

Learning & Leisure Guide Summer 2019

























Welcome to BICR's Learning & Leisure Guide

Welcome to Brain Injury Community Re-entry (Niagara) Inc.'s (BICR) seasonal Learning and Leisure Guide. This guide profiles program activities that are offered in July, August, and September, 2019

BICR would like to encourage you to try something new by signing up for some of our new and improved programs and activities. Many of the programs and activities being offered will take place in the community as well as the BICR Unit 10 location, 261 Martindale Road. We look forward to your participation in any of these activities. The contacts indicated for each program activity are available to answer questions you may have. Please review this guide and sign up for program activities of your choice.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

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MONDAY GROUP

This year round program includes a variety of activities such as weeding, raking, transplanting, seeding, watering and general garden maintenance. See a flower bloom or a vegetable grow and watch the many changing colours of the seasons.





Location: Niagara Parks, School of Horticulture

Niagara Parkway, Niagara Falls

Dates: Mondays, July 8 to September 30, 2019

(excluding holidays)

Time: 10:00am to 11:30am

Transportation: Provided from 261 Martindale, Unit #10, St.

Catharines.

Register by: Tuesday, July 2, 2019

to Dave Horton at 905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: All attendees must wear full back, closed toed

shoes. Absolutely no sandals. Dress weather

and activity appropriate.

MONDAY GROUP

Join in on all the benefits bowling has to offer. Bowling helps to burn calories and work muscle groups not usually exercised. The activity also strengthens friendships and creates new ones. Partake in one or two games of 10 pin bowling and cheer on your friends.

10PIN BOWLING



Details: Mondays, July 8 to September 30, 2019 at

Parkway Lanes.

210 Ontario St., St. Catharines

Cost: \$3 per game

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Dave Horton at

905-687-6788 ext. 641.

MONDAY GROUP

Enjoy spending Monday afternoon with BICR's Women's Recreation Group. The group will run for 10 weeks with a different activity each week. The schedule of activities is provided.



WOMEN'S GROUP

Location: Various Locations. Meet at Unit 10.

Dates: Mondays, July 8 to September 30, 2019

(excluding holidays)

Time: Times vary between 12:30pm to 3:00pm

Transportation: Provided at a cost.

Register by: Monday, July 1, 2019

to Jessica Conroy at 905-687-6788 ext. 531

Comments: Cost will be kept to a minimum. Approximately

\$5 to \$10 depending on the activity.

The Horticulture Program focuses on learning and appreciating working outside with flower, herb, and vegetable gardens. Participants plan, plant, and maintain all garden beds. There are raised beds to accommodate participants using assistive devices such as walkers and wheelchairs.





Location: NTEC

120 Canby Street, Port Robinson

Dates: Tuesdays, July 2 to September 17, 2019

Time: 9:30am to 12:30pm

Transportation: Provided from BICR's Main Office at no cost.

3340 Schmon Parkway, Unit 2, Thorold

Register by: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 to Jennifer Fenton at

905-687-6788 ext. 508

Comments: Bring your own drink and snack. Dress for the

weather conditions and apply or bring sun-

screen. Rain or Shine.

Come enjoy the outdoors and explore the art of canoeing. It is a great way to enjoy the Niagara Region's beautiful waterways, while at the same time fitting in a low impact activity that can improve your aerobic fitness, strength and flexibility.



CANOEING

Location: Welland (Lincoln St.) at docks and Chippawa

Lyons Creek boat launch

Dates: July 2 and July 16th (Welland)

July 30 and August 20 (Chippawa)

Time: 9am to 3pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation

Register by: 48 hours prior to the selected dates to Dave

Horton at 905-687-6877 ext. 641

Comments: Please provide your own sunglasses, sun-

screen, and hat. Dress for the weather and be

prepared to get wet.

The group organizes a variety of activities every other Tuesday for a total of 6 week sessions. The times and activities vary. The schedule of activities is provided.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Men's Group in July and August. Please refer to Page 9 for details on Waverly Beach. Men's Group will resume in September.





Dates & Various Locations

Location:

September 3 and 17, 2019

Time: Between 12pm and 3pm

Transportation: Provided at a cost.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Dave Horton

at 905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: Some weeks may have a cost depending on

activity.

Waverly Beach offers a little of everything for the true nature and history lover. With a beautiful view of the Buffalo Waterfront Wind Turbines, Waverly Beach offers grassy woodland trails and benches, a sandy beach bordered by the beautiful remains of the historical beach pool and dance hall. Free parking and accessible washrooms.



