



*This month's Peeper, brought to you by:
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City of Ottawa Youth Programs

Connexion Lounge

Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre – only \$2

Regular drop-in activities include gaming, movies, music, games, air hockey and more! Mondays 6:30-8:30pm & Thursdays 6:30 -8:30pm

Girls Spa Night

@ the FH connexion lounge - \$5 - Ages 10-14

Friday February 24th from 6:30-8:30pm

Facials, nails, hair, music & more!

Boys Game night

@ the FH connexion lounge - \$5 - Ages 10-14

Friday February 24th from 6:30-8:30pm

Video games, sports, nachos & more!

Teen Tchoukball

St. Michael's School Gym - Fitzroy Harbour

Wednesdays February 1st - March 28th 7:30-8:30pm

\$2 drop in fee - Ages 13-17

If you have never heard of this sport or you are an expert, come out and play and have some fun! Please bring indoor shoes.

Sporty Kids

A fun time for sporty kids! Children participate in active games, sports and more!

St. Michael, Fitzroy Catholic School

3-5 yrs Wed 5:30-6:30 pm Feb 1-Mar 28 \$41 Code: 676360

6-11 yrs Wed 6:30-7:30pm Feb 1-Mar 28 \$41 Code: 676381

Contact Youth Connexion for more info 613-580-2424 x43307
youthconnexion@ottawa.ca or www.youthconnexion.ca

Women's Shiny Hockey

Women's shiny hockey continues Wednesday nights, weather permitting, from 8 to 9 pm at the Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre. Recreational and fun with post game refreshments! Helmets are encouraged. If you are unsure about the ice conditions, there will be a sign posted at the rink if it is closed.

Income Tax preparation Service

Tax season is almost here! Local home based company OLGA Bookkeeping and Income Tax Services offers professional help with personal/family income taxes. Self-employed and small businesses are also welcome. Fees start from \$45 for single return, \$65 for family, \$150 for self-employed, 10% discount for seniors and students, low income individuals and families 50% of standard fee. No HST charge this year. For more information please visit website: <http://dimensions360.com/olga-bt>. To book your appointment, call: 613-623-3642 (Brian or Anita) Location: 159 Willola Beach Road. Have your taxes completed on or before March 17 and save an additional 10%.

FHCA Annual General Meeting

The Fitzroy Harbour Community Association Annual General Meeting will be held Thursday March 8, 2012 at the Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre, starting at 6:30pm. Pub night with the Ottawa Senators game on television to follow. All community members are encourage to attend. Memberships will be on sale at the AGM.

Fitzroy Harbour Fishing Derby

The Fitzroy Harbour annual community ice fishing derby will take place on Saturday February 25 from 8am to 5pm. All ages are invited to participate in the derby – prizes to be won. Register for \$5 on the river near the government dock. Prizes to be award afterward inside at the Community Centre at 6pm, with a potluck dinner – bring your favourite dish. For more information call Karen at 613-623-6171. *Note that the date has changed do to a conflict.*

Annual Ham Supper

Annual Ham Supper at St. Andrew's United Church Carleton Street Fitzroy Harbour – Saturday February 4– sittings at 4:30 5:30 and 6:30. Adults \$12 Children 5 – 10 years \$6.00. Information and tickets call Win 613-623-7448, Janet 613-623-5596.

Outdoor Rink Usage and Volunteers

Thanks to all canteen volunteers that have showed up for their "shift" this season so far. We have had very good cooperation from Fitzroy Harbour Community Association members and we greatly appreciate your support. Our supervised canteen means not only are treats available, but the FHCA also receives a \$2100 grant from the City of Ottawa for having a responsible adult on hand to assist skaters in an emergency.

Skaters, please respect the rink schedule. To view the rink schedule online, visit www.fitzroyharbour.com and click on "Sportsline". Remember, if the sign at the rink says 'CLOSED', "Icemaster" Peter has determined that usage of ice is not permitted. Please respect this sign.

Winter Carnival – a success!

Thanks to everyone that participated in Winter Carnival this year. It was once again a great success due to all the volunteers and participants. Thanks as well to the many sponsors that donated prizes – including Dave McClenahan for his generous donation of \$300 in Canadian Tire Gift Cards.

The Peeper accepts sponsors for each monthly edition. If you or your business would like to help the FHCA with the costs of an upcoming community newsletter, or submit a story for publication please contact the FHCA at thepeeper@fitzroyharbour.com or call 613-623-8867 for more information.

