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**DRCA AGM
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Are you interested to help to make our community even more beautiful?

Join DRCA Environment Committee!

The Environment Committee has two key events in its portfolio—Earth Day Litter Pick-Up (late April) and Community Cleanup (late May). We appreciate all the volunteer help we are getting for these two important projects. But we can do more if we have more people in the Committee!

These are some of the ideas we could do if we can extend our team:

- Fighting littering
- Tree planting and grants
- Preventing graffiti
- Addressing doggy doo-doo on sidewalks
- Exploring energy efficiency programs for community
- Conducting fire-related informational programs as we live close to the woods
- Informing the community on environment projects via DRCA Ridge Review
- Keeping in touch with the City of Calgary with regards to flood response and other environment-related issues

If you are interested but have limited time—that's not a problem. We do not need large time commitments. Let's have a talk and see what works.

Please contact Andrei Romaniuk, Chair for Environment Committee, at environment@discoveryridge.com.



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DRCA Channels of Communication

Our community association has several channels to communicate to you, and for you to communicate with us!

Member Emails

Get a membership and provide your email for 'what's new' updates

Ridge Review Newsletter

Twelve publications per year

Website

www.discoveryridge.com

Facebook

DiscoveryRidgeCommunityAssociation

X (Twitter)

@DiscoveryRidge1

Email Us

See listing or the website 'contact us' page for contacts

Please Donate to the DRCA Bottle Shack

Where Does the Money Go from the Bottles Collected at the Bottle Shack?

The money made from these resident donations helps:

- Supports the recreational facilities
- DRCA operating costs

How Should the Bottles be Packaged When Donated?

- Please have bottles in bags or boxes. Make sure the are bags are safely tied and the boxes taped shut to keep our volunteers safe.

Is There Any Other Way I Can Help Support the Bottle Shack?

- Yes, we are always looking for volunteers to help empty the shack.
- If you can volunteer 15 minutes every month or so, please email volunteer@discoveryridge.com.

Mark Your Calendar

Did you know that board meetings happen monthly and all DRCA members are welcome to attend?

Please stop by to learn more about what the DRCA does for the community and our future plans. Email drca_pres@discoveryridge.com for more information on the DRCA and if you wish to attend upcoming meetings.

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DRCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal Membership

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

Postal Code: _____

Email: _____

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- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> General assistance | <input type="radio"/> Membership |
| <input type="radio"/> Communications | <input type="radio"/> Environment |
| <input type="radio"/> Special Events | <input type="radio"/> Skating Rink maintenance |
| <input type="radio"/> Sponsorship | |

Payment: \$25

- ☐ Cheque ☐ Cash ☐ CC ☐ Pay online at www.discoveryridge.com/membership

Membership runs from September 1 to August 31 each fiscal year.

Make cheques payable to Discovery Ridge Community Association.

Mail to: Discovery Ridge Community Association - 160 Discovery Ridge Blvd - T3H 4Y3

Undersigned hereby consents to: (1) the collection of the personal information on this form; (2) the use of the information for the following purposes: to solicit volunteers for DRCA's programs and activities; to recruit members and solicit renewal of membership in DRCA; to solicit participation or membership in programs or activities provided by DRCA; to provide information to you on the DRCA programs and activities; (3) disclosure of the information in the DRCA register of members which is available for review by various members of the public as required by law. The purpose of collection of the information is to provide contact and registration information for DRCA and to use in and disclose it as described above. The DRCA does not sell membership lists. Designated members of the board of the DRCA are able to answer questions about the collection of the information.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Benefits of DRCA Membership

What does the DRCA do for me?

- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stampede breakfast, Santa event.
- Coordinates the Ridge Review community newsletter.
- Provides up-to-date information about issues affecting you and the community through member only email provides updates on important items for all at www.discoveryridge.com.
- Communicates regularly with the Ward 6 Office and Councillor Pootmans on community and city related issues.
- Provides effective representation and advocacy to external third parties about issues of concern to the community, including public safety, development and the natural environment.
- Attains and works casinos to fundraise for the community.
- Creates a sense of community pride through participation in community activities.

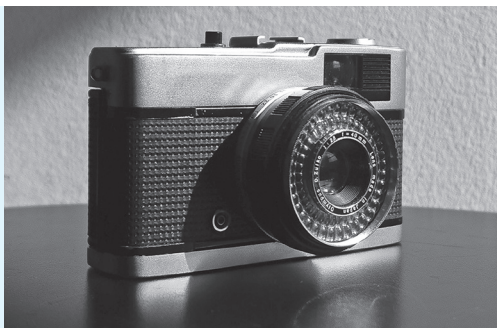
Membership Perks!

Did you know that only up-to-date DRCA Members receive regular community emails informing them of events and ongoing activities in your community? Visit discoveryridge.com to purchase your \$25 membership or see the membership.

Visit www.discoveryridge.com

Do You Want to See Your Photo in Print?

The Ridge Review and Discovery Ridge social media channels are always looking for photos to use as a cover or in the photo gallery. We invite both amateur and professional photographers of all ages to submit photos for all seasons and events in Discovery Ridge. Please send your name and photos as high-quality JPEGs (300 DPI and 1MB in file size) to newsletter@discoveryridge.com.



Two Separate Organizations Support Discovery Ridge

The Discovery Ridge Community Association (DRCA) exists because of you - the residents of our great community!

With the purchase of an annual \$25 membership, the DRCA can serve its residents better while meeting the needs of the community and can be a stronger voice when lobbying on community concerns with the City of Calgary and the Province of Alberta.

We're all in this together – Please ensure your household membership is in good standing!

NDHA (Homeowners' Association)

- Relies on your \$325 fee per year.
- Annual fee legally required.
- Green space maintenance, boulevard/median plantings, and winter pathway snow clearing.
- Winter Lights at the entrance to Discovery Ridge.
- Pay by cheque or with credit card.

DRCA (Community Association)

- Relies on your \$25 annual membership.
- Fee is essential for continued, effective “voice” with the City of Calgary and Province on traffic (including Ring Road), safety and security and other issues.
- Recreation Facility: Design and construction of the ice rink and tennis courts as well as the seasonal maintenance of each. Further development plans under review.
- Ring Road / Traffic: Working with the City and the Province to improve the performance, design, interface treatment and safety of roads within, abutting and beyond our community.
- Communications: Facebook, website, Ridge Review newsletter, and member only e-communications.
- Events: Stampede Breakfast, Santa at Javino's, Family Skates, Galas, Fun Runs.
- Safety and Security: Collaborating with residents, police, and the fire department to combat crime, vandalism and fire threats within the community and Griffith Woods
- Mail cheque to address below or pay online at www.discoveryridge.com.

Not a member? Join online at www.discoveryridge.com.
Not sure if you're a member?

Click the “Purchase/Renew Membership” icon on the website. Already a member? Thanks for your support.

We greatly appreciate it. The DRCA membership year runs from September 1 to August 31.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Hope your January was filled with health and wellness for a new year.

Just a few updates this month.

First, the Discovery Ridge Community Annual General Meeting will be held on Zoom on February 26 at 7:00 pm. DRCA members will receive a Zoom link by email closer to the date. If you would like to attend online, please email us with the subject line: DRCA AGM at drca_pres@discoveryridge.com and the link will be sent to you.

The AGM is open to all residents to attend and find out more about the DRCA. At the AGM we will summarize the activities and financials over the last fiscal year and vote on the executive for the following year. Did you know that every DRCA executive must be elected to their role by DRCA members that attend the AGM?

If you are interested in joining the board in an executive or non-executive role, please reach out to the DRCA. See contact information in a later section in this newsletter.

Second, a big shout out to our rink volunteers for their hours of hard work to set up and maintain our two skating areas.

Third, the DRCA is looking for a DRCA newsletter editor. This role only takes about one to two hours per month to edit and collect any submissions for the monthly newsletter. If you might be interested, please reach out to drca_pres@discoveryridge.com.

Finally, if you are interested in joining our monthly DRCA Zoom meeting to find out more about how the DRCA works or if you have any questions or would like to join the board, please email us at drca_pres@discoveryridge.com. Our meetings are usually the first Monday of every month from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. A Zoom link will be sent to you.

On behalf of your DRCA Board have a great Family Day this month!



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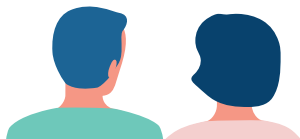
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November 23	8	4	\$952,500	\$920,000
October 23	9	7	\$779,900	\$791,111
September 23	6	5	\$525,000	\$520,000
August 23	7	10	\$712,500	\$720,000
July 23	8	9	\$1,050,000	\$1,070,000
June 23	16	14	\$937,450	\$975,000
May 23	13	7	\$829,999	\$829,999
April 23	5	7	\$379,900	\$379,900
March 23	8	11	\$515,000	\$500,000
February 23	13	6	\$942,500	\$927,500
January 23	2	3	\$359,900	\$368,500

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GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess The Duo!

1. This love-hate duo is on a quest to save a princess while fighting a fire-breathing dragon.
2. These stepbrothers create zany projects to make the most of their summer vacation.
3. This pop duo from the 60s are well known for their song "I Got You Babe".
4. These frenemies, created by William Hanna and Joseph Barbera, have been playing cat and mouse since 1940.
5. This fantasy duo set out on a journey through the misty mountains to save Middle Earth.
6. This superhero duo attempts to thwart the evil plans of villains in Gotham.



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