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Spring is Here, Summer Around the Corner but Let's Not Forget the Winter

Why keep the winter in mind? Because our secondary roads look like a war zone. We put a lot of messages out there about not shoveling the snow into the streets, yet it seems that the easy way wins over and over. We have emails from residents who don't want to call the City on their neighbours, but they email us to vent about people shoveling the snow into the road, making bigger piles, bigger hazards, and taking a longer time to melt. It's on all of us to be good neighbours. Aside from the fact that it is against the law to shovel the snow into the road, imagine what a pleasant drive it would be for everyone if we clean the snow from the road. Our grass will thank us for the extra moisture when everything melts, and you can save on the gym membership.

Living in a community means thinking about yourself in the context of all the neighbours around you. If you disagree with what we say here, just join our Board (ournewbrighton.ca/the-board/) and feel free to change the way we are thinking about the whole situation. Truth or dare?

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Spring Cleaning Season Is Here!

Article provided by our student correspondent, Nicholas N.

I know that many people dread cleaning out their homes every spring. I like doing a thorough spring cleaning because it's like your house and all your belongings are brand new. It's a great time to fix things, and a great time to air out the house. Some of us may not have anything we want to get rid of, and others have lots we want to get rid of. One idea is to clean around your house, if you have lots of stuff outside, consider moving it inside or getting rid of it to keep a clutter-free passageway to your gate; your neighbors will thank you. If you have a pressure washer or a garden hose, it's a great idea to clean out your garbage, recycling, and compost bins. This may help reduce the unpleasant smells you have around your home. You may also notice how some yards are greener than others. Some easy steps to take to have greener grass are watering once a day, cutting it consistently, fertilizing it at the start of the season, and adding seeds with fertilizer to promote green and healthy grass.



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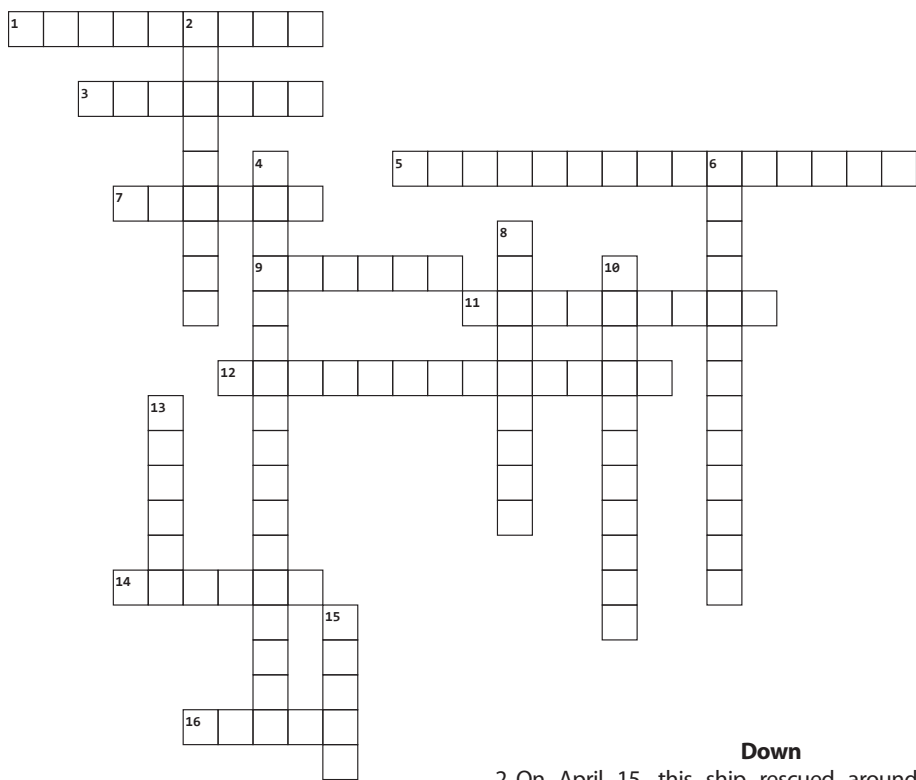


