

### COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, March 28, 2013 7:00 p.m.

Cowichan Lake Sports Arena Meeting Room, Lake Cowichan, BC

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF**

Meeting held on February 21, 2013

**DELEGATION:** none at this time

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

BA1: Unlicensed Alcohol - verbal update

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None at this time.

### **REPORTS:**

R1 - West Cowichan Facility Coordinator – Verbal Report presented by L. Blatchford as R. Frost is away.

R2 – Cowichan Lake Recreation Manager – Written Reports

- o Recreation Assistance Program
- o Pay before you Play Policy
- CLR Free programs and rentals report 2013
- Liquor License Extension Applications verbal report

R3 -CVRD Board- Directors Morrison and Weaver - Verbal Report

R4 - Town of Lake Cowichan - Mayor Forrest - Verbal Report

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **INFORMATION:**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

OB1 - No Smoking Policy

NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday April 25, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. CLSA Meeting Room



Minutes of the regular meeting of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission held Thursday, February 25, 2013 in the Cowichan Lake Sports Multipurpose Room, Lake Cowichan, BC.

PRESENT: Members: D. Darling (Chair); I. Morrison (Director Area F); P. Weaver (Director Area I); R. Forrest, (Mayor, Town of Lake Cowichan); B. Peters; E. Fearon; L. Johnson; J. Rowley

ALSO PRESENT: L. Blatchford, (Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation); R. Frost, (West Cowichan Facility Coordinator); J. Wakeham (Manager Facility Fleet and Transit); S. Moss (Manager of Finance); S. Hurcombe (Budget Coordinator – CVRD); R. Piechnik (Recording Secretary); R. Austen (General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture)

ABSENT: R. Wise

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m.

It was moved and seconded:

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

That the agenda be approved as amended with the addition of CLOSED SESSION – Community Charter Part 4, Division 3, Section 90, Subsection (1) Part (g) – Litigation, during the Budget discussion (R4).

**MOTION CARRIED** 

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded:

That the minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission regular meeting of Thursday, January 24, 2013 be adopted as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

7:10 p.m.

R. Austen entered the meeting.

Introductions were done.

**DELEGATION** 

None at this time.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**BA1: Smoking Policy – update** 

It was moved and seconded:

That the new smoking policy be implemented to correspond with the end of the 2012/2013 ice season.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Staff also informed the Commission that designated smoking areas have not been chosen at this time and that more information will be presented at a later meeting. CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

**REPORTS** 

R1: CVRD Board - Director Morrison and Weaver - No report

R2: Town of Lake Cowichan - Mayor Forrest - No report

R3: West Cowichan Facility Coordinator - Verbal Report

Electric Vehicle Charging Station is ready to go.

 Hosting BC Masters Curling Championships Feb 28 – March 3, 2013. Level three ice technician brought in and he is happy with the ice

R4: Cowichan Lake Recreation Manager - Report

Budget 2013

RESOLVED INTO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved and seconded:

That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the Community Charter Part 4, Division 3, Section 90, {Sub (2) (g)}

**MOTION CARRIED** 

RISE FROM CLOSED SESSION

It was moved and seconded:

To rise with report and return to regular meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

CSR<sub>1</sub>

It was moved and seconded:

To add \$12,500 to the operating budget.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

It was moved and seconded:

That the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission approve the 2013 budget as presented with the following amendments: increase capital projects by \$250,000; increase transfer from reserve by \$90,000; increase grant revenue by \$160,000; increase operating costs by \$31,159 (includes \$20,000 transfer to reserve, \$12,500 as per closed session report; addition of \$7659 to R&M buildings expenditure and \$10,000 to ice rental revenue); and increase the requisition by an additional \$30,159.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

It was moved and seconded:

To increase capital by a further \$185,000, increase transfer from reserve by a further \$70,000 and increase grants by a further \$115,000.

### **MOTION CARRIED**

Unlicensed Alcohol

#### It was moved and seconded:

That if the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch assesses a fine to Cowichan Lake Recreation, because a user group, in contravention of their rental contract and conditions of use, is in possession of unlicensed alcohol within the facility, that the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission:

- 1. Directs management to recoup the amount of the fine from the contravening user group.
- 2. Prohibits use of the facility by that user group, until all fines due to contravention of rental contract and conditions of use, for unlicensed alcohol possession at the facility are paid.

