

News Release

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Robron artificial turf field grand opening

Fun, festivities and friendly competition are all part of the grand opening for the new Robron artificial turf field on Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016 from 1 to 2 p.m. The event coincides with the Youth Soccer Jamboree hosted by the Campbell River Youth Soccer Association.

"This facility is absolutely first class, with the most spectacular setting of any field complex on Vancouver Island – and it's fitting to have our grand opening on the weekend of the first tournament scheduled to take place on the new field," said Mayor Andy Adams. "

Along with serving the needs of local sports organizations, an added benefit of the field is its economic impact.

"The jamboree will bring in 15 teams from across Vancouver Island and many of the 300 people who are expected to attend will visit local retail and service businesses," the Mayor added. "The next weekend, the U13 Island Invitational tournament will bring seven teams from Nanaimo north, including Port Alberni and Powell River. They'll be playing to determine the North Island champion – sure to be another two days of exciting games."

The festivities on Feb. 28 include ribbon cutting and cake. It all begins at 1 p.m. with the piping of players down to the field. Join the celebration and take in the soccer action all weekend. At times, the field will have two games happening at once.

In addition to the Jamboree, youth soccer, masters soccer, women's soccer, field lacrosse, and football teams are using the field for practice and league play, and times are still available for private bookings.

Currently, the field is available for private rentals at \$29 per event/game. Call 250-923-7911 to book the field, which is open until 10:30 p.m. each day.

The latest generation of synthetic turf, installed at Robron Park, provides a reliable year-round surface for athletic fields, built to withstand extended use and wet weather. Added benefits include a weed-free surface and a grass-like appearance that doesn't need to be watered or fertilized.

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