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Update for Wally Ice Fest 2020

Unseasonably warm weather forces festival to scale back

HAWLEY, PA – February 5, 2020 – The unprecedented bout of warm weather this season has led organizers of the annual Wally Ice Fest to put safety first and move to a plan B to salvage a fun weekend for participants still coming to the Lake Wallenpaupack area this weekend.

In lieu of a frozen pond, the festival will feature competitive events on the grounds and courts at [Watonka Outdoor Facilities](#) just a short drive from the shores of the big lake.

The [two-day event being held February 8-9, 2020](#) will still include demonstrations from Anthracite Curling Club as well as live music for Saturday and Sunday no matter the weather.

“We did everything in our power to pull off a great ice hockey tournament,” said tournament director Chris Becker. “However, we’re at the mercy of Mother Nature and unfortunately this year it has not been cold enough to have a safe amount of ice even at our new location.”

Watonka Outdoor Facilities in Hawley, PA is located just a couple of miles from Lake Wallenpaupack. The former campground will play host to the “Labatt Blue Zone” Beer Tent, axe throwing, Kan Jam, cornhole and more fun competitions.

Teams will face off in the Die-Hard Hockey Olympics competing in Deck Hockey Olympics which include skills competitions including events such as “Dude Perfect Challenge,” “Biscuit in the Basket Biathlon,” and other fun.

For more information on the schedule of events* please visit www.WallyIceFest.com

*Itinerary attached

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Wally Ice Fest 2020 - POCO-NO-POND HOCKEY

----- FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7TH -----

- 6:00 - 9:00 PM: - Teams Check-in / Volunteer Meeting - *Wallenpaupack Brewing Co.*
8:00 - 12:00 Midnight: HOCKEY MEET & GREET! - *THE DOCK* at *Silver Birches*

----- SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8TH -----

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM - *Watonka Outdoor Facilities* at 328 Wangum Falls Rd, Hawley, PA
DIE-HARD HOCKEY OLYMPICS

Registered hockey teams will compete in Watonka Deck Hockey Games, Dude Perfect Puck Shot, Silky Mitts Relay Race, Keg Tossing, and Donkey Pong! Crazy and zany games on the courts and fields!

SPECTATORS WELCOME!

- 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM: CURLING DEMONSTRATIONS & GAMES - on the Court
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM: AXE THROWING! - by *AXE ATTACK* (charges apply)
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM: Spectator Games - (free of charge) Announced by Staff

- 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM: Lite Fare(food and soft drinks) *WATONKA GAME ROOM*
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Live Music with "JONNY D" in *THE LODGE*
12:00 - 3:00 PM: Live Music with "Bob Tellefsen" in *THE TENT*
12:30 - 5:30 PM: LABATT BLUE SPECIALS Beer Canoe by the Music Tent!
3:00 - 6:00 PM: Live Music with "Wally & the Paupacks" in *THE LODGE*
4:30 - 5:30 PM: HOCKEY SOCIAL at *"THE LODGE"* Awards and Prizes

GRAB DINNER AT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS!

The Boathouse, Gresham's Chophouse, The Dock at Silver Birches

- 8:30 - 11:30 PM: AFTER PARTY! - *Gresham's Chop House*

-----SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9TH -----

- 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM: Food and Drinks *WATONKA GAME ROOM*
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM: DECK HOCKEY PLAYOFFS - Awards and pics after each game!
10:00 - 3:00 PM: CURLING DEMONSTRATIONS & GAMES (location TBD)
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM: LABATT BLUE SPECIALS Beer Canoe by the Music Tent!
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Live Music with *"Jason Merrill"* *THE TENT*
1:00 - 4:00 PM: WRAP PARTY! - *The Boat House Restaurant* (stop in for a pop!)

Watonka Outdoor Facilities



Hawley PA