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## **Regional District Parks Open for the Season**

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is reminding residents in the region that most of the Regional Parks are now open for the season. The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George operates 11 day-use parks throughout the region.

"We know people are keen to get out and enjoy the outdoors for the May long weekend, and we want to invite people to include a visit to the Regional District parks as part of their plans," says Dana Ferguson who oversees the management of the Regional District Parks.

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George operates the following parks:

- **Berman Lake** - 45km west of Prince George
- **Cedarside** - 3 km south of Valemount on Little Cranberry Lake
- **George Hicks** - located at Valemount, BC along Swift Creek
- **Giscome Portage (Huble Homestead Historic Site)** - 40 km north of Prince George
- **Harold Mann** - located 50 km northeast of Prince George via Highway 16 East and Upper Fraser Road
- **John Dahl** – located in the District of Mackenzie
- **Koeneman** – located in McBride
- **Kristian Winther** - on the south shore of the Salmon River, 30 km north of Prince George, via the Hart Highway 97
- **McMillan Creek** - accessed via the Hart Highway 97 North off Hoferkamp Road
- **Ness Lake** - 35 km northwest of Prince George via Highway 97 and Chief Lake Road
- **Wilkins** - 15 km west of Prince George via Otway Road.

Most of the parks are now open, but Ferguson advises some parks still have snow and other issues that can make access a challenge. "Parks like Ness Lake and Berman Lake still have snow, so vehicle access may be limited. As well, there is some flooding at Harold Mann Park, so it may be another couple weeks before that park is open," says Ferguson.

The Regional Parks provides recreational, educational, heritage and conservation opportunities for all to enjoy. Parks are designed for day use only and offer a variety of amenities which can include picnic areas, fire pits, beaches, restroom facilities, interpretive services, heritage buildings, trail systems and boat launches. Parks may be booked for special events such as weddings, family reunions and company picnic gatherings.

For more information about Regional District parks, visit the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George website at [www.rdffg.bc.ca](http://www.rdffg.bc.ca)

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