

Arctic air adds atmosphere to Arctic Adventure



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Hundreds braved a hefty blast of winter on Monday, celebrating Family Day with their loved ones at Aurora's Town Park. It was time for the Town's annual 'Arctic Adventure' celebration, which featured new attractions, returning favourites, and a chance to take in the Indoor Farmers' Market at the historic Armoury. (1 ? 2) First Nations singers and dancers got the celebration off on the right note with performances representative of the millennia of family traditions of Canada's first people. (3 - 4) Youngsters were kept busy with a variety of activities from Arctic Golf to mini-curling. (5 ? 7) In the afternoon, duelling artists fired up their tools for a Battle of the Chainsaws, creating masterful ice carvings live in front of the crowds, in a competition emceed by Mayor Geoff Dawe and former mayor Tim Jones?but only one artist, centre, could emerge victorious! (8 ? 10) Humans weren't the only ones out there enjoying the icy sunshine. Speaking of Wildlife provided an opportunity for revellers to get up close to wintery wildlife, such as a hawk, owl and fox. (11 - 12) Councillors Michael Thompson and Sandra Humfries, and Mayor Geoff Dawe get in the picture. (13) The party continued on the outdoor skating rink while (14) others used the snow to try their hand at igloo building.









