



**RECREATION AND CULTURE
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TO: MAYOR A. NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION & CULTURE SERVICES, EXT. 4352

NOTED: D. MCALPINE, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES

M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

RE: JULY EVENTS CALENDAR IN RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES

DATE: JUNE 28, 2023

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

July's summer weather provides the perfect opportunity for the City's outdoor facilities to come alive with activity and it starts with the bang of Canada Day fireworks on July 1st. As this is a Saturday, the expectation will be larger-than-average crowds enjoying the celebrations in Barrie's downtown and on the waterfront.

Meridian Place will continue to be a buzz of activity throughout the month with weekly salsa dance classes on Tuesdays and Lawnchair Luminata on Wednesdays. Automotive enthusiasts can take a walk back in time at the Barrie Thunder Classics at Heritage Park also on Wednesdays.

Our sports fields will play host to a variety of tournaments including baseball, soccer, slo-pitch, and football. The Barrie Baycats will host four games at Vintage Throne Stadium in July. Visit Maitland Park on July 29th to enjoy a game of cricket.

The Five Points Theatre will host the Simcoe County Theatre Festival from July 12th to 23rd while Georgian Theatre hosts tribute performances to Elvis and Frankie Valli.

Summer camps for children aged 5 - 13 years old will begin after Canada Day weekend. Over 5,400 registrations have been received for our popular Base Camps, Kinder Fun Camps, Earth Challenge Camps or Sport Camps offered throughout various City parks and Community Centres. This represents a 28% increase over 2022 registrations.

The calendar in Appendix A represents only a portion of the programs and activities offered to City of Barrie residents and non-residents alike, many of which can be found at [Recreation Programs | City of Barrie](#). The dedication, commitment, and professionalism of the department's full-time and part-time staff can often be seen in the expressions of the many City of Barrie residents and visitors who participate.



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APPENDIX "A"

MONTH of JULY		
DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY or EVENT
SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS		
July 1	Meridian Place Heritage Park	Canada Day Festivities hosted by the City of Barrie & the Downtown BIA
July 1	Heritage Park	Canada Day Races hosted by Running Room Barrie
July 2	Meridian Place	Canada Day Clash Wrestling hosted by BIA & Barrie Wrestling
July 7	Heritage Park	Walk For Lupus Ontario
July 15	Dunlop Street Meridian Place	Open Air Dunlop hosted by Downtown Barrie BIA
July 15	Meridian Place	<i>Between Sets Concert</i> hosted by Ian Churchward
July 22	Southshore Centre	<i>Mata Ki Chowki Celebration</i> hosted by the Barrie Kirtan Group
July 27	Sunnidale Park	Hot Summer Nights hosted by BFES
Tuesdays	Meridian Place	WEEKLY: Salsa Dance Class hosted by Salsa Beats
Wednesdays	Meridian Place	WEEKLY: Lawnchair Luminata Film Screening hosted by BIA
Wednesdays	Heritage Park	WEEKLY: Barrie Thunder Classics Cruise Night
OUTDOOR RECREATION		
July 1 - 2	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Adult Slo-Pitch Tournament
July 7 - 9	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Barrie Minor Baseball Tournament
July 8, 15, 22, & 29	Vintage Throne Field	Barrie Baycats Homes Games
July 15	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Sunday Night Co-ed Tournament
July 15 - 16	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Huronias Stallions Football Tournament
July 15 - 16	Lampman Lane CC	Barrie Soccer Club Tournament
July 15 - 16	Lennox Park	Barrie Minor Baseball Tournament
July 29	Maitland Park	Basil Matthew Cricket Match
July 29 - 30	Barrie Community Sports Complex	Huronias Stallions Football Tournament



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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY or EVENT
AT THE THEATRES		
June 1	Five Points Theatre	"Sean Collins: United in Comedy" presented by Barrie Families Unite
July 7	Five Points Theatre	"20 Years by the Bay" presented by Theatre by the Bay
July 12 - 23	Five Points Theatre	"Simcoe County Theatre Festival" presented by Theatre by the Bay
July 15	Georgian Theatre	"Elvis: From Tupelo To Las Vegas" presented by Anthony Joseph Productions
July 26	Georgian Theatre	"How We Got to Jersey: A Tale of Two Frankies" presented by Talk is Free Theatre
July 29	Georgian Theatre	"2023 Barrie Natural Championships" presented by Athletic Kulture
ARENA EVENTS		
July 8	Sadlon Arena	Championship Boxing presented by United Boxing Promotions
July 9	Sadlon Arena	Twin Lakes Motor Club - Car Show
July 10 - 14	Sadlon Arena	Barrie Firefighter Training
July 24 - 28	Sadlon Arena	Barrie Firefighter Training
July 30	Sadlon Arena	Twin Lakes Motor Club - Car Show
55+ ACTIVITIES		
July 12	Southshore Centre	55+ Seniors 50's & 60's Dance