

CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER



<https://champlainpark.org/>



Winter Carnival on Saturday Jan. 26

@ Rink, Park, Fieldhouse, **noon to 3 p.m.**

Snow, rain or shine, our Winter Carnival is scheduled for the last Saturday in January.

Hope to see you there!

Among the activities:

12:30 to 2:30 p.m.: Free horse-drawn sleigh rides.

After lunch: skating, hockey skills competition, games.

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.: Sing Song Party Time with Derek McKinley.

Admission, hot chocolate and coffee are FREE.



Organizer Erin Topping, erintopping@hotmail.com

Food & Beverages:

There will be a **chili cook-off**, baked goodies, juice, hot dogs and more for sale in the Fieldhouse kitchen.

Help Make it Happen:

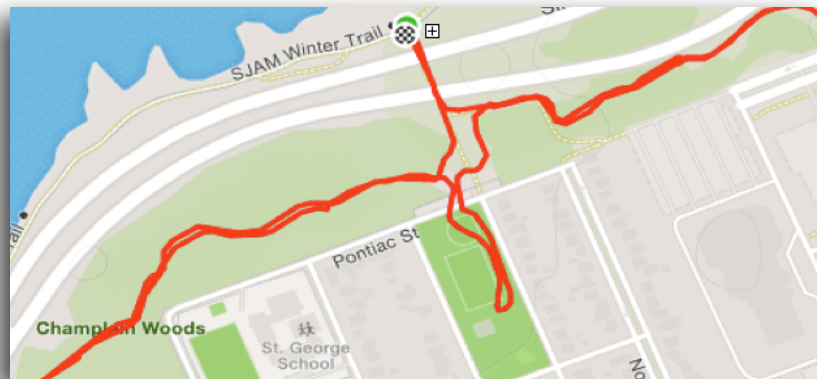
We need volunteers for setup and cleanup, rink supervision, help at the lunch counter and donations of baked goods.

And Chili Cooks, of course, for the annual contest. There will be wonderful prizes and possibly appearances by the mayor, our city councillor and MPP.

SJAM ski trail open, festival on Jan. 20

The Sir John A. Macdonald winter trail has been a great success and we're proud to have a portion of the route in Champlain Park. To celebrate, a family-oriented ski festival is planned for Sunday, Jan. 20, with a gathering point at **Remic Rapids**.

On the agenda: At **10 a.m.**, a one-km Ski Scurry for kids 10 and under; at **10:30 a.m.**, a five-km Ski Scoot for those 10 and older, adults included.



At **11:30 a.m.**, a five-km Fat Bike Blast is scheduled. Registration is requested as numbers are limited. Free for kids, \$10 for others. If weather is very bad, the event is cancelled.

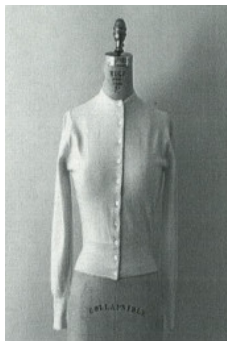
There's lots more to find out, including how to get a ski bib. Please consult <http://sjam.ca> for details. Map shows the route in the park and Champlain Woods.

Outdoor rink open: Check hours, booked events



Cashmere & Chocolate: Saturday, Feb. 9

Just in time for Valentine's Day, an afternoon that combines two of our favourite things.



On display and for sale will be high quality used and vintage cashmere sweaters and scarves, full of softness.

Expect to also find knitted hats and scarves, exquisite chocolates and other tasty sweets. And wait! There's more, including some antiques. Drop by the **Fieldhouse, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** For more information, **613-728-1945.**

The Outdoor Rink is now open and volunteers are needed.

To help with supervision and shoveling, please contact **Jim Kot** **613-722-7519** or e-mail kris.tom@sympatico.ca



Monday 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Tuesday 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Thursday 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Friday 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Saturday Noon to 6 p.m.
Sunday Noon to 6 p.m.



Booked events:

Women's hockey Sunday from 8 to 9:30 p.m.
Hockey for kids 10 and Under Tuesdays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Hockey for kids 11 to 14 Tuesdays & Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.



2nd bonfire will be lit, Sunday, Feb. 10

Last year, our first community bonfire was a roaring success. Once again, organizers Jim Cocks and Bill Baggs invite neighbours out of hibernation on **Sunday, Feb. 10 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.** to meet around a burning fire, skate on the outdoor rink, or ski on the SJAM trail. The burning spot is at the north end of our park, near the link with the NCC woods. Our city councillor, Jeff Leiper, his assistant, Fiona Mitchell, and city workers sponsor the event by securing the open-air fire permit and the pit itself, contributing marshmallows, s'mores materials, hot chocolate and cups. Bushtukah and Bridgehead also lend support. It is a great opportunity to warm up with friends in the community after some winter outdoor exercise!