

The Hepburn Howler

February 2022

Council Message

February... we've made it through months of bitter cold, and yet still have so much more Winter to get through! Physical activity is so important to our overall health, but can be quite the challenge when it's -30 or colder outside. For those days it's too cold to go outside our community has opportunities for you to be physically active indoors. Our arena is open for public skating most weekends and co-ed adult gym nights are hosted at the Heritage Common gymnasium on Wednesdays, follow Hepburn Parks and Recreation or call Lisa for dates and times. The gymnasium at Heritage Common is also available to rent for private gym days/nights, call Ashton to find out how. Bowling is a fun sport for all ages! Hepburn Centennial Bowl is open for private bookings evenings and weekends. When Winter has you stir crazy and you're looking for something to do, think about what your community has to offer!

- Councillor Deidra Prosofsky

Check out the Buy Nothing Facebook Page!

Post anything you'd like to give away, lend, or share in this community group. Ask for anything you'd like to receive for free or borrow. Keep items out of our landfills, and help local residents! <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/262697264614586</u>

Covid-19 Rapid Test Kits

Covid-19 rapid test kits are available at the Town Office for anyone who wants one. There are 5 tests in each kit, **limit of one kit per household.**

2022 Business licenses

Are you a contractor, home business owner, or sales person? You are required to have a business license to operate within the boundaries of the Town of Hepburn. Please contact the Town Office to renew or receive a license for 2022!

Temporary Office Hours

The Town Office is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 9:00 am–12pm and 12:30pm-4:30 pm. We will be closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays to walk-in traffic for training purposes (*Staff will still be available by phone and email*). Regular hours will resume February 18.



Addition to the Team

We would like to offer a warm welcome to a new staff member! Town Council and Administration is excited to announce that Sarah Chamryk has joined our team as the temporary Assistant Administrator.

ATTENTION Residents: Please ensure children understand that they should never play on snow piles while crews are in the process of snow removal. This is extremely dangerous. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



Plumbing Permits

The Town Office will no longer be issuing plumbing permits. Plumbing permitting and inspection services have been transferred to the Technical Safety Authority of Saskatchewan (TSASK). For more information, visit www.tsask.ca or call 1-866-530-8599.

Community Spirit!

Shout out to all the residents who came together during the January 31st snow storm, and helped people out of the ditch, gave shelter, rides, etc. Its times like this that show the deep community values.



Council Meeting Highlights

Bank Interest Earned on the Reserve Account

In 2021 the total interest earned on the reserve savings bank account was \$20,782.83. Council allocated this revenue to the lagoon reserve. The lagoon reserve will be utilized for future upgrades and repairs to the lagoon, which will increase the capacity.

Board Appointments

Council appointed Western Municipal Consulting as the Town of Hepburn Development Appeals Board and Nor-Sask for the Board of Revision.

Water Consumption Rate

Effective March 1, 2022 the water rate for consumption for residential & commercial will be \$16.55/1,000 gallons, this is due to an increase in the water rates from SaskWater & the City of Saskatoon. The previous water consumption rate was \$16/1,000 gallons and had been in place since May 1, 2019.

TOWN OF HEPBURN

FEBRUARY 2022 PARKS & REC ACTIVITIES

*WINTER FEST IS COMING - March 5 & 6! Sleigh

Rides, Snowshoes, Hockey Games, Skating Carnival, Sledge Hockey Event, POUTINE Specials, Bowling, & MORE!

AWARDS

Hepburn received: (1) **Communities in Bloom** 3 Blooms, with special mention of floral displays & museum for 2021! (2) **SPRA Parks & Open Spaces Award 2021** for Centennial Park. Congrats to all who made these things happen!

CROKICURL

Sign out storage box key at Heritage Common. Self-serve milk jugs are available. Bring a shovel to clear snow!

GYM RECREATION NIGHTS

Feb 2, 9, 16, 23, 7-9 pm. @Heritage Common Gym. Co-Ed Pickleball, Badminton, & Volleyball. Masks required for adults. \$5/adult, \$2/youth fee (Gr 7 & up).

NEW: INTO THE ELEMENTS KICKSLED ADVENTURE

Feb 12 @Centennial Station. Gr 1-3, 1-2:30pm, or Gr 4-7, 2:45-4:15pm. Registration Form on website: <u>www.hepburn.ca</u>

NEW: MIXOLOGY 101

Feb 26. Evening. @ Heritage Common. Learn basic cocktail skills with Murray! 19+ event. Vax Card or Negative Test Result with Registration Form. Limited spots available. Email recreation@hepburn.ca to register.

PUBLIC SKATING – SASKWATER SPONSOR

Feb 6, 13, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27. 1:30-4:30pm. You can find the arena Calendar at: www.hepburn.ca/recreation/arena.html

SNOWSHOES

Email <u>recreation@hepburn.ca</u>. \$10/person, or \$20/season. Sign out at Heritage Common, storage cart in entrance!

NEW: WORKSHOP FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Mar 26, 10am-12pm. @Heritage Common. Get inspiration and encouragement! Cost \$15 for workshop, \$20 with lunch.

YOUTH DROP IN GYM TIMES

Feb 21-25, Mar 7. @Heritage Common. 1-3pm. \$2/youth. Gr 7 &up.

MONTHLY PARKS & REC MEETING

Feb 7. @Heritage Common. 7-9pm. Submit correspondence & delegation requests by Feb 2.

COMMUNITY GROUP ACTIVITIES

ARENA SCHEDULE

For Minor Hockey and senior hockey Games and Tournaments. Valentine's Night February 15th. Check out the arena Calendar at: www.hepburn.ca/recreation/arena.html

BIG SHELL LAKE FISHING DERBY

Mar 5. By Athletes in Action Sask. 1st hole is \$50, second hole is \$20. Over \$1,500 in cash prizes. See Posters Around Town! Contact Alvin Thielmann at <u>alvint@athletesinaction.ca</u> for a registration form.

JASON PETERSON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

Feb 26. Concession Booth Volunteers will be needed. Schedule available closer to the event. Contact Silver Hawks!

KNIGHTS BASKETBALL

March 27. Spring Club Basketball Tryouts March 27th. Sign up for boys grades 6-10. Email: <u>knightsbasketball.sk@gmail.com</u>



REGIONAL/PROVINCIAL ACTIVITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Support Local!

***Book your Event @Heritage Common**! Prime Spring & Summer Dates are going quickly! Contact Ashton 306-947-2180 or <u>events@hepburn.ca.</u>

*Feature Business: Kelly Reimer Realty. The Newest Arena Signage Sponsor. Contact him to sell or buy in this great corner of the province: <u>www.theruralguy.com/</u> Email Lisa to sign up as a feature business or arena sponsor!



Next Howler Deadline is February 25. Lisa Braun, Community Coordinator Office: B115 at Heritage Common E: recreation@hepburn.ca F: www.facebook.com/HepburnParksandRec W: www.hepburn.ca/recreation.html