

## March Membership Update

Hello valued CRE Membership,

CRE was heading for a strong month when life changed for everyone. Due to COVID-19, CRE unfortunately lost all bookings for the remainder of March and April. We will update on May and June bookings in our next membership update. In the meantime, CRE has put to action our crisis response plan. This plan includes closure of the main building to all visitors and staff advised to stay home if sick. Cost containment measures have been implemented such as, reduction in staff hours, lowering building temperatures, keeping lights off and closing the site every Friday.

The Bison Show was our last event in the building, ending on March 13. Since then then, operations staff have been cleaning and sanitizing all buildings. As we await for future decisions regarding mass gatherings at CRE, the staff are working on future projects so we can hit the ground running when we can host events again.

We are busy watching the weather and are hoping for warm days with lots of sunshine so we can reopen the RV park in April. We are anticipating the Park reopening in early April and look forward to welcoming our long-term guests back for what will hopefully be another great season!

We will be launching an online agriculture photo contest. This allows CRE to connect with the community, create content for our social media pages, and keep people engaged during this time when we do not have people coming on site.

We hope you are all safe, healthy and practicing physically distancing. Thank you for being a part of CRE membership. We would love to stay in touch. Contact us at 780-672-3640 or [cre@cre.ab.ca](mailto:cre@cre.ab.ca). Check the CRE website for more details to be announced soon!

*"I wish none of this had happened."*

*"So do all who live to see such times. But that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with that time that is given to us."*

*~ JRR Tolkien*