



Mayor's Report to the
June 26, 2017 Council Meeting

Port Colborne Conservation Club – 25th Annual 444 International Walleye Tournament

The Port Colborne Conservation Club's 25th annual 444 International Walleye Tournament was held this past weekend.

The rain on Friday and high winds on Sunday did not dampen the enthusiasm of the fishers. One hundred teams were entered. I presented the mayor's award on behalf of council.

This tournament was an excellent lead in to the professional sport fishing organization tournament – the Berkeley B1 later this summer – August 19 and 20.

Congratulations to the Conservation Club on a very well run event.

Opening of the Timber Cabin

The opening of the timber cabin at the Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum was a well-attended event with Chairman Brian Heaslip and a volunteer crew receiving well-deserved acknowledgement for their hundreds of hours of volunteer time and fundraising efforts of over \$100,000.

Art Crawl

Port Colborne enjoyed a very busy Art Crawl on Saturday for the 7th straight year.

The visitors were numerous who enjoyed a great event.

St. Jean Baptiste Celebrations

I enjoyed a francophone lunch and entertainment at Le Centre Polyvalent des Aines Francophone on Saturday in celebration of St. Jean Baptiste day, again a Canada 150 event.

Royal Canadian Air Force Dinner

On Saturday evening I attended the annual dinner of the Royal Canadian Air Force Association, Wing 434.

The association will be presenting the Battle of Britain commemorative event at Market Square here in Port Colborne on Sunday September 17th.

Other Events leading to Canada Day

Tuesday June 27th - tomorrow

Join us at 7:00 p.m. at the bandshell in H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park for a FREE concert by one of the areas premiere marching bands – The Niagara Memorial Militaires Drum Corps. The playlist features traditional marches, Broadway show tunes, movie themes, and pop songs---something for everyone! Bring a blanket or lawn chair and maybe a little snack and enjoy a family-friendly evening.

Also that evening see Port Colborne's Heritage Homes and Buildings as you leisurely cycle along a predetermined route with guides from OutSpokin: Slow Rides. Bike rentals available for \$10. BBQ, prizes, giveaways and more! Meet at Market Square at 5:00 p.m. Come dressed in red and white.

Thursday June 29th

Graduation ceremonies of both Port Colborne High School and Lakeshore Catholic High School will be held and award from the City will be presented

Friday June 30th

The Canadian Corps on West Street is hosting a Countdown to Canada 150 with food and entertainment starting at 7:00 p.m. and a countdown to July 1st starting at 11:59 p.m.

Saturday July 1st

Canada Day in the Park – join members of the Port Colborne Optimists Club for our annual Canada Day celebrations

There will be interactive activities throughout the park including pony rides, a hay ride, bouncy castles, a reptile show, fun photo booth, birds of prey, incredible kites, face painting, cupcakes, a penny sale and vendor fair. The traditional cake cutting will be at 1 p.m. There will be entertainment between 10 and 5 at the bandshell and the children's stage.

Again at 6 p.m., the Bessey Road Band will entertain from the main stage until 9 p.m. Bring the whole family down, pack a picnic and come celebrate Canada 150th with us.