



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Community Services Programming Update – June 2023**

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**Department: Community Services**

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### **Attachments:**

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CS-2023-06-36 prepared by Elyse Dewar, Administrative Assistant/Program Coordinator.

### **Background:**

The Community Services Department organizes and coordinates programming for youth and adults such as fitness classes, Wolf Cub Adventure Camp, Home Alone/Babysitting Courses and minor baseball and soccer leagues as well as annual community events such as the Ripley Winter Carnival.

### **Discussion:**

#### Programming

Community Services is excited to welcome a full complement of camp leaders this summer. We have secured 4 leaders and 1 coordinator, which has allowed us to open the registration wait list and welcome up to 36 youth per week join us at the Ripley Wolf Cub Adventure Camp.

We have planned a trip to the Goderich YMCA for an hour of skating and chance to watch Toronto Maple Leafs Ryan O'Reilly skate. The campers will also be going to the Pine River Watershed Initiative Network's McLarty Centre. More activities and day adventures are still being planned.

Our grant application to the NWMO's Sponsorship and Donation program was approved for \$1,500. The funding will be used to support transportation costs for the weekly trip to Lucknow Pool. The NWMO has also offered to supply new camp t-shirts for all our campers this summer. We are very grateful for support from NWMO.

Ripley Summer Sports is well under way. There is 108 youth registered in the baseball program; 46 in the soccer program and 40 in our Blastball program.

Plans continue to build a batting cage at the Point Clark Ball Diamond. There is currently one at the Ripley Ball Diamond, but with the increase in registration and the number of teams, the U13 and U11 teams will be using Point Clark more and as such need the additional batting cage.

Ripley Minor Baseball will once again host the U7 and U9 WOBA Year End Tournament, from August 11-13 and will be using ball diamonds in Ripley, Point Clark and Reid's Corners.

The low-impact fitness program, Move Your Body, will continue during the summer at the Point Clark Community Centre.

There will be dance class open house on June 7 and 10 at the Lucknow Town Hall, HAWK Theatre. Ballroom Chic is hosting these open houses and will be teaching a variety of dance moves. Dance classes and private dance lessons will be offered in the fall by Ballroom Chic.

The Huron Lakeshore Friendship Club continues with their weekly senior's club events, including cards, crafts, jam sessions at the Point Clark Community Centre.

#### Community Events

On June 14, the Community Services Department will be hosting a [Community Stakeholders Meeting](#) at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre. Staff will be giving an update on our current and future projects and plans.

Ripley Lions Club is hosting the Point Clark Fireworks at the Lighthouse Park on June 30 starting at dusk. Cupcakes, Canada Flags and Canadian pins will be handed out. Donations welcome. DJ Simon will also be there!

Bruce County Public Library is hosting the [Summer Reading Club Kick-Off](#) at the Lucknow Town Hall on June 17.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

Included in the current budget.

#### **Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner

By growing a diversity of tourism opportunities

We are a vibrant community that values our uniqueness and creativity

By creating places where people want to be

By celebrating what makes us unique

By supporting and growing the arts and creativity

We are a spirited community that takes pride in calling Huron-Kinloss home

By supporting a diversity of lifestyles

By maintaining a sense of connection and cohesion with each other

By engaging in our community

By retaining our youth

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Elyse Dewar, Administrative Assistant/Program Coordinator

**Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer