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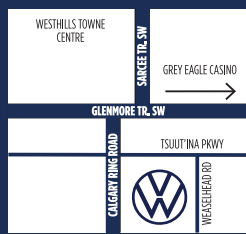


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DRCA Channels of Communication

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

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Instagram

[@lifeatdiscoveryridge](https://www.instagram.com/lifeatdiscoveryridge)

Email Us

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

Mark Your Calendar

- Every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm - Farm Stand from Shirley's Greenhouse
- September 1 – DRCA Regular Board Meeting
- September 6 from 3:00 to 7:00 pm – Music in the Park - discoveryridge.com/music-in-the-park/

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

Please contact the DRCA to learn more about what we do 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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Heat Related Illness

by Alberta Health Services

EMS would like to remind everyone to stay safe in the heat and sun this season. While children and the elderly may be more susceptible to the effects of heat and sun, basic prevention measures should be taken by all to avoid a heat related illness during periods of hot and humid weather.

Heat Exhaustion

- Heat exhaustion can occur due to excessive fluid loss during periods of prolonged sweating in a hot and/or humid environment (indoors or outdoors).
- Patients may suffer headaches, weakness, fatigue, nausea/vomiting, thirst, chills, and profuse sweating.
- The patient is usually cold and damp to the touch and the skin may appear pale or dusky gray.

Heat Stroke

- Heat stroke is a medical emergency which, without prompt treatment, could be fatal.
- It occurs when the body can't cool itself naturally (e.g., perspiration). The body's temperature will continue to rise to dangerous levels.
- Due to severe dehydration and the inability to sweat, the patient may appear flushed, and skin may be hot and dry to the touch.

First Aid

- First aid for all heat related illness begins with removing or sheltering the patient from the hot environment.
- Remove excess, or tight-fitting clothing, and allow them to rest in a cool environment.
- If the patient is conscious and alert, provide suitable fluids such as water, juice, or a sports drink.
- If you are concerned, seek medical attention.

Prevention

- Stay well-hydrated by drinking plenty of water at all times.
- Be aware that excessive alcohol consumption will promote dehydration.
- Always wear a broad brimmed hat to keep the sun off your face and neck.
- Apply a broad spectrum, waterproof sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30+, especially for children. The sun's UV rays peak between 11:00 am and 3:00 pm, even on cloudy days.

Register to Vote in Calgary's General Election in October

by The City of Calgary

Calgary's General Election will take place on October 20, 2025, and eligible voters can check if they are registered, update their information or add themselves to the Permanent Electors Register until August 1, 2025.

Visit www.voterlink.ab.ca or call Elections Alberta toll free at 310-0000 then dial 780-427-7191.

If you miss the opportunity to register or update your information in advance, you can register at the voting station during Advance Vote (October 6 to 11) or on Election Day (October 20). Information about Calgary's upcoming General Election, including voter eligibility can be found at www.electionscalgary.ca.



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What's happening with the DRCA these days? In a nutshell, a lot!

Special Events in DR

By the time this edition is published, we will have enjoyed this year's Stampede Roundup brought to you by the DRCA and Kristin Mould Boutique Real Estate. Watch for the August issue of the *Ridge Review* for a full recap of this year's Stampede Roundup. Thank you to all of the volunteers and sponsors that made this event possible:

- Kristin Mould Boutique Real Estate
- Forero Electric
- New Discovery Fine Wines & Spirits
- Wonder Donuts

Up Next...Music in the Park!

Brought to you by the DRCA and David Pelletier RE/MAX First. Saturday, September 6 from 3:00 to 7:00 pm.

Farm Stand

Please visit the group from Shirley's Greenhouse each Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm this summer. The Farm Stand will be set up in the parking lot at the recreation facility, across from the Bottle Shack.

BearSmart

The DRCA continues to advocate for wildlife resistant bins for our community, starting with green. This has been our ask of the City from the onset of their BearSmart program. We will continue to push for this. We are pleased that the City Waste and Recycling Services team did a lot of work over the winter and have identified appropriate wildlife resistant bins that would work with the current fleet of trucks. The bins are "unfunded" with no timeline for potential funding.

Wildfire Safety

Due to our unique location, it is not dramatic to say to that the community could be at great risk in a wildfire situation. If you have concerns regarding Griffith Woods Park, please report them to 3-1-1. More voices tend to bring more action! This will assist the DRCA in their efforts on this matter.

Ring Road/Noise

All efforts to have improvements made and street racing managed have been stonewalled. The DRCA has been working on this topic in various ways since

2014. Currently there are issues with vehicle noise and street racing. We have always partnered with Minister Mike Ellis on this and most recently he has secured a commitment from Minister Dreeshan to meet with us and the Springbank Hill CA (with whom we are partnered on the cause). The date for this meeting has not yet been provided to us. That said, street racing as well as some other matters directly overlap with the City so we would appreciate it if you will report any specific incidents or concerns you may have to 3-1-1 as well.

Clearwater Park – Friends of Clearwater Park

It's time to make this park happen! This park was promised decades ago. We have also advocated to Minister Mike Ellis for his support and assistance to further this cause. The newly formed Friends of Clearwater Park is a non-profit society that was created by the Discovery Ridge Community Association (DRCA) and Elbow Valley Residents Club (EVRC) to spearhead a regional park serving our communities and the growing population of west Calgary and Springbank.

