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## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual SportsFest returns to Port Colborne

**Port Colborne, ON (Jan. 11, 2019)** – The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual SportsFest returns to Port Colborne Feb. 8-10, 2019. For two decades, the Festival of Sports has provided activities for all ages and interests across the city. Several local charities benefit too, with proceeds from various events donated to the Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services Fire Prevention Program, Bless the City, and Port Cares.

“In the middle of winter, when many of us feel like hibernating, SportsFest provides the community with an opportunity to get out, PORTicipate, and enjoy all that Port Colborne has to offer”, said Luke Rowe, event assistant and volunteer coordinator. “We’re fortunate with the support of several community groups and local business who have organized sports tournaments, free family fun activities, and events for the music lovers, foodies, and euchre players too.”

The full schedule of SportsFest activities are below, including many returning favourites:

| Friday, Feb. 8, 2019  |
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| <p><b>Mayor’s Cup Invitational Hockey Tournament</b><br/>           Vale Health &amp; Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street<br/>           For more information, call Bryan Theal 905-835-2900 ext. 535 or email <a href="mailto:bryantheal@portcolborne.ca">bryantheal@portcolborne.ca</a>.<br/>           For tournament schedule, visit <a href="http://www.portcolborne.ca/page/mayors_cup">www.portcolborne.ca/page/mayors_cup</a><br/>           Proceeds from this event will go to the City’s Active Camps program.</p> |
| <p><b>Music Trivia – Name that Tune</b><br/>           Canalside, 232 West Street<br/>           8 p.m. start<br/>           \$10/person – max. 6 people/team<br/>           RSVP Required.<br/>           For more information, call Greg 905-834-6090 or email <a href="mailto:greg@canalside.ca">greg@canalside.ca</a><br/>           Proceeds from the event will go to Bless the City.</p>   |
| <p><b>Progressive Euchre Night</b><br/>           Port Colborne Legion Branch 56, 67 Clarence Street<br/>           7 p.m. start<br/>           \$10/person<br/>           For more information and for tickets, call Ginger Barrick 905-899-6239 or e-mail <a href="mailto:barrickbg@hotmail.com">barrickbg@hotmail.com</a>.<br/>           Proceeds from the event will go to a local community group.</p>  |
| <p><b>Port Colborne YMCA Youth Action (FREE)</b><br/>           Vale Health &amp; Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street<br/>           6 - 9 p.m.<br/>           Ages 9-14<br/>           Sport games, swimming &amp; gym activities.</p>   |
| Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019  |
| <p><b>20<sup>th</sup> Annual Snow Golf Tournament</b><br/>           Whisky Run Golf Club, 631 Lorraine Road<br/>           11a.m. – 2 p.m.</p>   |

\$35/person – Two person teams  
Format: two-person scramble for 11 holes of snow golf.  
For more information, visit [whiskyrun.com](http://whiskyrun.com), call Jessica 905-835-6864, or email [jessica@whiskyrun.com](mailto:jessica@whiskyrun.com).  
Proceeds from the event will go towards their Junior Golf program.

**Volleyball Tournament (Indoors) Men's/Women's**

8 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
\$200/team  
For more information, call Peter 905-380-3207 or email [pleavere@sympatico.ca](mailto:pleavere@sympatico.ca)  
Please bring a non-perishable food item.

**Zuvic Memorial Sno-Pitch Tournament**

8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
\$250/team  
For more information, call William 905-932-7663 or email [wmurray7@sympatico.ca](mailto:wmurray7@sympatico.ca)  
Proceeds from this event will go to the Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services Fire Prevention Program.

**Wine and Cheese Tasting**

Canalside, 232 West Street  
8 p.m.  
\$20/person  
For more information, call Greg 905-834-6090 or email [greg@canalside.ca](mailto:greg@canalside.ca)  
Proceeds from this event will go to Bless the City.

**Port Colborne Active Camps Ball Hockey Extravaganza, presented by Brock University**

Vale Health & Wellness Centre parking lot, 550 Elizabeth Street  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Drop-in. No pre-registration required. All ages welcome!  
Come out to PORTicipate in this **free** event, hosted by Port Colborne Active Camps and Brock University, and enjoy activities such as ball hockey skills & drills and full game play. Feel free to stop by and warm up with some complimentary hot chocolate too. Game on!  
For more information, call Blair 905-835-2900 ext. 538 or email [blairholinaty@portcolborne.ca](mailto:blairholinaty@portcolborne.ca)

**Port Colborne YMCA Activities (FREE)**

Vale Health & Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street  
**1 – 3 p.m. Family Bounce & Gym Activities**  
All ages (children must be accompanied by an adult 16+).  
**1 – 4 p.m. Open Swim**  
All ages (swim admissions criteria applies).

**Mayor's Cup Invitational Hockey Tournament**

Vale Health & Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street  
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**Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019**

**Volleyball Tournament (Indoors) Co-Ed**

8 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
\$200/team  
For more information, call Peter 905-380-3207 or email: [pleavere@sympatico.ca](mailto:pleavere@sympatico.ca)  
Please bring a non-perishable food item.

**Soup Cook Off**

Canalside, 232 West Street  
12 - 4 p.m.

\$10/Person, or free if you enter a soup in the cook off.

Do you have a soup that everyone loves? Why not enter our annual Soup Cook off? And, if you love soup, come on out and try all the soups entered and vote for the soup you loved the best! For more information, call Greg 905-834-6090 or email [greg@canalside.ca](mailto:greg@canalside.ca)  
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**Family Skate (FREE)**

Vale Health & Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street – Rink 2  
12 - 2 p.m.

**Port Colborne YMCA Yoga (FREE)**

Vale Health & Wellness Centre, 550 Elizabeth Street  
10:15 - 11:15 a.m. (Ages 13+)  
Participants must bring ID.

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**Mayor's Cup Invitational Hockey Tournament - FINALS**

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The City of Port Colborne sponsors SportsFest 2019 in association with the YMCA of Niagara, and Molson Canadian.

For more information about each event, and to view the Mayor's Cup Invitational Hockey Tournament Schedule, visit [www.portcolborne.ca/page/Sportsfest](http://www.portcolborne.ca/page/Sportsfest).

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**About City of Port Colborne**

Located on the south coast of the scenic Niagara Region, Niagara's Port of Call has found the perfect balance – successful industrial and commercial sectors, comfortable and scenic residential areas, white sand beaches, unique culinary choices, the world class Sugarloaf Marina, fishing, golfing, trails, shopping districts along the historic Welland Canal and an energized festival and entertainment scene that includes live theatre – truly a community that adds to the overall Niagara Experience.

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