

Town of Riverview

Parks, Recreation & Community Relations Department Monthly Report

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Section 1: Operational Dashboard

Metric	Previous Period	Current Period	Annual Result	Trend
Pro Kids (Placements)	Summer 2018: 86 placements	Fall 2018: 132	2018 total: 427	Decrease
JUMPSTART (Riverview only)	Summer 2018: 26 placements	Fall 2018: 36	2018 Total: 117	
TOTAL # of children helped (P.R.O. Kids + Jumpstart	Summer 2018: 112placements	Fall 2018: 168 applications	2018 Total: 590	
Total from previous year	Summer 2017: 129placements	Fall 2017: 177	2017 Total: 590	
Coverdale Centre Weekly Usage (MonFri. 9 am-6 pm) Kitchen	Sept. 2018	Oct. 2018	Kitchen 44.5% (2017)	Kitchen use is down in October due to fewer catering functions during the week. Hall use is up due to election
Hall	50.9% Sept. 2018 27.5%	47% Oct. 2018 53.5%	Hall 41.2% (2017)	and several other functions during the weekdays and the increased use by the Pickle ball Association.
Skate Park (Participants)	June/July/Aug. 2018: 332	Sept. 2018: 93	2018: 2,422 YTD	Increase
	June/July/Aug. 2017: 219	Sept. 2017: 91		2017 total: 2,415

Swimming Lesson	Fall 2017: 585	Fall 2018: 801	2018 YTD: 2,282	Increasing
Registration	Fall 2016: 495		2017 total: 1,873	Total 2017: 1873 Total 2016: 1544
60 + Registration	Summer 2018: 386	Fall 2018: 199	2018 total: 866 YTD	Increasing Total 2017: 754 Total 2016: 551.
	Summer 2017: 359	Fall 2017: 200		Total 2010: 351.
Adult Fitness & Wellness Classes	Summer 2018: 28	Fall 2018: 145	2018 total: 441 YTD	Decrease (Note: Aqua fitness programs have moved to Aquatics)
	Summer 2017: 65	Fall 2017: 335		Total 2017: 1,158 Total 2016: 1,166
Children's Programs	Summer 2018: 545 Summer 2017: 951	Fall 2018: 57 Fall 2017: 65	2018 total: 715 YTD	Decrease (Less total number of camps offered this summer, & more camps covering 2 week periods rather than one week camps.)
				Total 2017: 1,176 Total 2016: 1,023

Section 2: Status of Department's/Section's Operational Priorities for 2018

Priority	Status
Tenders	Arena Work for the 2018 season has been completed with the main contractor working on minor deficiencies normal for a project of this nature. Both arenas are operational with all deadlines being met.
	Mill Creek Nature Park Work is complete at the Mill Creek Nature Park. Parks and Recreation staff finish the preparation of the Lookout area, situated at the Dam, in anticipation of the Atlantic Outdoor Forum, which seen the site used for several of their social and educational activities. As well,

the final section of trial to the Dam, scheduled for this year, has been postponed to 2019 due to poor weather and site conditions.

Trails

Trail linkages at Gunningsville/Old Coach, Sawgrass/Runneymeade and Ridgeway/Fairway have been completed. As well, the extending of the Mill Creek Trail to the Lift Station on Robertson Street, including a parking area, has been completed. All this work was completed by Town forces. Outstanding, is the trail linkage at Winter Wonderland Park, which has been delayed due to the potential of development at the site that may affect the placement of the trail, as well as poor weather and site conditions. It is anticipated that this will proceed in 2019. Instead, in anticipation of opening the Old Coach/Gunningsville linkage for the winter months, that section will be paved to facilitate snow clearing.

Administration Roof Repair

The Tender placed on NBON for the repair of the Administration building roof was not awarded due to the bids being well over what was budgeted. This work will be re-assessed and a tender will be re-issued in 2019.

A Safe and Welcoming Community

Riverfront Christmas Lights

Staff are working with both Riverview East School and Riverview Middle School students and staff to coordinate the huge task of getting the light bulbs onto the thousand foot strands of lighting. This year is the first year partnering with Riverview East School and the feedback from the school was that the students and staff really enjoyed it and hope to be included again next year.

Atlantic Outdoor Forum

Riverview has been part of the organizing of the first ever Atlantic Outdoor Forum held from October 14th-17th, 2018 in Moncton. This event targeted professionals working with trail development, parks and open spaces as well as stakeholders from the Atlantic provinces and throughout Canada. Riverview hosted conference delegates at a very successful social event at the recently completed Look Out site at Mill Creek Nature Park on Monday, October 15th, featuring bush craft learning stations, a Riverview youth aboriginal storyteller, campfire treats, beverages and campfire songs. Approximately 40 people attended this event, despite the rain.

