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King of the pool

What better way to beat the winter blahs than taking a nice dip? Alyda King, 6, made a big splash at the

Gellert Community Centre pool during family swim time last week. Photo by Ted Brown

Arena decision could come as soon as Feb. 28

By **CYNTHIA GAMBLE**
Staff Writer

Monday, Feb. 28 is the date set by the Town to look at options on a spending program involving future arenas, Acton seniors and youth centre space and tennis court relocation.

The meeting will be held in a larger venue at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School starting at 6:30 p.m.

"It is a special meeting of the council, where a staff report will be addressed," said Chief Administrative Officer Dennis Perlin. "The public will be invited to speak."

Perlin noted the staff report, which will be available to the public the week before the meeting, will offer a recommendation; it will be up to council at this meeting

to accept the recommendation, amend or defer.

Public opinion has been divided on the issue since last month, when council deferred a capital budget decision on a three-arena construction program after some councillors requested time for a "second sober thought".

Council requested staff to prepare a report to more balance the capital needs of the Town, by looking at the timing of the arena construction of one or more

of the three arenas (the addition of two pads at Mold-Masters and the twinning of Acton Arena) and/or only doing two arenas as part of the Arena Program to replace the aging Memorial Arena and add one additional pad.



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