

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Nanaimo Lions Free Swim Kicks Off with a Splash

City of Nanaimo Parks and Recreation and the Nanaimo Lions Club are pleased to announce the Lions Swim is back for another season at Beban Park Pool.

"Being able to give all Nanaimo residents an opportunity to swim at no cost is fantastic and it wouldn't be possible without the many sponsors strongly supporting accessible recreation," said Damon Johnston, Assistant Manager of Aquatics, "We welcomed over 230 people last Sunday and we look forward to seeing them return and welcoming many more new faces in the coming weeks."

"The Nanaimo Lions Club is proud to to begin the second session of the Lions Free Swim. This project, which complements our Lions Free Skate in the winter season, exemplifies our motto, we serve," said Larrie Taylor, Nanaimo Lions Club President, "The primary purpose of the 1.4 million Lions around the world is to serve the needs of their local and world-wide communities. The response we have had to the Lions Free Swim in Nanaimo indicates we are helping fill an important need and are very happy with this partnership."

Nanaimo Parks and Recreation and the Nanaimo Lions Club wish to acknowledge the many sponsors including BMO Nesbitt Burns; Brechin Lanes; Chris Martin - Remax; Country Grocer - Nanaimo North; Haarsma Waste Innovations; Little Valley Restoration and Collision; Nanaimo Hearing Clinic; Roto Rooter and Widsten Property Management Services. More information can be found on the Lions Free Swim poster online at <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca">www.nanaimo.ca</a>.

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