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April Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. The smell that is caused by the mixture of rainwater and various earthly compounds.
- 3. Kids will leave these out for the Easter bunny in case he gets hungry.
- 5. Born on April 15, 1452, this artist's painting was famously stolen.
- 7. On April 11, this national observance advocates against animal violence and cruelty.
- 9. The Latin root for the word 'April.'
- 11. This Calgary-born competitive pair skater won gold at the 2002 Olympics with her partner David Pellettier.
- 12. This Vancouver-born actress is best-known for playing Robin Scherbatsky on the CBS sitcom *How I Met Your Mother*.
- 14. Literature lovers will know that April is National _____ Month.
- 16. A colourful and popular marshmallow Easter treat.

Down

- 2. On April 15, this ship rescued around 705 people from a famous shipwreck 595 km off the coast of Newfoundland.
- 4. What makes April 9, 1917, an important date to many Canadians?
- 6. It is said that this day began in 1852 when France started using the Gregorian calendar and the new year no longer began on April 1.
- 8. Born on April 21, 1816, she is the oldest Brontë sister and author of *Jane Eyre*.
- 10. This Chilean-American *The Last of Us* actor was born on April 2, 1975.
- 13. In the United States, spring is said to have arrived when this bird comes to town.
- 15. One of April's birth flowers that comes from the Old English phrase 'dæg-es-eage'.

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1. What year did the Calgary Flames win the Stanley Cup?
2. What was Calgary's original name?
3. What iconic indie pop duo hails from Calgary?
4. In 1969, what cocktail did Walter Chell invent in Calgary?
5. Who was Canada's flag bearer at Calgary's 1988 Winter Olympics?



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"How flexible are you?" she asked.

I said, "I can't make Tuesdays."



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Room Rental Hourly Rate

Banquet Room (Capacity of 75)

1350 Sq Ft

Resident Rate: \$80 plus GST hourly

Non-Resident: \$90 plus GST hourly

Studio Room (Capacity of 20)

462 Sq Ft

Resident Rate: \$45 plus GST hourly

Non-Resident: \$55 plus GST hourly

Rental Packages

Deluxe Birthday Package (Banquet Room)

Resident Rate: \$280 plus GST for 2 hours

Non-Resident Rate: \$300 plus GST for 2 hours

What is Included:

- Your choice of a face painter, bouncy castle, or air brush tattoos
- Party supplies (banner, cups, tablecloths, balloons, napkins, plates, and cutlery)
- Set-up and tear down of the room

Essential Birthday Package (Studio Room)

Resident Rate: \$100 plus GST for 2 hours

Non-Resident Rate: \$130 plus GST for 2 hours

What is Included:

- Party supplies (banner, cups, tablecloths, balloons, napkins, plates, and cutlery)
- Set-up and tear down of the room

Dazzling Baby Shower Package

Resident Rate: \$200 plus GST for 2 hours

Non-Resident Rate: \$220 plus GST for 2 hours

What is Included:

- 2 hours in the Banquet Room
- Baby shower supplies (banner, cups, tablecloths, balloons, napkins, plates, and cutlery)
- 2 baby shower games
- Set-up and tear down of the room



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NEW BRIGHTON CLUBHOUSE NEWS

Sponsorship Opportunities

The new 2023 Sponsorship Catalogue is now available! Becoming a sponsor is a great way to get your business noticed throughout the community of New Brighton. There are a variety of sponsorship opportunities available to meet the needs of all businesses! If you are interested in becoming a valued sponsor, please contact the Recreation Leader by emailing recreation@nbra.ca or calling 403-781-6613, ext. 3. The detailed catalogue can be found on www.newbrighton-connect.com.

Special Events

Community Cleanup

June 4 from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm

This Community Cleanup event saves New Brighton residents a trip to the landfill for items that do not fit in their waste and recycling carts.

More information on what items will be accepted will be posted early in May.