### **MOTION CARRIED**

- Verbal report re: BC Masters Curling Championship
- Verbal report re: \$500 Food and Beverage Healthy food and Beverage Sales Revitalization Grant
- · Verbal report re: \$3988 BC Hydro grant.

NEW BUSINESS	None at this time.
INFORMATION	None at this time.
OLD BUSINESS	None at this time.
NEXT MEETING	Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 7pm in the CLSA Meeting Room.
MEETING ADJOURNED	It was moved and seconded: To adjourn meeting. MOTION CARRIED
	Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.
Chairperson	Recording Secretary
	Dated:



### COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2013

DATE:

March 19, 2013

FILE NO:

FROM:

Linda Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

SUBJECT: Recreation Assistance Program

### Recommendation/Action:

That the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission implements a recreation assistance program similar to the one recently implemented at South Cowichan Recreation and one that is already in place at the Island Savings Centre.

### Relation to the Corporate Strategic Plan:

Meets the objective of promoting individual and community wellness by developing an accessibility strategy to ensure that all people have access to quality recreational and cultural services & facilities.

<u>Financial Impact:</u>	(Reviewed by Finance Division:	

Limited financial impact anticipated.

#### Background:

The Kerry Park Recreation Commission recently supported the implementation of a Recreation Assistance Program (see sample attached to this report). Families living in their funding areas are eligible to apply once per calendar year for the Recreation Assistance Program if their combined family income is at or below the Statistics Canada Low Income Threshold.

The June 2012 Low Income Threshold figures for an area with under 10,000 inhabitants are:

	# in family	1. 1. 1. 1. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2. 2.	2	3	# (	5	6 - 57	. 7 or more∌	
1	Income under	\$18,246	\$22,714	\$27,924	\$33,905	\$38,454	\$43,370	\$48,285	

Expenses related to the implementation of a Recreation Assistance Program would be minimal and may only occur in the case where an instructor is paid on a "per person basis" rather than a per hour basis. In fact, extra revenue could be generated because a program of this nature will allow access to programs by people who are not already participating due to financial limitations.

The Kerry Park Recreation Commission has capped this program at a maximum of \$2,000 to begin with. Programming staff monitor how much of the \$2,000 has been credited for the overall program per calendar year. Once the maximum amount has been reached, the Commission will reassess to see if the community need warrants an increase to this limit.

Once approved, an applicant still pays 25% of the program fee prior to the program start date. The remaining 75% is credited up to a maximum of \$125 program credit per person per year. The programmer reviews each application for eligibility. Proof of income must be provided and will be kept confidential. Managers assist with determining eligibility for any questionable applications. Requests are granted on a first come first serve basis with priority given to youth.

The Island Savings Centre has a very similar program in place and plans to modify it to be consistent with other divisions in the CVRD Parks, Recreation and Culture Department.

Submitted by,

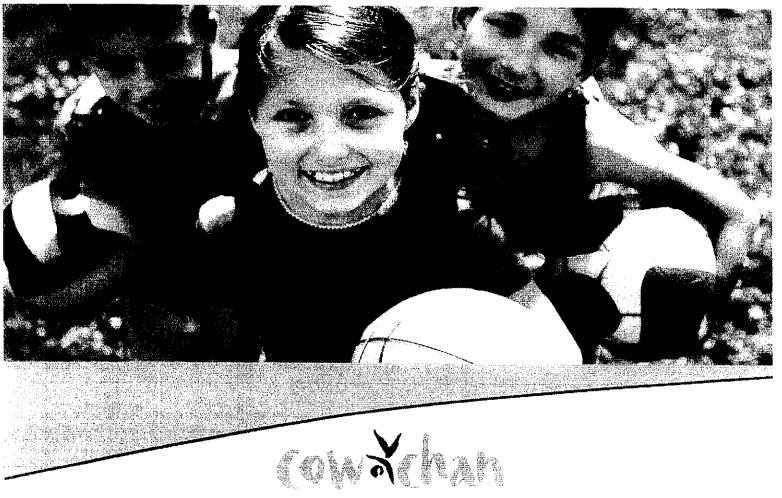
Linda Blatchford Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

Reviewed by:

Date: March 28, 2013

Approved by: General Manager

# **Recreation Assistance Program**



South Cowichan Recreation

South Cowichan Recreation is committed to providing accessible and affordable recreation programs. Families living in Mill Bay, Malahat, Shawnigan Lake, Cobble Hill and Cowichan Bay are eligible to apply for the Recreation Assistance Program if your combined family income is at or below the Statistics Canada Low Income Threshold.

