

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Recreation Services Month End Report

Date: January 12, 2024

Subject: Recreation Services Month End Report – December

Pool:

- Staff documented 993 pool and 40 aquafit visits for the month.
- The WIBIT will be in the pool from 9:00 am - 6:00 pm on Wednesday, December 20 – Friday, December 22.
- Conuma Resources Ltd. sponsored a free swim on Thursday, December 7 from 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm, which included a movie in the pool that started at 6:00 pm. We had 52 participants attend the free swim.
- We offered a movie in the pool during the public swim on Sunday, December 17, The Grinch.

Arena:

- Staff documented 450 public skating and 6 curling visits for the month.
- The Arena was transformed into a Winter Wonderland for public skating on Saturday, December 23 and Sunday, December 24.

Fitness Area:

- Staff documented 1,057 fitness centre visits for the month.
- The weight room was closed from Sunday, December 17 - Tuesday, December 19 to re-seal the flooring and deep clean the machines, with the cardio room still available for use these days. The fitness centre was re-opened on Wednesday, December 20.

Sport Courts/Climbing Wall:

- Staff documented 89 multi-court, 52 pickleball and 58 climbing wall visits for the month.
- Building Grounds Maintenance staff repaired gaps in the multi-sport court floor.

Ski Hill:

- The Little Mac gazebo project has unfortunately been put on hold until the Spring due to issues with the screw piles we had installed, which can't be addressed until the ground thaws out now.

Programs:

- Staff documented 278 school student visits and 21 after school visitors for nerf battles for the month.
- We hosted four Morfee Elementary School classes for skating, and two elementary classes for swimming. The MSS high school PE class attended the fitness centre three times this week.
- All adult leagues (volleyball, wallyball, and soccer) ended but will start up again in January.
- Light up the Community contest was launched on Friday, December 8 for voting on Let's Chat Mackenzie until Sunday, December 17. Winners were announced on Monday, December 18.

Events:

- The Parade of Lights took place on Saturday, December 9 with a total of 24 participants.
 - Emily Walker participated in a zoom interview with CKPG to discuss the Holiday Parade of Lights and the interview aired on Thursday, December 7 on TV.

Staff:

- Staff continued to work on the Arena Slab RFP and Active Transportation Plan through meetings with consultants this month. The RFP is scheduled to be launched at the beginning of February, and staff are aiming to take a report to Council with the first draft of the Active Transportation Plan on February 12.
- Interviews occurred for our Lifeguard posting.
- Building Operators and Customer Service Representatives completed the last of their in-house training for emergency procedures.
- Three Recreation Attendants were hired and started on Thursday, December 14.
- Union staff as well as the Director participated in the contract negotiation sessions this month.
- BGMs went through rope rescue procedures and had a training session in the climbing wall room with new rescue equipment.
 - Prepping for work at the ski hill took place on December 28th, which will allow us to open once we get snow.

Other:

- Our holiday facility schedule started on Sunday, December 17 and will run until Monday, January 1, 2024.
- ODR was flooded and opened for the season on December 23, just in time for the holiday season.
- Staff picked up the side by side from PW (added tracks/light beacons) and brought to Rec, so it could be used for ski hill maintenance and then at the ski hill as part of the rescue program.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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