



Supporting Youth in Bruce & Grev

- Nutrition Programs and Projects in Area Schools
- Local Youth Group

The 22⁻⁻⁻ Annual Rotary Winterama will be held throughout February 2024. Area Rotary Clubs organize Winterama each year to provide an opportunity for local school children and groups to participate in winter activities and to raise funds through pledges in support of their school breakfast nutrition programs, school / youth group projects and local Rotary youth programs. Rotary Winterama has raised nearly \$600,000 in the past 20+ years.

To encourage student and family participation, the participating Rotary Clubs are offering ice time for public skating at two venues as follows:

- 1. Family Day Feb. 19 2024 at the Shallow Lake arena from noon til 1:30 followed by a pizza party and hot chocolate upstairs in the community room, and
- 2. Family Day Feb. 19, 2024 at the Plex in Port Elgin from 10:30 til noon, also followed by a pizza party and hot chocolate.

We have already booked and paid for the ice and community rooms in both of these locations.

The participating Rotary Clubs (Tara, Port Elgin and Southampton) also seek sponsorships from community businesses to offset the cost of expenses such as signage, pizza and beverages after the free skates and awards for the students. Hence, the purpose of this letter; The Winterama Committee would like to request that the Municipality of Georgian Bluffs waive the ice time and community room fees at the Shallow Lake Arena on Feb. 19, 2024 to help reduce our Winterama administration costs and to allow us to funnel savings into Rotary youth programs in the participating schools. A similar request was shared with the Municipality of Saugeen Shores, and they have graciously agreed.

The Winterama Committee would like to thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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