

DRAFT PROPOSAL:

✦ THURSDAY, JUNE 24 — COMMUNITY KICKOFF

Concert in the Park – 6:00–10 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE/COLLABORATE WITH BIA

Enjoy an evening of live music to launch our Bicentennial weekend in style.

DJ from 10pm-12am – GLOW IN THE DARK THEME (Glow for Goderich 200)

Night Market on The Square – 5:00–10:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLABORATE WITH BIA

Local artisans, food vendors, makers, and performers fill The Square for a vibrant open-air market.

Beverage Gardens – 5:00–12AM

REQUIRE; EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE & COLLABORATE WITH SERVICE GROUPS (KINSMEN/KINETTES)

Operated by local service club, featuring local craft beer, cider, wine, and non-alcoholic options.

And regular bar options as well.

Opening Welcome – 6:00 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

Gather at the Concert Stage for the official start of Goderich's 200th celebration.

Other Ideas to engage COMMUNITY:

- House/Lawn decorating for 200th Bday
- Poem Contest
- Highschool Reunion element – or recommend classes to congregate
- Art show featuring Goderich theme work – collab with MacKay Centre
- 200 minute walk or run event
- Restaurant involvement
- Rotary club hot dog wagon – Rotaract
- Podcast Series – advertising leading up, then live podcast during the weekend on stage

MAJOR EVENT TO STILL BE DETERMINED

IDEAS:

- Snowbirds / Lancaster
- RCMP Musical Ride
- OPP Golden Helmets
- Kite Show

CONFIRMED SERVICE GROUP INTERESTED IN BEING INVOLVED:

Optimist Group	Goderich Kinettes	MacKay Centre
Goderich Legion	Ladies Auxillary	
Memorial Community Centre		
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DRAFT PROPOSAL:

FRIDAY, JUNE 25 — HERITAGE & HOMETOWN SPIRIT

Goderich Bicentennial Golf Tournament & Pickel Ball Tournament

REQUIRE: COMMUNITY MEMBER TO ORGANIZE

A friendly community tourney with historical trivia holes and prizes.

Sidewalk Sales in the Downtown Core – 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH BIA

Local shops spill into the streets for once-in-200-years deals.

Museum Tours & Heritage Exhibits – All Day

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH MUSEUM

Special bicentennial displays highlighting Goderich's founding and evolution.

Heritage/Historical Walking Tours – 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, LIVERY

Guided tours exploring architecture, famous residents, and untold stories.

Livery Show – Evening performance

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH LIVERY

Goderich historical play

Legion Community BBQ – 4:30–7:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH LEGION

Classic summer favourites hosted by our Royal Canadian Legion.

Beverage Gardens – 5:00–12AM

REQUIRE; EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE & COLLABORATE WITH SERVICE GROUPS

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Evening Street Dance / Band Performance – 8:00–12:00AM

?? Disco, Denim & Diamonds theme ??

REQUIRE: TOWN APPROVAL TO BE ON STREET VS BANDSTAND

- need newer and old bands that would draw a crowd.

History of Rock and Roll in Goderich, have a line up of old and new local bands

A lively street celebration with live music, family fun, and dancing under the lights.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 26 — CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Farmers' Market – 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

REQUIRE: BIA

Local growers, bakers, and artisans line The Square with fresh offerings.

Community Breakfast – Morning

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT

Neighbourhood congregations welcome everyone for warm hospitality.

Music in The Square – Throughout the Day 9AM TO 4:00PM

REQUIRE: BIA & EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

Rotating performances from local musicians and emerging artists.

Also include a live podcast series with the likes of Phil Main (MARKETING COMMITTEE)

Kids play Area on the Square

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE & COLLAB WITH OPTIMIST CLUB

Bouncy castles, 200 theme crafts, FOAM PARTY, little car parade, etc

Cornhole Tournament on the Square – 10:00 AM–3:00 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE – LEGION GROUP

Family-friendly fun with prizes and bragging rights at stake!

Road or Ice Hockey Tournament on the Square OR at the YMCA – 10:00 AM–4:00 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE – COLLAB GODERICH MINOR HOCKEY

Teams compete in a classic Canadian showdown.

Slo Pitch 1 day Tourney at Bannister Park

REQUIRE: COMMUNITY MEMBER TO ORGANIZE – COLLAB WITH GODERICH MINOR BALL

Co-ed 1 day tourney

Ask Minor Baseball to organize and run beer garden there

G2G RAIL TRAIL RIDE

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

Heritage/Historical Walking Tours – 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH HISTORIAL SOCIETY, LIVERY

Guided tours exploring architecture, famous residents, and untold stories.

Livery Show – Evening performance

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Food Truck Rally – 11:00 AM–8:00 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

A curated lineup of LOCAL food trucks offering gourmet and casual eats.

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Beachfront Events – Afternoon

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

- **Boat Parade** showcasing decorated vessels cruising the shoreline
- Family activities, beach games, and more (KITES)
- Volleyball tourney

BBQ IN HARBOUR PARK – 5:00–7:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH LIONS CLUB OR

Harbour Park location

A community favourite hosted BBQ/Picnic

Beverage Gardens – 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

REQUIRE; EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE & COLLABORATE WITH SERVICE GROUPS

Operated by local service clubs, featuring local craft beer, cider, wine, and non-alcoholic options. And regular bar options as well.

Big Band Bicentennial Concert – 8:00–12:00 AM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE & MEMORIAL ARENA

A spectacular evening performance at Memorial Arena Centre

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🚗 SUNDAY, JUNE 27 — LEGACY DAY

Car Show at the Flea Market – 9:00 AM–1:00 PM

REQUIRE: COLLAB WITH CAR GROUPS TO ORGANIZE

Classic cars, antiques, and unique vehicles on display.

Time Capsule Event

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

Put something together that could be sealed for Goderich 250

Community Church Services – Morning

REQUIRE: LOCAL CHURCH TO TAKE THIS ON TO ORGANIZE

Local congregations open their doors OR join a combined **All Faith Service in the Park** celebrating unity and heritage.

Community Choir Sing Along – Morning

REQUIRE: CHOIR GROUP TO ORGANIZE

Goderich 200 Parade – 1:30 PM

REQUIRE: TOWN PARADE COORDINATION

MASS PIPE BAND

A grand parade featuring floats, local groups, historical themes, and community pride.

Closing Ceremonies – 3:00 PM

REQUIRE: EVENT COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE

Reflections on 200 years of Goderich—music, acknowledgements, and raising our sights toward the next century.

Include a massive Birthday Cake for Goderich