## CW cancels summer camps, rentals, senior programming, events

– The township has cancelled all township-run summer programs due to COVID-19.

In a June 5 press release, the municipality announced activity cancellations, which includes: summer camps, swimming lessons, sports field rentals and senior programming until Sept. 8.

"It is very disappointing that we cannot offer the programs and camps that we typically offer families in Centre Wellington every summer," said Mayor Kelly Linton.

"But until we can safely open our facilities, we want families to have the option to make other plans for their children this summer, and protect the health and safety of our residents and staff."

Anyone registered for an aquatic or fitness program, may receive a refund or a credit for future use. Staff will contact be in contact with registrants.

All fitness and/or memberships are extended automatically for the duration of the facility closure. For members on a monthly payment plan, payments will continue to be withdrawn on the regular payment date.

Members wishing to stop payments, or members who paid for a full membership and would like a pro-rated

refund should contact staff to process the refund.

Anyone who has rented a sports field or reserved a recreation facility before Sept. 8, may receive a refund or

As restrictions from the province and public health are lifted, officials state the township will look at implementing redesigned or modified programs and rentals where possible.

Until further notice, requests for future bookings are not being accepted.

The township has added a new virtual platform to Connect CW, a one-stop community hub linking residents

to activities, workshops and virtual experiences related to recreation, leisure, fitness, well-being, education, culture, arts and more.

Staff has recently added a seniors section that links to free seminars, and zoom exercise classes.

#CW Cares was launched in May and encourages residents to share their stories about "caremongering." This means offering help or care to those that need it most. For more information, and to stay connected visit www. connectcw.ca.

Contact staff at parks@ centrewellington ca or at 519-846-9691 ext. 903.

## Erin cancels camps

ERIN - The Town of Erin has cancelled town-run camps this summer.

Officials made announcement on June 4 "due to the ongoing threat of COVID-19 and following ... provincial and public health directives."

Staff will contact registrants to issue refunds or credits by July 6.

The town announced on May 29 that municipal facilities remain closed indefinitely.

Four days prior Erin reopened parks and sports fields, but playgrounds and public washrooms remain closed.

Town officials have offered the following guidelines to help stop the spread

of COVID-19: - adhere to physical distancing from anyone outside

of your household; use outdoor recreation amenities in groups less than

- wash your hands or sanitize often:

- wear a face covering if physical distancing is a challenge; and

- stay home if you are ill or experiencing any of the COVID-19 symptoms.

For the latest Erin news, visit the town's website.

## GRCA cancels all summer day camps

WELLINGTON ronment," states the GRCA COUNTY - The Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) has cancelled all day camps this summer.

Officials made the announcement on June 4 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pan-

The GRCA decision was made in response to the provincial government's release of health guidelines for day camps on June 2.

"Upon review of the guidelines, the GRCA has determined that the restrictions would significantly impact its ability to deliver quality day camp programs in the current COVID-19 envirelease.

Tracey Ryan, GRCA manager of environmental education and restoration, said the decision to cancel was difficult, but "the health and safety of our campers and staff remain our highest priority."

The GRCA's day camp programs were developed pre-pandemic, and include large gatherings both indoor and outdoor, as well as inperson interactive activities, officials note.

All registrants will be contacted in the coming weeks to receive a full refund, officials



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