



RECREATION AND CULTURE MEMORANDUM

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TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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RE: CITY OF BARRIE PUBLIC BEACHES

DATE: JUNE 7, 2021

The purpose of this Memorandum is to advise members of Council that the City of Barrie public beaches will be officially opened for another season on Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Below are some highlights of what to expect at Barrie's beaches this summer.

Daily Lifeguard Services:

The Beaches will be open 7 days a week, Monday to Sunday, and will be guarded as per the following schedule:

	Opening Date	Closing Date	Hours of Operation
Centennial Beach	June 30, 2021	September 3, 2021	11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Johnson Beach	June 30, 2021	August 2, 2021	11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Buoy Lines and Mobi-Mat:

Weather permitted, both the Swim Buoy Lines and Mobi-Mat (accessibility Mat) at Centennial Beach will be installed the week of June 7. The Mobi-Mat is a durable non-slip beach access pathway that will allow individuals of all abilities including pedestrians, people using a wheelchair or walker, and parents with strollers to easily access the beachfront waters and is accessible from the boardwalk.

Better Water Quality:

In order to ensure our beaches are safe for swimming, weekly water samples are analyzed by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit using water taken from Centennial Beach, Johnson's Beach, and Minet's Point Beach. Warnings will be posted at designated swimming beaches when bacterial levels exceed provincial guidelines.

For more information about Barrie's beautiful beaches and to register for the City of Barrie camps and programs, please visit www.barrie.ca