

The Alberta Elks Foundation is excited to debut our new float that is available for use year-round!! The float was designed to be smaller and easier to set up, transport, and use in the hopes that Lodges can book it for more events, such as selling Foundation Raffle Tickets in malls (hint hint)!!

A trailer for hauling the float has been purchased for easy transportation, meaning all that a lodge will need to haul the float is a vehicle that has a tow package. Charlie comes as a part of the float and is included with the bookings and should be worn at events wherever possible. He is going to look fantastic on the float at all your events! Instructions for cleaning Charlie and a manual for how to operate, store, and maintain the float are included with the float. It is important to note that the mechanics of the float require that Lodges are responsible to store the float in a warm place, preferably indoors, as the batteries cannot be outside in freezing temperatures.

The float is scheduled on a first come first serve basis, and Lodges must complete the Float Requisition for all bookings. Once the Lodge submits the Float Requisition form to the Foundation, a letter will be sent to the contact person on the application indicating whether your date is available to be booked. In the letter will be details as to where the float is located, whom to contact at the Red Deer Lodge to arrange pick up and return of the float, and the trailer lock code. The Foundation will then send a copy of the letter to the Red Deer Lodge contact.

Our hope with a more versatile float is that Lodges will use it to promote the Foundation Raffle. There is no cost to use the float and Charlie in Winter months (Oct – Apr) for promoting the Foundation Raffle. Float and Charlie use in the Spring/Summer months (May – Sep) for parades and Lodge functions is \$200.00 and payable at the time of application to the Alberta Elks Foundation.