



4th Annual Pond Hockey Classic Returns

Batawa will once again play host to the popular CFB Trenton Pond Hockey Classic. The tournament, which brings together military and civilian teams in games on **January 24-25**, will kick off with a dinner on January 23 with special guest Sgt. Chris Downey, a CAF member injured in Afghanistan, who trekked to Antarctica with Prince Harry. All profits from the tournament will go to the Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation and Soldier On. For more information, visit www.hockeyfortroops.com

Quinte West Frost Fest – February 7th

Batawa will take part once again in the City of Quinte West’s annual Frost Fest. Come to enjoy horse-drawn wagon rides and winter activities at the community centre and skating rinks, where Chef Nelson will also offer free smores. A voucher for \$5 off a ski hill lift ticket that day will come with each smore.

Upcoming Events in Batawa

23 January	4 th Annual Pond Hockey Classic Dinner @ Community Centre
24-25 January	4 th Annual Pond Hockey Classic @ Skating Rinks
31 January	Mix 97 & Rock 107 Ski Day (with Dummy Downhill Race) @ Ski Hill
7 February	Frost Fest @ Skating Rinks & Community Centre
16 February	Family Day @ Ski Hill
28 February	Cake Race Day @ Ski Hill
March Break	Extended Hours @ Ski Hill
6-7 March	Batawa Ski Racing Club Final Race Days @ Ski Hill
21 March	Season Pass Holder Appreciation Day @ Ski Hill
22 March	Cardboard Canoe Race & Puddle Jump @ Ski Hill





Celebrating Thomas Bata and Batawa

2014 marked the 100th anniversary of the birth of Batawa's founder, Thomas Bata. To commemorate the occasion, residents of Batawa had the chance to see a special exhibition from the Bata Shoe Museum. It was displayed at the community's annual Christmas open house at Batawa Ski Hill on December 19th. Mrs. Sonja Bata has donated the exhibition to the BDC. Look for it to be displayed again in the future.



Awards were presented to the three best decorated houses in Batawa for the holiday season. Congratulations to the Rochester family, Briscoe family, and the Sinnetts, who won their choice of a ride in the new snow grooming cat, a dinner for six at their home cooked by Chef Nelson, or a family day pass at the ski hill! Mrs. Bata also presented Mayor Jim Harrison with a special Czech coin, which had been minted in honour of Thomas Bata's 100th.



Over 70 people attended the gathering, proving that there are still places where neighbours know each other and come together as a community! Each household in Batawa received a jar of honey made from hives on Batawa property, along with special "Batawa" license plate covers. Light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments were provided by Batawa Ski Hill's Chef Nelson.



The Batawa Ski Hill launched its 56th year at the party with a torchlight ceremony on the hill. Snow School and Ski Patrol skiers formed a "T" for Thomas as they descended the hill toward the chalet, with open house attendees looking on. Thank you to all who attended.

Community Reminders

- The BDC office has a fax, scan, print, and photocopy service.
- The Good Food Box program is available at the BDC. Make your order to Judi by the second Tuesday of each month. Order arrives on the third Wednesday.
- If you come skiing on a weekday, you can enter a draw for a FREE 2015/16 Season Pass!
- Jars of Batawa honey are available for sale in the BDC office for \$4 per jar (limited quantities).

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