

**Town of Riverview
PARKS, RECREATION, FACILITIES &
COMMUNITY RELATIONS DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**



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Section 1: Operational Dashboard

Metric	Current Period	Previous Period	Annual Result	Trend
TOTAL # of children helped (P.R.O. Kids + Jumpstart: Total placements from previous year:	Spring 2024: 26 Spring 2023: 27	Winter 2024: 72 Winter 2023: 72	2024 total: 98 (92PRO, 6JS)	2023 Total: 233 2022 Total: 267 2021 Total: 284
60 + Adult Fitness, Wellness Classes and Mystery Tour	Spring 2024: 172 Spring 2023: 100	Winter 2024: 162 Winter 2023: 115	2024 YTD: 334	Total 2023: 436 Total 2022: 327 Total 2021: 294
Adult Fitness, Wellness & Outdoor Classes	Spring 2024: 91 Spring 2023: 71	Winter 2024: 111 Winter 2023: 76	2024 YTD: 202	Total 2023: 244 Total 2022: 266 Total 2021: 254
Children's Dance Programs	Spring 2024: 26 Spring 2023: 44	Winter 2024: 25 Winter 2023: 42	2024 YTD: 51	Total 2023: 145 Total 2022: 147 Total 2021: 102
Aquatic Activities	Swim Lessons: Spring 2024: 710	Swim Lessons:Spring 2023: 607 Spring 2022: 540	2024 YTD: 1,403	Total 2023 2,592 Total 2022: 2,488 Total 2021: 2,069
Skate Park Participants & Revenue	316 (178R, 122NR)	574 (250R, 324NR)	2024 YTD: 1,970	2023: Total 3,729 2022: Total 3,725 2021: Total 2,795

Section 2: Status of Department’s Operational Priorities for 2024

Priority	Status
<p>A Safe and Inclusive Community</p>	<p>60+ PROGRAMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tech Tuesdays continue weekly at the Public Library, assisting 10 seniors with the help of 5 volunteers from April 23 to May 15. • Wednesday Walkers now enjoy their walks along the Riverfront Trail, with 162 people registered for updates. • A Card Party on April 25 attracted 24 participants, while the Free Drop-In social program sees weekly attendance of about 5-6 people. • Fungus Among Us and RCMP Anti-Fraud programs each had 10 attendees. <p>ALL AGES PROGRAMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday Walkers extends its invitation to participants of all ages for weekly walks. <p>TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION ACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultations with an Indigenous Cultural Keeper have advanced the planning of a new sign on the Riverfront Trail and brainstormed further community reconciliation actions. <p>SPORTS WALL OF FAME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induction ceremony on April 16 featured Robert “Buzz” Betts, Bloyce F. Bulman, Lesley A. Smythe, and Jeremy A. Steeves, with each honored through a video and a mini replica plaque at the Byron Dobson Memorial Arena. Updates to the nomination process are underway. <p>PRO KIDS HIGHLIGHTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewed partnership with Greater Moncton Football Association offering 25% discounts, a successful trivia fundraiser by Riverview Lions Club, and presence at Riverview Home Show underline the program's enduring community impact. <p>YOUTH SECTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities for National Youth Week ranged from market days and movie nights to art battles, with special promotions by local businesses, highlighting a diverse and active youth engagement. <p>RIVERVIEW YOUTH COLLECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation for the “Battle of the Brushes” Art battle highlighted Youth Week, with substantial community engagement and recognition on social media. Summer volunteering opportunities are being explored. <p>PARKS AND RECREATION YOUTH DROP-IN PROGRAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-weekly meal offerings continue, supported by local businesses, with various activities like Open Gym, Card Night, and Trivia Night attracting consistent youth participation. <p>JUNIOR LEADERSHIP 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of the program to 24 spots with enhanced volunteer placement preparations indicates a proactive approach to youth leadership development starting this summer. <p>SKATEPARK AND YOUTH CENTRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A mix of events from Art Night to the Hardrock Maple Feast and ongoing interest from new patrons demonstrates a dynamic engagement strategy, despite competition from other local facilities. <p>SUNFEST GAME OF SKATE AND BBQ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduled for June 26, this event combines a skateboarding competition with a community BBQ, enhancing local engagement.

Building a Sustainable Community	<p>JUNE ART PROGRAMMING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A workshop on creating Recycled Bottle Wind Ornaments is set for June 14, emphasizing sustainability and creativity. <p>SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educational sessions on gardening and food security, alongside business engagements, underscore a commitment to sustainable practices.
Thriving Community	<p>BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing dialogues with local businesses aim to strengthen community ties and foster economic vitality
Active and Engaged	<p>RECOGNIZING RIVERVIEW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The event successfully celebrated community contributions across multiple categories, reflecting a well-received change in venue and format. There were 300 people in attendance, recognizing 41 community members.
Operations and Facilities	<p>PARKS OPERATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Byron Dobson Memorial Arena had both ice surfaces open through to the end of April to accommodate growing community post-season programming (2nd year of this change) • From new equipment acquisitions to staff training and park cleanups, preparations are in full swing for the upcoming summer season. • Trail work is being undertaken on a temporary parking lot for Mill Creek Nature Park and a connector from Findlay Blvd to Winter Wonderland/Dobson Trail. <p>FACILITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff attended an "All-Access Play NB" session where municipal representatives and sports stakeholders collaborated on facility, policy and governance opportunities to create more inclusive and accessible access to facilities. • Staff attended a training course on " Navigating the Laws Governing Municipalities" as part of the Municipal Management Training Program offered by the Université de Moncton. • Annual inspections for the sprinkler systems and fire alarms have been performed at each Town facility as well as annual gas detector inspection at the Fire Station.

Section 3: Other Notable Development & Highlights for Council’s Attention :

UPCOMING 60+ PROGRAMS:

- Carriage Rides- Resume May 22
- Summer Registration- May 30
- Campfire Circles- Resumes June 4
- Parks for All- Resumes June 6
- Equipment Loan- Resumes July 2

UPCOMING EVENTS/FESTIVALS:

- International Trails Day- June 1
- Wednesday Walkers Silly Walk- June 26
- Parks for All Lemonade Tour- June 27
- Town Wide Yard Sale- June 29
- Heritage Nature Path Tours- June 29