### Benefits of the South Cowichan Recreation Recreation Assistance Program:

- 1. A maximum \$125 Program Credit per person per year. This credit can be used towards registration or punch passes for programs in the South Cowichan Recreation Program Guide. Once approved, you pay the initial 25% of the program fee, and your credit will be used to pay the remainder.
- 2. Free Public Skating Passes. A maximum of 10 free skating passes per person, per year.



### South Cowichan Recreation

### **Recreation Assistance Program**

### Who is Eligible?

Families living in Mill Bay, Malahat, Shawnigan Lake, Cobble Hill and Cowichan Bay are eligible to apply for the Recreation Assistance Program if your combined family income is at or below the Statistics Canada Low Income Threshold.

You may apply once per calendar year. Requests are granted on a first come first serve basis with priority given to youth.

### What is the Statistics Canada Low Income Threshold?

# in Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
Income Under	\$ 18,246	\$22,714	\$27,924	\$33,905	\$38,454	43,370	48.285

To be eligible your combined gross household income (before tax) must be within/below the following income ranges:

### How do I Apply?

Fill out application Form and remember to include:

- Proof of residency
- · Proof of income or completed adjudicator declaration.
- Sign Applicants Declaration

### What Happens Next?

Staff will review your application and contact you within 7 days of receiving your completed application. Once approved staff will assist you with your program registration.

#### **Need more information?**

For more information or assistance filling out your forms, please contact Janine Layseca, Recreation Programmer, at 250-743-5922.

### Helpful Numbers

Canada Revenue Agency 1-800-959-8281
Service Canada 1-866-866-0800
South Cowichan Recreation 250-743-5922



### South Cowichan Recreation

## Recreation Assistance Program Application Form

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1. If you need assistance to fill out this form please contact South Cowichan Recreation at 250-743-5922.

Applicants Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ First Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

				rostal code.		
	Phone: Cell:			# of people in household:		
2	Please list all family meml participate in.	bers who you are	applying for as wel	l as the program or activity you would like to		
	Name	Age	Birthdate	Program/Event (code-if applicable)		
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3. Please provide proof of residency. A photocopy of your drivers' license or BCID is required for each adult 18 and over, as well as a copy of a recent Hydro bill, cable or landline telephone bill.

## Recreation Assistance Program Application Form

4. Please provide proof of household income by way of Tax Assessment (Line 150 on your Notice of Assessment) or proof of income by adjudicator declaration (see below).

### Adjudicator Declaration:

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An adjudicator must be familiar with the applicant's financial situation, as their signature verifies the need of the family. An adjudicator can be a social worker, a school principal or counselor, a healthcare professional, a priest/pastor, a lawyer or notary public. Adjudicators other than those listed above will be considered if written documentation outlining the financial need of the applicant is attached.

Name of Adjudicator:	Position:
Organization Name and Address:	
Telephone:	Email:
I agree that the household income of thi recreation opportunities.	s applicant is such that they require financial assistance in order to receive
Adjudicators signature	Date
Applicants Declaration:	
Iprovided in this application is true, comp	(print name in full) hereby declare that all information plete and correct and that:
<ul><li>a. I am 18 years or older;</li><li>b. I am a permanent resident w</li></ul>	vithin one of the areas mentioned on page one.
Applicant's signature	Date
Completed applications and photoco	pies of documents can be dropped off in person or mailed to:
Kerry Park Recreation 1035 Shawnigan Mil Bay Rd. PO Box 7 Mill Bay BC	Shawnigan Lake Community Centre 2804 Shawnigan Lake Rd PO Box 37 Shawnigan Lake BC

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### COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2013

DATE:

March 21, 2013

FILE NO:

FROM:

Linda Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

SUBJECT: Pay Before You Play Policy

### Recommendation/Action:

That the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission provides direction on our "Pay before you Play" policy taking into account specifically - Bowling Programs and Curling League Activity and that the following recommendation is supported:

- That registrants "Pay before they Play" for all programs and special events managed by Cowichan Lake Recreation with the exception of curling bonspiels and summer hockey school.
- That requests for registration in a program not be accepted unless accompanied by full payment with the exception of curling bonspiels (in which case a \$50 deposit is paid at the time of registration and the balance paid prior to the first draw) and hockey school (in which case a \$50 deposit is paid at the time of registration and the balance paid prior to July 31st).

