

STAFF REPORT: RECREATION DEPARTMENT



REPORT TO: Infrastructure & Recreation Committee
MEETING DATE: July 10, 2012
REPORT NO.: DOR.12.31
SUBJECT: 2012 Centurion Event Approval Requirements
PREPARED BY: Shawn Everitt, Director of Recreation

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR.12.31, “2012 Centurion Event approval requirements” for their information; and

THAT Council authorize the Road Use of Gord Canning Drive, and 10th Side road for the 2012 Centurion cycling event, on Saturday September 15th & 16th; and

THAT Council Designate the 2012 Centurion Cycling Event as a Significant Community Event; and

THAT Council authorize and support an exemption to the Noise by law for Saturday September 15th and Sunday September 16th, 2012 from 8a.m. until 9p.m. to accommodate the Event Activities.

B. Background

2012 is the third year for the Centurion Cycling Event in The Blue Mountains. Similar to the previous two years, Town staff has worked closely with event organizers to ensure that all agencies and neighbouring municipalities where the event takes place are part of the approval process of the event logistics.

The logistics group have met five times as of June 28th for the 2012 event. The logistics group consists of

- ▶ County of Grey,
- ▶ Simcoe County,
- ▶ Municipality of Grey Highlands,
- ▶ Town of Collingwood,
- ▶ Municipality of Meaford,
- ▶ Clearview Township,
- ▶ Collingwood/The Blue Mountains O.P.P.
- ▶ Huronia West O.P.P.
- ▶ Grey County O.P.P.
- ▶ Blue Mountain Village Association
- ▶ Blue Mountain Resorts
- ▶ Centurion Cycling
- ▶ The Blue Mountains

The 2012 event remains very similar from the past two years, however some route changes have been made. In 2011, the 25 Mile route mainly due to increased

participation created issues, as faster riders were returning Northbound on Grey Road 19 and the slower riders were riding Southbound on Grey Road 19 this virtually shut down Grey Road 19 to vehicles for the majority of Saturday morning. Clearview Township noted this issue at the 2011 event follow up meeting and changes have been made to remedy those concerns.

The 50 Mile and 100 Mile Start and finish lines will use Gord Canning Drive and the Village plaza area. The first two years the start and finish line utilized Jozo Weider Boulevard and Mountain Drive, Town staff and O.P.P. requested that the start and finish lines not use Jozo Weider Boulevard and Mountain Drive for future events because of the high volume of traffic during the event. The 50 mile and 100 mile routes will not include Grey Road 119 Scenic Caves descent in 2012. The major change as a result of the removal of Grey Road 119 has the riders on the return leg travelling East on Grey Road 40, then turning South on Grey Road 13 and continuing South on the 10th Side road to Grey Road 119 and then travelling East to Ravenna where they will travel South on Grey Road 2 to Grey Road 19 for the return to the Village at Blue. The first two years had the riders travelling East on Grey Road 40 to Grey Road 2 and returning to the Village at Blue on Grey Road 119 down Scenic Caves.

Event activities continue to include the Scenic Caves Hill climb that is being organized in consultation with Scenic Caves Eco Adventure staff. The events at the Village also include live entertainment as well as large Exposition area.

C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan

- Supporting the development of social and recreational programs to meet the broad range of needs in the community
- Providing a strong well managed municipal government
- Addressing the Town's municipal infrastructure needs

D. Environmental Impacts

- ▶ Actively promoting Healthy and Active lifestyles
- ▶ Promoting and supporting Active Transportation opportunities

E. Financial Impact

There will be impact on the budget from these events in the form of wages for logistic coordination with Town Staff and the events partners and stakeholders.

F. In Consultation With

- ▶ County of Grey, Mike Kelly, Glenn Gibbons
- ▶ Simcoe County, Christian Meile
- ▶ Municipality of Grey Highlands, Chris Cornfield
- ▶ Town of Collingwood, Chris Stoutenburg, Events
- ▶ Municipality of Meaford, Steve Vokes
- ▶ Clearview Township, Steve Sage, Jacqueline Soczka

- ▶ Collingwood/The Blue Mountains O.P.P. Sergeant Charlie Watts, Constable Pieter Huyssen
- ▶ Grey County O.P.P. Sergeant Donald Fitzgerald
- ▶ Blue Mountain Village Association, Patti Kendall
- ▶ Blue Mountain Resorts Dak Williams, Peter Sutcliffe, Erika Langman, Rick Ouellet, Paul Pinchbeck
- ▶ Centurion Cycling, Graham Frazer, Tim Hyland
- ▶ The Blue Mountains, Jim McCannell, Manager of Roads & Drainage, A.J Lake Deputy Fire Chief, Greg Miller, Mnager of Building & By law.

G. Attached

None at this time

Respectfully submitted,

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