



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Rob McAulay, Director, Recreation and Parks Services

Meeting Date: February 27, 2024

Report: Division Update, Report APRAC24-005

Subject

A standing report to advise the Arena Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on the current and upcoming activities of staff and division projects.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC24-005, dated February 27, 2024, of the Recreation Services Director, as follows:

That report APRAC24-005 be received for information.

Background

Starting in the 2021 meeting cycle, committee meetings have been delivered virtually, and to assist with providing effective communication, divisional staff continue to provide APRAC with updates on current or upcoming projects and activities associated with the Arenas, Parks and Recreation Services for the City of Peterborough.

a) Recreation Facility Services – Brad Putnam

No updates from Recreation Facility Services.

b) Facilities and Property Management – Gillian Barnes and Sean Nailer

Bonnerworth Park

Planning for the redevelopment of Bonnerworth Park is underway. The park is located at 560 McDonnell Street in Ward 3. The City's community consultation website at connectptbo.ca/bonnerworth-park is now active. An online survey is open until 11:59 p.m. on March 29, 2024, for the community to provide feedback. A Public Drop-in Session will take place on Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room at McDonnell Street Community Centre at 577 McDonnell Street.

Knights of Columbus Park

Planning for the redevelopment of Knights of Columbus Park is underway. The park is located at 5 Park Street North in Ward 3. The City's community consultation website at connectptbo.ca/knights-of-columbus-park is now active. An online survey is open until 11:59 p.m. on April 12, 2024, for the community to provide feedback. A Public Drop-in Session will take place on Thursday, April 4, 2024, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room at McDonnell Street Community Centre at 577 McDonnell Street.

c) Planning and Urban Design – Nicole Huculiak

No updates on Planning and Urban Design.

d) Recreation Programs and Partnerships – Heather Stephens

The winter session will wrap up at the end of March and registration for spring programs that start on April 8, will occur after March Break. It was a busy winter with a full slate of programs and services for the community. To date we had 2,853 participants registered in recreation programs this winter session. Programming and special events for winter took place at Community Arenas (HPA and Kinsmen), Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre, PACE, Naval Memorial Park, McDonnell Street Community Centre and Quaker Foods City Square.

Winter participant numbers (so far) for recreational programming:

- Sport (badminton, pickleball) – 662 participants
- Instructional Skating (lessons, rec hockey league) – 180 participants
- Instructional Swimming Lessons and Leadership Courses – 1166 participants
- Children's programming (martial arts, dance, arts, camps) – 564 participants
- Children's Birthday parties were hosted at the Wellness Centre - 40 parties.
- Adult Leisure Drop-in programs at McDonnell Street (shuffleboard, darts, short mat bowling) had 177 participants in January for regular programs.
- Over 140 classes per week of fitness and exercise programs were offered for adults on land or in our aquatic centre.
- Drop-in skating and pay as you play hockey at the Community Arenas had over 1200 participants this winter so far.
- Winter Drop-in fun swims at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre have had 1450 participants so far this session.

- The Downtown Youth Space (DYS) at PACE, had 195 visits so far this winter session with drop-in activities and programming for youth and teens.

Special Events in January

Winter Skate Party was held Sunday, January 21 at Quaker Foods City Square with hot chocolate, DJ and more. 250 participants attended the family event.

Upcoming Special Events

Snofest

A series of family friendly winter themed activities will take place during the Family Day weekend from February 16 to 19.

Friday, February 16

- Snofest Family Swim at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre
- Youth Drop-in Sports at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre

Saturday, February 17

- Snowsuit Story Time at the Peterborough Museum and Archives
- Snofest Frosty Fun Craft at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre
- Snow Much Fun! at Quaker Foods City Square

Sunday, February 18

- Pancake Breakfast with the East Peterborough Lions Club at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre, Hosted by Mayor Jeff Leal.
- Snofest Family Sunday at the Art Gallery
- Adaptive Sport Drop-In Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre
- Drop-In Chair Basketball at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre

Monday, February 19

- Drop-In Sports at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre
- Family Day Public Skate with Snofest Pete at the Healthy Planet Arena

Other Events/Activities

Pickleball programming will expand to Healthy Planet Arena Banquet Room in February with league play on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. 84 participants are signed up so far to play.

Recreation is hosting a free fun swim on March 11 sponsored by Michelle Ferreri, Member of Parliament for Peterborough-Kawartha at the Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre.

March Break Community Programming will include day camp, daily fun swims, daily public skates, daily youth sport drop-in and daily adult pickleball play at the

Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre and Healthy Planet Arena. The Downtown Youth Space will have daily youth drop-in at PACE.

e) Recreation Administrative Services – Tanya Budgen

Updates will be provided in the Administrative Services presentation.

f) Recreation and Parks Services – Rob McAulay

No updates from Recreation and Park Services.

Strategic Plan

COMMUNITY & WELLBEING: Foster community resiliency, neighbourhood identity, civic pride, sense of belonging, and intercultural harmony. Enhance and protect the health, safety, and wellbeing of all in our City. Provide robust, affordable, and accessible sport, recreation, wellness, and social programs for people of all ages and abilities.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Conclusion

This report provides updates for the Arena, Park, and Recreation Advisory Committee for information purposes. Questions related to the above updates can be directed to staff for clarification.

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