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## Neighbourhood Happenings

Event	Date/Time
Pickleball	Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Mom and Tots	Thursdays, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Adult 18+ Brew Party	November 16, 2024. Check website for more details.
MLCA AGM in the Gym	November 19, 2024, 7:00 pm
Christmas Kids Party	December 7, 2024, 4:00 to 6:00 pm 6:30 to 8:30 pm

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Hello Neighbours!

November is here and that means it's time for our AGM! Come join us on Tuesday, November 19 at 7:00 pm to learn what your MLCA team has been up to. This is your chance to join the Board of Directors and to help shape the issues that matter in your community. If you want to have your say but not join the board, then you must have a current MLCA membership (\$25) to have your vote counted. Get yours on our website at [mckenzielakecommunity.com](http://mckenzielakecommunity.com) or by visiting the office during regular office hours Monday to Friday. Memberships can be purchased at the AGM as well. Doors will open around 6:30 pm. See you there!

In last months' Gazette we mentioned an adult music and brews party that will take place in the gym late October. We had to change the date to November 16. Save the date and come have a few bebies and enjoy either some live music or a great DJ. Hit up the website for more information and to get your tickets now!

It's too soon to hear Santa's sleigh bells but know the Elves at MLCA are already planning the Kids' Christmas Party slated for December 7. Santa will be there with a gift for every registered child 12 and under. Due to the popularity of this event, it is split into two timeframes as well. Purchase your tickets for the earlier portion from 4:00 to 6:00 pm or for the later party from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Visit [mckenzielakecommunity.com](http://mckenzielakecommunity.com) to purchase your tickets but don't hesitate as this party sells out quickly.

Come play pickleball on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Only \$50 for ten plays! Purchase your game card; once all ten games are stamped you get your 11th game free! Visit the office to purchase your card today! Make note that there is no pickleball on April 26, May 17 and 20, and June 10, 2025. See you on the courts.

Are you looking to socialize your kids with other families in the community? Our Mom and Tots program might be right for you. Visit MLCA Thursday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm during the school year. Enjoy a coffee, tea, or hot chocolate while the kids take over the gym. The kids love it, and they know this is "jumpy-jumpy" time in our bouncy house. Our drop-in fee is only \$5 per family! So come on out and socialize with other parents too!

Have an upcoming special event but no idea where to host it? The MLCA gymnasium can be transformed into a beautiful space for any special event or themed party. You can also rent the gym for athletic use such as floor hockey, soccer, volleyball, or pickleball. Host a memorable party and for an additional \$50 add on the bouncy house. Our light strike game can be added as well for an additional \$100. You might also want to inquire about our movie screen to host your own movie party. The ideas are endless at MLCA! The rental fee includes a warming kitchen and tables with chairs for up to 200 guests! Members only pay \$75 per hour and non-members pay \$85 per hour.

The temperature isn't freezing quite yet but when it does get there, we will be hard at work preparing the outdoor rink for your skating pleasure. A skate sharpening service will be added this year for a nominal fee. The rink will be available for party rental as well! The fee is only \$50 per hour and includes the use of the skate shack to warm up in and for a place to enjoy food and snacks you want to supply.

By purchasing an MLCA Family Membership you are supporting your local community centre's programs and events. Owning a membership also allows you to have a voice and vote at our AGM on what happens in and around your community centre. It's easy to buy a membership online at [www.mckenzielakecommunity.com](http://www.mckenzielakecommunity.com). An MLCA membership is only \$25 and is valid for an entire year! You will enjoy perks such as discounted rates for the whole family on kids' programs and social events, as well as reduced ticket prices on Adult Nights and market vendor table rentals.

MLCA enjoys working with local area businesses. If you own a business in our area and would like to partner with your community association as an event sponsor or membership partner, or if you want to display an ad on our rink boards or would like to donate items for raffle at our events to get your business name out there, please contact Nadine at [manager@mckenzielakecommunity.com](mailto:manager@mckenzielakecommunity.com) with your ideas.

See you at the community centre!

*MLCA Board of Directors*

## **Chinook Blast 2025: Calling All Creators and Cultural Curators!**

*by the City of Calgary*

Chinook Blast 2025 is Calgary's winter festival celebration. As we gear up for another exciting event in 2025, we're on the lookout for creative talent and dynamic partners to help bring the festival to life!

### **Calling All Installation and Visual Artists**

Sculptors, visual artists, and creators of immersive experiences are invited to showcase how their art can transform the festival grounds into a mesmerizing winter wonderland. Funding opportunities are available, ranging from \$5,000 to \$40,000 for chosen installations. Additionally, in collaboration with The City of Calgary's Winter City Design Competition, up to \$45,000 will be awarded for two installations designed to endure three months of winter weather from January to March without requiring security.

