



# Memo

To: Commissioner Sandy Lentz, Chair, Recreation & Facility Program Committee  
Board of Park Commissioners

From: Chad Drufke, Program Manager

Date: January 5, 2015

Re: Park District Sports Courts Report



## Statement

The Park District of Oak Park sport courts are unique facilities that receive a varied mix of use through Park District programming (clinics, classes, camps, etc.), permitted use, private rentals, but mostly open hours available to the general public. These facilities include the basketball court at Longfellow Park and Stevenson Park, the skate park at Stevenson Park, and the multi-purpose courts at Barrie Park.

## Discussion

Because these facilities are open to the public with no direct fee associated for use, it is important to track participation in order to analyze patterns of use. This data can then be used to determine the open hours for these facilities and to justify the staffing costs associated with their operation. Attached is a chart which outlines the amount of use that these facilities received throughout 2014's scheduled public hours.

Hours were added and adjusted for 2014 based on the utilization report for 2013. Participation for 2014 was fairly consistent with usage for 2013. In addition, the first hour at Longfellow was designated for youth 12 and under when that age group was present. The Longfellow site implemented a sign-in with ID system based on some concerns raised by the Village of Oak Park Police.

## Conclusion

Chad Drufke and Paul Goedjen from Sports & Fitness will be present at the January 8, 2015, Committee of the Whole Meeting, to provide an overview of 2014 operations and staff observations of Park District Sport Courts and proposed changes for 2015 as well as to answer any questions the board may have.



## 2014 Sport Court Operations Report

### 2014 Sports Courts Supervised Public Hours

	Spring	Summer	Fall
Longfellow Basketball Court	M-Th: 3:30-7pm Sa-Su: 1-7pm	M-Th: 3-8pm Sa-Su: 1-8pm	M-Th: 3:30-6:30pm Sa-Su: 1-5pm
Barrie Sport Courts	Mon-Th: 3:30-7pm Sat-Sun: 1-7pm	M-Fri: 3-8pm Sat-Sun: 3-8pm	M-Fri: 3:30-6:30pm Sa: 1-5pm
Stevenson Skate Park & Basketball Court	M,Tu,W,F: 3:30-7pm Th: 3:30-5:45pm Sat-Sun: 1-7pm	M,Tu,W,F: 3-8pm Th: 3-5:45pm Sat-Sun: 1-8pm	M,Tu,W,F: 3:30-8pm Th: 3:30-5:45pm Sa,Su: 1-8pm

### 2014 Sports Courts Usage – Average Number of Participants at Specific Times of Day

		1pm	2pm	3pm	4pm	5pm	6pm	7pm	8pm
Barrie Sport Courts	Basketball	4.5	8	4.5	7.2	8.8	9.2	8.2	8.2
Longfellow Basketball Court	Participants	3	5	4.2	9.2	13.2	12.8	14.5	17
	Spectators	0	0.8	1.3	4	6	7.5	9.8	11.3
Stevenson Basketball Courts	Participants	3	5.4	6.4	7.5	9.5	12.2	11.8	9
	Spectators	0	1	0.6	1.7	2	2.8	2.3	1.6
Stevenson Skate Park	Participants	2.2	2	4	3.3	3.8	4	3	2.4
	Spectators	0	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.2

- Barrie Court recorded roller hockey players on two days in May
- Barrie Court recorded volleyball players on one day in May, two days in June, and one day in August

### 2013 Sports Courts Usage – Average Number of Participants at Specific Times of Day

		12pm	1pm	2pm	3pm	4pm	5pm	6pm	7pm	8pm
Barrie Sport Courts	Basketball	-	3.00	6.37	3.62	4.97	8.42	9.78	8.93	-
	Volleyball	-	.16	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	Tennis	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	Hockey	-	0	0	0	0	.22	0.28	.14	-
Longfellow Basketball Court	Participants	1.26	3.55	4.49	5.62	8.78	10.06	9.61	9.20	9.24
	Spectators	0.13	0.95	1.55	2.11	3.57	5.95	8.00	8.03	7.38
Stevenson Basketball Courts	Participants	0	3.65	7.26	8.65	9.12	11.87	13.05	11.93	8.53
	Spectators	0	0.16	0.94	0.88	1.20	1.87	2.66	2.74	2.07
Stevenson Skate Park	Participants	0	2.43	3.39	3.46	3.14	4.13	4.15	3.26	2.15
	Spectators	0	1.04	0.776	0.54	0.70	0.74	0.73	0.63	0.34

## Negative Behavior

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Longfellow Basketball Court	14 incidents 9 closures	8 incidents 6 closures	3 incidents 3 closures
Barrie Sport Courts	0 incidents 0 closures	0 incidents 0 closures	0 incidents 0 closures
Stevenson Skate Park & Basketball Court	3 incidents 3 closures	4 incidents 2 closures	2 incidents 2 closures