

Media Release

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# Kick off Canada 150 festivities with an Air Show and Canada Day

*(Barrie, ON)* Celebrate Canada 150 with a free Air Show over Kempenfelt Bay on June 28 and Barrie's annual Canada Day celebration on July 1. These two events kick off a summer of Canada 150 festivities.

#### Ground & Air Show

CFB Borden will host military ground displays, including the kiddie commando course, in Heritage Park from 1 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28. The Air Show welcome address will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the show starting at 6 p.m. as the <u>Canadian Forces Snowbirds</u>, <u>CF-18 Demonstration Team</u> and <u>Great</u> <u>War Flying Museum</u> perform a one-of-a-kind aerobatic display over Barrie's waterfront, in partnership with Canadian Forces Base Borden and Georgian International.

#### Viewing from water

In order to ensure the safety of both the public and the air show participants during this event, the following water restrictions will be in place:

- A safety line will be placed in the water from Johnson's Beach to Minet's Point Park from 4 p.m. until the show ends, which will be enforced by the Barrie Police and their service partners on Lake Simcoe.
- Public viewing by boat will be to the east of the line.
- West of the line, boats and water-based activities (including kayaking, canoeing and SUPing) will be restricted starting at 4 p.m.
- Barrie Marina and Tiffin boat launches will be closed for the entire day. Boaters are encouraged to use nearby public launches, including Innisfil and Orillia.

For more information on the show, and viewing locations visit barrie.ca/events.

#### Canada Day

On Saturday, July 1, the City of Barrie is throwing a Canada Day party in conjunction with Downtown Barrie's Promenade Days. The event will feature family activities and vendors in Heritage Park as well as live entertainment, funded in part by the Government of Canada and Tim Hortons.

Check out the cultural presentations and entertainment on the Promenade Days stage, featuring Celtic rock band *Mudmen*, Francophone musicians *Moonfruits*, Aboriginal dance, drumming and storytelling by *the White Pine Dancers* and special guests the *Baytowne Big Band*.

Canada Day festivities will conclude with fireworks show over Kempenfelt Bay starting at 10 p.m. (in case of inclement weather, fireworks will be held Sunday, July 2).

For more information including full entertainment schedule visit barrie.ca/events.

#### Barrie Transit Park n' Ride



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Barrie Transit is offering a free Park n' Ride shuttle from Allandale Recreation Centre and free bus rides from Bayfield Mall for the Air Show starting at 1 p.m. (June 28) and all-day Canada Day (July 1). For more information including hours and stop details visit <u>barrie.ca/TransitNotices.</u>

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