



**RECREATION AND CULTURE
SERVICES
MEMORANDUM**

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TO: MAYOR, A. NUTTALL, AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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NOTED: D. BELL, DIRECTOR, RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES
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RE: OUTDOOR ARTIFICIAL ICE SURFACE SEASON OPENINGS

DATE: DECEMBER 14, 2022

The purpose of this Memorandum is to inform members of Council that the City of Barrie has two outdoor artificial ice surfaces operating each season. Below are the anticipated operating times for the ice surfaces:

- The Circle at the Centre, located at City Hall, is a pleasure skating facility that is scheduled to open for the season on Saturday, December 10th, 2022, weather permitting. The times for skating are from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. daily, seven days a week; and
- The ice surface located at Will Dwyer Park, formerly Centennial Park South, will be designated as hockey only. Pleasure skaters can attend the Circle at the Centre. The rink will be open for hockey during the week of December 12th, 2022. Staff will be installing chiller equipment and boards around the ends of the rink. The times for hockey are from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily, seven days a week.

Natural ice rinks that are maintained by the Parks and Forestry Branch of the Operations Department will open as weather permits. These rinks do not have artificial refrigeration and rely on consistently cold temperatures to build and sustain the ice surfaces.

Neighbourhood outdoor rinks are maintained by volunteers. Residents interested in volunteering to maintain a neighbourhood outdoor rink can contact Service Barrie at service.barrie@barrie.ca.

Please note: all dates are anticipated start dates because artificial ice rinks are weather dependent.