

2020 Newsletter

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Welcome!

Summer is on the way! The Emerald Lake Regional Park Board would like to welcome everyone back for another season. Our Park is open May 15th to September 15th.

Thank you to all our volunteers this past season, our park would not be what it is today without the hours and dedication you gave to our park. We encourage all of you to take the initiative and to help where you can. It is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed.

Thank you to the dedicated staff we have in our park. Always look forward to bettering our tomorrows.

Board Members for 2020

Faye Johnston
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Secretary/Treasurer: Chelsey Watts Park Manager: Fran Nutter

Notices

- 1. Garbage pickups will be Mondays. Tuesdays on long weekends. All garbage must be bagged and in a sealed garbage can lined with a black garbage bag or your garbage will not be picked up. This fish-filleting shack is located at the boat launch. Should you choose to fillet your fish at home, you are responsible to take the remains to the garbage bin, located at the entrance of the park. ELRP staff will not pick up your garbage with fish remains.
- 2. The large metal recycle bin will once again be on site from May long weekend until the middle of June. Acceptable items are: old barbeques, bikes, barrels, etc.
- 3. The alcohol and cannabis ban are in effect for the May long weekend.

SRPA Capital Grant

Emerald Lake Capital Grant items for the 2019 year were as follows:

- Septic tank replacement
- Minor upgrades to seasonal sites

We completed all grant requirements by the Saskatchewan Regional Parks Association, and we received \$3,563.19 towards our projects. A huge thank you to SRPA for the work they do to help the parks.

In order for our park to receive these grants we must maintain being an accredited park with the SRPA. There are strict criteria and standards set out by the SRPA that every park must adhere to each year.

Capital Projects for 2020

- New septic tank for shower house
- Phase 1 of sports pad project
- Picnic tables and fire pit replacement
- Updates to the rental cabin
- Phase 1 of Hole #1 green project and minor golf course updates
- Purchase golf cart

Summer Events

Golf Course Clean Up

T.B.A.

Board AGM

Sunday, May 24, 2020 @ 10:00 a.m.

Location to be decided upon results of survey monkey which will be coming out soon.

Canada Day Celebrations

July 1, 2020 – Come join us for cake and ice cream at the beach at 7:00 p.m. Fireworks to follow at dusk.

Annual Canada Day Golf Tournament

July 4, 2020

Emfest Celebrations

August 1st and 2nd. Watch the main bulletin board for events and time. We are looking for volunteers. Donations for silent auction are welcome.

Swimming Lessons

Week 1 - July 27 to July 31

Week 2 – August 4 to August 8

Pre-school (3-5 years) - \$45.00

Level 1 to 10 - \$55.00

You can register starting May 1st by attending at the Main Store, calling the Main Store, email, or if you book a campsite through Let's Camp.

What's New?

Let's Camp

All information is on the SRPA website for Emerald Lake. We will also accept phone bookings as of May 1^{st} at 9:00 a.m.

Cabin Lot Surveys

The Plan of Proposed Subdivision is ready to go to Community Planning.

Once sent in, Community Planning will circulate the Plan of Proposed Subdivision to various utilities, government departments etc. for their comments. They will have 30 days to comment to Community Planning.

This is not to say that these entities will approve the subdivision at this time, but they will review the Plan of Proposed Subdivision and make their comments or provide their requests – Prior to Approval.

If approved, Community Planning sends the land survey company their "Certificate of Approval", the survey company must come back out to "pin the lots". This is also dependent on weather and how busy the land survey company is over the season.

Once the lots have been "pinned" and the corners are established, the Plan of Survey is drafted by the Land Survey Company and sent to Information Services Corporation for their registration.

Things to Keep in Mind

Gate Cards

Each gate card must be linked to its own Seasonal Park Pass and that pass must be purchased at Emerald Lake. If you own gate cards and do not purchase new Seasonal Passes for those gate cards, the cards will not be activated. If new Seasonal Passes are paid for with your lease fees, those gate cards remain active. Remember the money from the sale of all Seasonal Passes sold in our park, stay in our park!

Winter Gates

We continue to exchange the old gate key for new ones. It is \$25.00 to purchase a new gate key without exchange.

Storage Compound

Due to very limited offsite parking in ELRP, the Board will continue with the original policy put in place when the compound was posted and gated.

