



Community Recreation Coordinator Monthly Activity Report

TO: Town of Gravelbourg Council
FROM: Casandra Rushinko, Community Recreation Coordinator (CRC)
DATE: February 6, 2018
SUBJECT: Monthly Activity Report

Activities:

- Promotions on the Town Facebook page, Palestre Facebook page, and Convent Facebook page
- School Skating
- Preparation of arena facility for Montreal Canadiens event
 - CRC was on hand for the event to assist staff and organizers as needed
- Attending SW District Volunteer Workshop in Swift Current – January 22
- Aquaplex Canada Summer Jobs grant application submitted
- Public Works Canada Summer Jobs grant application submitted
- Community Initiative Funds Grant - Solstice application submitted
- Early Childhood SGI Community Grant application submitted
- SPRA Leadership Development Grant – Aquaplex submitted
- SPRA Leadership Development Grant – Soccer submitted
- Printed tickets and posters for Museum Event March 10

- **ECC (Early Childhood Coalition)**
 - Attended meeting February 1
 - Ordered new car seats for KISS (Kids In Safe Seats program)
 - Creating tags, spreadsheets and event details for Kids Consignment sale – May 5
 - In partnership the ECC, Play and Learn Daycare, Le Tournesol, and the Recreation Office are planning to host a children’s dance in early May
 - Planning has just begun
- **Chase the Ace**
 - Weekly record keeping of sales
 - Poster printing
 - Social media

- **Aquaplex**
 - Initial stages for preparation of 2018 swim year
 - Leadership Development grant application sent for funding towards Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Course to hopes with lower the cost
 - Reviewing possibility of a Cultural Inclusion Learn to swim program for adults and children who are new to Canada
 - Reviewing the possibility of new equipment to help increase attendance
 - Equipment would become our 2018 fundraising goal
- **Soccer**
 - Met with Mark and Sonya Harden about the possibilities and steps required to start a soccer program in Gravelbourg.
 - The Harden’s will take the lead on establishing the program and the recreation office’s assistance as a consultant to the project
 - Assisted in creating an online survey to firm details as to what the community would like to

see from this program as well as formal numbers for interest.

○ **Skate Park**

- Met with Jody Leclair & EDO to discuss the proposal of a skate park in Gravelbourg
 - EDO was asked to sit in as an advisor for community development
- The Recreation office has offered to assist Jody as an advisor on the project to ensure that moving forward any of the towns requirements are met and the community’s needs are addressed.

I do believe that the addition of a Skate & BMX park to our community is a unique opportunity to develop the space in suggestion and would provide a formal area for the youth to gather while encouraging outdoor physical activity. It’s understood that liability and continued up keep are concerns to be addressed. I have contacted Cornet Agency’s about liability coverage and what it may cost and will be contacting other communities in Saskatchewan to gather information. The committee does require the Town’s permission to utilize the space prior to apply for funding from any grant programs.

My recommendation to Council is to grant the Gravelbourg Skate & BMX Park Committee permission to develop the proposed property with the following terms,

- The project must be completed, or in the building stage within a 3-year time frame. If the ground has yet to be broken by the 3-year limit the offer to develop the property will be void.
- Final park design must be approved by the Recreation office and Council before construction begins
- Clear guidelines provided in an agreement contract between the Committee and Town of Gravelbourg within the next 6 months to ensure the understanding of roles and responsibilities.
- Raising funds for the project is the responsibility of the Gravelbourg Skate & BMX Park Committee

○ **Palestre**

- Online calendar for skating arena
- Lobby TV
- 3 more tournaments scheduled
- January 20 - Montreal Canadiens Alumni visit was a great success. Congratulations to the planning committee for putting on a sold-out event.
 - The facility was very well cleaned by the arena staff prior to the event
 - Gravelbourg Curling Club hosted Playdowns the same day and was well attended
- February 4 water lines to the lobby washrooms, room 6, 1 and the refs room froze. Public Works was contacted, and the issue was resolved. 1 toilet did crack and needs replacement.

Palestre Revenues	2018 (as of February 5)
	\$25,570.50
Off Season Rentals	\$0
Equipment Rentals:	\$0
Kitchen Rental:	\$2000
Curling Rental:	\$8,160
In-Ice Advertising:	\$0
TV Advertising:	\$75
Billboard Adverting:	\$5140
Ice Time Rental:	\$9837.50
Admissions/Passes:	\$358

Priorities for February 2018:

- Palestre Daily operations
- Chase the Ace records
- Aquaplex preparation
 - Staffing
 - Schedule
 - Programs
- Children's Dance preparations/ planning
- Attend South West District for Culture & Recreation events
 - Cultural Gathering, February 27, 2018 in Gravelbourg
 - Rural Recreation Gathering, March 01, 2018 in Gull Lake