Fitzroy Minor Softball Sign up 2012

Fitzroy Minor Softball and T-ball will be conducting registration at the Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre on Wednesday March 7 (7-9 pm) and Saturday March 24 (10 am - 12 noon). Boys and girls aged 4-18 can sign up. Registration at this time is important so we know our numbers to form teams and set the schedule. This is especially true for players at the older levels (14+) as we working towards to continuing to provide teams at those age groups, so if you are interested in softball, please register at this time. FHCA memberships are required, and they will also be for sale at registration. For more information contact Adam at 613-623-8867 or fastball@fitzroyharbour.com or Leigh Ann at 613-623-8664. The softball association will also be hosting "Learn to Pitch" clinics this March / April as well as a coaches' clinic. Watch the March Peeper for more details.

Summer Job at Penny's Fudge Factory

Part Time Summer Work - June to August, inclusive, at Penny's Fudge Factory. Must have a tourism oriented attitude, a welcoming disposition and willing to work with the general public. Most hours are during the weekends and are shared with other summer students. Extra work may be available during the week depending on sales volume. All student applicants must provide Judy with a resume in person. Contact is Judy Gravel at 613-623-7679, leave a message.

Norma's Poem

Most of us love February
The Valentine's month: reaching out with love
and maybe this particular February
adding one more day to think beyond and above:
I hope that skating, skiing and snowboarding
will be within your joys
for adults too, or even oldsters (if able)
not just our enthusiastic young girls and boys
So "Leap Year" is here (that one-in-four)
get your nerve up and ask that shy one
you've been keeping your eye on, out.
Search grandpa's and granny's old recordings
and dance to Elvis' 'twist and shout"
or read that number one best selling book
like I've just done
of Steve Jobs' life: that genius lost before his time
reminding us to make life worthwhile
lifting ourselves and others on
your continual upward climb.

Norma Dixon, Fitzroy Harbour's poet, is now residing at the Villa in Arnprior.

Pool Enclosure By-law Review

The City of Ottawa is reviewing the Pool Enclosure By-law, 2001-259. This review addresses a number of issues intended to strengthen safety regulations aimed at preventing drowning incidents involving young children. This includes a proposal to require four-sided pool enclosures around all new private pools, which includes a fence between the dwelling and the pool. At the same time, the City will be proposing special provisions for above ground pools, which reduces the size of the required pool enclosure, and exempting hot tubs, if they have a substantial cover that is lockable and kept locked when the hot tub is not in use. For more information visit ottawa.ca or call JP Mitton at 613-580-2424 Ext. 21430 or J.P.Mitton@ottawa.ca. Comments are due by February 20th.

Fitzroy Harbour Environmental Assessment Study

Notice of completion

*Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Fitzroy Harbour – Carp River Erosion Control
Study Process and Conclusions*

The City of Ottawa initiated this Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to develop alternative solutions and recommend a preferred solution to address the ongoing erosion problem near the Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre. A shift in the main channel of the Carp River near the Community Centre has resulted in the loss of eight metres of land over the last decade. The loss of land and the steeping of the five metre high bank is an imminent risk to the existing City ball diamond and to public safety.

Alternatives to address the erosion without increasing risk to other properties in the area were identified and evaluated based upon various criteria. The major categories for the criteria were Technical and Regulatory Feasibility, Health and Safety, Social Acceptance, Environmental Protection and Economics.

Public and stakeholder consultation has been held as specified by the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2007).

The preferred solution is to restore the river channel to a previous alignment and to re-build and protect the river bank from further erosion at the secondary erosion site.

The final report can be viewed at the following two locations:

City of Ottawa
Client Service Centre
110 Laurier Avenue West
Ottawa, K1P 1J1

Fitzroy Harbour Community Centre Library
100 Clifford Campbell Street
Fitzroy Harbour, ON K0A 1X0

Consultation Contacts

This project is being planned in accordance with Schedule B of the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2007). If concerns arise regarding this project, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the municipality, a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environmental assessments. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below within 30 calendar days of the first publication of this Notice. A copy of the request must also be sent to the City contact below. If there is no request received within the designated time, the City will proceed to detailed design and construction.

Ministry of the Environment, 135 St. Clair Avenue, 10th Floor,
Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

To provide input into the planning process or for more information,
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