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Hamilton loves sports and we relish a challenge, so bring on your event! We'll help ensure it's a success from start to finish. Hamilton plays host to a wide range of sport events... from large international events to numerous community-based sport tournaments.

## The Perfect Fit

Over the past 10 years alone, we've welcomed almost three quarters of a million athletes and their fans to our community.

We proudly showcased our community to over 450 million people around the globe who watched the 2003 Road World Cycling Championships, but you'll also find us the perfect venue for your next "Slo-Pitch" tournament.

Hamilton has a long-standing love affair with sports and our enthusiasm shows at every turn.





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We know we're in competition for your next event and we'll work hard to ensure it's a success from start to finish.

One call to Tourism Hamilton will help give you access to everything you need, including; facilities, accommodation, municipal services, policing, EMS and much more.

## Breaking Through the Red Tape

Our services include:

- Development of Bid Proposals
- Site Inspections
- Planning Assistance
- Sport Event Grant Applications
- Attendance Building
- Accommodations
- Transportation Assistance and Airport Transfers
- Media and Promotion
- Visitor/Delegate Information & Registration Assistance
- Receptions and Entertainment
- Welcome Letters & Event Alerts
- Post Event Evaluation



# AROUND THE BAY ROAD RACE

Since 1894 - Oldest Road Race in North America





The City Of Hamilton, in conjunction with McMaster University, Mohawk College, Redeemer University College and our sport partners, offers a wide range of world-class venues and facilities that are scalable for almost any size of event.

## A Great Place to Play

With a rich tradition of competitive sports and a long history of supporting amateur and professional athletics, Hamilton offers many great places to play.

For a comprehensive listing visit [www.tourismhamilton.com/sportsorganizer](http://www.tourismhamilton.com/sportsorganizer)





2003 Road World Cycling Championships





Hamilton offers a wide range of accommodation across the city. Currently, there are over 1,100 hotel rooms on hand, many of them newly refurbished, with well-equipped conference and exhibit areas. Dormitory-style housing is also available on a seasonal basis at our college and universities.

### **Stay a little longer**

Hamilton is ideally situated in the heart of the Golden Horseshoe halfway between Toronto and Niagara Falls, providing ease of travel and ready access for all your athletes and supporters.

## A Great Place to Stay

Our range of facilities and accommodations will meet each sport organizer's specific budget and event needs.

While you're here, be sure to visit some of our city's fabulous attractions; African Lion Safari, Dundurn Castle, the Art Gallery of Hamilton, Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Canadian Football Hall of Fame and Museum and flamboro downs racetrack & casino, or our natural wonders like the Royal Botanical Gardens, the Niagara Escarpment World Biosphere and beautiful Hamilton Harbour. When you see all we have to offer, we're sure you'll want to stay a little longer!



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*Make Hamilton your next place to play and stay.*

## OUR PRIDE FACTOR - SPORTS EVENTS HELD IN HAMILTON

Hamilton hosts more than 100 sport related events per year. We are proud to be the host city of these notable International, National and Provincial events.

- 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Co-Host City
- 2014, 2003 Allan Cup Senior Hockey Championship
- 2012, 2006, 2003 Canadian Open Golf Championship
- 2012 CIS Women's Volleyball Championship
- 2012, 2011, 2010 National Slo-Pitch Association Canada Men's & Women's World Series
- 2011 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Silver Fox Basketball Invitational Tournament
- 2011 Indoor Games
- 2011 Annual Heritage Day Soccer Tournament
- 2011 Mobility Cup
- 2010 Canadian Little League Championship
- 2010, 2009 OFSAA Girls AAA Basketball
- 2010 OFSAA Girls & Boys Soccer
- 2010, 2003, 2002 CIS Women's Basketball Championship
- 2009 Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers - National Championship
- 2009 RCGA Canadian University/College Golf Championship
- 2009 Canadian Gymnastics Championship
- 2009 OFSAA AAA/AAAA Boys Rugby Championship
- 2009 OFSAA AA Boys Soccer Championship
- 2008, 2005, 2004 Desjardins Vanier Cup
- 2008 OFSAA Track & Field
- 2007, 1991 Tim Hortons Brier
- 2007, 2006 CIS Men's Volleyball National Championship
- 2007 28<sup>th</sup> World Baton Twirling Championship
- 2007 Canadian Yachting Association, Youth Sailing Championship
- 2006 Actifest Ontario Senior Summer Games
- 2006 Canadian National Synchronized Figure Skating Championship
- 2004 BDO Curling Classic
- 2004 Rugby Canada National Festival
- 2004 ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championship
- 2003 Road World Cycling Championship
- 2002 World Sailing Championship
- 2002, 1998, 1993 Canadian Figure Skating Championship
- 2000, 1994 International Children's Games
- 2000 North American University Hockey Championship

### **Hamilton Sports History:** Several teams and annual sport events call Hamilton home.

- Hamilton Tiger Cats - Professional Canadian Football League (CFL) ~ 142 years
- Hamilton Bulldogs - Professional American Hockey league (AHL) ~ 15 years
- Around the Bay Road Race - North America's Oldest Road Race ~ 117 years
- CANUSA Games-Bi-Annually with Sister City, Flint, Michigan ~ 50+ years
- Silver Fox Basketball Invitational Tournament ~ 40 years
- Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers Association ~ 5 annual events per year
- Blessed Sacrament Basketball ~ 8 tournaments per year
- Sports Distributors of Canada Conference
- Tim Hortons Huskie Hockey Tournament ~ 25+ years

Did you know? Hamilton is the unofficial volunteer capital of Canada? Our team of volunteers has continually enhanced our hosting abilities in numerous sport events, like the 2007 Tim Hortons Brier with over 700 Hamilton volunteers. Let us demonstrate how our volunteers can help make your event a success!

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