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ARENA ADVERTISING

Attention Business Owners! The WDRA rents advertising wall space inside the arena. The signs are mounted on the wall surrounding the ice surface area. These billboards offer an excellent opportunity to promote your business as well as express your support for local events in the community. As a business owner, you can be sure that your advertisement will be seen by hundreds of spectators each year. Contact the WDRA at wdra@nrtco.net for more information and make plans to have your ad ready for the next ice season.

WDRA

WESTMEATH & DISTRICT RECREATION ASSOCIATION

JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER

To rent Community Centre Hall or Ice Rink Facilities:
613-587-4559 or email wdra@nrtco.net
www.westmeathtoday.ca

For Newsletter inquiries:
Email: wdranewsletter@nrtco.net or call 613-587-4394

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 1st NEW YEARS DAY!
- Jan 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st Public Skating - 6:30 pm
- Jan 4th WDRA Meeting - 7:30 pm
- Jan 6th Lapasse CWL Soup & Sandwich 11:30am-1:00pm
- Jan 9th Muskrat Midget House League Tournament
- Jan 13th, 20th & 27th YOGA 9-10:15 am Westmeath Hall
- Jan 13th RVSC Monthly Meeting 11:00 am
- Jan 13th RVSC Wellness Clinic 1:30 pm
- Jan 16th Muskrat Bantam House League Tournament
- Jan 20th RVSC Soup & Sandwich 12 noon
- Jan 22nd Tween Dance - 7:00 pm
- Jan 23rd Muskrat Novice House League Tournament
- Jan 30th Muskrat Pee wee House League Tournament
- Feb 6th Cobden Pee wee House League Tournament
- Feb 13h Beachburg Atom House League Tournament
- Mar 4, 5 & 6, 2016 Westmeath Winter Carnival

Westmeath Winter Carnival

March 4th, 5th, & 6th, 2016

Mark your calendar, come on out and enjoy
Watch for poster with more details

The WDRA is looking for volunteers interested in helping with the 2016 Winter Carnival. Events include Scavenger Hunt, Road Hockey, Outdoor Games, Crafts, Skating, Bingo, Euchre and much more!



We are looking for people interested in taking on a leadership roll or sitting on a committee. We are always looking for new ideas!

If interested, please contact
Brenda at (613) 587-4559 or via email at wdra@nrtco.net



PUBLIC SKATING - Saturdays 6:30 - 9:00 pm

\$2 per child * \$3 per adult * \$65 Family Pass

CSA approved helmets are mandatory for skaters under 16 years. Good exercise and great fun for the whole family!

TWEEN DANCE



FRIDAY, JANUARY 22ND
7PM-10PM AGES 8-15YRS
\$5/PERSON

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HOCKEY & RINK ACTIVITY UPDATES

We will be starting four new skating and hockey sessions in 2016!

Sessions will be held on Sunday evenings starting January 3rd. Times are just in the process of being confirmed.

Youth Skating Lessons - Here we will focus on strengthening skating for those who want to improve balance, turning, stopping, starting, stride or who just want to learn to skate better. There will be lots of games and drills that will help develop skating skills but still keep it fun for all those hockey players and recreational skaters alike. The fee will be \$50 for eight sessions.

Novice/Atom Hockey Skills - Here we build upon the skating skills and add puck handling, shooting, passing, all while skating. The fee will be \$60 for eight sessions.

Peewee/Bantam Hockey Skills - Here we build upon the skating skills and add puck handling, shooting, passing all while skating. The fee will be \$60 for eight sessions.

Adult Skating Lessons - Similar to the youth skating lessons, the intent of this program is to offer an opportunity for senior youth and adults to learn-to-skate or to brush up on their skating in a fun and relaxed environment where they will be able to decide what they would like to learn or work on. Helmets are the only required equipment for this group. The fee will be \$60 for six sessions.

Contact Neil Nicholson at (613) 587-4725 or via email at n_r_nicholson@hotmail.com for more details.



MUSKRAT MINOR HOCKEY IN WESTMEATH

Come out and cheer on our local hockey talent. The following House League and Competitive games are being held at the Westmeath Arena in November:



Jan. 2 @ 9 am - Westmeath Novice vs. Pembroke 3 Novice
 Jan. 3 @ 1 pm - Muskrat Aton vs. Valley Storm Atom
 Jan. 4 @ 6 pm - Westmeath Novice vs. Eganville 1 Novice
 Jan 4 @ 7 pm - Westmeath Midget vs. Fort Coulonge Midget
 Jan. 5 @ 8 pm - Westmeath Peewee vs. Deep River 1 Peewee
 Jan. 6 @ 7 pm - Westmeath Bantam vs. Pembroke 3 Bantam
 Jan. 7 @ 8 pm - Muskrat Bantam vs. Pembroke Bantam Kings
 Jan. 10 @ 2:30 pm - Muskrat Atom vs. Arnprior Atom Packers
 Jan. 12 @ 8 pm - Westmeath Peewee vs. Pembroke 3 Peewee
 Jan. 14 @ 7 pm - Muskrat Atom vs. Pembroke Atom Kings
 Jan. 18 @ 6 pm - Westmeath Novice vs. Beachburg Novice
 Jan. 18 @ 7 pm - Westmeath Midget vs. Deep River Midget
 Jan. 21 @ 7 pm - Muskrat Peewee vs. Patawawa Peewee Patriots
 Jan. 22 @ 7 pm - Westmeath Midget vs. Petawawa 2 Midget
 Jan 27 @ 7 pm - Westmeath Bantam vs. Cobden Bantam
 Jan. 28 @ 8 pm - Muskrat Bantam vs. Petawawa Bantam Patriots

THANK YOU!

