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Now that 2020 is behind us here's to 2021 being "more normal".

I hope this letter to the members finds you and your families in good health and spirits and here's to a safe and happy 2021. Special thanks to our General Manager, the rest of his team and to the rest of the BGCC Board for getting us safely and successfully through the start of a global pandemic. Unfortunately, the pandemic is not quite done and current data suggests that until we have all had the opportunity to get vaccinated by late 2021 (?), there will still be health mandates and restrictions by Alberta Health Services. How will this affect BGCC for the 2021 season? We obviously don't know yet as it's too early to tell and it's still a very "fluid" situation but we are committed to do our best to keep everyone safe with doors open and lights on to the best of our abilities. But, like we have said before, it's not just up to the staff and board, it takes every member and their guests to do the right things and follow the Provincial mandates and rules set out by BGCC with regard to the same. We will do our best to keep everyone informed about requirements and rules via emails, social media accounts and our website, but if in doubt please err on the side of caution and at all times follow the direction of the General Manager.

Our yearend financial statements are being finalized at the accountants but I can advise that although 2020 wasn't a normal year with access to full services such as a full kitchen or washrooms in the campsites, we did have seasonal camping, day use camping, golfing and even some smaller league play/socials and did okay financially which has put us in a reasonable position to start 2021. As discussed in 2020 and beginning in 2021, seasonal campsites will have their power meters read and sites will be invoiced to help recoup some of the usage/consumption costs. We have also done away with "BGCC covers the GST if memberships paid by end of February" so that all fees for memberships, seasonal camping, etc. are due in full by the end of March and we have clarified the pricing around seasonal campsites to avoid any confusion with regard to the same. Other than clarifying the seasonal camping fee, you will see no increases to the posted rates for golfing/camping for 2021 on our website.

Looking forward to "seeing" everyone at our 2021 Zoom AGM where we can share the detailed financial results for 2020 and any COVID-19 updates regarding being able to be open/operate.

Stay safe.

Dennis Jones
President BGCC