



THE HEPBURN HOWLER

January 2022

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Town Office will be closed January 3rd

Council Message

Welcome to 2022! As we step into a new year, we hope that you are looking forward to what new adventures we will experience. One of the significant events of this past year was the purchase of the new facility. You will see announced in this Howler the new name that has been developed from the input of many. We look forward to this facility continuing to be a common place that draws many different people from all different backgrounds together. Hepburn is the kind of community that brings family & friends together and we hope that this will be just one more tool that will continue to make our town a great place to live!

As we look forward to this coming year, we offer congratulations to Nelson & Amanda Peters as they are expecting their second child! While Amanda is on maternity leave, we have full confidence that the office will be managed well with Ruth Fehr as Acting Administrator. Having been on Council for just over a year now, I feel privileged to be a part of this Town and to serve with our excellent staff team! Take some time over the next month to thank them for a job well done!

- Andrew Berg

Snow Clearing

During the winter months the town is busy clearing snow to keep our streets safe. Town residents can participate in this by keeping the sidewalk in front of their homes and businesses cleared of snow to prevent slips as well as ensuring extension cords are not laying across sidewalks to prevent trips and falls. Parents please remind your children to walk on the sidewalks especially when the grader is out clearing the roads.



Residential Curbside Collection Price Increase

Due to an increase in fees from Loraas Disposal, starting January 1, 2022 the residential curbside collection fee on the utility bills will increase to \$22 per month.



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.

Council Meeting Highlights

The Community Centre Has a Name!

Welcome to **Heritage Common** – a place for gatherings. Heritage refers to traditions that were created in the past and continue to be important today. This name pays respect to both the heritage of the town and the historical importance of the building and land it resides on. Common is a term that encompasses belonging and community. Our new facility has countless opportunity for business, sport, recreation, culture, celebrations, and more. It is a place for everyone and to be shared by all. Town envisions Heritage Common as a place for enjoyment and togetherness for generations to come. Thank you to all residents who shared their opinion!

Contact Ashton to book your event today!

p. 306.947.2180

e. events@hepburn.ca

Newest Team Member

You may have noticed a new face at the Hepburn & District Arena! Council and staff are please to announce our newest team member **Keagan Peart** as the arena assistant. Be sure to say hi to Keagan! Did you know this position is being funded through the Canada Summer Jobs Grant!

Childcare in HEPBURN!

Hepburn is set to receive funding from the Governments of Canada & Saskatchewan for the creation of a 30-space licensed childcare centre for infants, toddlers and preschool child care spaces! The funding is for capital and start-up costs. **The daycare will be run by a separate non-profit organization with a volunteer board.** Access to licensed childcare will provide residents in Hepburn and Area with the opportunity to utilize the new federal and provincial grants which will reduce their childcare costs. **This is the start of realizing the vision to be able to provide broad early childhood education services in Hepburn. This is very exciting news! More information to come!** If anyone is interested in joining the board please email deidra.prosofsky@hepburn.ca

2022 Park Project

The Park Committee is starting to plan for the 2022 construction season for the Parks & Pathways Project (South Hill Road & Little Park). *Thank you to the following organizations for their donations towards this project: Westgreen Crop Inspections & the Affinity Credit Union Community Spirit Fund.*

TOWN OF HEPBURN

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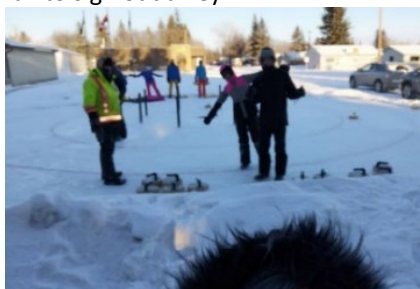
JANUARY PARKS & REC ACTIVITIES

THANK YOU FROM PARKS & REC TEAM

Light the Night on Dec 2 was a fun evening of music, fire, hot chocolate, lights, glow sticks, & connection. Thanks to Santa, Coop, Skipping Stones Designs, Tamara Kaminski, Museum of Wheat, Housing Authority Board, Town Staff, & Centennial Park Team for making the evening special!

