



PEMBI'S PICKS

A weekly e-newsletter of things to check out, experience, see or do in the City of Pembroke – Dec. 13, 2017

1. A Night of Christmas

The [Pembroke Public Library](#) invites everyone to this wonderful family event, [A Night of Christmas](#). Held at the library Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m., Dai Bassett, "The Welsh Guy with the Big Smile", will delight the audience with a re-telling of *A Child's Christmas in Wales*. Carol singing and refreshments to follow.

2. The Nutcracker - Not Your Typical Ballet

Head to [Festival Hall](#) Dec. 15 or 16 for the Christmas Showcase from [Ayteo's Dance Studio](#), [The Nutcracker - Not Your Typical Ballet](#). This showcase is themed in ballet, jazz, lyrical, hip hop, musical theatre, tap and acro. Tickets as \$20 +HST and are available at the Festival Hall box office or [online](#).

3. Santa Pet Pics

Santa Claws is coming to [Pet Valu](#) in the [Pembroke Mall](#) Saturday, Dec. 16 from 12-5 p.m. for [Santa Pet Pics](#)! No appointment necessary, and photos are by donation. Receive digital copies of your furry friends' best shots. Volunteers will also be available to wrap your gifts. All proceeds to [Ontario SPCA Renfrew County Animal Centre](#).

4. Festive Home Tour

Take a tour of the beautiful homes of the [Dobbs and Hoffman Families](#). Enjoy light refreshments, entertainment & exceptional home design while supporting the [Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation](#). Saturday, Dec. 16 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance/\$25 at the door. Click [here](#) for more information on tickets.

This tour is wheelchair accessible.

5. Public Skating and a Free Sunday Skate

This Sunday, Dec. 17, enjoy free public skating at the [Pembroke Memorial Centre](#) from 2-3:30 p.m., courtesy of [Malcolm, Deavitt & Binhammer Funeral Home](#). Sunday skating is just one day of the regular public skating schedule, which also runs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Click [here](#) for the full December schedule, including several other free skates during the holiday season.

6. Full Reading of A Christmas Carol

Gather together Monday, Dec. 18 at 12:30 p.m. at the [Pembroke Public Library](#) and enjoy a Christmas classic with the full reading of [A Christmas Carol](#).

Can't make it to the library? Don't worry! The reading will be streamed live on [Facebook](#).

7. Public Swimming

Get your swim on at Pembroke's [Kinsmen Pool](#)! Swimming is a tremendous way to keep fit and have fun. Kinsmen Pool is a traditional 25 metre/six-lane pool, and offers a variety of year-round swimming programs including public swimming. Click [here](#) for the swim schedule and [here](#) for pool rates.

8. Free Snowshoe Rentals at the City of Pembroke

Explore [City parks](#) this winter via snowshoe! The City of Pembroke [Parks & Recreation Department](#) offers free snowshoe and Nordic walking pole rentals. Pick-up is available at the [Pembroke Memorial Centre](#). Contact the department at 613-735-6821 ext. 1501 for more information.

9. Something for all interests for local seniors

If you're 50 and older and looking for activities to try, be sure to check out all that is happening at the [Senior Citizens Drop-In Craft and Activity Centre](#). Located at 42 Renfrew St., the centre offers everything from games to art to trips. Check out the November/December event calendar [here](#).

10. Montreal Canadiens Alumni Tour Coming to Pembroke

Mark Jan. 25 on your calendar for the [Montreal Canadiens alumni game](#) coming to the [Pembroke Memorial Centre](#)! Game time is 7 p.m. and tickets are available at the [Parks & Recreation Department](#) office at the PMC. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students and free for children 5 and under.

This event is a fundraiser for [Ottawa Valley Thunder](#) Girls Hockey.

Have information you'd like to see shared in Pembi's Picks? Send it to us by emailing tourism@pembroke.ca.