WAVERLY BEACH

Location: Waverly Beach

South end of Helena St and Edgemere Rd

Dates: July 9, 23

August 6, 20

September 3

Time: 11:30am to 2:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to 905-687-6788

Jeff Spelier (ext.332), Shelby Banas (ext. 300),

Chelsie Yungblut (ext. 313), or Tina Horton

(ext. 320)

Comments: Cost \$2 for cost of lunch. Please bring a lawn

chair and sun screen.

Good food, good friends, good times! Join us at a different restaurant located in St. Catharines and Welland each month for a reasonably priced dinner. Taste the local cuisine, try something new or enjoy your favorite dish, it's up to you. Bring a smile and a hearty appetite.





Dates and St. Catharines - second Tuesday of month:

Locations: July 9, 2019 - Bugsy's

August 13, 2019 - Fresco's

September 10, 2019 - Parkway Social

Welland - fourth Tuesday of each month:

July 23, 2019 - Handle Bar Hank's August 27, 2019 - The Blue Star September 24, 2019 - Mr. Mike's

Time: 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Dave Horton at

905-687-6788 ext. 641

Cost is the price of your meal.

Lunch time Diner's Club. Join us at different restaurants located in Niagara Falls once a month for a reasonably priced lunch.



NIAGARA FALLS LUNCH CLUB

Dates and NF Lunch Club - first Wednesday of month:

Locations:

July 3, 2019 - Blue Line Diner, NF August 7, 2019 - Cat's Kitchen, NF September 4, 2019 - Far East, NF

Time: 11:30am to 1pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Dave Horton at

905-687-6788 ext. 641.

Cost is the price of your meal.

In partnership with March of Dimes Canada, BICR welcomes the Experience Physical Activity program back again. Participating individuals will work on their balance and coordination through engaging activities while they harmonize their breath with the rhythm of movement in our low key tai chi.

TAI CHI

Location : BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Wednesdays, September 11 to October 30,

2019

Time: 10:30am to 11:30am

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 to Katie Hill or

Shirley Ely at 905-397-4598

Comments: Please wear comfortable clothing and running

shoes or other supportive footwear.

Join us the second Wednesday of every month to test your music knowledge and have the chance to win a prize.





Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Second Wednesday of each month:

July 10, August 14, September 11, 2019

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Dave Horton at

905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: N/A

Come out and join our very own Phil and Rick for an afternoon of music. Bring your own instrument or just sing along to a variety of tunes. Requests are encouraged.

MUSIC WITH PHIL, RICK & FRIENDS



Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: First and Third Wednesday of each month:

July 3, July 17, August 7, August 21, September

4, September 18, 2019

Time: 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Katie Hill or Shirley

Ely at 905-397-4598

Comments: Join us for Music Trivia from 1:00pm to

2:00pm prior to music with Phil, Rick and

Friends.

The first Wednesday of every month will be Dinner and Games Night. Dinner will be provided at a cost of \$4 per person per week Play board games and have a good time with friends.

The third Wednesday of every month will be Casino Night. Come and participate in Black Jack, Tex Hold'em and Roulette.





Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: July 3, 2019 - Hot Dogs and Chips

August 7, 2019 - Garlic Lemon Pasta and

Salad

September 4, 2019 - Grandma's Super Skillet

Dinner

Bring your dinner and eat it with the group

(brown bag style). July 17, 2019 August 21, 2019 September 18, 2019

Time: 4pm-7pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Katie Hill or

Shirley Ely 905-397-4598

THURSDAY GROUP

Come out and join us for a 13 week dart league. There will be teams of two or three playing a variety of games.





Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Thursdays, July 4 to September 26, 2019

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: Monday, June 27, 2019

to Dave Horton at 905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: N/A

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Location: NTEC

120 Canby Street, Port Robinson

Dates: Thursdays, July 4 to September 19, 2019

Time: 9:30am to 12:30pm

Transportation: Provided from BICR's Main Office at no cost.

3340 Schmon Parkway, Unit 2, Thorold

Register by: Thursday, June 28, 2018 to Jennifer Fenton

at 905-687-6788 ext. 508

Comments: Bring your own drink and snack. Dress for

the weather conditions and apply or bring

sunscreen. Rain or Shine.

Come and get your hands dirty and relish at the end result. This year round program includes a variety of activities such as weeding, raking, transplanting, seeding, watering and general garden maintenance. See a flower bloom or a vegetable grow and watch the many changing colours of the seasons.