### **Calling All Market Partners**

We're seeking three dynamic partners to host and execute a weekend market (Friday to Sunday) during Chinook Blast. These markets should offer unique experiences, where attendees can explore and celebrate different cultures, discover local artisans, and participate in meaningful community engagement.

For more information and to submit your proposal, visit [chinookblast.ca](http://chinookblast.ca).



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## MANAGEMENT AND OTHER CONTACTS

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The McKenzie Lake Residents Association is a non-profit organization geared towards providing a wide array of recreational services, programs and facilities for our members and their guests. We serve 3,200 residents and over 11,000 members and their families. In addition to the lake, members have access to tennis courts, basketball courts, a beach volleyball area, a toboggan hill and other recreational activities.

McKenzie Lake is a 43-acre lake combined with an 18-acre park for a total of 61 acres. The Association provides its members with access to equipment such as rowboats, canoes, kayaks, and pedal boats. To ensure a safe and fun environment, we provide life jackets for boating purposes. The lake is stocked with rainbow trout in May, June, and September of each year. In the winter time the Association provides a variety of skating surfaces including illuminated hockey rinks, an ice skating pad with a fire pit, and a 2.5 kilometre skating path around the lake. Skating areas are machine groomed with our own zamboni.

The Beach Club facility also has a function hall available to rent exclusively for the members.

The activities of the Association are determined and governed by an elected board of Directors comprising at least three (3) and no more than fifteen (15) members, that is, residents of the McKenzie Lake Residents Association. The Board of Directors have hired a General Manager who has been assigned responsibility for managing the day-to-day operations of the Association including the operations at the lake complex.

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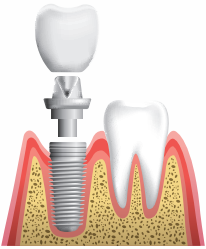
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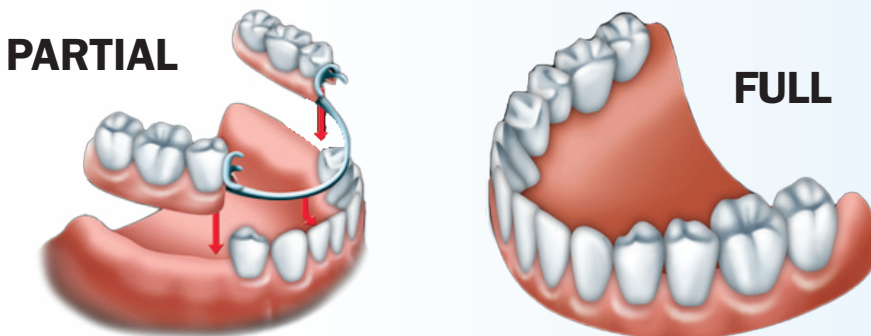


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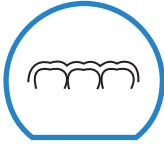
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## Grants from the Alberta Government

On behalf of the members of the McKenzie Lake Residents Association, the Board of Directors extends a big thank you to the Alberta Government for their generous donations through the Alberta Lottery Fund to help fund renovations completed to the interior and exterior of the buildings over the last couple years. Thank you, Alberta!

The most recent grant we received was to help fund a large project that will completely change the park. The concrete pad and surrounding area have been upgraded substantially and now include a basketball/bounce court, a deck with a trellis feature and fire pit, new seating areas, upgraded paving stone pathways, artistic letters for play, new trees and shrubs, and an ice trail that will be a skating loop in the winter. We hope you enjoy!

## Annual Membership Fees

Fees for 2024/25 were invoiced in March and were due April 1.

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## MLRA Boundaries

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## Beach Club Rentals

The Beach Club is open and available to our members for rent. Contact the office today for additional information at [office@mlra.ca](mailto:office@mlra.ca). Bookings must be made with the main office.

## Volunteer Committee

We are currently recruiting members to fill positions on our volunteer committee. Volunteers will primarily be responsible to help with special events. Our goal is to offer more fun activities and special events throughout the year, and we need volunteers to make it happen! The Committee will be responsible for all fundraising and organizing of the events. If you would like to see more events and activities offered and are willing to donate your time, then please contact us today at [office@mlra.ca](mailto:office@mlra.ca).

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Hi, Ward 14!

I hope you had a fun and safe Halloween. Full of candy, we are now ready to take on the true beginning to winter. Even though winter has its challenges, it can still be a time to celebrate. Chinook Blast is Calgary's winter festival celebration. In the full, online version of this column, I will go into detail about the call for artists and market partners for the 2025 Chinook Blast.

Feel free to contact me any time, and don't forget to visit [calgary.ca/ward14](http://calgary.ca/ward14) for the full version of this column. The best way to contact me is by visiting [calgary.ca/contactward14](http://calgary.ca/contactward14) or calling 403-268-1653.

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