



- ANNOUNCEMENT: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -

Inaugural New Richmond Winterfest Scheduled for Feb. 22

The New Richmond Recreation Partnership, a collaborative initiative led by the School District of New Richmond, City of New Richmond, and the New Richmond Area Community Foundation, invites the community to participate in New Richmond Winterfest 2020 on Saturday, February 22. The event will include several free, family-friendly winter recreation activities throughout the day, including:

Ice Fishing Tournament: The New Richmond High School Fishing Team will be hosting an ice fishing tournament from 9-11 a.m. on Hatfield Lake. Fishing bait is provided. Snacks and prizes will be available. Parking is available at Hatfield Park. Access to the lake is between Baseball Fields 2 and 3.

Learn to Fat Tire Bike: Try fat tire biking at the Nature Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Bikes will be made available courtesy of the Big Ring Flyers, or bring your own.

Snowshoeing: Join us from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Doar Prairie Restoration. Snowshoes will be provided. Refreshments and a raffle prize will be available. Sponsored by St. Croix County.

Cross-Country Skiing: The cross-country ski trails are groomed at the New Richmond Golf Club and are open to the public. The club house will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your own skis and enjoy a bite to eat. There will be a limited number of skis available for those who don't own skis.

Ice Skating: Enjoy ice skating at the Starr Elementary outdoor rink from 1 to 3 p.m. Free hot chocolate and s'mores will also be available.

Broomball Tournament: Register online in advance, here: <https://forms.gle/Vs8koZetsyoHaGEYA>. All ages are welcome to play. Brooms will be provided. Participants should provide their own personal protective equipment (gloves, knee pads, etc.) Games will be played from 12-3 p.m. at the outdoor rink on the east side of the Sports Center. Advance registration is required.

Candlelight Hike & Bonfire: Wrap up the day with a walk at Freedom Park, and visit with friends and neighbors around a bonfire. The trail will be lit with luminaries from 6-8 p.m. This event is sponsored by the New Richmond Running Club and New Richmond Pathway Committee.

The event wouldn't be possible without the generous help of several volunteers and local organizations. The New Richmond Recreation Partnership wishes to recognize the following supporters: New Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce, New Richmond Golf Club, Big Ring Flyers, St. Croix County, New Richmond High School Fishing Team, New Richmond Running Club, and the New Richmond Pathway Committee.

For more information, please go to newrichmondwi.recdesk.com or search for "New Richmond Recreation Partnership" on Facebook. You can also contact Noah Wiedenfeld at 715-246-4268 or via email at nwiedenfeld@newrichmondwi.gov.