

**TOWN OF INGERSOLL
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2009**

Report No. R-117-09

Approval Date: August 10, 2009

Mayor Holbrough & Members of Council:

1. Upcoming Meetings & Events:

CIB - Daffodil Festival Meeting

Wednesday, August 5, 2009 – 6:30 pm

Fusion Neighbourhood Meeting

Wednesday, August 26, 2009 - 5:00 pm – Fusion Board Room

Olympic Torch Relay Planning Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2009 - 10:00 am – JC Herbert Room

2. The fall edition of the Here in Ingersoll magazine will be distributed to every household the week of August 17, 2009. Fall programs are scheduled to begin the week of September 14th, 2009.
3. Plans for Santa's Festival Village at the Cheese & Agricultural Museum in the Sherbrook Barn are well underway. The Village will operate for five weekends starting November 20th to December 19, 2009. The Village will open on Friday evenings from 6 to 9 pm and Saturdays from 1 to 9 pm. The Village will not be open on Sundays this year.

With funding from Celebrate Ontario (\$24,553) the Village will offer daytime activities during the Holiday vacation period (December 21st to December 30, 2009). Dates, times and events are still to be determined.

4. On Sunday, December 27, 2009 the Olympic Flame will travel through Ingersoll. A planning committee has been established to promote and plan the community Torch Relay Celebrations. The next meeting of the planning committee is scheduled for September 15th, 2009 at 10:00 am in the JC Herbert Room.

In celebration of the Olympic Flame coming to Ingersoll the Department has planned the following celebrations:

- Free Family Skate & Hot Dog Lunch
Sunday, December 27, 2009 – 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
- Free Family Swim
Sunday, December 27, 2009 – 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm



5. Staff Projects:
- Harvest Festival Assistance – Parks Department
 - CIB – Daffodil Festival & Town Beautiful Awards
 - Santa’s Festival Village & Festival of Lights
 - Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC) Program – Project Implementation
 - Town Employee Policy Manual Review
 - Here in Ingersoll – Fall Edition
 - Health & Safety Policies, Procedures & Training
 - Development of Community Gardens Policy
 - Hall’s Creek Erosion Issues
 - 2010 Olympic Torch Relay – Sunday, December 27, 2009
 - Accessibility Committee Policy Development
 - Research – Swim Team Participant Requirements

Respectfully submitted,

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