Children and Adult Programs

Babysitters Course

Ages 11 to 16 years

Session 1: April 22 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

The Canadian Red Cross Babysitting course covers everything from managing difficult behaviours to essential content on leadership and professional conduct as a babysitter.

Residents: \$85 | Non-Residents: \$100

Preschool Drawing

Ages 3.5 to 5 years

Session 1: April 15 to May 13 from 11:45 am to 12:30 pm

The Young Rembrandts elementary-aged curriculum is designed to teach basic to advanced drawing skills, art techniques, and vocabulary. Students are given the skills to express their creativity.

Residents: \$90 | Non-Residents: \$105

Hydra Taekwondo

Ages 5 to 8 years

Session 1: April 15 to May 13 from 9:00 to 10:00 am

*Price includes an ITF Taekwondo uniform

Classes are fun and safe with beginners learning to "walk" in the martial art before they "run" to avoid injuries. Students will learn tumbling basics, kicking and punching, blocking, dodging, elbows and knees, grappling, no touch sparring, self defence, and much more.

Residents: \$170 | Non-Residents: \$185

Qigong

Ages 18+

Session 2: May 29 to June 26 from 8:00 to 9:00 pm

Qigong is an ancient Chinese system of coordinated physical postures, movement, and breathing techniques that promotes health and physical fitness, connecting body, mind, and spirit.

Residents: \$85 | Non-Residents: \$100

For more information on these programs (or all programs at the New Brighton Clubhouse), please visit www.newbrighton-connect.com.

Value Added Activities

New Brighton Seniors Club

April 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

The NBRA is excited to host the New Brighton Seniors Club! Offering a variety of different activities including crafts, games, great conversation, coffee, tea, and snacks! Spend your time enjoying new activities, meeting new friends, and exploring everything that New Brighton has to offer. \$2 drop-in.

Family Movie Night

April 28 at 7:00 pm

Join the NBRA every month for an exciting evening of family fun with movies curated just for you! Indulge in freshly popped theater style popcorn, pop, and a hit movie, all for the low price of \$5 for the entire family!

The Clubhouse offers a cozy space for the kids to get comfortable and plenty of seating for parents to sit back and relax! Come in and enjoy the surround sound system that fills the room. Check out the website and Facebook pages to find each month's movie, the show will start sharply at 7:00 pm! Grab your comfy pillows and blankets to get ready for a great evening out with your family!

Tot Time

April 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm

Bring your little ones and join a fun afternoon of socialization and unstructured free play, all while parents enjoy coffee and great company!

This program is a \$2 drop-in!

Tween's Night Out

Ages 10 to 14 years

April 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Calling all New Brighton tweens and teens. You are invited to the Clubhouse for a night of fun games, competitions, and good times. Doors open at 7:00 pm, grab your friends and let's have a great night together! The \$2 drop-in fee will include a snack and refreshments!

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Babysitting Night

Ages 2 to 12 years | All children must be potty trained

April 22 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm

Want a night out without the kids? Let the NBRA look after your little ones while you enjoy some quality time.

A light snack and drink will be offered during the evening. Please feel free to pack a nut-free snack/drink for your children should they need more. All children must be potty trained.

Resident Rate: \$15 | Non-Resident Rate: \$20

Canvas Creations

Ages 18+

April 14 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Residents: \$35 | Non-Residents: \$45

Jr. Canvas Creations

April 29 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Residents: \$30 | Non-Residents: \$40

Teen Canvas Creations

April 29 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Residents: \$30 | Non-Residents: \$40

Also Available at the NBRA

Popcorn Packs are \$12

Looking to kick up your movie night a notch? The NBRA offers Popcorn Packs for \$10 every month!

