NEWS RELEASE

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Nanaimo's water parks opening this weekend

Plenty of options to stay cool as temps rise available

Summary

The City of Nanaimo Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture will be turning on the taps at three of the four City water parks - just in time for temperatures to rise this weekend. Beginning Saturday, May 13, water will be turned on in the water parks located in Departure Bay Kiwanis Park, Mansfield Park and Harewood Centennial Park. The water is on daily from 9 am to 8 pm. The misting station at Maffeo Sutton Park will also be up and running.

In addition, the Nanaimo White Rapids will be hosting an Everyone Welcome swim on Saturday, May 13 from 1-5 p.m. at the Kin Outdoor Pool located in Bowen Park. For more information on Nanaimo's parks, pools and water parks, visit Parks, Rec and Culture tab on www.nanaimo.ca.

Strategic Link: N/A

Key Points

- There are four water parks in Nanaimo, located at Deverill Square Park, Departure Bay Kiwanis Park, Harewood Centennial Park and Mansfield Park.
- Each park is open seven days a week from 9 am to 8 pm.
- Summer season preparations are still underway for the water park located in Deverill Square Park. It is scheduled to open in time for the May long weekend.

Quotes

"If a groundhog's shadow can declare a longer winter, then the cool mist and splashing water of our waterparks is a sure sign of summer. And look at that, the taps have turned. Here comes the heat!"

Leonard Krog
Mayor
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- Every spring, City staff work to prepare the water parks for opening by testing the pipes, cleaning the features and making sure everything is in working order.

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