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Tiny Tots Organizer Receives 2026 Volunteer of the Year Award

Allison Perkins is the recipient of the RCA Volunteer of the Year Award for her work with Tiny Tots. She helped another mom, Amy, revive the group in February 2023. Renfrew's Tiny Tots had been running for many decades but was put on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tiny Tots is a unique program in the city. It is a drop-in, unstructured play group for children aged zero to five that runs weekly on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:00 am in the community centre. "Generally, we have up to eight kids," says Allison. "There are gym mats and lots of toys, such as a train table, plasma cars, megablocks, a play kitchen with food, a barn and farm animals, a doll house, balls, hula hoops, construction toys, and vehicles."

In 2025, another neighbourhood mom, Angela Dang Atkinson, started an off-shoot of the group for babies (newborn to 12 months) called Tater Tots. Tater Tots is now run by neighbourhood mom, Amanda Woo, on Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

"We moved to Renfrew in September 2022 when our son was just over a year old. I was looking for a play group in the neighbourhood and an opportunity to meet other parents," says Allison. "We've met several new friends through Tiny Tots."

"My son will soon be five and aging out of the program," says Allison. We are looking for new volunteers to help in the fall. "You can help out by running the whole group, being a back-up, opening up and getting out toys, or starting a different day/time."

Please join the WhatsApp group to learn more or email membership@renfrewyyc.ca.

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Fixings, Watermelon, & Veggie cups too!

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Renfrew Park Naming Project

Welcome to the Renfrew Park Naming Project! We have beautiful parks of all sizes in Renfrew and many of them are still unnamed. The City of Calgary has approved 12 of these parks for the community to name.

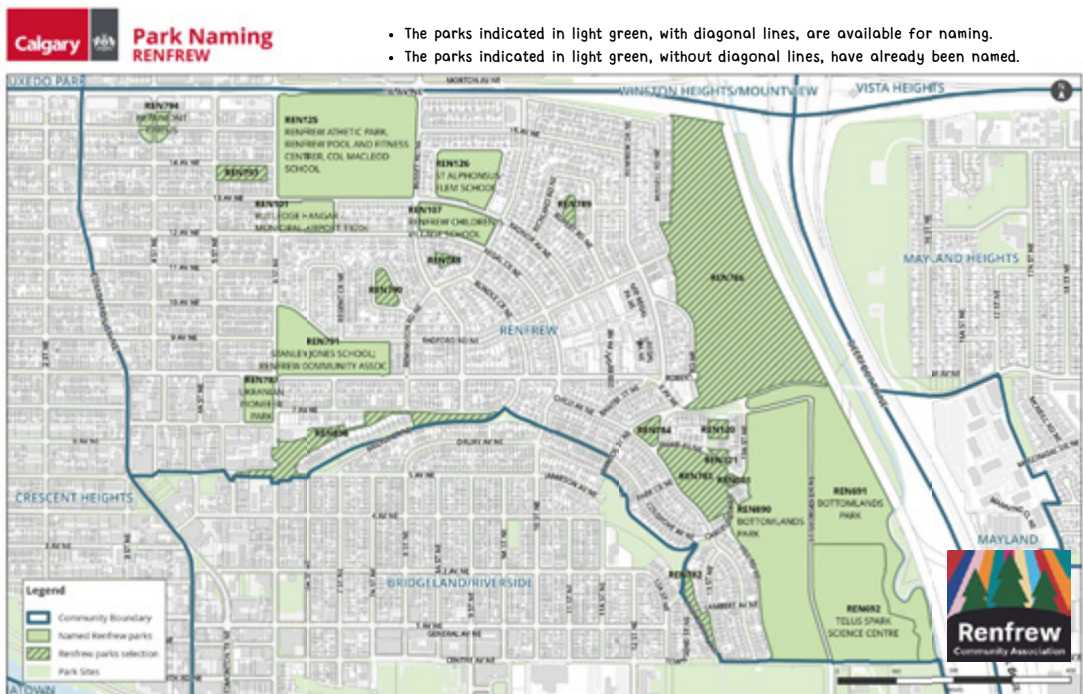
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Summer is the perfect time to visit and get to know our parks, and you are encouraged to do so with park naming in mind. Some of you may know the history of a particular park already or may be enticed to do some research on a park you know little about. You are welcome to forward your naming recommendations and background information at any time to director2@renfrewyyc.ca. Deadline for submissions will be October 31, 2026.

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Included here is the list of parks, available for naming, with their corresponding unique REN number. Also provided is a map of Renfrew with the parks available for naming, identified by diagonal lines. The parks indicated in light green, without diagonal lines, have already been named.

