

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Recreation Services

Date: February 18, 2025

Subject: Recreation Services Month End Report – January

Pool:

- Staff documented 1198 pool and 131 aquafit visits for the month.
- Staff repaired Wibit.
- Staff replaced lights in sauna.
- Swimming lessons began this month. Staff interested in teaching lessons have been scheduled to co-teach lessons for experience, prior to the training. This will provide the opportunity to offer more lessons, with more guards qualified to teach.
- We launched our winter swimming lessons on January 2 and have a total of 30 participants registered.
- Tiger shark for the pool cable was damaged BGM inspected it and repaired.
- Swim instructor course planning with the Facility Manager and the Aquatics lead hand. Tentative swim instructor course will be taught in house. There will be an opportunity to offer four spaces for the public to register. Still working out the pricing details and advertisement to go out to the public.
- The Aquatics lead hand, led an in service/safety crew talk with all aquatics staff in coordination with the NI Day special pool opening on Monday, January 27, 2025.

Arena:

- Staff documented 122 skating and 6 curling visits for the month.
- We hosted an adult 4vs4 hockey tournament with 27 participants on December 28.
- Staff worked on ice maintenance and maintaining the trouble spot in front of Olympia doors, in preparation for the MMHA U15 tournament this month.
- We had 4 school classes skating this month.
- The Building Operator Lead Hand completed the annual ice plant training and sign off with staff.

Fitness Area:

- Staff documented 1613 fitness centre visits for the month.
- Lady dropped a weight on her big toe in the gym. She went to the hospital and they determined it was broken, she is now in a walking boot.
- Broken glass found in the fitness gym. Currently looking at options for repair or replacement as Northern Glass is currently closed.
- Gym floor was peeling up, BGM removed flooring piece and cleaned under area. Reinstalled and made sure surrounding pieces we adhered to the floor as well.

Sport Courts/Climbing Wall:

- Staff documented 72 multi-court, 54 pickleball and 0 climbing wall visits for the month.

Ski Hill:

- Staff documented 263 ski hill visits for the month.
- We launched Ski and Snowboard lessons on Tuesday, January 7.
- Rec Attendants completed ski rental training on Saturday, January 4. We are ready to rent the equipment, however, before we can begin renting equipment, it must be tested with equipment that hasn't been provided yet. Staff are working with MCS to try and secure this equipment and/or have Powder King do the testing for us.

Playgrounds/Trails/Parks:

- N/A

Programs:

- Staff documented 265 SD57 student visits for the month.
- Volleyball adult leagues started on Thursday, January 9 with 5 teams registered.
- Wallyball League started on Tuesday, January 28 with three teams registered.
- Staff met with Martial Arts Instructor to finalize the next 2 sets of martial arts. Registration opened on Monday, January 20 and is expected to start on Tuesday, February 3.

Events:

- Staff met with the Arts Centre and have started discussions with MORATA for Rockin' the Ridgeline.
- Staff met with the Youth Advisory Committee to plan some kid activities for WinterQuest.
- WinterQuest brochures were finalized and sent to Cat on Friday, January 31 to be put in the mail early next week.
- Staff met with the Accessible Committee on January 29 to discuss offering accessible tours through the John Dahl Trail at WinterQuest.
- We have had 3 birthday party bookings in the community hall this month.

Other:

- Staff worked with finance to help finalize capital and operating budget for 2025 season Council discussions.
- Management staff met with Union staff to answer questions as it relates to this year's budgeting process.
- All Capital request forms have been submitted to finance.
- Staff met with PW to review fleet equipment procedures for annual maintenance work, emergency response and capital budgeting processes.
- BGMs installed shelves in maintenance shop to maximize space since the boilers have been removed.
- MacDunn controls on site for Fraser Valley Refrigeration to tie in new RTU and add to the graphics on the Proton system.
- Staff met with Fraser Valley to commission heat pump.
- All our fees increased on January 2.
- We published our winter schedule on January 2 and this will run January 6 – March 15.
- Staff cancelled all music subscriptions for MRC, and have put on CHMM for listening throughout the facility on a trial period basis.
- Electrician was on site for yearly FSR inspection.
- Monthly ammonia bump test was completed.
- Staff investigated VAV for Callihan room as it was not operating properly. Found to be failed manually, so opened louver to allow air into room for heating.
- Staff took the last load of brine to Prince George.
- Staff have been assigned training on Safety Hub: Bullying in the workplace, Ergonomics, WHIMIS, Slips Trips and Falls.
- CSR's and Programmers had their monthly safety meeting on Friday, January 24.
- Staff met with Alice Pritchett regarding facility Emergency Procedures. We plan to include the Library Staff in future Annual Reviews of our procedures, however, they must still have their own.
- Facility Manager held the January Safety Crew Talk with Building Operators on January 30, 2025. All staff not in attendance received the handouts and meeting notes via email.
- Elevator mechanic on site to fix the elevator. Found sagged door and pin was out of alignment.
- Rope rescue gear was inspected and returned from Prince George.
- Staff completed fire inspection with Micaiah.
 - Had BGM do any of the tasks they can complete.
 - Painting lines in front of electrical panels so it's identified for people not to store products in that area.
 - Ordered rest of parts that contractor needs to install as per the fire inspection. Will plan that in the coming weeks as reinspection is March 12.
 - Replaced burnt out light bulbs in the building.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Reviewed By: Corporate Services

Approved By: Chief Administrative Officer