



**ROGERS HOMETOWN HOCKEY CANADA-WIDE TOUR INCLUDES THE CITY OF WELLAND**

**Welland, ON** - Canada's ultimate NHL fan experience is back for a sixth season as Sportsnet and *Rogers Hometown Hockey*™ criss-cross the country, making stops in 25 communities to celebrate the local hockey stories that connect the nation. The City of Welland is proud to be included in this hometown Canadian tradition, and is excited to welcome *Rogers Hometown Hockey*™ the weekend of Nov 9-10 for a celebration of Canada's most cherished sport. The festival weekend will take place in the core of downtown Welland, is free for all to attend, and is smoke-free.

*Rogers Hometown Hockey*™ will bring an action-packed weekend festival that includes live entertainment, NHL alumni, and hockey-themed activities. The festival will wrap up with a live outdoor viewing party of an NHL broadcast from the Sportsnet Mobile Studio. The City of Welland is working in collaboration with local organizations to enhance the family-friendly weekend for everyone to enjoy.

"We're excited to have Hometown Hockey stop in our city," said Mayor Campion. "Welland has always been, and always will be a hockey town. Some major players learned how to play hockey at our arenas."

The *Rogers Hometown Hockey*™ Tour rolls into 25 communities across Canada this season with a weekend of free outdoor hockey festivities for all ages. The weekend culminates in an outdoor viewing party of an NHL game broadcast every Sunday on Sportsnet and Sportsnet NOW, with Ron MacLean and Tara Slone hosting live on-site from the Sportsnet Mobile Studio. For more information on the tour, visit [hometownhockey.com](http://hometownhockey.com). For more information on the Nov 9-10 festival highlights, visit [welland.ca](http://welland.ca).



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