

Swim Nova Scotia to host Harbour Swim with Brigadoon Children's Camp Society

Halifax, N.S. March 22, 2016 - Halifax will see the third annual Halifax Harbour swim on Sunday July 24th to help send chronically ill children to camp at Brigadoon Village. Swim Nova Scotia is excited to continue the partnership with Brigadoon Children's Camp Society and the Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service to host the Harbour Swim.

"The 'Brigaswim' is an event that would not have been possible even a few years ago, but as a participant last year, I was astounded at the unique perspective you get of our harbor," says David Graham, Executive Director for Brigadoon Village. "Our partnership with Swim Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service through the 'BrigaSwim' event raises both the awareness of our programs for children with chronic health challenges and funds to help send kids to camp at Brigadoon Village."

Several race distances will be offered, including a 1km (open ages), out and back (a buoy will mark the turnaround) starting from Queen's Wharf; a 3km (swimmers age 13 & older), starting at Queen's Wharf on the Halifax waterfront and doing one loop of Georges Island and a 5km (swimmers age 13 & older) starting at Queen's Wharf and doing two loops of Georges Island.

Brigadoon Children's Camp Society is a recreation and summer camp facility located on Aylesford Lake in Annapolis Valley. Brigadoon aims to better the lives of children, youth and families living with chronic illness, chronic condition or special needs in Atlantic Canada.

"It's rewarding to support BrigaSwim and see it grow, through the hard work of volunteers, supporters and indeed the participants, since its inception in 2014," says Jennifer Angel, Acting President, Waterfront Development. "This event provides people with an opportunity to experience Halifax Harbour and the waterfront up close, while supporting important community infrastructure in Brigadoon Village. We are proud to be part of it."

About Swim Nova Scotia:

Swim Nova Scotia is the governing body for competitive swimming in the province of Nova Scotia. Our mandate is providing innovative and world-class athlete development and high performance competitive swimming programs. We have 1,000 year round swimmers; 900 summer swimmers; 350 Masters swimmers; over 100 coaches and 500 officials in the province.

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