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MCK and Youth Center team up to 'Rediscover Winter'

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(Kahnawake – 10, Tsothóhrha/December 2020) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke's Sports & Recreation Unit and the Kahnawà:ke Youth Center are pleased to announce a new and exciting series of outdoor recreation opportunities planned for the community to "Rediscover Winter."

Sports & Recreation Unit staff will be clearing trails and making paths for cross country skiing, ski skating, snowshoeing, walking, skijoring, and fat biking. For the ice skaters, three outdoor rinks will be maintained, a skating track will be created at the Sports Complex and a skating pond is planned on the ice near the Onake Paddling Club.

"For our part the Youth Center will be creating and maintaining a lighted skating rink and trail for nighttime family fun in the New Year leading up to the 2021 Winter Carnival in January," said KYC Executive Director Kyle Zacharie.

"Currently, we are in discussions with the Kanawaki Golf Club to host a series of cross country ski trails, walking trails, and possibly snowmobile trails at the Club – all to help us all Rediscover Winter," said Interim Director of Sports & Recreation Mackenzie Whyte. "We will also be exploring other locations in the community to host these trails and skating trails – for example, Tekakwitha Island and the Sports Complex."

"The project also includes the possibility of borrowing some sporting equipment and demonstrations from local outfitters," Whyte added.

Activities are in the planning stages and will commence after the holidays upon cooperation of the weather and delivery of the trail making equipment. All activities will be socially distanced, and strict safety measures will be enforced.