

Rideau Carleton Casino, Future Hard Rock will amplify your Canada Day weekend!

Race for Wishes, Fireworks and a Free outdoor Concert by the Northern Pikes

OTTAWA, ON — May 31, 2024 — Rideau Carleton Casino, Future Hard Rock will be the place to be this Canada Day weekend, beginning with a Hurricane boat giveaway on June 29th, Make-A-Wish Canada family-friendly fundraising horseracing event on June 30th, and free outdoor rock concert and fireworks on Canada Day!

“We have planned something for all ages this Canada Day weekend,” said Christine Crump, President of the Rideau Carleton Casino, Future Hard Rock. “We are thrilled to offer our guests a variety of ways to enjoy our entertainment facility over the long week-end with fun, free, outdoor events!”

Hurricane speed boat giveaway - Saturday, June 29th

For the 19+ crowd, the Canada Day festivities will begin in the Rideau Carleton Casino on Saturday, June 29th with the culmination of the “Summer Cruisin’ on the Water” giveaway where one lucky winner will walk away with a Hurricane speed boat and trailer! Guests will also have a chance of winning \$500 to \$1,000 in free play prizes!

Race for Wishes - Sunday, June 30th

The fun continues Sunday, June 30th with the family-friendly “Race for Wishes”, a fundraising evening for Make-A-Wish Canada accompanied by harness racing and featuring a live performance from local singer/songwriter Lyric Rogers, an 18-year-old wish kid whose wish to become a professional musician was granted earlier this year.

Fundraising will come from guest donations, sponsorships and food and drink purchases, and will go towards helping to grant more life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. Families can also enjoy a free outdoor concert, face painting and much more!

“Our aggressive goal is to raise enough money to fund three wishes for children in Eastern Ontario,” continued Crump. “We welcome the community to join us on June 30th to enjoy the event while supporting the local children.”

Northern Pikes and fireworks on Canada Day!

Family-friendly Canada Day celebrations will ramp up on July 1st with a dazzling firework display at sundown and free outdoor performance by 1990s Canadian rock favourites, the Northern Pikes.

The event will kick off at 8:00 p.m. with a DJ and selection of BBQ food and drinks available for purchase, prepared by the Rideau Carleton Casino, Future Hard Rock culinary team

“Hard Rock is a proud community partner and we take pride in hosting events where all feel welcome to attend. We had over 2,500 fans attend our Victoria Day Fireworks celebration. We look forward to an even greater turnout this Canada Day weekend!” continued Crump.

Rideau Carleton Casino, Future Hard Rock is open 24/7. Parking is always free.

For more information and updates, visit www.rideaucarletoncasino.com.

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About Rideau Carleton Casino

Rideau Carleton Casino officially opened as Rideau Carleton Raceway on September 1st, 1962, as Canada’s first-ever five-eighths mile oval and has been a key part of Ontario’s harness racing community ever since. Since the gaming site was added in February 2000, the City of Ottawa has received approximately \$6 million annually and more than \$102 million in total payments for hosting Rideau Carleton Casino within the National Capital Region. Rideau Carleton Casino also invests in multiple local sponsorships and nonprofits annually, benefiting the community and residents. In May 2017, OLG selected Hard Rock Ottawa as the successful new Casino partner for this site. Hard Rock is working to build a new state-of-the-art entertainment facility that will soon bring the iconic Hard Rock brand to Ottawa and enliven the city like never before. The facility is a significant driver of job creation and is expected to employ over 700 local residents once the facility expansion has been completed. Rideau Carleton Casino is operated by [Hard Rock International](#) and governed by [Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation \(OLG\)](#). For more information on Rideau Carleton Casino, visit www.rideaucarletoncasino.com.

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