



**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 OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES**  
**D. MCALPINE, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE  
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**M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**RE: CANADA DAY 2023**

**DATE: JUNE 14, 2023.**

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The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update regarding the City of Barrie's plans for Canada Day 2023.

Canada Day activities on Saturday July 1, 2023 will be held in Meridian Place featuring family friendly programming, including a Canadian Wildlife display from Speaking of Wildlife, busker performances, a variety of vendors, as well as live entertainment on the Meridian stage including Baytown Big Band, Rockabilly Joe, Tex Rexman, and Belly Dancing, funded in part by the Government of Canada.

Capping off the night, spectacular fireworks show over Kempenfelt Bay will begin at 10:00 p.m. and will be visible from multiple vantage points along the waterfront. In case of inclement weather, the fireworks will be held Sunday, July 2, 2023.

Open Air Dunlop, presented by the Downtown Barrie Business Improvement Association (BIA) will take place on Saturday July 1, 2023 along Dunlop Street featuring a variety of activities and more.

The local Indigenous Community will continue to focus their support for activities that celebrate National Indigenous History Month and National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21, 2023<sup>1</sup>). A list of activities can be found at [National Indigenous History Month | City of Barrie](#).

More Canada Day activities along with all the details will be available at [barrie.ca/CanadaDay](http://barrie.ca/CanadaDay)..