



Placentia
Newfoundland & Labrador



Placentia Winter Carnival
February 9-15, 2026



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Winter Carnival 2026



Message from the Mayor

On behalf of Town Council, I am pleased to welcome everyone to our 2026 Winter Carnival. Winter in our community is a time to come together, celebrate the season, and enjoy the many activities that bring neighbors, families, and friends together. This year's Winter Carnival offers something for everyone, from outdoor fun and friendly competitions to opportunities to relax, socialize, and make lasting memories.

I would like to thank the dedicated staff, volunteers, sponsors, and community partners whose hard work and generosity make this event possible. Your commitment helps create experiences that strengthen our sense of community and showcase the spirit that makes our town such a great place to live.

I encourage everyone to take part, try something new, and enjoy all that the Winter Carnival has to offer. Stay safe, have fun, and enjoy the winter season together.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Jamie Neville





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Winter Carnival Contests

Riddle Contest

Put your thinking cap on! Every day, a new clue will be posted for you to solve the riddle. You have one guess, make it count! Keep an eye on our Facebook page, website, and Town Hall Bulletin Board for the clues. Email for clue entries: jbennett@placentia.ca.

Snowflake Hunt

Ready for a challenge? We've hidden 5 snowflakes around our community can you find them all? Submit your locations, and if you're right, you'll be entered to win a prize! Email for snowflake hunt entries: jbennett@placentia.ca.

Website Photo Contest

Capture the beauty of our community! Submit your top photos showcasing our area for a chance to win a prize! The winner will be revealed during our Closing Ceremonies on February 15, 2026. Email for photo entries: jbennett@placentia.ca.



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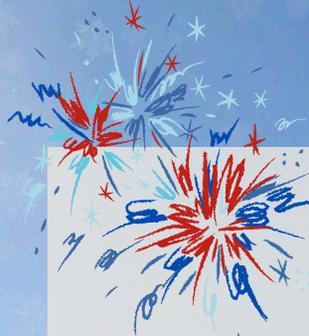
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Winter Carnival Opening Ceremonies

Monday, February 9, 2026

Placentia Arena at 6:30 PM

Join us for the official kick-off of our Winter Carnival! The evening begins with a formal greetings followed by an evening of festive fun!



Peter & Peggy's Birthday Celebration
Laval High School vs. Laval Alumni Hockey Game
Fireworks & Hot Chocolate



Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled start to Winter Carnival 2026!

8:00pm Seniors Card Game - Freshwater Community Centre - \$100 Prize



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Tuesday, February 10, 2026

10:30am

Peggy and Peter's Ice Cream Visit - St. Anne's Academy

Peggy and Peter Penguin are sliding into St. Anne's during Winter Carnival for an ice cream visit! Come say hello, snap a photo and enjoy a chilly treat with our favorite penguin pals. Ice cream sponsored by the Placentia Lions Club.

1:30pm

Music & Friends Winter Social - Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre

Head on over to the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre for a Music & Friends Social. Enjoy great music, tasty refreshments, and the chance to win some awesome door prizes. It's the perfect place to relax, catch up with friends, and celebrate winter together in a cozy, welcoming space.

Afternoon

Resident Bingo at Lions Manor

Celebrate Winter Carnival and try out your bingo luck!

7:00pm

Youth Art Class (Age 5 and Up)

Young artists will explore creativity, learn new techniques, and have fun expressing themselves in a welcoming, hands-on environment. **\$10.00 per person.** Supplies and snacks included. Please register by emailing jbennett@placentia.ca by Wednesday, February 4.

8:00pm

Carnival Bingo Bash

Join us for a fun-filled evening of bingo as part of our Winter Carnival celebrations. There will be bingo games and a 50/50 Share the Wealth. The jackpot is currently at \$500 to go. Door prizes, break-open tickets, and canteen service will also be available throughout the evening.



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Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Morning

Carnival Treat Delivery Day

Join us as we spread some seasonal cheer with a special delivery of winter treats to Stepping Stones Family Resource Centre and College of the North Atlantic. A sweet way to celebrate the season and share a little warmth within community!

10am-12pm

St. Anne's Academy Curling Olympics - Placentia Arena

Get ready to sweep, slide, and cheer! Students will be taking part in the Curling Olympics, where teamwork, sportsmanship, and a whole lot of fun take center ice in true Olympic spirit.

11:30am

Special Olympics Luncheon - Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre

Join us at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre from 11:30am-1:00pm for a delicious soup and sandwich luncheon in support of Special Olympics. Enjoy live music by The Best Kind while you dine! \$10.00 for eat in or take out. Great food, great music, and a great fundraiser! To place a take out order, please call: Regina 227-4245

3:00pm

Intergenerational Sewing

This special program brings seniors and youth together to share skills, stories, and creativity through sewing. Participants will learn (or pass along) basic sewing techniques, work on simple projects, and enjoy meaningful conversation along the way.

