



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Rob Anderson, Recreation Division Coordinator

Meeting Date: September 18, 2018

Subject: Report APRAC18-018
Cyclocross National Championships 2018 and 2019

Purpose

A report to inform that the Peterborough Cycling Club has successfully bid to host the Canadian National Cyclocross Championships for 2018 and 2019.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC18-018 dated September 18, 2018, of the Recreation Division Coordinator, as follows:

That a presentation by John Hauser on behalf of the Peterborough Cycling Club on the 2018 & 2019 Canadian National Cyclocross Championships be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There is no budget or financial implication resulting from the approval of the recommendation of Report APRAC18-018.

Background

The Peterborough Cycling Club has recently won its bid to host the Canadian National Cyclocross Championships for 2018 and 2019, in Peterborough. This event will draw thousands of national and international racers, teammates, friends, and family, to the Peterborough area.

Cyclocross races are held on a closed loop course approximately 3km long, located in a closed area like a large city park, and are very spectator friendly. The course typically covers various types of terrain, such as grass, asphalt, gravel, hills, sand, and mud, to ensure challenging conditions for racers. Part of the strategy in designing a course worthy of a national championship race is to use the existing geography to its fullest, and to showcase the natural beauty and historical importance of the area. Nicholls Oval Park provides a suitable terrain for such an event.

On September 18, 2018, Mr. Hauser will attend the meeting of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, to make a presentation on behalf of the Peterborough Cycling Club, providing details of the event and the proposed course within Nicholls Oval Park.

Submitted by,

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