



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Community Services– February 2021 Update**

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**Department: Community Services**

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**Attachments: January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Summer Sports Meeting Minutes**

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### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives the information provided in Report Number CS-2021-2

### **Background:**

The Community Services Department plans and implements programming and events throughout the calendar year including the Winter Carnival, Summer Sports, including minor baseball and soccer, the Wolf Cub Adventure Camp and the Ripley Food Art Craft Festival.

### **Discussion:**

Planning and registration are underway for the annual Winter Carnival, Ripley Summer Sports, including soccer and baseball, as well as the Wolf Cub Adventure Camp and the Ripley Food Art Craft Festival.

### **Winter Carnival**

The Winter Carnival will look different this year as we are unable to offer the breakfast, ice painting and sleigh rides, however new events that promote family friendly activities and physical distancing are in place. This year's Winter Carnival will be celebrated on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and include a Snow/Yard Sculpture contest, a Scavenger Hunt and a DIY Outdoor Rink Contest. A special thank you to this year's sponsors for working with us on the Snow Sculpture Contest and DIY Outdoor Rink Contest: RVilla, Huron Shores Lion's Club, Lucknow & District Chamber of Commerce, Lucknow Lancers & Ripley Wolves. If the Community Centre is permitted to open in the near future, the plan is to run the ice painting event at a later date.

## **Programming**

The Summer Sports Committee met on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss and finalize plans for the 2021 season, registration, and fees. Online registration will open the beginning of February, with a deadline set for the end of March.

The Wolf Cub Adventure Camp is set to run all 4 weeks in the month of July. Staff have begun to plan and prepare for many possible scenarios including implementing extra protocols, procedures, and camp cohorts, depending on current provincial restrictions in place at the time.

## **Ripley Food Art Craft Festival**

The Ripley Food Art Craft Festival is scheduled for Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre. Registration for the festival will begin in February and staff have begun to plan and prepare for many possible scenarios including hosting the festival as per usual on the arena floor, outside under a tent, or online if necessary.

## **Financial Impacts:**

None at this time

## **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 supporting and growing the arts and creativity

We are a spirited community that takes pride in calling Huron-Kinloss home and welcoming others  
By supporting a diversity of lifestyles  
By engaging in our community  
By retaining our youth

## **Respectfully Submitted By:**

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## **Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer