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**TO: MAYOR A. NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

**FROM: K. ELLIS, MANAGER OF RECREATION AND CULTURE PROGRAMS**

**NOTED: D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES**  
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**RE: JUNE IS RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH**

**DATE: MAY 29, 2024**

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This memorandum provides Council members with information on the upcoming “June is Recreation and Parks Month in Ontario!”

“*June is Recreation and Parks Month*” (JRPM) is a movement that promotes the benefits of recreation and parks for physical, social, and environmental health. Communities across Ontario have embraced JRPM to promote local programs, events, parks, and facilities that are available for all citizens to enjoy.

Access to recreation and parks is a fundamental human need that helps foster personal health, strong communities, and social inclusion. JRPM celebrates Ontario’s spectacular parks and recreation services and raises awareness for its role as a path to individual, community, and environmental well-being.

Recreation and Culture Services is creating a calendar of activities, giving residents options to play and stay active every day! City of Barrie residents can take advantage of the many amenities in our City, whether they wish to play basketball at Will Dwyer Park, have a family picnic at Tyndale Park, cool off at the Lampman Lane splash pad, or participate in outdoor International Yoga Day at Dorian Parker Centre.

The City’s three Community Centres also offer many opportunities to get active and play, including afterschool gymnasium or preschool drop-ins, the 55+ walking club, fitness classes, and a family open swim. Open Air Dunlop also kicks off June 15<sup>th</sup> and is a great way to support local businesses and remain active!

Visit the city’s website at [Recreation & Parks Month | City of Barrie](#) for more information, including the full “June is Recreation and Parks Month” calendar.