

Town of Pelham Budget Presentation



CLUB INFORMATION

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- Largest Youth User group in Pelham
- 2019- 692 players
- 2022 916 players on Teams
 - 1 Niagara Regional Soccer Program Team
 - 15 Niagara Travel Teams
 - 13 Interlock House league Teams
 - New for 2022
 - 40 Pelham House league Teams
- Players Ages 2 to 52
- 33% growth in 4 years
- 2022- Over 1150 unique players tried out, trained or played for our club.



FACTORS FOR GROWTH

- Town growth
- Diversity in club offerings- we have adjusted programming to demand and to keep players playing and training longer.
- Part Time Technical Director and Part Time Administrator on staff.
- Strong leadership at Board level
- Dedicated coaches

FIELDS

- Town Fields-
 - Centennial 1 & 2 (2-11v11 or 9v9 fields)
 - Harold Black Park (1- 9v9 or 2- 5v5)
- DSBN Fields-
 - EL Crossley Turf (1-11v11 or 2-9v9)
 - Glynn A Green (4- 7v7)
- Private-
 - Concordia Academy (1-5v5 and 1-7v7 (no nets)- Maintained by the TOP
- Over 60 % of our field usage is Schools or private fields

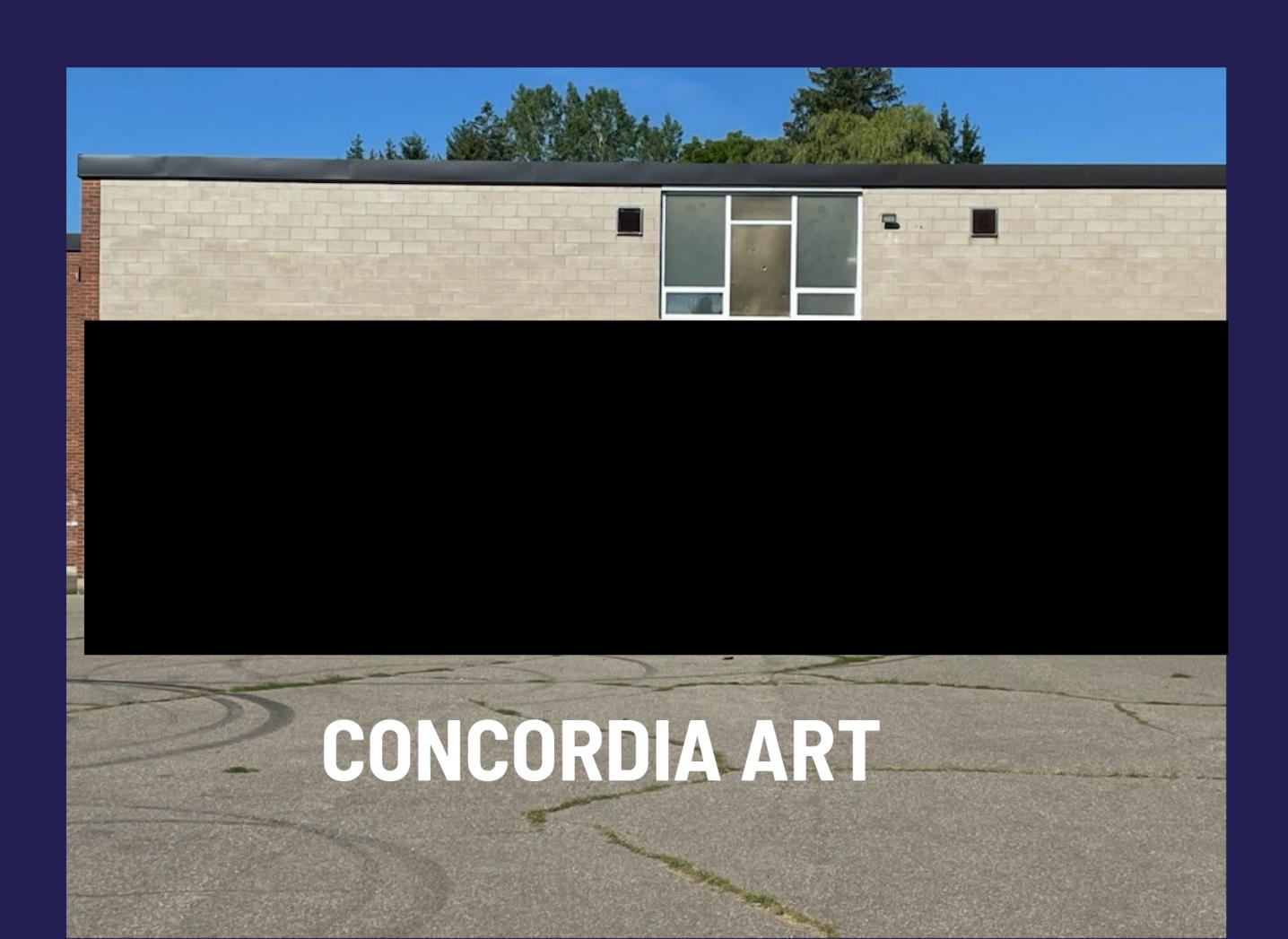


SHORT TERM ISSUES

- Field Conditions- Centennial and Harold Black fields need major up keep. They are uneven and over run with weeds.
 - Currently no seasonal upkeep is budgeted for or performed. No rolling, Weed & Feed etc.
- Cutting- Spring and wet summers- Town fields are often too long. Town promises one cut a week when more is required.
- Lack of Fields- Pelham Arena fields have not been replaced. Concordia Academy field was used as an replacement this season. But is in rough shape, one field had no nets and exposed our players to inappropriate graffiti on the walls.







IMMEDIATE SOLUTIONS

- Field Conditions- The Beautification department has received a quote to do much needed maintenance on 1 soccer field for next season at a cost of approx \$20,000 for 1 soccer field and 1 baseball diamond. We request you approve this and commit to doing all 3 town soccer fields.
 - We also request that we be able to fund our own contractor to preform lighter maintenance on the other fields. Rolling, Weed and Feed in the spring.
 - We pay for the cutting and up keep at GAG at a cost of \$6,500 for 2022 and it is the nicest grass field we have.
- Cutting- We know there is currently only one mower for all the town fields and this is not enough for the high needs months.
 - We request we be able to contract out a once a week cutting on the current town fields, during the high growth months.



SOLUTIONS CONTINUES

Lack of Fields- The solution for this was Concordia Academy this season and it was a weak substitute for the Pelham Arena fields.

- No nets, No path cut to the back field, graffiti.
- Can another 2 practice fields be placed somewhere?
- This would just bring us up to what we had previously with the Arena fields.





LONG TERM PLANS

- Third Field at Centennial Park
 - We are aware that the current master plan has a place for this. We would like to encourage its development. It is desperately needed.
 - Flexibility on size of field- 11v11 vs 9v9
 - Will require more parking
- Additional Fields when planning Green and Recreational space.
- Shared Use Club House at Centennial Park
 - Change rooms and Meeting room
 - Accessible Bathrooms
 - Willing partner in this project.





Pelham Panthers Soccer Club

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

