

Town of Golden News: June 2022

Canada Day 2022

Each year, the Town of Golden compiles and promotes community-organized free events for Canada Day. Here is what's happening in Golden for Canada Day 2022:

- Head over to the Golden Museum from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for free cake, old fashion kids games and a BBQ by donation.
- Wander over to Spirit Square from 10 am. to 3 p.m. for a Canada Day Farmers Market.
- The Rotary Club will be hosting a BBQ by donation at the Farmers Market and FREE minigolf at the Golden Golf Club!



Make a splash at the Golden Swimming Pool on Canada Day with public swim times available from noon to 5 p.m. Register to save your spot at https://bit.ly/2WCl9r8

Town Hall will be adjusting the hours of operation for Canada Day. Town Hall will be closed to the public on Friday, July 1 and re-opening on Monday, July 4.

Fireworks will not be a part of this year's Canada Day events in Golden. This decision was made proactively based on last year's weather conditions and risks of wildfire (we typically book fireworks and a technician many months in advance), as well as feedback received from the community about the impact of fireworks on pets and wildlife.

Canada Day is also a day for us to reflect on what it means to be Canadian. This includes educating ourselves and reflecting on the story of Canada and what that means for Indigenous peoples.

Here are some resources to learn more about Canada's history:

- History of Canada: www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/history-canada.html
- Indigenous History: www.canada.ca/en/services/culture/history-heritage/indigenous-history.html
- Learn about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action: https://bit.ly/3wKDOhJ
- National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation: https://nctr.ca

Council Briefs

Find out what's new at Town Hall with Council Briefs.

Find out when the next Council meeting its:

Upcoming Council Meetings



12th Street Dog Park Closure

Since 2018, the Golden Off-Leash Dog Park Society (GOLDPS) has partnered with the Town of Golden to maintain the dog park on 12th Street South. This partnership involving the help of users in maintaining the facility was a condition of Council's decision to provide this service. This spring, GOLDPS informed the Town that the society would be dissolving due to a lack of volunteer interest to help maintain the park.

At the June 21 Council meeting, staff presented information and options to Council for a decision on the future of the dog park. Due to staffing considerations involved with maintaining the dog park moving forward, Council made the decision to discontinue the service and directed staff to decommission the dog park. Read more here.

Whitetooth Ski Hill Legacy Fund

In unanimous votes, both Golden's Town Council and the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) Board of Directors agreed to allocate the \$1.7 million Whitetooth Ski Hill Legacy Fund towards two community recreation projects for Golden and Electoral Area A residents. Fifty per cent will be allocated to the construction of a multiuse outdoor sports space adjacent to the Mount 7 Rec Plex in accordance with the Town of Golden's Rec-Plex Parks Plan, and 50 per cent towards the Golden and Area A Indoor Aquatic Centre, pending a successful referendum planned for October 15, 2022.

Read the full news release here.

Project Updates and News



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July at the pool!

The July schedule is now available at golden.ca/recprograms.

Based on the positive feedback from last season, swim times will continue to be 1 hour and 20

Downtown Street Renewal: 9th Ave. N

The 600 block of 9th Avenue North will be open for use over the long weekend! The road will open in its current gravel form to vehicles and pedestrians at the end of the day Thursday until Monday, July 4. The road will be closed again on Tuesday, July 5 to prepare for paving.

minutes long with capacity limits so that everyone has plenty of space to play in the pool.

Don't forget that the best way to reserve your spot for your favourite programs is to pre-register here. You can register for programs up to one week in advance.

Group Lessons:

Registration for the first summer set of group lessons (July 4 to 14) closes at noon on Saturday, July 2.

Lesson set two (July 18 to 28) registration will open Monday, July 4 at 9 a.m. and close Monday, July 11 at 9 a.m.

For more information and to stay up-to-date, visit golden.ca/recprograms

Please be advised that due to the unfinished nature of the area there will be uneven surfaces and tripping hazards, we ask that pedestrians use caution in the area over the weekend.

We ask that you do not park on 9th Ave N overnight on Monday to allow for construction to start first thing Tuesday morning.

The road is expected to be paved and open to regular use by vehicles and pedestrians by the end of next week as other project finishing work continues into July. Learn more about the project.

BC Hydro Street Light Replacement Project

Starting next week, BC Hydro will be in Golden replacing high pressure sodium (HPS) street lights with energyefficient LEDs in order to meet federal regulations. The LED lights use less energy, are more sustainable and reliable, and last longer than traditional HPS lights. This is part of a larger project to replace street lights in communities across the province.

The installation is expected to have minimal impacts on residents and businesses with the potential of short term lane closures or other traffic control in place around crews. Each individual street light installation generally takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Existing lights will be kept in place until the LED lights are installed and ready



to be turned on, resulting in no street light outages during the installation period. Work is expected to be completed in two weeks.

As with any change, the new light may take some getting used to. BC Hydro recommends that you allow about three weeks to adjust to the new light. If after that time, you have an issue with the brightness or positioning of the light, please contact BC Hydro directly at 1-800-266-6366 or email streetlighting@bchydro.com

To learn more about the province-wide BC Hydro LED Street Light Replacement Project, visit www.BCHydro.com/StreetLighting.









