

Adventure awaits at Town day camps

Space available at many Acton summer camps

Spellbound, six Tiny Tyke Sports campers watched in awe as Michael, one of their leaders, rubbed a yellow balloon on his hair, and put it on the side of his head, where it stayed, just like magic. The balloons were a prop for a game at last Thursday's camp designed to introduce new sports in a safe and fun environment - one of two Tyke camps the Town is running this summer in the Boathouse in Prospect Park.

"Day camp is one of the most amazing opportunities, and fun opportunities, for kids. We're very happy with our first two weeks of summer (camps)," Samantha Kleinschmidt, the Town's Manager of Recreation Services, said on Sunday, adding, "we're pleased, and then optimistic that the rest of the summer will be the same." The Sports Adventure Ball Hockey camp offered in Acton last week was full with 40 participants.

For Acton parents who fear they left registering for summer day camp too late, Kleinschmidt said space is available in ap-



TINY TYKES: Balloons were part of the fun for campers at the Town's Tiny Tykes Sports camp, offered at the Boathouse in Prospect Park. - Frances Learment photo

proximately one-third of the 457 Town summer camp spaces in Acton.

The Tiny Tykes Sports camp, which runs again the week of August 12 at the Boathouse, allows kids to develop and practice new skills including soccer, T-ball, basketball, track and field and sport polo. Like the Summer Tyke Hullabaloo - songs, crafts, games, sports and water activities - offered the week of August 19, the pre-schooler programs make good use of the adjacent Superior Glove Splash Pad. Both camps run from 9 a.m. to

4 p.m., and cost \$165 per week. Extended hours are available.

Another new Acton camp is a "high energy" Adventure Splash 'n Fun, aimed at seven to 12-year-olds who want a mix of sports, water games, creative crafts, theme weeks, a road trip and three swimming sessions. Space is available in sessions beginning July 19, August 12 and August 19.

At the Sports Adventure Camp in Acton the week of August 6, the focus will be on skills development, sportsmanship, fair play

and team work as participants are coached on basketball, soccer, volleyball and baseball, and also swim twice at the Acton indoor pool. The cost is \$133.

Multi-media creativity is the focus of the Studio Art Camp offered the week of July 22 at the Acton arena/community centre. Using an intuitive approach, campers will explore 3D mediums, water colour painting and drawing at workshops hosted by the Williams Mill Visual Arts Centre. Campers will visit the

Mill and also swim twice. The cost is \$207.

Another new camp this year in Acton is Youth Adventure Camp, which evolved from the separate Girl's and Boy's Night Outs of previous years. Aimed at 11 to 15-year-olds, the camp at the Acton arena/community centre offers special guests, crafts, and activities geared to different interests and activities and activity levels. It will be offered during the week of July 29, and involves swimming, and a trip to Wonderland.

Kleinschmidt said the new Epic Sports is full for the week of July 22 at the Acton arena/community centre. It is a "more inclusive" program than last year's skateboarding camp. "We've opened it up, if its epic sports it aligns with those who use scooters.... there seems to be an excellent uptake on that because that camp is doing quite well," she said. A day trip involves rock climbing and a visit to a new skate park. The cost is \$197.

"With all new camps, at the end of the summer we'll evaluate based on feedback and registration and then make some choices for next year," Kleinschmidt said.

With seven assistant camp co-ordinators, 42 camp counsellors and 80 volunteers, the Town maintains a one leader to seven camper ratio for campers under seven years old, and one to 10 for campers over seven. The Town offers 457 summer camp spaces, and financial assistance is available.

The Town processes all summer camp registrations on a first come, first serve basis. If you register on-line at Reg-e, or by phone at Tele-reg (905-873-2498) you find out right away if you're accepted. Forms available at the library, pool and on the Town's website can be mailed, faxed or dropped off with payment.

BRANCH No. 197 **LEGION NEWS** By Sharon Graham P.R.O.

Comrades,

Please remember our veterans and seniors this coming week - it is going to be very warm.

We have entertainment on July 27 with *Celtic Brogues* from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the patio if the

weather is good, or in the games room in case of rain. We are looking for a barbecue crew that might like to cook on this day as well. We just need three people. If you can help please leave your name at the bar, or the signup sheet on the bulletin board. Thank you.

The Leathertown Festival is coming up on August 11. It is always a good time. Let's hope there is no rain this year.

Our Zone social was last Sunday and it was nice

to see so many Legion members out for a good time. Some had good costumes as our theme was Hollywood movies or TV shows.



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