Thanks to Peter Crosby for helping flooding the ice during the annual Silver Stick Tournament.

Also thanks to Alex Bromley, Ashley McDonald, Tyson Yakabuski, Parker Lessard, Dustin Ethier, Jacob Derouin and Garrett Robertson.

Additional thanks to Robert Wright for fixing an oil leak and tightening the belts on the zamboni.

Thanks everybody!

- Mel

Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

WDRA Free Weekday Skate

One hour of FREE skating for seniors, tots, moms and dads.

Every Wednesday from 1 - 2 pm. at the Westmeath Arena.

CSA approved helmets required for those 16 years and under.

A Huge Thank You goes out to Joanne Savage and all those who volunteered their time to help give our small community another terrific Santa Claus Parade and welcoming reception afterward at the Rec. Centre. A good time was had by all!

WDRA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Are held on the first Monday of every month in the upstairs hall of the Westmeath Rec. Centre. These meetings are open to everyone and we welcome all who wish to attend.

BINGO!

Looking for volunteers to help with Bingo at Boardwalk Gaming Centre in Pembroke. This is a great fundraiser for the WDRA. For more information, please contact Brenda at (613) 587-4518 or wdra@nrtco.net

"WHAT'S HAPPENING"

with the RIVERVIEW SENIOR'S SOCIAL CLUB ~JANUARY 2016~ Happy New Year!

Westmeath Riverview Senior's Club #802 is a non-profit and volunteer driven organization working to enhance the quality of life, community participation and independence of Seniors.

Our first Soup and Sandwich of 2016 will be held Wednesday, January 20th at 12:00 noon, upstairs in the Westmeath Community Hall. A great lunch with many choices of homemade soups, non-processed meats, and delicious desserts will be served. The cost is \$8.00 and everyone is Welcome.

Items for the local food bank would be appreciated.

Our monthly meeting will be held January 13th at 11:00 a.m. You are encouraged to attend, and bring your lunch. Tea and Coffee will be served. Membership for 2016 is now due and remains at \$10.00.

New Members are always welcome.

The Wellness Clinic will be held on January 13th at 1:30 pm. Come out and have your blood pressure and sugar checked.

You are encouraged to submit a recipe for the new Cook Book being published by the United Senior Citizens.

Send your recipe to Doreen at charlie99@nrtco.net

YOGA will resume again on Wednesday, January 13th at 9:00 am, as well as the Art classes at 1:30.

Once again a lovely time was had at our Christmas Dinner and Dance held in December. A big thank you to Pat and Gary Kutney, Inez and Ted Winter and everyone who helped in any way. Thank you also for the delicious meal catered by the WDRA.

The HWT Project <http://hwtproject.ca/> is proudly sponsored by the Riverview Senior Social Club. Gayle Stewart has been busy updating the Lumbering chapter with the Alex Fraser Papers. Many of us have had relatives who worked in the lumber camps or on the Mighty Ottawa, and will find this section most interesting. Like us on Facebook at Riverview Seniors Social Club
 Thank You for your continued support.



YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Between the months of September to December 2015, many of our local youth volunteered their time and energy to aid in work needing done and helping with events at the Westmeath Arena and Hall. This time counts toward volunteer hours required by the local schools as part of their curriculum.

The following is a list of those who deserve our thanks:

April White	Quaid Nicholson
Alex Bromley	Garrett Robertson
Cole Drapeau	Sherry Ethier
Aurora Dament	Mason Bromley
Kian Olsheski	Kirstyn Olsheskie
Parker Lessard	Dustin Ethier
Ashley McDonald	Meeka Bromley
Jenna White	Tyson Lemaire

All volunteers had their name entered into a draw for a \$25 iTunes Gift Card from the WDRA, and the winner was drawn at the Santa Claus Parade. Congrats to our winner Tyson Lemaire!

Additional thanks to our WDRA Youth Ambassador, Sherry Ethier, for her time and effort put forth recruiting, organizing and scheduling the volunteers

Great work by all!

The Westmeath Arena will be hosting several hockey tournaments this winter. If you are up for a day of good hockey and fun, whether you're a player, parent or just enjoy the game, come on down and join us!

January 9th - House League Midget Tournament
January 16th - House League Bantam Tournament
January 23rd - House league Novice Tournament
January 30th - House League Peewee Tournament
February 6th - Cobden House League Peewee Tournament
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**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!
 WELCOME TO 2016**

The WDRA would like to extend a Happy New Year and all the best for the upcoming year!