KamloopA Club: Shumway Lake Use Policy

Date issued – June 2013; Date revised – November 2015 **■** For all KamloopA Club members Kamloops Rowing Club **=** Kamloops Water Ski Club **=** Kamloops Canoe and Kayak Club

1. Purpose and Application

- 1.1. The purpose of this policy is to give KamloopA Club (KC) members a set of rules to allow for the safe and courteous operation of the Shumway Lake Facility. This policy governs how, when and where KC members' boats can operate including launching and retrieval.
- 1.2. This Policy applies to all Members of KC and their guests when they are in the act of boating or launching their boat on Shumway Lake.
- 1.3. This policy does not supersede any policies that member clubs' must follow under their National or Provincial Sports Organizations.

2. Lake Use

- 2.1. All KC members and guests must conduct themselves in a safe manner and must adhere to all policies. KC Members are responsible for their guests' actions.
- 2.2. All motorized boat operators must hold a valid Pleasure Craft Operators Card as required by Transport Canada.
- 2.3. Priority use of Shumway Lake is as follows, as shown on the attached map (Appendix A):
 - a) North end: paddling/rowing priority
 - b) South end: towed watersports priority.
 - c) The far south end of the lake: off limits to all motorized boats during nesting season (July 1 to January 1).
- 2.4. Sharing the Lake: All members are eligible to use any portion of the lake provided the priority club is not using that area. Specifically, the Kamloops Canoe and Kayak Club (KCKC) and the Kamloops Rowing Club (KRC) may use the south end of the lake provided the Kamloops Waterski Club (KWSC) is not on the water. Conversely, KWSC may use the north end of the lake if no members from KCKC or KRC are on the water. To ensure safety, the following protocols will be observed:
 - a) Upon arrival at the site, KWSC members will idle their boat from the boat launch to the south end to indicate their intention to use the lake. KCKC or KRC members who are in the south end of the lake must immediately move towards the western (highway) shore and paddle to the north end of the lake without delay, and must not paddle towards, near or within the KWSC jump or slalom course.
 - b) When KWSC is on the water, other club members shall avoid moving toward the KWSC jump and slalom course and stay close to the western (highway) shore until reaching the north end.
 - c) Upon arrival at the site, KCKC or KRC members will paddle or row to the north end. If KWSC is operating a ski boat in the north end, the KCKC or KRC member will wait until visual contact (and a hand wave or other visual signal) is made with the driver of the ski boat. The KWSC member will then make its way to the south end of the lake giving the paddlers or rowers a large berth. The KWSC member will minimize their wake near non-motorized boats.
 - d) When both KCKC paddlers and KRC rowers are on the lake at the same time, they shall observe standard lane etiquette in all areas. Paddlers and rowers shall travel on the west side of the lake while heading north. Paddlers and rowers shall travel on the east side of the lake while heading south.
- 2.5. To avoid damage to lanes, courses and buoys (i.e. racing lanes, waterski course, etc), motorized boats shall stay clear of courses which they are not affiliated with. Specifically, KCKC and KRC coach boats shall remain clear of the KWSC slalom and jump course. KWSC members shall stay clear of the KCKC/KRC course (keep an equal distance between the buoys and western shore line when using the north end of the lake).

- 2.6. To ensure safety and prevent conflict, all motorized boats shall observe the following speed and wake/wave restrictions:
 - a) While paddlers or rowers are near the docks, a 5 km/hour zone shall be observed within 30m.
 - b) Should a KWSC member need to drive at a slow speed making a big wake (ie towing a child waterskiing), they shall maintain a 60m distance from the docks.
 - c) To avoid wake issues and potential conflict, as much as possible, KCKC and KRC should use the North dock when KWSC is on the water.
- 2.7. If KWSC members are planning to or actively jumping, the following shall be observed:
 - a) If lake is being used by KCKC or KRC at the time, KWSC members shall discuss with KCKC or KRC members on shore as soon as they arrive onsite or by phoning ahead (clubhouse # 250-851-0523).
 All club members shall make every effort to negotiate a mutually agreeable schedule.
 - b) KWSC must not start a jumper if non motorized boats are launching from the docks, just leaving or approaching.
 - c) If a KWSC jumper is preparing for or executing a jump, non-motorized boats shall not launch until the jumper is complete their set.
 - d) Non motorized boats returning to the docks shall wait until jumper is complete or return to shore via the north dock or boat launch.
- 2.8. The boat launch shall remain clear at all times:
 - a) Trailers and/or vehicles are not to be parked on the boat launch, ramp or anywhere which may restrict the launching of another boat.
 - b) No boats are to be tied up to the boat launch docks in the launching lane.

3. Compliance and Dispute Resolution

- 3.1. Should a member not adhere to this policy, the first course of action should be a polite verbal reminder of the Policies by the noticing member. Alternatively, the noticing member may discuss the matter with the offending member's club president or KC representative.
- 3.2. Should corrective measures not occur the Dispute/Complaint Policy comes into effect.

The intent is that this policy will be reviewed on an annual basis and revised as necessary.

Policy approved:

DOV. 23/2015 KamloopA Club President