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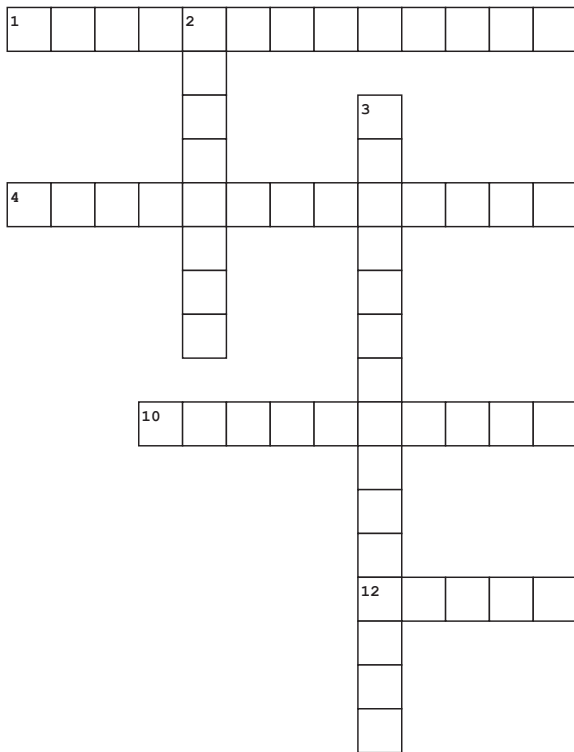
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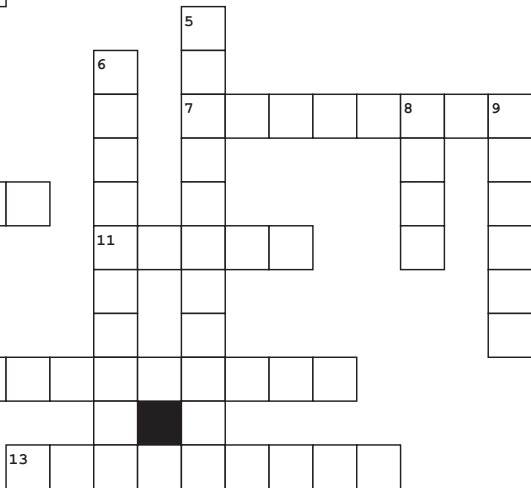
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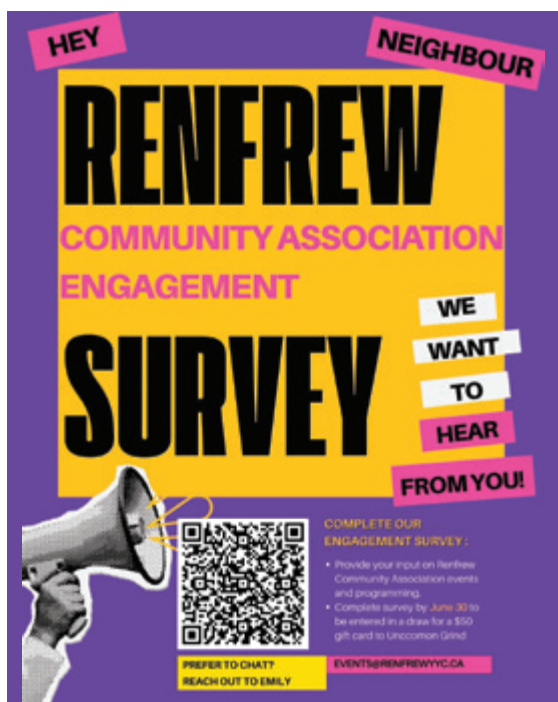
Across

1. On July 20, 1969, this astronaut took humanity's first steps onto the surface of the moon.
4. This rom-com released on July 13, 2001, follows a very fashionable college student attending Harvard Law.
7. These ducks can be seen all over Calgary; identified by the male's green head.
10. This Noah Kahn song was released as a single in 2022 before appearing on his 2024 album with the same name.
11. Florence + The Machine released this album July 3, 2009, featuring the famous song, *Dog Days Are Over*.
12. This very popular member of the royal family married Prince Charles III on July 29, 1981.
12. This event on July 1 is normally celebrated with red and white fireworks.

Down

2. On July 6, Earth will reach this part of its orbit—the furthest distance from the sun.
3. This annual event is known as "The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth."
5. These tiny birds can fly backwards and upside down.
6. This Canadian author and illustrator is most known for his children's books, *I Want My Hat Back* and *The Skull*.
8. This fiery July birthstone was worn by Burmese warriors; they believed the stone made them invincible.
9. These tiny stickers were released to the public July 1, 1847, with the intention of preventing unpaid mail.





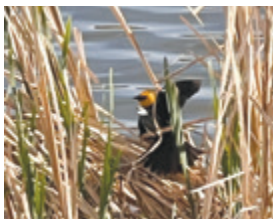


Nose Creek Preservation Society's First Annual Discovery Day Marked as a Success

We hosted our first public event to showcase the Nose Creek Valley, connect with our communities, and showcase the beauty and life that call it home. And we succeeded! Over fifty Calgarians popped by the district storm pond, and everyone commented they had no idea this natural space existed!

Everyone—including our wonderful exhibitors, local government reps, and two very young kids enjoying a planned playdate—enjoyed what turned into a beautiful day. Our soundtrack was the birdsong playing on repeat, no speaker required.

Thank you to everyone who attended. For those who couldn't make it, sign up online at savenosecreek.com for our newsletter to learn more about the Nose Creek Valley and details for the second annual Discovery Day sometime in May 2027!



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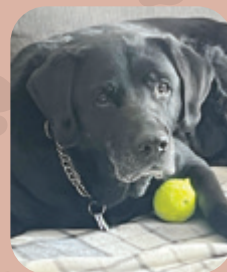
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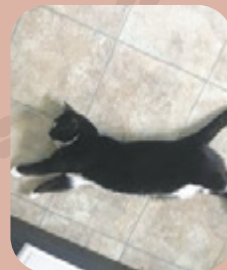
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2. Keep It Human

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3. Practice Out Loud

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- It's fun (and a great way to get involved!)

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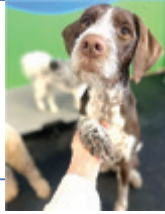
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