CROKICURL

@ Main St. Opening Day was Christmas Day with 11 people ranging from 11 to 74 years of age! Photo Credit: Melanie Rempel. *Email to sign out a key.



GYM NIGHTS

Jan 12-Feb 23, from 7-9 pm. Co-Ed Pickleball, Badminton, & Volleyball. Adults must wear masks at all times, as per current public health order. Youth under 18 may go without masks during activity. \$5/adult, \$2/youth drop-in fee (gr 7-12).

INTO THE ELEMENTS OUTDOOR ADVENTURES!

Jan 22 - Snowshoe Excursion! Meet at Centennial Station & trek the forest to Heritage Common for hot chocolate & a winter story. Snowshoes provided. *Gr 1-3, at 1:00-2:30pm. *Gr 4-7, at 2:45-4:15pm. Form on the website. \$10/participant.

LIGHT UP HEPBURN CONTEST WINNER

Congratulations to **Michael & Maureen Klein, of 401-1st Ave South**, featuring a synchronized music and light display!

PUBLIC SKATING

January 2, 9, 16, 23. Free of charge, thanks to SaskWater. 1:30-4:30pm, except Jan 16 is 1:00-2:15pm.

SNOWSHOES

Book a pair for a day or weekend by emailing recreation@hepburn.ca. \$10/person per booking, or \$20/season pass. 9 youth pairs, & 5 adult pairs available.

TWINKLE TOUR BINGO

Play Bingo with your friends & family until **January 7**. Find Bingo Sheet on Facebook or website & email recreation@hepburn.ca for a chance at a Winter Prize Basket!

YOUTH DROP IN TIMES

Follow Facebook for youth gym times coming up - Jan 15 evening & Jan 31 daytime.

COMMUNITY GROUP ACTIVITIES

ARENA SCHEDULE

Follow Game Schedules for Minor Hockey (Jan 3, 4, 6+) & Senior Men's Hockey at www.hepburn.ca/recreation/arena.html

BOTTLE DRIVE

Saturday, January 8 by Hepburn Skate Club. Find more info at: <https://www.facebook.com/hepburnskateclub>

CHRISTMAS HAMPER COLLECTION UPDATE

"The community collected \$6,700 this year for the Christmas hampers and gave to 22 families/individuals in the form of grocery store gift cards. The recipients expressed their gratitude for this gift and for the care from their community. Thank you for your generosity Hepburn!" (From Christmas Hamper Committee).

JOURNEY THROUGH CHRISTMAS EVENT

See Hepburn MB Church Facebook page for video link and photos - <https://www.facebook.com/hepburnmbchurch>

SECRET SANTA

"Thank you to everyone who got involved & donated. We had \$285 donated from Saskatchewan & Manitoba and brought Christmas cheer to 8 local residents! Let's continue to grow this tradition!" (From Tamara Kaminski). *"On Dec 24, our doorbell rang. Secret Santa presented us with a lovely gift bag. Thank you very much Hepburn community! We already feel it is a warm lovely place to live. We are happy to call Hepburn home."* (Recipient).

REGIONAL/PROVINCIAL ACTIVITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Support Local!

***Lease an Office OR Book a Winter Event!** @HERITAGE COMMON, 703-2nd St E, the town's newest facility. Contact Ashton at 306-947-2180 or events@hepburn.ca.

***Feature Business This Month: Hepburn Agencies** (306) 947-2182. Neil J. Paetkau, Drivers & automobile licensing, **Marriage license issuer**, Insurance for auto, home, farm & life, Notary Public, & Income Tax Preparation.
E: recreation@hepburn.ca to be featured in the future edition.

TOURISM SASKATCHEWAN

"Saskatchewan is Cold Enough": Embrace the season with winter adventures, food worth travelling for, & cozy places to stay and play. www.tourismsaskatchewan.com



Next Howler Deadline is **January 28**

Lisa Braun, Community Coordinator

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F: www.facebook.com/HepburnParksandRec

W: www.hepburn.ca/recreation.html