### Relation to the Corporate Strategic Plan:

- Meets the objective of providing exceptional recreation, cultural and park services.
- Meets the strategic action of continually improving the quality of programs and services.

### Financial Impact: (Reviewed by Finance Division:

- Less staff time spent chasing outstanding payments.
- Fees collected in the correct fiscal year.
- Fewer fees written off at year end thus ending up with a collection agency.
- Reduced outstanding fee amounts at year end.

### Background:

Cowichan Lake Recreation employees continually strive to achieve a goal of having program participants pay before they play. We have signage displayed in facilities that say "Please Pay before You Play". With constant reminders, there has been a noticeable shift in public understanding about having to pay before the course start date. However, there are still times when this does not occur and then staff chase people down for payment which, in some cases, they never receive. It is unclear why people in the Cowichan Lake area thought they could register for a program without paying for it. This does not happen in other areas (ISC and South Cowichan Recreation).

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Staff would like a clear policy on this matter so that the tools are in place with which to guide them and to make it easier to explain to a customer why a registration cannot occur until payment is received.

Currently, bowling programs and curling league activity, managed by Cowichan Lake Recreation, allow program participants to pay after they start playing. The decision to allow this was based on historical fact. For example: Bowlers belonging to sanctioned leagues were used to paying weekly lineage fees (Youbou Lanes is \$9/week). Curlers were required by the curling club to pay their \$200 league fees by November 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. This model causes excessive staff time entering fees into CLASS weekly; printing, reviewing and mailing Accounts Receivable information monthly; and following up with phone calls. Extra staff time occurs as well when bad debt information has to be brought to the Commission for permission to write off and further when bad debts that have ended up in the hands of collection agencies have to be sent in and monitored. While it may be impossible to eradicate these extra steps, it may reduce them significantly.

Currently, when a team registers for a curling bonspiel they pay a \$50 deposit at the time of registration and the balance upon arrival at the facility so that the entire fee is paid in full before they play the first draw. This works well and is the "norm" for curlers. If we changed this we would essentially kill the bonspiel as curlers will not pay a \$240 fee in full at the time of registration. Many skips register a year in advance and don't know who their team members are yet. Very few curling bonspiels are run by recreation staff while here, CLR hosts two annual bonspiels/year. Normally bonspiels are managed by curling clubs and curlers are used to paying a deposit and the balance upon arrival at the event.

Currently, registrations for hockey school are taken right after Christmas. Hockey school is held in August. Families register multiple children. A deposit of \$50/child is paid at the time of registration and the balance paid prior to July 31<sup>st</sup> so they too are paying before they play.

There is a chance that the implementation of a full "pay before you play" policy, could cause an initial decline in registration because long time bowlers and curlers will be annoyed. Bowling usually runs from September to April while curling runs from October to March. In order to minimize the risk of reduced participation, management plans to set the season up as a first half and a second half which will make it seem more affordable because participants can register and pay for each half separately.

Submitted by,

Linda Blatchford Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

Reviewed by:
Division Manager:

Approved by



### COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2013

DATE:

March 21, 2013

FILE NO:

FROM:

Linda Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

SUBJECT: FREE Programs, Special Events and Rental Opportunities

### Recommendation/Action:

This report is provided for information purposes and is intended to assist the Commission with providing direction to staff on whether or not to continue providing free programs, special events and rental opportunities, or not.

### Relation to the Corporate Strategic Plan:

- Meets the objective of providing exceptional recreation, cultural and park services.
- Meets the objective of promoting individual and community wellness by increasing participation in parks, recreation and culture programs, events and activities.
- Meets the objective of achieving excellence by ensuring that staff works with local groups, clubs, sports, outdoor and arts and cultural organizations to develop partnerships for the delivery of a broad spectrum of services.

### Financial Impact: (Reviewed by Finance Division:

Potential for less revenue to be generated through user fees and more to be collected through tax requisition in order to meet operational needs.

#### Background:

Cowichan Lake Recreation currently offers the following programs and special events with no entry fee. Concession and skate rental revenue is still received during free skates and the Easter egg hunt. Concession revenue is is received during the Regatta.

