

Castor Carnival Capers

The fun and frolic has been scheduled, the snow already delivered and the Abonimable Snowman is on his way — the Russell Winter Carnival is rarin' to go Feb. 4.

"We have events for every member of the family to enjoy," says carnival committee co-chairman Ray McNamara of the Russell Lions Club. "We have a children's party, a pre-teen dance, an adult sock-hop with the best band to hit Russell in a long time, and a senior citizen dance."



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Meanwhile, Morewood Carnival promises plenty of fun and relaxation with Boys' Hockey, Ladies' Pancake Flipping Race, Snow Sculpture, Pet Show and a host of intriguing events. Beginning Jan. 30 the Embrun Carnival features all of the usual carnival events, with a Monk's Cave thrown in, where all kinds of exciting things take place beginning Jan. 23. On Jan. 30 there is a Bavarian Night organized by Helmut Reichinger. The chain saw contest Feb. 1 promises action and excitement.

Theme of the Greely Winter Carnival is "Fantasyland". The parade leaves Greely Town Hall at 10 a.m. January 31. Snowmobile rally starts at 11:30. There are snowshoe races, men's and women's log sawing, a snowmobile rally, tug of war and other fun-filled events. The Greely Carnival winds up Feb. 8 with an Amateur Show.

Mr. McNamara began planning Russell's carnival last July with co-chairman Paul Wylie of the Russell Recreation Association and Dave Davies who is serving as the carnival's secretary-treasurer.

The five-day celebration kicks off Wednesday, February 4 with the Carnival Queen Pageant where television personality Max Keeping will host the crowning.

Hamilton's Mary Rinas, the reigning Miss Dominion of Canada, will place the crown on the head of the new carnival queen.

The same Dixieland band which brought overflow crowds to last year's carnival wine cavern at Benny's hotel will be back on Friday evening. The wine cavern will also be hosted at the hotel on Thursday.

Saturday's full day of activities begins with a bacon and eggs canteen breakfast and continues through to the Carnival Roast Beef Dinner which precedes the adult sock hop with The Tiffany Trio playing music from the 50s and 60s.

Sunday's events begin with a pancake breakfast and the fun continues through the parade and bed races to a giant bonfire which will end the 1981 carnival.

Carnival organizers are encouraging all participants to pre-register for each event in order to make the co-ordination smooth and to ensure that everything begins and ends on schedule.

Other highlights of the carnival include: old timer hockey tournament; judging of the beard-growing contest; skidoo drag races with more than 150 machines; cross-country skiing; lumberjack contests; a hockey game between the Russell Warriors and the world-travelled Ottawa old stars; and a snow sculpture contest which will be judged on the lawn of any resident who wishes to enter.

"This is the biggest and best carnival Russell has ever put on," says Paul Wylie, "there's something interesting to do every waking hour during the carnival."



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THE RUSSELL WINTER CARNIVAL

February 4-8

The Russell Winter Carnival is presented, jointly, by The Russell Lions Club, and The Russell Recreation Association.

Your schedule of events:

Wednesday, February 4:

8 p.m. - 11 p.m. **Carnival Queen Pageant.** Arena. Come to the pageant and meet Miss Dominion of Canada. For information: Nancy Matthew 445-5764.

Thursday, February 5:

10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Public School Skating.** Arena.
6 p.m. - 11 p.m. **Old Timer Hockey Tournament.** Arena.
7:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Wine Cavern.** At Benny's Hotel's. Lumberjack and Jill Night. **Beard Growing Contest judging.**
8 p.m. - 11 p.m. **Catholic Church Bingo.** Catholic Church. Extra prizes for the carnival.
7 p.m. - 9 p.m. **Preteen Dance.** Arena. 50 cents.

Friday, February 6:

10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Separate School Skating.** Arena.
6 p.m. - 11 p.m. **Broomball Tournament.** Arena.
7:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Wine Cavern.** Benny's Hotel. Dixieland Night.
8:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Senior Citizens' Dance.** Arena. Music by the Old Time Musicians. Two dollars.

Saturday, February 7:

7:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. **Canteen Breakfast.** Arena.
8 a.m. - 1 p.m. **Minor Hockey Novice Tournament.** Arena.
10 a.m. **Bake Sale.** Arena.
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. **Children's Party.** Fun for the children with the Robert Gould Puppet & Magic Show. Free admission.
1 p.m. **Cross Country Skiing.** Winter fun for all ages. Show up at the Arena with your skis.
1 p.m. - 2 p.m. **Judo Demonstration.** Arena.
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Minor Hockey Showdown.** Arena.
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Skating Races.** Arena.
4 p.m. - 7 p.m. **Carnival Roast Beef Dinner.** Adults: Five dollars. Children under 12: Three dollars. Arena.
8:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Adult Dance.** Arena. A Fifties & Sixties **Sock Hop** to the sounds of The Tiffany Trio. Three dollars.
During the afternoon on Saturday, the Carnival judges will be **Judging Snow Sculptures.** For more information on creating a snow sculpture on your lawn and having it entered, call Barry McVey 445-2824. All afternoon, as well, there will be an **Ontario Provincial Police Display** at the Arena.

Sunday, February 8:

8 a.m. - 11 a.m. **Pancake Breakfast.** Arena.
8 a.m. - 12 noon. **Minor Hockey.** Arena.
12 noon. **Skidoo Drag Races.** For more information on how to enter this event, contact Bruce Woolsey 445-2897.
1 p.m. **Carnival Parade.** Music, floats, and fun for everyone. Starting at the Arena.
Bed Race. Following the parade. Starting at the Arena.
1:30 p.m. **Arm Wrestling.** At the Arena.
2 p.m. **Lumberjack Contest.** At the Arena (south side). Three events: Chopping Contest (bring your own axe), Woodsplitting Contest, and Chain Saw Contest.
2 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Costume Show On Ice.** Arena.
3 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Ottawa Old Stars vs Russell Warriors.** Hockey at the Arena.
5 p.m. - 7 p.m. **Closing Dinner and Awards Presentation.** At the Arena. **CFO Dinner:** Boeuf à la Canadienne - Tarte Maison (French Canadian Stew - Homemade Pies). Adults: Four dollars. Children under 12: Two dollars.
A **Bonfire** will follow the awards presentation.

Here's how you enter:

Old Timer Hockey: Contact Bruce Woolsey at 445-2897. Registration fee is \$20 per team.
Broomball: Contact Pat Shea at 445-2885. Registration fee for broomball is \$20 per team.
Cross Country Skiing: Contact John Bols at 445-2175. Registration fee is \$2 per person.
Bed Race: Details available from Norm Inglis at 445-2934. Registration fee: \$10 per team.
Lumberjack contests: Contact Lorne Honey for more information at 445-2890. Three categories: Chain sawing, Log chopping (axe) and Cross Cut (teams only). Entry fee is \$2 per person per event.
Arm Wrestling: Contact the Arena Manager at 445-2050 for further information.

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MOREWOOD WINTER CARNIVAL

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Jan 30 - 31 Feb. 1

Fun and Food

Pot Luck Supper Sat. Nite

Carnival Supper Fri. Nite

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