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## Charstate block party success

Forty-five neighbours gathered in Charstate Park on June 11 to socialize, play games and enjoy a pot luck dinner during the first neighbourhood block party supported by the City of Campbell River.

The Charstate event – spearheaded by neighbours Christina, Shelly, Sarah and Clint – was the first of four applications chosen from community neighbourhoods to host block parties supported by the City's parks, recreation and culture division with staff and equipment and organizing games and activities.

"The block party initiative aims to create strong neighbourhoods by helping people meet and get to know the people who live around them," says Ross Milnthorp, the City's general manager of parks, recreation and culture. "We hope new friendships and an even stronger sense of neighbourhood connection is built from these block parties and look forward to hearing about the success of the upcoming events."

For more information on how to host a neighbourhood block party, please contact City of Campbell River recreation program coordinator Linda Nagle 250-923-7911 or <u>linda.nagle@campbellriver.ca</u>

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