

Staff Memorandum



To: Mayor A. Nuttall and Members of Council

Subject and Ward(s): May Events Calendar in Recreation and Culture Services (All)

Date: April 30, 2025

Department Head
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The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update regarding key programming, rental, and special event activities taking place during the month of May. The calendar in Appendix 'A' represents a summary of larger planned events taking place throughout our many recreation and cultural venues next month.

With the arrival of warmer weather, the City of Barrie is excited to welcome the return of outdoor activities. As our sports fields and outdoor amenities open throughout May, residents will once again be able to enjoy a wide range of recreational opportunities. This seasonal shift brings renewed energy to our parks and communities, and we look forward to a vibrant and active spring and summer.

The Barrie Community Sports Complex hosts a variety of events to start the season including Home Runs for the Hungry hosted by the Barrie Food Bank on May 3rd and OFSAA Ultimate Festival May 29th & 30th.

Arenas remain busy throughout May, with Pop Culture Canada hosting Comicon at Eastview Arena on May 3rd. The View Dance Challenge takes place at Sadlon Arena May 24th-26th while the Barrie Minor Lacrosse Tournament is on May 31st at multiple acilities throughout Barrie.

Other events taking place throughout the City include the Pop-up Craft Sale and Sing Along with Don McNair for the 55+ community at Parkview Centre on May 6th, and the Rotary Fun Run & Walk hosted by the Rotary Club of Barrie on May 28th at General John Hayter Southshore Centre. The Barrie Trojan Swim Club hosts Swim off the Blocks May 3rd & 4th at East Bayfield CC.

City Of Barrie Theatres are active showcasing Ron James on May 7th at Georgian Theatre, and Art Battle presented by The Barrie Art Club at Five Points theatre on May 22nd.

APPENDIX "A"

MONTH of MAY		
SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS		
May 4	Sunnidale Park & Dorian Parker Centre	"Hike & Bike For Hospice" presented by Hospice Simcoe
May 4	Allandale Recreation Centre	Records & Collectibles Event hosted by Chris Jameson
May 4	Parkview Centre	Barrie South Simcoe Metis Council Art Exhibit
May 7	Allandale Recreation Centre	City of Barrie Job Fair
May 14	General John Hayter Southshore Centre	Tourism Barrie AGM
May 28	General John Hayter Southshore Centre	"Rotary Fun Run & Walk" hosted by Rotary Club of Barrie
May 25	Sunnidale Park & Dorian Parker Centre	"MS 5K Walk" hosted by MS Society of Canada
55+ ACTIVITIES		
May 6	Parkview Centre	Pop up Craft Sale and Sing Along with Don McNair
May 15	Parkview Centre	Dessert & Learn: Longevity & the New Journey of Retirement
May 29	Allandale Recreation Centre	Sing Along Songs with Don McNair
May 29	Parkview Centre	Importance of Birds Workshop
OUTDOOR RECREATION		
May 3	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Home Runs for the Hungry hosted by Barrie Food Bank
May 3-4	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Barrie Ultimate Tournament
May 17	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Slo-Pitch 4 Special Olympics Tournament
May 24-25	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Spirit Fest hosted by Barrie Soccer Club
May 29-30	Barrie Community Sports Complex	OFSSA Ultimate Festival
IN THE POOL		
May 3-4	East Bayfield CC	Spring off the Blocks Swim meet hosted by Barrie Trojan Swim Club

MONTH of MAY		
DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY or EVENT
AT THE THEATRE		
May 2-3	Georgian Theatre	"Earth, Wind & Choir" presented by Bravado Show Choir
May 2-3	Five Points Theatre	"A Whole New World: The Musical Magic of Alan Menken" presented by the City of Barrie
May 7	Georgian Theatre	"Ron James" presented by Shantero Productions
May 9	Georgian Theatre	"Dreamer" presented by Beach Towel Promotions
May 10	Georgian Theatre	"Mini Pop Kids Live" presented by MPK
May 14	Georgian Theatre	"Garth & Shania" presented by Beach Towel Promotions
May 15	Georgian Theatre	"Guisseppethemc Dec'Anni Di Fanni Comedy Tour"
May 20	Georgian Theatre	"Celebration of Dance" presented by SCD
May 22	Five Points Theatre	"Art Battle" presented by the Barrie Art Club
May 23-24	Georgian Theatre	"Chaos!" dance recitals presented by Moving Art
May 25	Five Points Theatre	"X-Factor!" dance recitals presented by X Dance
May 30	Georgian Theatre	"The Comic Strippers" presented by Shantero Productions
May 31	Georgian Theatre	"SZN Eight Recitals" presented by Elite Danceworks
IN THE ARENA		
May 1-4	Peggy Hill Team CC	"Dance Attack Competition" hosted by Dance Attack Inc.
May 3	Eastview Arena	Comicon' hosted by Pop Culture Canada
May 3-5	East Bayfield CC	Barrie Game Exchange
May 3-5	Eastview Arena	"Destiny Dance Competition" hosted by Destiny Dance
May 9	Sadlon Arena	MMA Fight
May 19	Eastview Arena	Oddity Market hosted by Anywhere Events
May 23-26	Eastview Arena	Inked Circus 2024
May 24-26	Sadlon Arena	View Dance Challenge
May 25	East Bayfield CC	I Heart Beer & Taco Festival
May 31	Multiple Facilities	Barrie Minor Lacrosse Tournament

Appendix:

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Pending # (if applicable):