



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

To: Mayor & Members of Council

Title: Director of Planning & Community Services – LCRB Special Event Licence – Saratoga Cup Rugby Event

Date: July 14, 2025

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### **Motion for Consideration:**

THAT: Council authorize the use of SASCU Sports Complex and Field House at Little Mountain, 250 30 Street NE, for the following LCRB Special Event License for 2025:

One (1) Alcohol Serving Area and Hours of Licensed Operation:

August 9, 2025: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

August 10, 2025: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

### **Background:**

The British Columbia Rugby Union (BCRU) will be hosting the Saratoga Cup in Salmon Arm on August 9-10, 2025, at the SASCU Sports Complex and Field House at Little Mountain. The fields have been booked for the event through the Shuswap Recreation Society. The Saratoga Cup is the championship tournament for the Okanagan, the Kootenays, and the Interior regions of BC.

As part of the tournament, Salmon Arm's Yeti Rugby Club is requesting to host a beer garden fieldside at Little Mountain. To obtain a liquor license, Yeti Rugby Club needs approval from the City as owner of the lands. Canooligans and Hideaway Liquor are helping to coordinate the event with Yeti Rugby Club.

Approximately 500 people are expected at the event. This includes 6-10 rugby teams and guests coming to watch the Men's and Women's Saratoga Cup championships. The proposed location for the beer garden would be between Fields 2 and 3, along the northern fence line of Little Mountain Sports Complex (as shown in the image below). An alternate location between Fields 2 and 3, along the southern fence line is also an option. The beer garden would be fenced off with snow fencing or a similar type of fencing. Rugby games are expected to run from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on both days and the beer garden to operate from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on both Saturday and Sunday.

**Legislative authority / plans / reports:**

	Official Community Plan		Master Plan (list actual plan)
	Community Charter / LGA	X	Other
	Bylaw / Policy		Corporate Strategic Plan
	Zoning Bylaw		2024-2028 Financial Plan
			Long Term Financial Plan

**Financial Considerations:**

None.

**Alternatives & Implications:**

Council could refer the matter back to staff to review with the licence applicant.

**Communication:**

The applicant is undertaking all communications with respect to the application and the event.

Prepared by: Director of Planning & Community Services

Approved by: Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments: None