



CP SCOOP – April 4th, 2021

MUNICIPAL UPDATES



Fire Ban In Effect Starting April 5th - Starting Monday, April 5th, 2021 there will be a complete fire ban in effect for the Town of Carleton Place, as well as Lanark County. **No open burning of any kind is permitted until the ban is lifted.**

We thank you for your cooperation in dealing with this matter.

Volunteers Need for Pump Track/Skate Park - Upon receiving the news that our province would be entering into a shutdown period that restricted outdoor gathering sizes to five (5); we knew that the Pump Track/Skate Park would need to be temporarily closed to ensure that the gathering limits were followed.

This community hub is well-loved, and gathering numbers were becoming a daily issue under the previous gathering restrictions. We recognize that the Pump Track/Skate Park is a community asset that provides both mental and physical benefits that we want to continue to provide safely.

Staff have come up with a solution that will require volunteer commitment from the community in order to allow for the Pump Track/Skate Park to remain open for the next four (4) weeks. We have created an online booking schedule that allows users to book a 30-minute time slot once a day. While this may not seem like enough time; please consider the fact that only five (5) patrons can use the area at one (1) time.

We hope to have the Pump Track / Skate Park open daily from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. We hope to expand the hours of operation for Spring Break, provided we can secure sufficient volunteers. With this in mind, we need many dedicated volunteers to make this schedule possible.

We are asking parents/guardians and riding enthusiasts over the age of 18 to assist in volunteering to keep the park open by signing up to be a chaperone for one (1) hour time slots. Your duties will consist of checking in riders, ensuring the 30-minute time slots are kept running on time, reminding users of the park rules, and ensuring they keep a physical distance at all times.

Construction fencing will be installed on Monday morning to help monitor gathering limits. Patrons will be expected to maintain a six (6) foot distance from fellow users not from the same household, and all other park signage must be followed. Mask wearing is highly recommended. We will share the online booking link within the next few days once we have volunteers in place.

Please email Jessica Hansen: jhansen@carletonplace.ca or private message our [Facebook page](#) if you are interested in volunteering. Staff will not be replying to Facebook comments.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we worked quickly to provide a solution under such short notice.