Wentworth Recreation Centre Events



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Hello from the Wentworth Recreation Centre!

We have several events coming up over the next few months including:

Mega Bingo – On Sunday, November 1, the Wentworth Recreation Centre is hosting a Mega Bingo. Doors Open at 1 PM and Early Bird Play Starts at 2 PM. Cost is $50.00 for 2 -6 up Books (all 15 games Included). There will be $3300.00 in Cash Prizes. And sold Extra: Early Bird Cards 4-Up, $5.00 for10 Games. There will be a Canteen On Site. Tickets Available In Advance. Contact Sandra 902 899-8583, e-transfer **sandra.mayne@ns.sympatico.ca**.

Remembrance Day Reception – On Wednesday, November 11, immediately following the service at the Cenotaph, there will be a reception here at the Wentworth Recreation Centre. Food donations for the reception may be dropped off to the kitchen before 11 am. The whole community is invited!

35th Annual Craft Fair – On Saturday, November 14 from 9 am until 2pm, the Wentworth Recreation Centre will be holding it's 35th Annual Christmas Craft Fair. As ever, we will have 50 craft vendor tables and a canteen offering delicious take-out food. Come out and get a start on your Christmas list, meet your neighbours, and enjoy the food! Only $2 admission and modest pricing for the canteen food.

New Year's Levee. On Friday, January 1 from 2 to 5 pm, the Wentworth Recreation Centre is hosting its second annual New Year's Levee. There will be food and live music all at no charge. Come out and meet your neighbours, enjoy refreshments, and listen to great live music!

Our regular programs include:

Community Gym - Located in the lower level, the gym is accessible 24/7 with a membership. Equipment includes Smyth machine, cable machine, Bowflex cable machine, several ellipticals, bikes and treadmills, resistance bands, weight benches, limited dumbbells, barbell, weights, and exercise mats. Membership costs only $10/month, $100/year, or $2/visit. Waivers required. For assistance with the equipment usage, or in building your fitness plan, please ask. A volunteer would be happy to assist you. To obtain a membership, please call/text/e-mail: Velma: 902-817-1906, **velma-03@hotmail.com**.

Weekly Bingo – Sunday afternoons - doors open at 1 pm and play starts sharp at 2 pm. There are 8 regular games. With 40 attending, the payout will be $30.00 per game for the first 4 games and $40 for the last four games. If there are 45 attendees or over, all 8 games will pay out $40.00. Please note that we are looking for volunteers to help with set up and take down of the chairs and tables for Bingo each week. If you can help, please drop us a message at **wentworth.rec.ctr@gmail.com**

Mixed Pickleball – All levels of play. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 10 am to 12 noon assuming there is enough interest.

Women's Pickleball – All levels of play. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays 6 pm to 8 pm assuming enough interest. All are welcome but check with us at wentworth.rec.ctr@gmail.com if you are new to the group.

For more information on any of these programs, please see our website at ***www.wentworthrecctr.com***

or send an email to ***wentworth.rec.ctr@gmail.com***

9 Indigenous Projects Receive $3.3-Millon

More than $3.3 million is being invested in nine Indigenous-led projects across Nova Scotia following an October 21st announcement by Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA). The projects for Nova Scotia's 13 Mi'kmaw First Nations include:

Atlantic Policy Congress of First Nation Chiefs Secretariat

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia Investment: $653,363 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation. Support the Atlantic Indigenous Economic Development Integrated Research Program and four community-driven studies on defence, fisheries, Indigenous business and green technology to strengthen research capacity and inform economic development decisions across Atlantic Canada.

Awtij Energy Inc.

Port Williams, Nova Scotia Investment: $33,015 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation. Engage expertise to strengthen investment readiness, attract new investment and expand export opportunities in marine AI, clean technology and Indigenous defence procurement markets.

Kluskap Suliewei Group Limited Partnership

Hantsport, Nova Scotia Investment: $58,109 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation + $43,689 from Indigenous Services Canada through the Community Opportunity Readiness Program (CORP). Obtain certifications and strengthen governance to pursue defence supply chain and major submarine procurement opportunities while creating pathways for Indigenous business growth and workforce development.

Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Society

Halifax, Nova Scotia Investment #1: $500,000 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation. Launch Atlantic Canada's first Indigenous Collaborative Business Program through the Every One Every Day initiative to provide shared tools, mentorship, infrastructure and culturally relevant services that help Indigenous entrepreneurs start and grow businesses while advancing community-led economic development and economic reconciliation.

Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Society

Halifax, Nova Scotia Investment #2: $100,000 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation + $89,500 from Indigenous Services Canada through the Strategic Partnerships Initiative (SPI)

Develop an Interpretive Plan and Visitor Experience Program for the future Wije'winen Centre to share Mi'kmaw culture, stories and values while creating tourism experiences that support cultural and economic development.

Millbrook Cultural & Heritage Centre

Millbrook First Nation, Nova Scotia Investment: $100,000 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation + $25,500 from Indigenous Services Canada through the Strategic Partnerships Initiative (SPI). Extend the entranceway of the Millbrook Cultural Centre to enhance visitor experience, support tourism growth and expand opportunities for cultural programming, exhibits and community economic development.

Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation

Afton Station, Nova Scotia Investment: $246,750 (non-repayable) Innovative Communities Fund

+ $171,829 from Fisheries and Oceans Canada through the Atlantic Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative (AICFI). Expand a community-owned oyster farm with mechanized equipment and innovative growing technologies to increase production, create more accessible employment opportunities and generate revenues for reinvestment into community programs and infrastructure.

Ulnooweg Development Group Incorporated

Millbrook, Nova Scotia Investment: $1,200,000 (non-repayable) Business Development Program. Deliver Indigenous business financing and advisory services across Atlantic Canada to help Indigenous-owned businesses start, scale and create sustainable economic opportunities that strengthen community prosperity.

Wskijnu'k Mtmo'taqnuow Agency

Chapel Island, Nova Scotia Investment: $100,000 (non-repayable) Regional Economic Growth through Innovation. Establish a Project and Partnership Development Officer position to advance strategic partnerships, attract investment, and support the development of economic opportunities that generate sustainable, long-term benefits for Nova Scotia's 13 Mi'kmaw First Nations.

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