

Splashpad 3P's



PURPOSE:

- Awareness to the Northwest Community Council of the Splashpad venture for the Murdoch MacKay park at First lake.
- PROCESS:
 - Presentation at the Northwest Community Council meeting.

PAYOFF:

- For you:
 - Knowing the potential and support of this project within your community in order to recommend this venture to the HRM for approval.
- For us:
 - Being able to foster great relationships with the people who can drive this venture to fruition.

Why a Splashpad?



- Promote active family living.
- First Lake beach closes due to high bacteria counts.
- Great addition to the park.
- Increase local community business.
- Long term sustainability to increase park traffic and use.

What is a Splashpad?



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Research of Splashpad



- The Kinsmen Club of Sackville has met formally with Blair Blakeney (Coordinator -HRM Capital Projects –Parks Infrastructure & Asset management) on 2 occasions.
- We have researched 2 companies that provide equipment.
 - Splashpad Inc.
 - ABC.
- We have researched the quality and functionality of the equipment.
- Our proposal is to incorporate the most up to date "Safeswop" fixtures as the ones installed at the Halifax Canada Games Centre. This would provide the opportunity to exchange fixtures year to year with that and other future facilities.

Splashpad location





- Located adjacent to the playground.
- Wheelchair accessible.

- Parents can watch children playing on the playground and at the Splashpad.
 - Dimension of Splashpad is 69 x 46.

Splashpad Support



- The Kinsmen Club of Sackville members have discussed the idea with many people who are enjoying the park. There is an overwhelming response in favour of this.
- There are Federal and Provincial letters of support.
- We have set up a Facebook page and the numbers keep growing.
- Kinsmen members are gathering signatures from community residents who support the idea.
- The Kinsmen Club has researched potential fundraising ideas to generate capital.
- □ We have budgeted an initial amount of \$ 30,000.00 in this years Budget.

Thank you!







Kinsmen Park (Sackville) Splash Pad Councilor Presentation Information Pre-meeting Brief



North West Community Council Meeting

September 22nd meeting (7-9 p.m.)

Kinsmen Community Centre

71 First Lake Drive, Lower Sackville NS



Kinsmen Park Splash Pad

The Kinsmen Club of Sackville has been "Serving the Community's Greatest Need" in Beaver Bank, Bedford, Fall River, Hammonds Plains, Sackville and Waverley since 1961. The Sackville Kinsmen also has a rich tradition of identifying creative ways to keep families active and to assist in providing venues to give our communities healthy and fun recreational options for the whole family.

During the winter of 2010, the Sackville Kinsmen began to study the logistics of locating a splash pad at Kinsmen Park for the communities of Beaver Bank, Bedford, Fall River, Hammonds Plains, Sackville and Waverley to enjoy. A committee was formed to get the ball rolling on moving this project forward.

That ongoing research initiative, started in 2010 and continuing to date has resulted in the Kinsmen Splash Pad presentation to the North West Community Council on September 22nd, 2011.

The Kinsmen Club of Sackville has been a proud partner with all levels of government in working to make community projects a reality. In a effort to continue that synergy with the various levels of government in realizing such large scale recreational infrastructure projects, the Sackville Kinsmen are proposing a three way partnership between HRM, the provincial government and a corporate/community group to facilitate this projects' progress from conception to completion.

The committee has done considerable work bringing this project forward, incorporating the most innovative and cutting edge technology with respect to operational efficiency, design and sustainability.

The Sackville Kinsmen are proud to present some preliminary information on this wonderful community project in advance of the presentation.

What is a Splash Pad?



A splash pad is an area for water play that has no standing water. This is said to virtually eliminate the risk of drowning making them an excellent aquatic play option.

There are ground nozzles that spray water upwards out of the splash pad's raindeck. There are also other water features such as a rainbow (semicircular pipe shower), a mushroom shower, or a tree shower.

The showers and ground nozzles are often controlled by a motion sensor and designed to run for limited time. Typically the water is either freshwater, or recycled and treated water, that is treated to at least the same level of quality as swimming pool water standards. The Kinsmen Splash Pad features the environmentally friendly recycled water option.

While many splash pads are designed to appeal to young children, a more recent trend has been to design similar spaces that include more sophisticated aquatic play features that appeal to adults/families as well.

Splash pads have features such as fine mist that are specifically designed for children.

A Splashpad® is a zero-depth aquatic solution that takes its cue from nature by combining the sensations of different water movements – flowing, misting, jetting for uncompromising design and unequalled play adventure.

The Kinsmen Park Splashpads[®] will be built with premium materials, attention to quality and expectation of operational ease. Splashpad[®] provides entertainment for the entire family.

The design of the Kinsmen Park Splash Pad has been comprehensively engineered to be special needs accessible and will be user friendly for the Kinsmen sponsored daycare located in the Kinsmen Community Centre. This daycare has special needs students.

Today Vortex Splashpads are providing a positive experience to the entire community, be it socially, architecturally, or simply from the very essence of learning through play.

Kinsmen Splash Pad Views





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Proposed Location



The Splash Pad's proposed location is next to the existing playground area to the left of the Kinsmen Community Centre (see yellow oval in this picture)

Project Participation Opportunities

The proposed project partnership comprising HRM, the Provincial Government and the corporate / Community fundraising group will each contribute a third of the projects costs.

The Kinsmen Club of Sackville is part of the Corporate / Community group and has made an initial financial commitment of \$30,000.00.

The Sackville Kinsmen have approached various potential sponsors and there is a groundswell of interest from both the corporate and private sectors with respect to getting involved in supporting this project as well.

Community Awareness

The Kinsmen Club of Sackville understands that community support for recreational projects such as this is paramount. To that end the Sackville Kinsmen have initiated a community awareness program to provide information on this project. This program will assist all parties involved in ascertaining the projects' level of interest and support.

The program consists of several layers of media including local newspaper features, website features, social networking (Facebook community page), community petitions, presentations and local signage.

There is a feature in the Bedford-Sackville Weekly scheduled for release online on September14, 2011 and in print on September15, 2011.

Several additional media features are in the planning stages.

Additional Information...

We are available to provide additional information on this project at your convenience. We can be contacted by:

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