

Recreation Report

Despite snow and sleet falling outside currently as I write this, the calendar does say its spring and the spring melt has actually started. With that comes the start of Ball season. Watrous Minor Ball held their registration in March and have the following teams organized for the 2011 season:

Girls: Learn to Play, Mite, Squirt, Peewee, Bantam and Women's Softball

Boys: Learn to Play, Rookie, Mosquito, Peewee and Bantam

Both the Rookie and Mosquito age categories have a large number of boys and have made 2 teams. Practices are currently underway for teams using both the high school gym and arena until the ball diamonds are ready. For booking time at the arena please call Monique at the Town Office. The season at the Ball Diamonds this year looks to be an exciting, jam-packed one with the Squirts and Bantam girls tentatively hosting a tournament in May, the Peewees are hosting provincials July long weekend and the Men's Twilite tournament in July as well. Minor Ball is also offering Umpire Clinics for both baseball and softball this month. For more information on this or if you haven't registered your child for ball and wish to do so, please contact Wendi Collins.

The arena has stayed a busy place this spring even though hockey has wrapped up. Along with Minor Ball using the facility, Big Arm Women's Roller Derby is practicing twice a week. They are still interested in new members so if you're interested or for more information please contact Monique at the office.

The deadline for the Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Program is April 30, 2011. All organizations that have received funding from this program are asked to please submit their follow up reports and receipts by this date. April 30th is also the deadline for the new applications for the 2011-2012 year. This grant program is eligible to all organizations in the community for sport, culture and recreation programming. For more information or an application please contact the Town Office.

The Watrous School of Dance Club held their year end recital April 17th. Our local dancers were able to showcase their talent and hard work for the year to an appreciative audience of family and friends. Watrous School of Dance offers instruction in ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop, lyrical, modern, Pointe and Musical Theatre. The spring open house and early registration for the fall season will be happening in May, so please watch the paper for details.

Congratulations also goes out the Girls 14U Club Volleyball team who won the provincial title the weekend of April 10th in Saskatoon. Congrats girls and I hear you're heading to Westerns next, so best of luck!!!

Regardless of what Mother Nature is telling us, spring is bound to show up sooner or later and of course summer will follow fast on its heels. Our swimming pool staff has been hired for the year and will start working very shortly getting our pool and lesson schedule ready for the season. Please look for swimming pool registration information to follow in the paper in the next few weeks.

The playground structure that was bought last year for the sports grounds will be arriving in the next few weeks. We are looking for volunteers to help with installation. If you're handy and think you might enjoy being bossed around by Dion for a few hours, please give the Town Office a call. All kidding aside, this is a large project and any help that can be provided would be greatly appreciated.

If anyone has any questions or concerns regarding any programming or facility bookings please don't hesitate to contact me.

Monique