

# HERON PARK HERALD



YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWSLETTER

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## 2020 Heron Park Year in Review

While 2020 seemed to move very slow for us all, your executive committee and neighbourhood volunteers did accomplish a lot! We had a very successful 2020 Winter Carnival that raised money for our community. The Spring & Fall clean-ups removed tonnes of garbage. We continued the fight against bad development with: petitions against the new Clover St and Carlsen Ave. developments; four submissions to the committee of adjustment; participation in consultations for the Bank St. Renewal, Lansdowne, Lofty-Riverside, Ottawa winter maintenance, R4 Zoning Review, expanding the Urban Boundary, and more. We wrote many letters including one to Mayor Watson regarding proper community representation, lobbied the city for one-sided parking, and gave a fresh look to Heronpark.ca (so, check it out!). If you would like to volunteer your time, we have many ways you can help!

Let us know at [heronparkca@gmail.com](mailto:heronparkca@gmail.com)

## Ottawa Real Estate Market Update

### Low Inventory Drives Demand

At the start of 2021 the Ottawa Real Estate Board had 622 residential homes listed on the MLS system. A year ago on January 1, 2020 that number was 1525. A decrease of 59.2% \*.

A good example of this is our recent Heron Park listing at 209 Westvalley Pvt. We had 47 showings in just over two days and sold for significantly over asking price. But don't let the market fool you. Achieving top dollar is a lot of work. The proper home staging and preparation, customized marketing, expert sales tactics and premier negotiating are some of the keys to maximizing return. That can mean the difference in tens or even hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Thinking of buying or selling? We can do the same for you. Call us, in the nick of time!



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\*Statistics providedd by the Ottawa Real Estate Board



# The Rink is Open!

The community is invited to come check out the Heron Park Rink, which is open for the 2021 season. With safety being at the forefront of everybody's minds this year, there will be some rules and guidelines for participants to follow. Skating is welcome to all; however hockey is not allowed on the ice, and as such there will be no nets.

The change rooms will not be open, however the washrooms will be available for use. For the protection of our community, masks are encouraged if there are members from more than one family using the facilities. While the rink is open, the facilities will be cleaned frequently to ensure the safety of the skaters, as well as our community as a whole!



## Rink Hours of Operation

The hours (weather permitting)  
are as follows:

**Monday-Friday 5 – 9**

**Saturday 12 – 9**

**Sunday 12 – 5**



# New Splash Pad at Kaladar Park



The sheer excitement of children at the Kaladar Park splash pad is about to grow. The park will be seeing a new accessible splash pad implemented that has more than double the spray posts for double the fun, with a connection to an accessible pathway via Traverse Drive.

The previous splash pad will be properly decommissioned, and turned into a shaded seating area near the rocks and mature trees for community use. The details are still being fine-tuned but with a bigger splash pad, and new shaded seating area the park will be able to accommodate more families, and it will be accessible to all!