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- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Thursday July 4, 2024
  - 2115 20TH AVE NW

[WWW.BANFFTRAILCOMMUNITY.CA](http://WWW.BANFFTRAILCOMMUNITY.CA)



# Banff Trail Community Association

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## HOWLER SUBMISSIONS

Do you have an interesting story you think should be in *The Howler*? Know of someone living in Banff Trail who deserves to be featured in our newsletter? How about photographs of our community? If you do, please contact [communications@banfftrailcommunity.ca](mailto:communications@banfftrailcommunity.ca).



Remember, [www.BanffTrailCommunity.ca](http://www.BanffTrailCommunity.ca) is the place to look for short-notice events, and more community info. Check out Banff Trail Community through social media through the following:

**Facebook:** @BanffTrailCommunity.ca

**Instagram:** @banfftrailyyc

**X (Twitter):** @BanffTrailYYC



# BANFF TRAIL BESTIES



Do you have a furry, fuzzy, feathered or even a scaly best friend? We want to feature the pets of Banff Trail!

Send us a picture of your bestie hanging out in Banff Trail and we will feature them in our monthly newsletters.

Be sure to tell us their name and a little about them!

Follow and tag us @banfftrailyyc

Banff Trail Community Association

## Community Clean Up



# June 2, 2024

With Triwood Community Association  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm @ 2244 Chicoutimi Dr NW

## Word of the Month

**Bibelot: noun (bi-be-lot)**

A petite decorative ornament of particular beauty or rarity.

Lucy's grandmother liked to adorn her cabinets with bibelots, each one a miniature marvel that piqued her curiosity.

## BTCA Memberships

Memberships for residents of Banff Trail are free for the year! Memberships run from March to February. Registration is still required. Persons that live outside the boundaries of Banff Trail that wish to purchase a membership will be charged \$10 per person.

If you would like to become a member and find out about upcoming events and ongoing activities, please send an email to [membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca](mailto:membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca). Please include your name, address, phone number, partner's name, and how many children you have under the age of 18.



**BANFF  
TRAIL  
COMMUNITY  
ASSOCIATION**

## 2023/2024 BOARD MEMBERS

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HAVE YOUR PHOTOS FEATURED IN THE  
NEWSLETTER

# CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS

Have you taken a photo in the community that  
deserves to be shared? The BTCA would like to feature  
your photo in the Banff Trail Bulletin.

## Banff Trail Community Association

# BOARD MEETING

First Wednesday of every month

From 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Google Meet video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/gsd-cyzo-fhx>.

## Have questions about hall rentals or availability?

Contact our Facility Manager at 403-282-2234  
or [hallmanager@banfftrailcommunity.ca](mailto:hallmanager@banfftrailcommunity.ca)

Office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays,  
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

# JOIN THE BTCA EVENTS COMMITTEE

THE BANFF TRAIL EVENTS COMMITTEE IS  
SEEKING MORE PEOPLE TO GET INVOLVED  
HAVE IDEAS FOR EVENTS?  
WANT TO HELP HOST AN EVENT IN THE  
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CLOTHING'S SHAPS  
SKATING PARTY  
WATER FIGHTS

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## News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

Nose Hill is an isolated remnant of the upland plain that flanks the Bow River Valley. It also includes side slopes (escarpments) and ravines that cut into the upland plain. Domestic dogs are a major user of Nose Hill Park. The remaining large mammals on Nose Hill are deer and coyotes. Almost one third (31%) of users are dog walkers and many leave their animals unleashed. It was recommended that bird and rare plant inventory be conducted for Nose Hill as a baseline against which impact predictions can be tested. The Park is a grassland-dominated natural area, along the western edge of the Foothills Fescue Natural Subregion, where it abuts the Foothills Parkland Ecoregion. The deciduous forest (aspen and balsam poplar), native (rough fescue) grassland, and tall willow communities are primary foraging and breeding habitats in the Park.

The grass known botanically but popularly as “rough fescue” was adopted as the grass emblem of Alberta. It was designated officially in 2003 due to the efforts of the Prairie Conservation Forum. [www.albertapcf.org/](http://www.albertapcf.org/). The province has the largest area of rough fescue grassland in the world and is the only place in North America that hosts the plains, foothills, and northern variations. Rough fescue provides excellent year-round forage for wildlife and livestock; and is a symbol of Alberta’s prairie heritage and the need for the conservation of our rich biodiversity of native grasslands.

The City of Calgary has unveiled its new brand as “Blue Sky City.” The provincial shield already features blue skies over a range of snow-capped mountains with green hills, prairie land, and a wheat field in front. The great horned owl, which is a year-round resident, was adopted as Alberta’s official bird, in 1977, after a provinciewide children’s vote.

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Friday, June 28  
7 pm - 9 pm

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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

# VOLUNTEER

## Interested in joining us?

Did you know the BTCA board and its sub committees are all run by volunteers? Volunteers are the lifeblood of our community. Thank you to all our past and present volunteers. If you are able to give the gift of time and volunteer please email [membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca](mailto:membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca)

**WE NEED HELP WITH:**

- Events
- Soccer
- Bike park set up/take down
- Rink maintenance
- Casinos
- Community clean up
- Handymen/handywomen
- Photography
- Stampede BBQ
- Garden

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# South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Planning

Your input **today** will help shape how your community evolves over the **next 30 years**.

## We want to hear from you

We are continuing to work together to refine the South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Plan and encourage you to participate in this important phase of engagement.

**Phase 3: REFINE** of the South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Planning project is taking place May 28 – June 24. In this phase, we are looking to further discuss and refine how redevelopment and revitalization could happen in the Shaganappi Communities of Banff Trail, Montgomery, Parkdale, Point McKay, St. Andrews Heights, University District, University Heights, University of Calgary, and Varsity.

Provide your input on topics including:

- **Draft local area plan maps.** These maps are not finalized. Your input is needed to help inform what types of development could potentially fit best where if proposed in the future.
- **Community improvement ideas.** Your input is needed to determine what community improvements and investments are needed—such as upgrades to mobility connections or enhancements to local parks.



Learn more at  
[calgary.ca/Shaganappi](https://calgary.ca/Shaganappi)

## Share your thoughts from May 28 – June 24, 2024:

- **Online at [calgary.ca/Shaganappi](https://calgary.ca/Shaganappi).**
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