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	Monday Froe Skate							Salarina Established
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ı	Monday Free Skate	\$83		\$110	50		\$112.50	
ļ	Halloween Party &	\$1188	1	\$0	200 - 3	300	??	
	Haunted House							
	Easter Egg Hunt	\$120		\$58	50		\$112.50	
	Youbou Regatta	\$2150		\$1200	300 - 4	400	??	
	Canada Day	\$2500		\$1834	200	)	??	

It is well known that physical recreation and active living are essential to personal health. Families living at or below the Statistics Canada Low Income Threshold find it difficult to cover the cost of recreation programs for family members. Provision of the above activities allows inactive, higher risk children and youth the opportunity to take part in recreational activities in their community at least once a week all year long.

Cowichan Lake Recreation currently allows the following facility rentals at no charge:

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CLSA Ice for	LCDMHA & Community	1	\$846
Hockey Jamborree			40.0
CLSA Ice for	CLDSC & Community	1	\$141
Figure Skating Show	,		. *
Free use Honeymoon Bay	HBCS & Community	See motion	\$23,439
Community Hall (2011/12)	ŕ	May 2011	, , ,
Centennial Upper Hall – setup of	Kaatza Lakeside	Multiple	\$1766
front of house, set building, strikes,	Players Society	bookings total	·
tech work (2011/12)	(KLPS)	107 hrs	
Other Multiple Use User Groups	LCDMHA	8	\$529
1 free meeting a month	CLDSC	8	\$529
Various facilities	KLPS	11	\$727
	GLW Society	11	\$727
Hall Space for Flu Shots and Blood	Community	sporadic	\$124/day
Donor Clinics			
40% off of rentals for fundraising	Charities and Societies	2 - 3	\$113 off per event
events			·
Centennial Whole Hall for	Community Services &	2 days	\$632
Christmas Hamper Program	Community		
Curling Lounge for Quilting meeting	Piecemaker's	10	\$661
	Quilting Club		
Centennial Hall – town hall	Town of Lake Cowichan	varies	No value – part of management
meetings, Ohtaki, Lake Days,	& Community		agreement
elections etc.			
Setup and Cleanup any facility for a	Community	13hrs/booking	\$158/booking
rental i.e. wedding, reunion, etc.			
Arena and curling ice use, bowling,	LCSS Students	107 bookings	Joint Use Agreement
hockey program		in 2012	
Arena Board Advertising	LDMHA	n/a	\$1450 for 2012
	CLDSC	n/a	\$1450 for 2012
Ball fields (Town and CVRD)	LCDMBA & Adult Slo	Ap 1-July 30	Unknown – no ball field rental
	Pitch (no remuneration	Daily	fees set by Town
	back to CLR for this		or CVRD Parks
	service)		

Submitted by, Linda Blatchford Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

Reviewed by:

Approved by General Manager.



### COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2013

DATE:

March 19, 2013

FILE NO:

FROM:

Linda Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

SUBJECT:

No Smoking Policy Implementation

### Recommendation/Action:

That the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission implements a full smoking ban where smoking is not permitted <u>anywhere</u> on the grounds or in the buildings owned and operated by Cowichan Lake Recreation.

### Relation to the Corporate Strategic Plan:

- Meets the goal of a safe and healthy community
- · Meets the objective of providing exceptional recreation, cultural and park services
- Meets the strategic action of continually improving the quality of programs and services.

Financial Impact:	(Reviewed by Finance Division:	)
No financial impact	anticinated	

### Background:

The Kerry Park Recreation Commission adopted a no smoking policy in early July 2011. Today, their signage reads "Smoking is prohibited. In an effort to promote healthy living smoking is not permitted <u>anywhere</u> on the grounds or in the buildings of Kerry Park Recreation".

North Cowichan's Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and the Island Savings Centre Commission have announced that as of May 1, 2013, smoking will no longer be permitted anywhere on the grounds of the Cowichan Aquatic Centre and the Island Savings Centre.

CVRD Parks and Trails Division is updating their CVRD Parks Bylaw to include a no smoking clause. This Bylaw is proposed to include property commonly referred to as regional park, community park, community recreation park, coastal recreation park, playgrounds, sports courts, sports fields, ice arenas, libraries, community centres, theatres, marine park, nature park, wildlife corridor, forest, greenway, ecological reserve, conservation area, marsh, beach access, dock, wharf and boat ramp.

Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission, at their January 24, 2013 meeting, passed a motion to have a full smoking ban in facilities and on the grounds of facilities owned and operated by Cowichan Lake Recreation except in designated smoking areas whose locations are still to be determined. Further to this, the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission passed a motion that

the new smoking policy be implemented to correspond with the end of the 2012/2013 ice season.

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Staff has investigated potential areas for designated smoking areas at all facilities but have not come up with ideal locations for the following reasons:

- Safety concerns with traffic flow due to parking lots that extend to the edge of properties and streets/roads that bisect hall properties in more than one location.
- Health issues: School, playground, ball field or other parks in close proximity.
- Cost: No budget provision made for the purchase of shelters, benches ashtrays and garbage receptacles at each designated smoking area.
- Consistency with other Cowichan Valley Recreation facilities.

Implementation of this policy would be May 1, 2013. Included with this report are examples of:

- A news release planned for early April 2013.
- An advertisement that would be placed on the website, internal TV Screen, in the Playbook and bulletin boards in each facility and included in all user group contracts.
- Signage that will be placed around each of the facilities for May 1, 2013.

Enforcement of this policy will include:

- Gentle reminders from staff that this is a smoke free environment in which case most people will move off the grounds or butt out.
- Support of a self-monitoring approach where signage is up and patrons then feel confident in discussing this change in policy with each other.
- Inclusion in facility terms and conditions that is given out to user groups on an annual or one off basis.

Submitted by,

Linda Blatchford Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation

Reviewed by?

Olivision Manager.

Approved by:





### **News Release**

The Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission is announcing that as of May 1, 2013, smoking will no longer be permitted anywhere on the grounds of Cowichan Lake recreation facilities. This includes the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena, Lake Cowichan Centennial Hall, Youbou Community Hall and Bowling Alley, Mesachie Lake Hall and Honeymoon Bay Hall.

CVRD staff have recently researched no smoking policies at other recreation facilities on Vancouver Island. The trend has been to reduce the number of areas where smoking is permitted and several Cowichan Valley facilities, including the Island Savings Centre, the Cowichan Aquatic Centre and the Kerry Park Recreation Centre have already implemented policies prohibiting smoking in buildings and on the grounds. In an effort to promote healthy living the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission and staff support the adoption of a similar policy.

According to the Canadian Cancer Society, tobacco is recognized as a major cause of cancer, accounting for more than 85% of lung cancers in Canada. This includes second-hand smoke which is responsible for many deaths from heart disease in people who are currently non-smokers. Many of us breathe in second-hand smoke – whether we're aware of it or not – in public places, around doorways of buildings, and at work.

The public will have a role in enforcing the policy. Appropriate signage will be installed at all facilities and can be used as an information tool for members of the public to communicate the policy to others.

For more information on this, please contact:

Linda Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation, (250) 749-6742 or lblatchford@cvrd.bc.ca

The Cowichan Valley Regional District would like to announce, in an effort to promote healthy living, that as of May 1, 2013



### **SMOKING IS PROHIBITED**

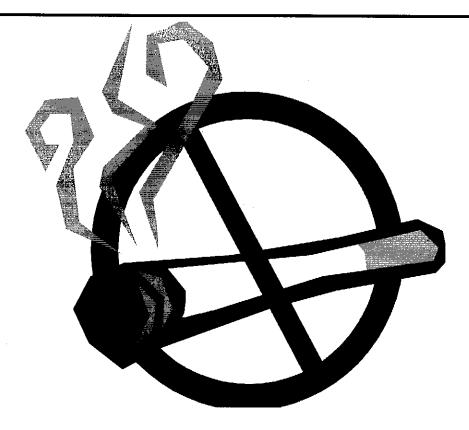
Anywhere on the grounds, or in the buildings of, Cowichan Lake Recreation.

This includes the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena, Lake Cowichan Centennial Hall, Youbou Community Hall and Bowling Alley, Mesachie Lake Hall and Honeymoon Bay Hall.

Thank you for your cooperation.







## **SMOKING IS PROHIBITED**

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This includes the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena, Lake Cowichan Centennial Hall, Youbou Community Hall and Bowling Alley, Mesachie Lake Hall and Honeymoon Bay Hall.

Thank you for your cooperation.



