

#### Recreation Services Update Fall/Winter/Spring

May 3, 2016





- Why Recreation and How
- Community Programs
- Grassroots (Town) Programs
- Skating Opportunities
- Summer Initiatives

Fall and Winter Programs

**Community Programs** 

Grassroots Programs

Public Skating



# Why Recreation and How

- Social and Economic Growth
- Physical Literacy and Health
- Mental Well Being

A full 93% of survey respondents agreed that recreation and parks play an important role in knitting communities together and enhancing quality of life. Their answers indicate a strong understanding of how recreation and parks are integral to social change and community development.

PRO - Recreation & Parks Essential for Quality of Life (2009)



# Why Recreation and How





# Why Recreation and How

- 'Because it's 2016'
- Town of Minto Slogan
  Where Your Family Belongs
- Town of Minto Strategic Plan
  - Our Mission is to provide exceptional customer service while promoting healthy lifestyles
  - Maintain and enhance recreation opportunities to benefit persons of all ages and abilities



# **Community Programs**

- Minor Hockey Associations
- Figure Skating Clubs
- Broomball Leagues
- Dance Academy and Gymnastics Club
- Early Years Programs
- Church and Youth Programs



#### **Grassroots** Programs

- Our Goals
  - Provide a variety of fun and affordable activities that introduce participants to various sports
  - When able, encourage participants to pursue more competitive or advanced local options
  - We offer options for children, youth, adults and older adults



### **Grassroots** Programs

- Grassroots Basketball
- Grassroots Hockey
- Babysitter Course
- Mass Registration
- March Break Day Camp
- Try It Sports Program
- Kid's Ball Hockey League



### **Grassroots Basketball**

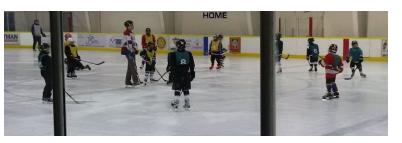
- 'The boys are having a great time' AM
- 'Great program!' JO
- Since 2012, 12-20 kids per session





### **Grassroots Hockey**

- 'It really is a great program' MF
- 4<sup>th</sup> year, 85 kids, some have 'graduated'
- Low-key







# **Babysitter Course**

- 2-3 classes per year
- 6-12 registrants per class
- Use Harriston Train Station and Lions Club House
- Trained in-house staff run the course

#### So, you want to be a babysitter?

#### ...that is fantastic!!

Parents everywhere are jumping for joy because one thing is for sure, great babysitters are in demand! Becoming a babysitter is serious business. What you do, or don't do can make a difference.

Learn the role of the babysitter, child development, caring for children, positive behavior management, home and outdoor safety and injury prevention, fire safety and first aid tips for children. Learn how to operate your babysitting business. Engaging and educational.

Where:	Harriston Train Station
Date:	Friday January 22nd, 2016
Time:	9:00am - 3:30 pm
Cost:	\$50.00
This course is for ages 11 and up, and includes a babysitters handbook and a wallet-sized completion card. Please remember to bring a lunch and a doll with you!	
For more information or to register, please call 519-338-2511 ext. 240	
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## Mass Registration

- One stop process
- Good turnout
- Partner with events



Wednesday

March 9th

Clifford Hall Tuesday March 8th 6:30pm-7:30pm

Harriston Arena Palmerston Arena Thursday March 10th 6:30pm-8:00pm 6:30pm-8:00pm

Adventure Camp (All 3 Locations) Aquatics Programs (All 3 Locations) Children's Ball Hockey League (All 3 Locations) Clifford Grassroots Soccer (Clifford) Clifford Library Programs (Clifford) Four-Counties Youth Ball Hockey League (Palmerston) Harriston Library Programs (Harriston) Hometown Baseball (Clifford and Harriston) Inline Skating Club (Harriston and Palmerston) Minto Minor Ball (Harriston and Palmerston) Minto United Soccer Club (All 3 Locations) Palmerston EMC Summer Vacation Bible School (Palmerston) Palmerston CRC Summer Vacation Bible School (Palmerston) Palmerston Library Programs (Palmerston) Try It Sports Program (All 3 Locations)

#### Spring/Summer

**Mass Registration Night** Your one-stop opportunity to register for minor sport and recreation programs!

CLIFFORD

Tuesday, March 8 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Clifford Hall

HARRISTON

Wed., March 9 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. PALMERSTON

Thursday, March 10 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Palmerston Arena



# March Break Day Camp

- 'impressed with how all the staff worked with the differing age groups' – RR
- 'always excited to go back the next day' – AD
- 31 kids/day average





# Try It Sports Program

- 'This is a great program' CJ
- 'Great time at Try It / Lacrosse' DM
- 21 kids aged 5-10
- Variety of Town facilities used





# Kid's Ball Hockey League

- 'Kids are looking forward to it!' – AP
- 16 teams, about 100 kids
- Thursdays for 6 weeks
- Optimist run tournament on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> to wrap up





# **Skating Opportunities**

- Public Skating
- Adult Skating
- Facebook Fridays Campaign
- Parent, Tot and Seniors Skating
- Shinny Hockey







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# Minto Seniors Advisory

- Minto Retiree Activity Group
  - Bus trips and events of interest for older adults
  - Annual Seniors Olympics is
    June 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Save the date, most of you are eligible to attend!





#### Minto Seniors Advisory





# **Summer Initiatives**

- Pools and Splash Pad
- Summer Adventure Camp
- Grassroots Soccer and Baseball
- Pickleball and Shuffleboard
- Minor and Adult Sports Leagues



Ball Hockey in Clifford and Palmerston



### Conclusion

- We work closely with program volunteers, internal and external, to enrich Minto
- town.minto.on.ca/departments/recreation