Each pack includes:

- 2 Medium Bags of Theatre Style Popcorn
- 2 Juice Boxes
- 2 Pop (your choice from assorted selection)
- 2 Chocolate Bars (your choice from assorted selection)
- 2 Candy Treats (your choice from assorted selection)

To place your order for the Popcorn Pack option, please call 403-781-6613, ext. 1 or email csr@nbra.ca. All orders must be placed by 5:00 pm on April 20. Boxes will be available for pick up at the Clubhouse on Friday, April 21 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

Tool Shed

No need to purchase and store tools that you may only need to use once a year; come and check them out from the tool lending library instead! The New Brighton Residents Association and New Brighton Community Association have joined together in efforts to bring you a library full of over 60 tools to meet your landscaping, snow removal, home improvement, DIY, and automotive needs! This is a free service for all

New Brighton Residents over the age of 18, with more perks available to those who also have a valid NBCA membership. If your family has a NBCA Membership, you can enjoy additional Tool Shed perks such as borrowing a maximum of five tools at one time! For borrowing details, to set up your online account, and to browse the catalogue, visit newbrighton-connect.com! No need to make an appointment, the NBRA office is open Monday to Sunday from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm, come by during those times to borrow the tool of your choice!

Good Food Boxes

The Good Food Box (GFB) is a program under the Community Kitchen Program of Calgary where you can purchase a box of fresh fruits and vegetables at a very low cost! The boxes are put together and delivered to the Clubhouse by dedicated volunteers.

Interested in getting a box? Please call 403-781-6613, ext. 1 or email csr@nbra.ca before the order due date listed below. You will be contacted by an NBRA team member on the delivery day once the boxes are available for pick up at the Clubhouse!

Price List

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Family Fun Night Box: Inside this month's box you will find three games, three activities and two receipts to complete with the family, while celebrating Easter!

Quality Time Box: This month's box theme will be geared towards a date night while celebrating Easter! The box will include two games, two crafts and two receipts!

Monthly Theme	Order Due Date	Pick Up Date
Easter	March 29	April 6

Fees Due

Residents of New Brighton are reminded that the Annual New Brighton Residents Association Fees are due as of April 1, 2023. Packages including the annual renewal notice were delivered via email (if we have your email address on file) or directly by mail to all New Brighton homes in late February/early March. Payments can be made in person at the New Brighton Clubhouse, by cheque, by e-transfer, online (\$5 convenience charges will apply), or over the phone commencing March 1, 2023. Residents are also reminded that all delinquent accounts paid after April 30, 2023, are subject to interest charges of Prime plus 5% per annum and other charges related to the collection of these fees. If you have not received your package or you have any further questions regarding annual fee payment, please contact the NBRA office at 403-781-6613, ext. 1. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

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Hello, Ward 12,

My journey to municipal politics was greatly influenced by witnessing how important decision-making at City Council was in our day-to-day lives. Getting involved with local governance fundamentally changed how I saw my role as a citizen in our collective. The more I learned and experienced local governance at work, the more I realized its importance and value.

Cities have been called “children of the province” and the longer I spend as your local Councillor the more I witness how our Provincial policies and funding impact decision-making at City Hall. We are in the middle of the Provincial election and my appeal to you is simply this: be curious. We need to reject the attack-style politics that are increasingly taking over our democratic discourse and look beneath the surface. Most contentious political issues are tradeoffs with very real impacts for people on either side of those issues. I attempt to screen my decision-making with the filter of “which decision does the most for those who have the least” but that is easier said than done. I will be releasing commentary on policy positions for the various parties through a City and SE Calgary lens as we head toward the end of May. You can find these posts at evanspencer.ca/alberta2023.

This month, we will be preparing for Neighbour Day by hosting a Block Party Primer for Ward 12! On Saturday, April 15 at the Seton YMCA, my team along with City representatives, will be on hand to engage with and resource you for hosting your own block party. This simple act, of bringing your block together, can permanently change your block for the better. If you're unsure whether you have the time to plan and organize your own party, we will help with tips on how to activate your street and make connections with your neighbours outside of Neighbour Day. If you just want to pop by to say “hi”, we look forward to seeing you there! Watch our social media or sign up for our monthly newsletter (www.calgary.ca/council/ward-12/connect) to get more details.

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