

Exhibition Grounds – Function 660

Comox Valley Exhibition Grounds Fees and Charges Bylaw

Proposed Updates to Bylaw No. 244, 2013

Background Information

- User fees account for approx. 11% of the revenue for the Comox Valley Exhibition Grounds.
- Costs associated with the ongoing operation and maintenance of these areas are continually increasing.
- Many factors are taken into consideration when setting user fees including:
 - Ongoing Operating and Maintenance Costs
 - Cost Recovery Ratios
 - Types of Users, Events and Facilities Available
 - Quality and Availability of the Resources
 - Affordability and Rates Charged at Similar Facilities in the Region



Existing Services

- Renters can reserve individual areas/zones for a weekly activity or the entire grounds for an annual or one time event .
- Overnight camping, washrooms, storage, power, water and other amenities are available on request for additional fees for those requiring enhanced services.
- Exhibition grounds includes 7 zones, fields, barns, riding ring, washrooms & amenities.



Summary of Proposed Changes

- General 3% annual increase for the next 3 years.
- The addition of definitions.
- Fee bump in 2022 for the Annual Riding Ring Pass followed by a 3% increase each year.
- The addition of a monthly riding ring pass option.
- Fee bump in 2022 for camping followed by a 3% increase per year.
- Fee bump in 2022 for self board stalls followed by a 3% increase per year.
- The addition of a water charge on events with over 200 people and when off site water needs to be brought in during water restrictions.
- Development of a 2 tiered fee structure for self-board stalls – 1 for public programs/not-for-profit groups & 1 for commercial/personal use.



Questions?

