

# LIFE ON THE LAKE

# Columere Park Marina Ltd

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\*\*\* A Special Thank You \*\*\* To the Following Families

Aitken	Leuke
Baumback	MacLeod
Bolokoski/Binda	Moss, A.
Cheetham, M	Nieboer
Forbes	Pelensky
Gillmor	Rayton

"Thank You" to the above families who released their seasonal boat stall for a few weeks during the summer so other community members on the waiting list could use them.

#### Columbia Lake Management Strategy (CLMS)

The Regional District of East Kootenay (RDEK) is updating this plan starting this spring. Watch the Pioneer for announcements. Learn and get involved!

#### Kiteboarding!! Learn More ...

If you're interested in learning about kiteboarding, please contact Franz at franz0804@amail.com

#### Near-Shore Speed Limits

There is a general non-posted 10 kph speed limit within 30 metres (100 feet) of shore.

#### Columbia Lake Stewardship Society (CLSS)

When down at the marina view the map by the ramp that outlines environmentally sensitive areas around the Lake and check out the brochure box for interesting information about Columbia Lake that is published by the CLSS. <u>www.columbialakess.com</u>

# Gate Not Working?

Phone calls are appreciated when the gate is not working.. If your card does not open the gate, it could simply mean a computer glitch. However, if the automated gate is not working and the manual gate is being used, please ensure that the manual gate is closed. Having a closed gate is a requirement of CPR.

# **Refueling Boats**

Use anti-static refueling mat when refueling a boat.

## How to Reach Us

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Welcome to life on Columbia Lake!

#### **Gate Improvements**

Last summer, the gate had issues. Parts have been replaced and the gate is up and running! A section of fence has been installed to prevent people from walking around the gate.

#### Marina Rules – Visit www.columerepark.com

The Marina's "Rules & Regulations" can be found on the website. It is the responsibility of community members to review every year. Please print them for your Columere Park home for all to read.

#### Securing Your Boat

It may seem obvious, but last year we experienced many boats that were not tied up properly to accommodate the boat beside them. PLEASE ensure your boat is tied up tight to the dock before leaving. If you require extra cleats, please contact us.

#### Columere Park Residents who Rent/Lend their Homes to Others

Renters of homes used as a vacation rental property or unaccompanied family/friends of community members are not permitted to use the launching facilities or marina stalls.

#### CPR Safety

Railway safety and the vital role you play in keeping your family and friends safe is important. Remember ...

- Only cross the railway tracks at the designated crossing.
- ✓ STOP, LOOK, LISTEN AND LIVE!
- ✓ If you see a train approaching, stop and wait in a safe place away from the tracks.
- ✓ Children should be accompanied by an adult when crossing the tracks.
- ✓ Do not walk on or along the tracks.

Incidents with CPR are reported to us and not obeying the above CPR safety rules will result in beach and marina privileges to be revoked.

## **Pedestrian Traffic at Crossing**

Please use the designated gated pathway to cross the railway tracks. Pedestrians to give the right of way to the vehicles.

## Crossing Railway Tracks with Vehicle

Vehicles going through the vehicle gate must be licenced and insured. Vehicle drivers must hold a valid driver license.

Please limit taking your vehicles over the tracks ... use vehicles only to transport fuel or drop off people who cannot walk from the parking lot. There is limited parking on the marina side of the tracks that is reserved for people launching boats for the day. Limiting vehicle traffic will reduce possible vehicle incidents with pedestrians and trains.

#### Clean, Drain and Dry

Since Columbia Lake is shallow and warm, the threat of invasive/non-native aquatic plants and species (like Eurasian Watermilfoil and Zebra/Quagga Mussel) being introduced to Columbia Lake is a real concern because reproduction/spread would happen quickly. Before leaving a body of water that you have used your watercraft/equipment remember to Clean, Drain and Dry your watercraft (including kayaks, paddleboards, trailer ...) and equipment (life jackets, waders, fishing gear ...) before using them again in Columbia Lake.

Learn how to Clean Drain Dry by visiting http://bcinvasives.ca/resources/programs/clean-drain-dry