As per the newsletter in 2016, "As storage is at a premium in our park, we find the need to make some necessary changes to the storage compound. All items pertaining to winter (skidoos, trailers, ice shack, campers, enclosed trailers, etc.) must be removed from the compound prior to May 1st of each year."

Seasonal campers and cabin owners can place their name on a waiting list for a site. Limit of one storage space per site at a cost of \$25.00/per year and a \$15.00 refundable key deposit.

Summer Staff

Are you looking to spend your summer at the lake and earn income while you are here? We are currently looking for full time and part time employees.

Please send your resume with proof of your Food Safe Course. If you are under 16, please provide your Young Workers Certificate. As well, if you have your First Aid/CPR, send copies of that Certificate. Only those being interviewed will be notified. Please forward resumes to <u>elrpmanager@outlook.com</u>.

Seasonal Passes

Seasonal passes and Seasonal Camping Agreement receipts will be available at the Main Concession as of May 1st. Please stop by to say hello and pick yours up.

Memorial Garden

The granite memorial garden sign has room for more plaques. If you wish to purchase a memorial plaque for a loved one, you can do so for \$35.00. Please stop by the Main Concession to provide details for the plaque. Plaques are approximately 4" by 1".

Donations

If you wish to make a donation to the park, we will provide you with a tax receipt.

Well & Water Maintenance

ELRP well water is tested daily during the summer. All well water is chlorinated and potable during the camping season only. (May 15th – September 15th)

If you notice any irregularities with your water, please notify the Park Manager immediately.

We will be shocking the wells for the first week of May, weather permitting. Watch the bulletin board for the exact date. Once shocked, the wells will be offline for 24 hours to allow the chlorine to sit in the lines to disinfect them. Lines will then be flushed.

Email Addresses

Please forward your email address to <u>elrpsec@gmail.com</u>. We will not share this information. Be sure to check out our website emeraldlake.org for up-to-date information.

Parking

We have created new daytime parking and golf cart parking by the public walkway area located by section "B" cabins. This area will be signed.

Golf

This season Lionel Pelletier has stepped down as president of the Golf Course Committee. A very special thank you goes out to Lionel for his contributions, dedication and hard work put in as president. The golf course committee is open to new and past members. We encourage you to join the team.

If you purchase a new golf cart, you may transfer the license plate to your new cart. The \$25.00 fee includes your first license plate. From time to time these license plates will need to be replaced due to wear. These will be a charge to the cart owner at the time of replacement.

The park policy for driving golf carts is "everyone driving a golf cart must be a minimum of 16 years of age and carry a valid driver's license".

Regional Parks have the right to adopt this type of policy. Carts driven at night must have headlights and we ask that they not be driven after quiet time of 11:00 p.m.

The golf fees have changed for the 2020 as below:

Adult Round	9 Holes	\$15.00
All Day	9 Holes	\$20.00
Junior Round (18/under)	9 Holes	\$5.00
Adult Membership(18+)	Seasonally	\$100.00
Adult Couples Membership	Seasonally	\$170.00
Family Membership (3-4)	Seasonally	\$200.00
Junior & Family Membership	Seasonally	\$30.00
(additional children under 18		
Cart Rental – Power	9 Holes	\$20.00
Personal Golf Cart License	One Time	\$25.00

Burn Pile

Our burn pile is for trees and leaves only. The burn pit will be restricted and only open at posted dates and times.

ELRP History Book

A huge thank you to Dorothy Lynn, Brad Butler, Lynn Elder and Alma Dube for heading the history book committee.

Special thanks to Brett Duncan, Katie Cross, Barb Butler, Shirley Lynn, Kiara Fehr, Jolyn Lamontagne and all others for all of their fabulous documentation of ELRP history.

Emerald Lake Regional Park Emergency Warning System

Please keep this part of the newsletter and post it in a conspicuous place in your cabin or trailer. This warning system, along with an evacuation roadmap, are posted on the large bulletin board by the main store. Air horns will be used.

- 1 Long 1 Short Fire in vicinity. Be prepared if evacuation is necessary.
- Continuous Short Beeps Tornado in area. Take cover or evacuate.
- 1 Short 1 Long CPR help needed in park. Call 306-466-2089 for specific area.

In the case of an emergency, we will try to give sufficient notification. If evacuation is necessary, please proceed in a calm orderly manner out of the park. If you require assistance, please let staff know so we can prepare help where needed.

Defibrillator

A defibrillator is located on the window site of the Beach Concession from May 15th to September 15th. If needed, please open the case and follow the instructions.