Location: Niagara Parks, School of Horticulture

Niagara Parkway, Niagara Falls

Dates: Fridays, July 5 to September 27, 2019

Time: 10:00am to 12:30pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: Friday, June 28, 2019

to Dave Horton at 905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: All attendees must wear full back, closed toed

shoes. Absolutely no sandals. Dress weather

Participants will have a chance to learn a practice basic folds, the cultural significance, as well as complete their own origami mobile with traditional origami paper and folding techniques.



ORIGAMI

Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Friday August 9 and 23, 2019

Time: 1pm - 3pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: Friday, August 2, 2019 to Katie Hill or Shirley

Ely at 905-397-4598

Cost is \$5. Please bring payment on the first

day.

Hosted by Therapy Tails Niagara, Pet Therapy is a visiting program where trainers come into Unit 10 with the therapy dogs and they visit for an hour. If you love dogs and want to spend an hour with these furry little friends, this group is for you!





Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Third Friday of each month:

July 19, August 16, September 20, 2019

Time: 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Katie Hill or Shirley

Ely at 905-397-4598

Comments: This is a therapy dog program, those participants

that have allergies, fear of animals or barking may

not want to attend this group.

Music therapy is the skillful use of music and musical elements. Facilitated by Laura Cowal, accredited music therapist. The group will gather to sing, play music, have fun and gain confidence with others.





Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Fridays, July 5 - September 27, 2019

Time: 11:00am to 12:00pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: 48 hours prior to the event to Katie Hill or

Shirley Ely at 905-397-4598

Comments: N/A

Learn to make your own scarf, neck warmer, or shawl by using just your fingers and yarn! Use this fun style of yarn with built in loops that make knitting so easy, anyone can do it. At the end of the series you'll have a very cozy scarf for when the cold weather comes back.



Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Fridays, July 5 - 26, and August 2, 2019

Time: 1pm to 3pm

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: June 28, 2019 to Katie Hill or Shirley Ely at

905-397-4598

Cost will be approx. \$10-20, based on how

much yarn is used.

Led by Laura Belet, a Musical Therapist and Registered Psychotherapist, participants can freely share about themselves through the medium of music.



MUSICAL HEALING

Location: BICR, Unit 10

Dates: Fridays, July 12 to August 30, 2019

Time: 10am - 11am

Transportation: Not provided. Please arrange your own

transportation.

Register by: Please RSVP 48 hours prior to the event to

Katie Hill or Shirley Ely at 905-397-4598

Comments: N/A

FOUR DAY TRIP

Spend four fabulous days relaxing on the calm lake of Chouchaching, Orillia, Ontario. Swim, canoe, enjoy nature walks, complete a craft or read under a shady tree.





Location: Geneva Park, Orillia

Dates: Community Outreach Services

August 12 to 15, 2019

Residential Services August 26 to 29, 2019

Transportation: Provided from the Main Office.

Register by: Friday, July 12, 2019 to Dave Horton at

905-687-6788 ext. 641

Comments: Cost is \$300.

Only 4 wheelchair spots available per trip.

SEASONAL

The sun is shining, sandals have replaced boots, and the smell of sunscreen is in the air. This can only mean one thing....summer is back! Here are some ways to stay cool, safe, and enjoy these lazy days.



SUMMER TIPS

- 1. Avoid getting burned. Apply sunscreen often and use a minimum of SPF 30. Find shade when you can, and always wear a hat.
- 2. Hot weather makes you sweat, this makes you dehydrated, combat this by always having water with you. Hydrate regularly!
- Summer is a perfect time to try out local, fresh produce! Find a farmer's market and try out fruit and vegetables in all the colours of the rainbow.
- 4. Heading to the zoo or amusement park? These are perfect opportunities to add physical activity to your itinerary, without even trying. Taking a longer route to an attraction, or adding some stretches are easy ways to be sneaky about exercise.
- Disconnect. Although it's hard to imagine not having your phone or tablet with you, at one point it was a thing. Take time to put your device away this season and enjoy time with friends and family.
- 6. Make room in your schedule for "me time". We all love spending time with friends on warm days, but make sure you pencil in time for yourself. Read a book, go for a walk, or take a mini vacation. We all need time to reconnect with ourselves and what better time than summer?



DID YOU KNOW......

Dave Horton has moved his office to the Martindale, Unit 10 site?

If you are meeting him for a rec event, or for an outing, that's where you'll go.

261 Martindale Rd., Unit 10 905.687.6788 ext. 641

BRAIN INJURY COMMUNITY RE-ENTRY (NIAGARA) INC.

is hosting its 22nd annual

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY

Playing a round of golf
- or Providing a raffle prize
- or Sponsoring a hole

Of course, you're always welcome to participate by contributing to all three!

