

# CWR Boat Club 2024 Newsletter

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# **Summer Water Supply and Oldman Reservoir Level**

**Summer 2024 irrigation**. We are all aware that the reservoir is low. Depending on spring snowfall and rains in summer, irrigation might be limited in summer 2024. CWR executive will be issuing updates on how the irrigation schedule might be adjusted and if any other special action will be needed.

**Reservoir levels.** In 2023, the Oldman Reservoir was full at the end of June. In most summers, the level holds for a couple of weeks and then gradually declines throughout summer. The drop rate and final level depend on precipitation and demand. Year to year, the end-of-summer reservoir levels vary quite a bit. However, over the past 20 years, there has been no trend in late-summer reservoir levels. The trend line is flat.

In 2023, as soon as the reservoir was full, the level started to drop fast and continued dropping until October. The early season drop was odd because the main water demand usually comes from the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District. However, LNID water use was low in early July because of a major problem with one of their main canals. So what was going on?

Alberta has an agreement with Saskatchewan that requires our province to let a certain amount of water into Saskatchewan—mainly to supply Lake Diefenbaker. In the winter of '22-'23, flows from Alberta were low and it was necessary for Alberta to keep water flowing to Saskatchewan. This is the main reason for the rapid level drop. It was

also affected by lack of rain and high demand here at home. An unfortunate combination.

The level continued dropping until early mid December when the level elevation was 1093.6 metres. When full, the reservoir level is 1118.6 m. As of Feb 21, 2024, the reservoir was at 1096.3 metres which is up 2.7 (9 feet) metres from its lowest level this winter. However it is still 22 metres (73 feet) below maximum. The level is currently above the spring 2002 level when the reservoir level was 1088m. In 2002, as usual, the reservoir filled to maximum by early July. (Apparently, the reservoir was also low in 1996, but the public database only goes back to 1999.

As of February 21, the snowpack in SW Alberta was below average. More snow and spring rains will be needed to ensure there is adequate water. Over that, no one has control. We remain optimistic that 2024 will be a banner year for the reservoir.

Boat Launch

(Thank you to Clive S. for reservoir level information)

#### ARE YOU PLANNING A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT THIS YEAR?

As stated in Schedule "B"



#### No permanent or temporary structure may be erected without the Society's written approval

CWR Executive, as a whole, are required to review all lot improvements/requests. Therefore, the Sub-lessee needs to ensure submissions are forwarded to the executive via email <a href="mailto:cwrboatclub@gmail.com">cwrboatclub@gmail.com</a> prior to construction, and provide adequate time for the executive to meet, review, discuss and provide feedback.

Improvements - Call before you dig 1-800-242-3447 or Online albertaonecall.com

All improvements shall include any shed, patio, fence, structure, and all things which become attached to or placed on the lot and such may not need to be permanent or affixed to the land to be classified as an improvement. All improvements, require the consent and approval of the Society. Any improvement which the Society, on notice to the Sub-lessee, requires to be removed as unsuitable shall be removed on notice as herein stated and the Society reserves the sole right and discretion to refuse to renew any lease if the Sub-lessee does not comply with a direction to remove an improvement.

#### **MAINTAINING LOT**

The Sub-lessee must at all times, keep the Premises, any trees and vegetation on the Land, and any structures or improvements erected thereon in a clean, safe, and attractive condition compatible with the park environment, and prevent the growth of and exterminate all noxious weeds, and prevent excessive grass cover from becoming a fire hazard, and keep any improvements in a good and serviceable state of repair, and ensure that trees, vegetation and improvements not interfere with utility rights of ways and adjacent lands, all to the satisfaction of the Society. If not maintained, maintenance will be completed by the Society and a fee will be charged to the Sub-lessee at a fee of *\$250.00*.



**Per Schedule B: Parking:** All vehicles, including boats and other watercraft, must be parked completely within the boundaries of a lot at all times. No vehicle, trailer or boat is permitted to block or restrict access to any adjacent lot, road or common area at any time. Public parking areas are established and marked within the park to accommodate excess vehicle parking requirements.

## Garbage Disposal:

The park was challenged with the additional costs last year for garbage disposal.

### Just another reminder and a huge shout out to all in the park that were diligent with their disposals.

Bagged domestic garbage is to be disposed of in the two household bins (which are bear proof) and other refuse in the large (clamshell) bin. **DO NOT** leave garbage bags outside of the household bins. If the bins are full, these bags may be put into the clamshell bin. **IF** both the household bins and the clamshell are full you MUST take your garbage to the municipal landfill or the dumpster station in Pincher Creek. Do not overload the large (clamshell) bin. The lid must be able to close so it can be hauled off site.

**<u>DO NOT</u>** dispose of furniture, building material, metal, propane tanks, paint or other containers with mystery liquids in either the small or large bins.

Any lease holder caught violating the dumpsters may be levied a fine to cover additional costs incurred by the club.

Please be considerate and take large loads of refuse to the Lundbreck Landfill.



**Horse Shoe Pits**—Are available to all for play. Grab your shoes & challenge a neighbor! For those of you new to the park they are located in the upper green space across from the recreation centre, southwest corner.