

## New & Returning Older Adult Wellness Programs

We're thrilled to announce that Carebridge will be offering free, COVID-safe health and wellness programs to adults 55+ in Lanark County beginning this April!

Many of these programs will be offered virtually via Zoom, a free to use web-based video conferencing tool. All you need to participate is a computer, tablet, or cell phone with a camera so we can see you. No computer? No problem! You can also phone in to any of our social programs and presentations. Please note that for virtual fitness classes, we must be able to see you.

As COVID-19 restrictions permit, we will also begin offering physically distanced walking groups in Almonte, Carleton Place, and Pakenham, as well as beginners bike rides in Almonte, and bread baking at the community oven! See calendar for dates and times.

Join us on Monday, April 12th at 11:30am for a Virtual Open House, where you will meet the Carebridge Wellness Team, hear more about the various programs we will be offering, and learn tips, tricks, and etiquette for using Zoom.

For more information or to register for any of these programs, please contact Emma Revell, Wellness Coordinator, at erevell@carebridge.ca or 613-451-5397.

We look forward to connecting with you and helping you to stay safely engaged and active!

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# April 2021

| Monday   | Tuesday                          | Wednesday  | Thursday                         | Friday                        |
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| Virtual Social/ Presentation (accessible by phone or Zoom)  Z= Zoom Fitness (must have a camera) |                                  | For more info or to<br>register contact:<br>Emma Revell<br>Wellness Coordinator<br>erevell@carebridge.ca<br>613-451-5397 | 1                                | Good Friday No programs       |
| 5 Easter Monday  | 6                                | 7  | 8                                | 9                             |
| No programs  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |                               |
| Meet the Wellness Team Virtual Open House 11:30am  | 13                               | 14   | 15                               | Chair Exercise                |
| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z)  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |                               |
| Coffee Break<br>9:00am   | 20                               | 21   | 22                               | Chair Exercise<br>10:00am (Z) |
| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z)  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Falls Prevention<br>1:00pm    |
| 26<br>Coffee Break<br>9:00am   | 27                               | 28   | 29                               | Chair Exercise                |
| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z)  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Armchair Travel<br>1:00pm     |

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| Coffee Break<br>9:00am        |                                  |   |                                  | Chair Exercise<br>10:00am (Z)                              |
| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z) | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |   | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  |
| 10                            | 11                               | 12  | 13                               | 14   |
| Coffee Break<br>9:00am        | Pakenham Walking<br>Group 9:00am | Almonte Walking Group 10:00am  CP Walking Group 12:00pm       | Beginners Bike<br>Rides 9:30am   | Chair Exercise<br>10:00am (Z)                              |
| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z) | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Bread Baking<br>1:00pm  | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  |
| 17                            | 18                               | 19<br>Almonte Walking   | 20                               | 21   |
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| Yoga with Amber<br>2:00pm (Z) | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Men's Mental<br>Health 2:00pm                                 | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) |  |
| 24                            | 25                               | 26<br>Almonte Walking   | 27                               | 28   |
| Victoria Day                  | Pakenham Walking<br>Group 9:00am | Group 10:00am<br>CP Walking                                   | Beginners Bike<br>Rides 9:30am   | Chair Exercise<br>10:00am (Z)                              |
| No programs                   | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Group 12:00pm  Bread Baking  1:00pm                           | Strength & Balance<br>1:00pm (Z) | Armchair Travel<br>1:00pm                                  |
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## **Program Descriptions**

### Virtual Programs Offered via Zoom

#### **Coffee Break**

Start your week off right with a hot cup of coffee and a chance to chat with your neighbours, all from the comfort of home. Join us every Monday morning for conversation, laughter, and social connection.

### Strength & Balance

Strength & Balance involves a combination of cardio, strength, balance, and flexibility exercises that you can do from the comfort of home! All you need is a laptop or other device with a camera, running shoes, and some light weights. If you don't have weights, you can substitute soup cans, shampoo bottles, or other household items.

#### **Chair Exercise**

A gentle alternative to Strength & Balance, chair exercise is a great option for those with limited mobility and range of motion or balance issues. A complete workout while sitting in a chair, this class includes cardio, strength training, and stretching.

#### **Armchair Travel**

We may not be able to travel right now, but we can reminisce and daydream about future adventures! Join us on the last Friday of every month to talk all things travel. We'll discuss our favourite trips, destinations on our bucket lists, and share other tales from the road.

#### Gentle Yoga with Amber

Join Amber Young, Registered Massage Therapist and owner of Surya Daya Yoga & Wellness, for an accessible mindfulness-based yoga class. We'll start each session by connecting with our breath, exploring mindfulness-based practices, and then you will be guided through some very gentle postures and basic movement. Each session will end with a guided relaxation.

#### **Wellness Presentation Series**

Each month, tune in as we welcome experts from various fields to inform and inspire us on a variety of interesting topics! Upcoming presentations include Falls Prevention and Men's Mental Health.

# Outdoor In-Person Programs (Beginning in May) Walking Group

Join us for some fresh air, low-impact exercise, and socialization at one of our walking groups. Regular walking has many benefits, including reducing blood pressure, cholesterol, and risk of depression, plus the added benefits of participating in a group, like motivation, accountability, and safety.

## **Meeting Spots:**

Almonte: Stan Mills Centre, 375 Country St.
Carleton Place: The Station Active Living Centre

Pakenham: Pakenham Beach

#### **Beginners Bike Rides**

New to biking? Haven't been out in a few years but want to get back into it? Meet us on Thursday mornings at the Almonte branch of the Mississippi Mills Public Library for short, leisurely rides through town. Offered in partnership with RIMM Rovers, this group is ideal for those who are not quite ready for longer rides on country roads.

#### **Bread Baking**

BYO dough to the Friendship Oven at the Almonte branch of the Mississippi Mills Public Library where we will have a firemaster on hand every other Wednesday. Begins in May.

\*Note that outdoor in-person programs will be limited to 5 participants total if LGL Health Unit is in the White-Shutdown zone of the government of Ontario's COVID-19 framework. Virtual programming will continue as usual.