We would be pleased to provide you with a tax receipt for your charitable contribution.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

DATE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2019

WILLODELL GOLF CLUB OF NIAGARA

10325 WILLODELL RD., NIAGARA FALLS, ON

TIME: Registration at 11:00 AM

Followed by a SHOT GUN start at 1:00 PM

FORMAT: 4 Person Scramble

COST: \$120.00

Includes: 18 holes of golf and cart, prize, lunch & dinner

For further information on how you or your company can *Make a Difference*, please contact our office at (905) 687-6788 ext. 690 or 1-800-996-8796 or email staff@bicr.org.

We thank you kindly in advance for your consideration and generosity!

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July 2019

EVENTS OPEN TO EVERYONE (#TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED)

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, July 3	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Dinner and games night. Cost \$4 per person.
Music Trivia	Wednesday, July 10	1-3pm	BICR, Unit 10	Come out and test your music knowledge.
Concert and Fireworks	Friday, July 12	7-10:30 pm	Queen Victoria Park Niagara Falls	No cost. Spending money for snacks.
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, July 17	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Night of friendly gambling at casino night. Bring your dinner and eat with the group (brown bag style).
Hamilton Ticats vs Winnipeg Bluebomers	Friday, July 26	7-10pm	Tim Horton's Field Hamilton	Cost \$33 per person. Meet at Unit 10 for 4:30pm.
Movies @ Pen Center	Wednesday, July 31	6-10pm	Pen Center	Cost is approx. \$15 per person.

July 2019

ST. CATHARINES EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Canada Celebration and BBQ	Saturday, July 6	11:30- 2pm	RC	Lunch, trivia, photobooth, prizes. Come dressed in
Diner's Club	Tuesday, July 9	5-7pm	Bugsy's	Cost is the price of your meal.

WELLAND EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Diner's Club	Tuesday, July 23	5-7pm		Cost is the price of your meal.

August 2019

EVENTS OPEN TO EVERYONE (#TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED)

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, August 7	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Dinner and games night. Cost \$4 per person
Avondale Dairy Bar	Friday, August 9	6-8pm	Avondale Dairy Bar	Cost is price of your ice cream.
Music Trivia	Wednesday, August 14	1-3pm	BICR, Unit 10	No cost.
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, August 21	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Night of friendly gambling at casino night. Bring your dinner and eat with the group (brown bag style).
Merrittville Speedway	Saturday, August 24	6-11pm	Merrittville Speedway	Cost is \$10 per person
Atlanta Braves vs Toronto Blue Jays	Wednesday, August 28	7-10pm	Rogers Center Toronto	Cost \$16 per ticket. Meet at Unit 10 for 3pm.

August 2019

ST. CATHARINES EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes	
Diner's Club	Tuesday, August 13	5-7pm	Fresco's	Cost is the price of your meal.	

WELLAND EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes	
BBQ @ Promenade	Monday, August 5	11:30- 2pm	Promenade	Food and Games. Please bring a folding chair.)
Diner's Club	Tuesday, August 27	5-7pm	The Blue Star	Cost is price of your meal.	

September 2019

EVENTS OPEN TO EVERYONE (**TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED)

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, Sept 4	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Dinner and games night. Cost \$4
Motor Cycle Racing	Saturday, Sept 7	6:30- 10pm	Welland Motorcycle Club (603 Netherby Rd)	Cost \$12 per person.
Music Trivia	Wednesday, Sept 11	1-3pm	BICR, Unit 10	Come out and test your music knowledge.
Wacky Wednesday	Wednesday, Sept 18	4-7pm	BICR, Unit 10	Night of friendly gambling at casino night. Bring your dinner and eat with the group (brown bag style).
Showtime Comedy	Friday, Sept 20	8-10pm	Showtime Comedy	Cost is \$15 per person
Bowling and Laser Tag	Wednesday, Sept 25	1-3pm	Parkway Social	Cost is \$15

September 2019

ST. CATHARINES EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Diner's Club	Tuesday, Sept 10	5-7pm	Parkway Social	Cost is the price of your meal.

WELLAND EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes	
Burgers and games on Parkdale patio	Sunday, Sept 15	4-6pm	Parkdale	Cost is \$5 per perso	n.
Diner's Club	Tuesday, Sept 24	5-7pm	Mr. Mike's Casual	Cost is the price of your meal.	



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