In partnership with the Friends of Mill Creek, the International Mountain Biking Association, the Canadian Trails Association, and Parks Canada, the Operations Centre at Robertson Street and Mill Creek Nature Park were the base of a day long trail building workshop, Sunday October 14th, where 40 plus participants were exposed to the fine art of trail building for mountain and fat bikes. The department had 4 of its Utility Workers attend, ensuring capacity is developed to introduce these types of trail to Riverview in the near future.

Winter Carnival Committee

Staff hosted a public meeting on October 4th from 6 - 8 p.m. There was a good turnout with mostly service groups attending. The event submission form is online with a deadline of November 13th for all events to be in to the program sub-committee.

Skate park/Youth Centre

In addition to regular drop-in skateboarders, there were three events in September. Rebecca Schofield Day, where skateboarders went around town doing acts of kindness. The Amherst/Truro Skate park trip, and the Harvest Festival Potluck /All Ages Skate. East Coast Street Styles applied for a Skate park Revitalization Project for the indoor park on behalf of the park and got accepted to be one of the Aviva Community Funding Big Idea Projects, with the public voting between September 25th and October 4th. They find out in early November if they continue on to the next level with the winners announced November 20th. There are 3-\$100,000 prizes and 7 consolation prizes of \$15,000 each.

The Big Ideas category (\$100,000) winners are determined by the highest number of votes, with the top 10 ideas progressing to the Judging Round. The top three ideas with the highest scores in the Judging Round will each receive \$100,000 .The remaining seven ideas will each receive a consolation prize of \$15,000

Community Garden

Registration for the 2019 season has been open to returning members since September 14th. Fifteen in-ground plot and 5 raised bed plot members have registered to date.

Two rain barrels were donated to the garden from the Bathurst Sustainable Development group and will be put to good use next season. Signage has been installed on the gate to the garden.

Community Events

Harvest Festival Statistics (Information from survey ballots)

How did you hear about this event?

	2018	2017
Facebook	42%	41%
Friend/Family	31%	29%
Event brochure	12%	14%
Website	8%	4%
Signboard	4%	N/A
Flyer	4%	10%
Radio	N/A	2%

Note: Facebook increased as did friends/family category, however the event brochure decreased as did the flyer.

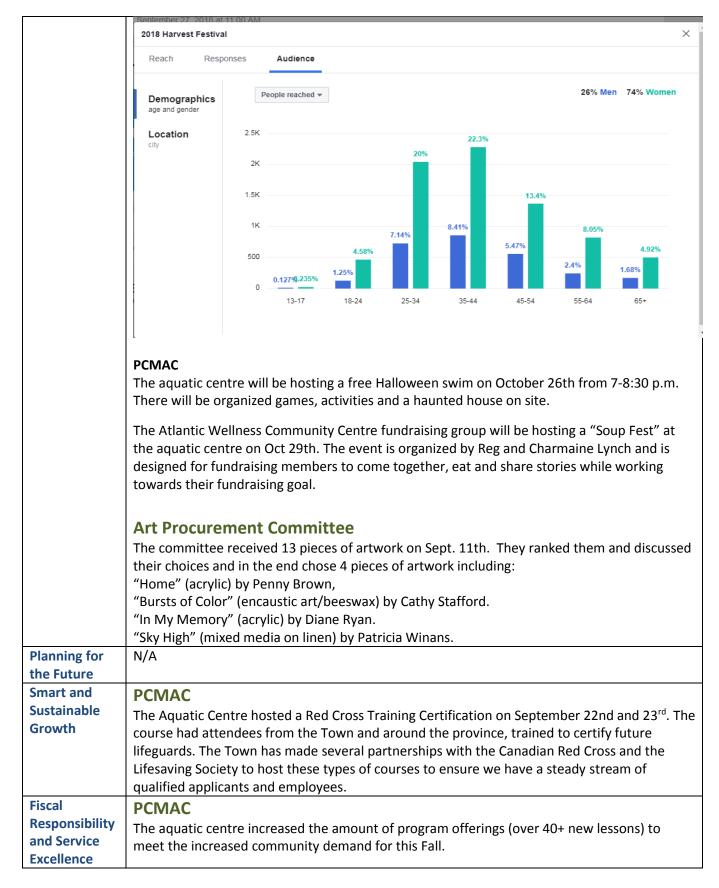
Where are you from?

64% Riverview

16% Moncton

20% scattered amongst Dieppe, Lower Coverdale, Upper Coverdale, Hillsborough, Salisbury, Stilesville, Indian Mountain and Riverside.

Demographics



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

Staff Development

Recreation Coordinator – Aquatics participated in the following training sessions this month: Choosing & Transitioning to New Recreation Software

Legalization of Cannabis and the Effects on Recreation and Community Health

Recreation Coordinators - Aquatics, Youth and Community

Do's and Do not's of Employee Relations for Supervisors

Halloween Coupons

Based upon last year's success, the aquatic centre will be selling booklets of swim coupons again this Halloween. They are being sold at a low cost that can be given out at Halloween as an addition or alternative to Halloween treats (10 swims for \$5, ages 3-17).