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- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ cup applesauce
- ½ cup non-fat vanilla-flavoured Greek-style yogurt
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups fresh blueberries

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit (200 degrees Celsius). Spray twelve muffin cups with cooking spray or use paper liners.
2. Mix flour, oats, baking powder, and cinnamon together in a bowl. Stir sugar, applesauce, yogurt, egg, and vanilla extract together in a separate bowl. Stir flour mixture into applesauce mixture until just combined. Fold blueberries into batter. Fill prepared muffin cups two-thirds full of batter.
3. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted in the centre of a muffin comes out clean, about fifteen minutes.



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Cleanup Day - Queensland Diamond Cove and Deer Ridge

Thank you to the amazing volunteers that helped at our Community Cleanup on June 29: Bob Hall, Dawn Wallace, Eva Reid, Roy Reid, Susan Jackson, Patrick Murphy, Beth Murphy, Ian Myrthu, Char Kirkpatrick, Jeff Myrthu, Martine Myrthu, Carl Hunn, Carmen Bezold, Natalia Yasynezych, Julian Yasynezych, Anita Sukhdeo, and Linda Brown.

Many thanks to the City of Calgary for supplying three garbage trucks and the awesome operators!

Kudos to Technotrash for collecting Electronics and Recon Metals for collecting all of the metals. Great job as always!





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QUEENSLAND DIAMOND COVE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Queensland Diamond Cove Community,

We have had a lot of excitement at the community centre the past few months. CBC Eye Opener hosted an event at our community centre at the end of May, thanks to all the volunteers who helped to show what a great community we live in.

Happy 50 years to Queensland! Our anniversary event was created by Ian, Beth, and Judith and a lot of volunteers to make this day happen. 200 plus people came to the celebration, young and old had a great time visiting with local businesses: Flux Renewables, Strands Aesthetics and Hair Salon, Pho Vy Vietnamese, Jazzercise, TD bank, Prairie Donair, our MLA Myles McDougall, Stephanie Kusie our MP, and Stampede Princess Brooke Fielding was also in attendance. Pizza and cake were served; a great time was had by all.

The Community Cleanup with our friends from Deer Ridge was a great success. We filled three garbage trucks, one large bin filled with metal and seven bins filled with tech trash. We thank all the volunteers who have made this event a success year to year.

Cornerstone Music community party was also a great event that our community partnered with. The morning started off a bit rainy, but the clouds parted, and we enjoyed a sunny end to our day. Thank you to all the citizens of Deer Run, Deer Ridge, Queensland, and Diamond Cove communities who helped to make this day successful.

Who are our volunteers? We often see them working hard to make our community a better place. What are their names? Linda, Doug, Sawyer, Nevelda, Julie, Colin, Ian, Beth, Patrick, Eva, Roy, Carl, Carmen, Anita, Susan, Judith, Ralph, Karen, Steve, Kevin, Lynda, Genevieve, Jeff, Martine, Paul, Debbie, Christine, Robert, Meagan, Nina, Jenn, Amanda, Julian, Natalia, Dawn, Bob, Char, Malcolm, Leslie, Aaron, Julie J., the Rink Rats, and the pickleballers.

We are still looking for volunteers for our upcoming Casino on Friday, August 16 and Saturday, August 17. Please use the link: queenslanddiamondcove.com/casino.

Our next family event will be on October 26, a Halloween Dance, free to member families and \$10 for non-member families. Remember memberships expire on August 31, 2024, so please renew yours for \$20.

Kind regards,

Martine

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Message from the Diamond Cove Homeowners Association President

Dear Diamond Cove Homeowners,

Since our Annual General Meeting on May 30, 2024, the new board has been diligently working to address several important matters. As a brand-new board, our initial meeting agenda was packed with crucial items. We confirmed our executive committee, comprising the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Among the key discussions were:

- Securing a \$5M liability insurance, mandated by the City of Calgary to meet the requirements of our Enhanced Landscape Management agreement.
- Reviewing the Special Tax Levy to ensure transparent management and allocation of funds.
- Updating the Diamond Cove Homeowners Association Bylaws, which haven't been revised since 1993; these would be presented at the 2024 AGM.
- Gathering details on the playground project, scheduled for completion this year by the City (more updates to follow).
- Finalizing crosswalk improvements (painting and signage).
- Discussing community initiatives and events for the next twelve months such as Christmas Lights Contest, next Neighbours Day, Parade of Garage Sales (slated for the fall), Community Blooms Contest, spring/fall Neighbourhood Cleanup, Playground Grand Opening, and more.

We are eager to hear from you about future events and initiatives so they can be incorporated. Share your ideas with us via email at dcovehoa@gmail.com. We are planning to handle approximately four events annually and are always looking for volunteers.

Looking ahead, once we grasp the intricacies of our Association, we will explore grants and fundraisers for community-enhancing projects. Ideas include fixing the retaining wall on Diamond Drive, replacing the median pavers, and potentially creating storage for community planters.

Your input is invaluable as we strive to organize effectively for the future. The entire board is committed

to laying a solid foundation for success. We will keep you informed every step of the way.

A reminder that newsletter content is finalized one month before printing, so some information may be dated. We will soon gather contact information from all residents.

Thank you for supporting the board and contributing to our wonderful community. Let's continue to keep Diamond Cove beautiful and clean - your efforts make a difference!

Warm regards,

Sonia Dantu

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Haultain Memorial School New Playground

Thank you for all the support and work that has gone into fundraising for our new playground since 2019. You may have noticed our beloved playground has had some amputations recently and all the hard work you have put to fundraising means we are building a new playground August 13 to 16.

Now Let's Build!

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GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess The Drink!

1. On August 28, 1898, Caleb Bradham invented this sweet, carbonated drink originally called "Brad's Drink" which was used to relieve dyspepsia (indigestion).
2. In 1969, Walter Chell invented this drink in Calgary which is typically made from Clamato juice, Worcestershire sauce, spices, and vodka.
3. This non-alcoholic drink is named after an iconic 1930s Hollywood child actress.
4. This drink has been around for thousands of years. Legend has it that in 2737 BC, Chinese emperor Shen Nung discovered it while sitting underneath a tree with boiling water.
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I want to express my gratitude to everyone who joined us at the first Annual Stampede BBQ. It was an amazing turnout! I greatly appreciated the opportunity to connect with numerous residents of Calgary-Fish Creek. I'm already looking forward to next year!

At the BBQ, Parkland Cares and Bonavista Cares were accepting donations for back-to-school supplies. If you still want to contribute, please reach out to my office to arrange a time to deliver items to my office.

Some great news was released by the Alberta government regarding Alberta's 2023-24 year-end financial results. I'm pleased to report that, thanks to our new fiscal framework, Alberta is on strong fiscal footing.

For the third year in a row, the government has balanced the budget. Even better, this past year, Alberta posted a \$4.3 billion surplus, meaning our province has more money to spend on important priorities like health care, education, and infrastructure. The government also repaid 1.7 billion dollars of debt and earned an improved credit rating from several international credit-rating agencies.

Despite our focus on saving and debt repayment, we haven't cut back on essential services. In 2023-24, we provided significant funding to health care and education. This included more money for patient care, surgeries, doctor recruitment, and lab services. We also increased education funding, with more money for schools to hire teachers and for post-secondary institutions to add seats in high-demand areas like apprenticeship training.

This careful financial management and responsible governance has positioned Alberta for a prosperous future. By balancing the budget, cutting red tape, paying down the debt, growing the Heritage Fund, and investing in essential services, we have shown a clear vision for long-term success. Our best days are still ahead.

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