4:00pm

St. Anne's Academy Family Skate

Calling all St. Anne's Academy families! Join us for a fun, free family skate at the arena. Bring your skates, your smiles, and enjoy some quality time on the ice with your school community. Hot chocolate sponsored and served by the Durville Lions Club

7:00pm

Trivia Night at Dockside Pub

Put your knowledge to the test and enjoy Dockside Pub's famous Anchor Platters! Gather your team (**up to 4 players max**) and get ready for a night of laughs, friendly competition, and great food. To register, email jbennett@placentia.ca by Friday, February 6. Registration is \$20.00 per team.



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Thursday, February 12, 2026

10am-12pm

St. Anne's Academy Curling Olympics - Placentia Arena

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2:00pm

Old Fashion Bingo - Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre

Join us at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre for a classic game of bingo! Fun, prizes, and table canteens await!

\$5 Admission for 10 Games

7:00pm

Galentines Paint and Sip - Freshwater Community Centre

Grab your gals and get creative at our Galentine's Paint & Sip! Enjoy a relaxed, fun-filled evening of painting, laughter, and good company while sipping on your favorite beverage. Email freshwatercommunitycentre@outlook.com to register.

8:00pm

Placentia Lions Club TV Bingo

Get in on the fun with Placentia Lions TV Bingo! Cards are available at local businesses. You can play from home and enjoy the excitement of bingo with a chance to win great prizes.



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Friday, February 13, 2026

7:00pm

Winter Island Tour Concert - Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre

Experience an unforgettable evening at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre with music by Matthew Byrne & Sherman Downey! Enjoy live music, refreshments during intermission, and a cash bar. Tickets on sale Monday, February 2 at Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre.

\$25 tickets | 19+ Event.

8:00pm

Carnival Teen Swim

YMCA Teen Members are invited to make a splash at Teen Swim—a fun, laid-back swim time just for youth. Hang out with friends, enjoy the pool, and unwind in a safe, supervised environment.

8:00pm

Carnival Cards

Join us at the Star of the Sea 50+ Club for an olympic round of cards. \$100 Prize!

9:30pm

Jamboree at the Star of the Sea Hall - Music by: Kelly's Irish Echos

Join us for a lively Jamboree at the Star of the Sea Hall, featuring great music by Kelly's Irish Echos! Enjoy an evening filled with toe-tapping tunes, good company, and a true community kitchen party atmosphere.



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Saturday, February 14, 2026

All Day

Dunville Lion Darts Tournament

Show off your aim and join the Dunville Lions for an exciting dart tournament! Compete, have fun, and enjoy a day of friendly competition. Please call the Dunville Lions Club at 709-227-2643 for additional Details.

All Day

Don Wakeham Memorial Poker Tournament

Show off your poker skills at the Freshwater Community Centre, enjoy some friendly competition, and connect with the community in a fun, welcoming atmosphere. Please call Freshwater Community Centre at 709-227-5768 for details.

9:30am

Trails & Treats

Join us for a refreshing hike and learn about interesting facts along the way! Meet your Hike Placentia tour guides at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre and enjoy a fun, active, and educational outdoor experience. Nutritional break to follow.

11:00am

Snakes & Skates

Slither into fun! Join us for a reptile show and then hit the ice for a free skate. Learn about fascinating creatures and enjoy some winter skating excitement, a cool combo for the whole family! \$10.00 Admission for the reptile show! Tickets on sale Monday, February 2 at Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre.

12:00pm

Graffiti Snacks

Join us at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre for a hands-on graffiti art session while enjoying carnival treats. A perfect mix of art, fun, and tasty treats for Grade 6 and up! You can register for this free event by email jbennett@placentia.ca. Event sponsored by Community Youth Network.

2:00pm

Hockey Skills Olympic Showdown at Placentia Arena!

Think you've got the fastest skate or the hardest shot on the ice? Come prove it in our Hockey Skills Competition! Test your speed, strength, and precision.



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9:00pm

Valentines Day Dance - LaFontaine Club

It's a night of music, dancing, and romance with tunes by Ceiligh! Grab a partner, show off your moves, and celebrate Valentine's in style.

9:30pm

Valentines Day Dance

Celebrate love and friendship at the Royal Canadian Legion with music by DJ Dwayne Simms! Dance the night away, enjoy great vibes, and make it a Valentine's to remember.

