of lots between homes and the waterline shall not raise nor significantly change the basic contour of the land between the house and the waterline, between the house and lake access walkways, or between the house and neighbouring homes. No excavation may threaten the lake's clay seal, or extend below the water table.
- New fencing between a first lake access home and the adjoining lake front shall be chain link.
- Docks shall remain the same size and construction as at present.

### Fishing and Whirling Disease

Due to supply issues caused by Whirling Disease within Alberta, we are currently catch and release only. Each lake in Calgary is being evaluated on an individual basis and we are awaiting government approval of our commercial fish license.

More information on Whirling Disease: The Canadian Food Inspection Agency confirmed whirling disease, a fish disease that affects salmonoids, in the Bow River Watershed. Whirling disease is not harmful to humans or other animals.

Anglers, boaters and recreational water users can help reduce the risk of spreading whirling disease. It can be transmitted through equipment used for swimming, paddling, boating, water pumping, and fishing, or through infected fish and fish parts. Never move live fish from one body of water to another (that is illegal in Alberta).

CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY all equipment that has been in contact with the water.

Please note the following fishing rules:

- Fishing is catch and release only.
- No live bait shall be used.
- One rod with one hook per person in the Park at any time.
- Only barbless hooks are permitted.

### Park Hours and Member Access

Please be aware that no one is allowed on park property during closing hours. This includes lake front and lake access owners. It will be considered trespassing if anyone is found in/on the lake water or ice surfaces, or anywhere in the park, during the hours that the park is closed.

### Pets

Pets are not allowed on LBHA property. This includes the water and ice surfaces. Please ensure you keep your pets on your own property.

### Winter Issues

Please note, no one is allowed on the ice surfaces until the LBHA determines it is safe. It is the responsibility of the homeowner and all members to check with the LBHA before venturing out on the ice.

If the homeowner places anything on the ice surface (ex: nets, chairs, etc) please ensure the items are removed before the ice melts. If the items are not removed and therefore sink after the ice melts, the homeowner will be charged a fee for the removal of the item from the lake.