Sunday, February 15, 2026

11:00am

Sunday Brunch

Join us for a delicious brunch at the Star of the Sea Hall! Enjoy good food, great company, and music by Andy Skiffington. \$20.00 Admission. Tickets on sale Monday, February 2 at the Placentia Bay Cultural Arts Centre.

1:00pm

The Great Placentia Snow-Down

Join us in Town Square from 1:00pm-3:00pm for some frosty snow sculpture fun. Enjoy hot chocolate and hot dogs while you cheer on your team!

2:00pm

Sterling Harnum Memorial Crib Tournament - Star of the Sea Hall

Put your card skills to the test! Join us for a fun crib tournament. Compete, socialize, and enjoy a friendly game with the community. Registration begins at 1:00pm for a 2:00pm start!

4:00pm

Closing Ceremonies

Sip on hot chocolate, skate under the lights with our glow skate, cheer for medal winners, and try your luck in our prize draws. It's the perfect way to celebrate a season full of fun, friends, and snow-filled memories—don't miss it! Hot chocolate provided by MHA, Sherry Gambin/Walsh.



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YMCA Fitness Classes

YMCA OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Placentia Regional YMCA

As of Feb 9, 2026 - Feb 15, 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
9:30am - 10:00am Y@Home Gentle Fit (12+) PRY Instructor Multi-Purpose Room	6:15pm - 7:00pm Cycle Fit PRY INSTRUCTOR SDP Spin Room	10:00am - 10:45am Move and Groove PRY Program Staff SDP Spin Room	12:00pm - 12:45pm Aqua Fit (12+) PRY INSTRUCTOR Main Pool	10:00am - 10:45am Drums Alive PRY Instructor SDP Spin Room	9:30am - 10:00am Y@Home Gentle Fit (12+) PRY Instructor Multi-Purpose Room	
4:00pm - 4:45pm Teen Learn to Lift (12-16 yrs) PRY Instructor Conditioning Centre	7:05pm - 7:35pm Adult Swim Lessons (12+) PRY Instructor Main Pool	12:00pm - 12:45pm Aqua Fit (12+) PRY INSTRUCTOR Main Pool	6:15pm - 7:00pm Cycle Fit PRY INSTRUCTOR SDP Spin Room	1:00pm - 1:45pm Deep Water Aquafit PRY Instructor Main Pool	11:25am - 11:55am Adult Swim Lessons (12+) PRY Instructor Main Pool	
6:00pm - 6:45pm Aqua Fit (12+) PRY Instructor Main Pool		12:00pm - 12:30pm Boot Camp (12+) PRY Instructor Conditioning Centre		4:30pm - 5:00pm Teen Boot Camp (12-16 yrs) PRY Instructor Conditioning Centre		
		6:00pm - 6:45pm Aqua Fit (12+) PRY Instructor Main Pool				



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YMCA Swimming

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2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 9:30am - 10:35am 10:40am - 11:45am 11:50am - 12:55pm 3:30pm - 4:30pm 4:35pm - 5:45pm 7:00pm - 8:25pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 9:30am - 10:35am 10:40am - 11:45am 11:50am - 12:55pm 3:30pm - 4:30pm 7:10pm - 8:25pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 9:30am - 10:35am 10:40am - 11:45am 3:30pm - 4:30pm 4:35pm - 5:45pm 7:00pm - 8:25pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 9:30am - 10:35am 10:40am - 11:45am 3:30pm - 4:30pm 7:10pm - 8:25pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 9:30am - 10:35am 10:40am - 11:45am 11:50am - 12:50pm 3:00pm - 4:50pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 8:30am - 10:00am 2:05pm - 3:15pm 3:20pm - 4:30pm 5:00pm - 6:10pm 6:15pm - 7:25pm	2 - Open Swim (Play Pool) - PRY 8:30am - 9:30am 9:35am - 10:50am 10:55am - 11:55am 2:05pm - 3:15pm 3:20pm - 4:30pm 5:00pm - 6:10pm 6:15pm - 7:25pm

Free Skates

Wednesday, February 11

Mom and Tots 12:00pm
 Community Skate 3:00pm

Friday, February 13

TGIF Senior Skate 9:30am
 Moms and Tots 10:30am
 50+ Shiny Hockey 1:00pm

Saturday, February 14

Community Skate 12:00pm
 Community Skate 5:00pm
 Teen Skate (Grade 7-12) 6:00pm



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2026 Partners

On behalf of the Town of Placentia, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our Winter Carnival partners. Your generous support, dedication, and enthusiasm help make this event possible and ensure it is a fun and memorable experience for our entire community.

Atlantic Lottery Community Proud