The Clearwater Park initiative aims to combine undevelopable Rocky View County with previously donated City of Calgary land into a major park, similar to Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park. Flanking the Elbow River above Glenmore Reservoir, this park would generate recreational, ecological, and watershed management benefits. We have heard strong and enthusiastic support from both our communities. Watch for more information on this soon.

Pathway Connectivity

We continue to work on having proper pathway connectivity to Clearwater Park and to connect with TAZA. Our community should not be isolated as an island. It's way past due time to connect to the pathway networks.

Safety and Security

We recently hosted a well-attended online safety meeting with the Calgary Police Service specifically for DR residents. Additional sessions will be held in the future.

Recreation Facility

The DRCA Rec Facility continues to be well used! Maintenance work to keep everything in great shape continues to occur off and on.

Communications

We will continue to communicate with DR through this *Ridge Review* newsletter, our website, and social media (Facebook, X, and Instagram). Additionally, we use MailChimp for direct to resident emails. Not receiving these emails? Ensure your DRCA membership is current at: discoveryridge.com/membership/.

And so much more that is not listed! If you are passionate about any of the above topics, reach out to us to discuss how you can assist.

Snapshots of Discovery



Send us your photos of our beautiful neighbourhood. Adult and children's submissions are welcome.

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- 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 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 form.

Visit www.discoveryridge.com.



DRCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

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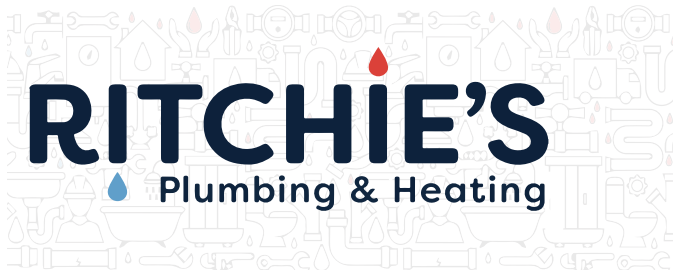
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Homeowners' Association (NDHA) News

Thank you to all of the members and guests who attended our Annual General Meeting on June 10. Your participation is appreciated! Also thank you to our members who were unable to attend but still took the time to fill out their proxy. We had a record number of proxies this year—over 500! By attending or filling out your proxy, you allowed the us to proceed with the business of ensuring Discovery Ridge continues to be one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in our city! Meeting minutes and the slide presentation can be viewed on our website under the “Annual General Meetings” banner.

The NDHA Board wants to recognize two retiring Board Members. Shaune Pasay is a Past President of our Board and our current Landscape Director. Since 2014, Shaune has served for over ten years in various roles—Secretary, Landscape Director, Historian (non-elected), Vice President, and President. Michelle Conway has served on the Board for five years as our Membership Director. Thank you both, Shaune and Michelle, for all that you have given to NDHA. You will both be greatly missed.

Landscaping

Throughout the summer you will see ULS on site working to maintain our green spaces and medians. The NDHA requires ULS to adhere to all Occupational Health and Safety protocols, including appropriate safety barriers, pylons, and signage when crews are working in roadway areas. Please slow down. Working in the medians with cars whizzing by is stressful and dangerous; ULS is here to make our community beautiful. Please give them a “brake”!

Summer is the season when we have the greatest access to do improvement projects on our landscaping. This year, the NDHA Board is prioritizing refreshing the xeriscaped medians. Some of the shrubs are now as big as a car and block the view across the road. In some other places, creeping junipers are creeping just a bit too much and taking over areas that formerly held flowering plants. We have devised a plan with ULS to remove some of the biggest shrubs, cutting back some others, and planting new colourful perennials to refresh our medians. This work will improve sightlines for drivers along our main streets, improving safety for pedestrians and wildlife in our community. It will also

provide a refreshing pop of colour along these streets. At the time of writing, we do not have specific dates for this work to take place. While it is ongoing, ULS workers and equipment will be on our main roads. Please pass them with care.

Bug Issues

Summer is also the season when pesky bugs really ramp up their activity. The City is placing traps to look for Emerald Ash Borer, a non-native insect that feeds on ash trees. The larvae burrow beneath the tree's bark and can actually kill the tree. The trap looks like a green box suspended in an ash tree—you may have seen one hanging high in an ash tree along Discovery Ridge Hill. Please do not disturb the trap as it contains a sticky material that can cause skin irritation. The City is using traps to monitor the spread of this pest and to help keep ash trees in our city healthy.

Update on Pond

Since spring 2024, the City has been working at the Discovery Heights Pond to ensure the embankment remains stable. One of our Members reached out to the City and received an update through 3-1-1. A long-term plan is being developed for the pond protect the park space around the pond as well as protect homes in the community. A concept design phase planned for the fall of 2025 will include public engagement. Following this phase, a detailed design, environmental assessment, and regulatory approvals will be required before tendering and construction begin. Keep an eye out here for updates and notices from the City for when the public consultation will begin.

NDHA FAQs

Do you have questions about fences? Trees? A City Right-of-Way? RV and trailer parking? What the difference is between NDHA and DRCA? You answer may be in the fabulous FAQ section on our website for you to reference for answers! Please visit our website: ndha.ca.

Outstanding Fees

The 2025 NDHA fee of \$325 was due on June 29. We would like to thank our members who have paid their fee on time, and ask that those who have not, please remit them right away. If you are unsure of your payment status, please access your membership portal on our website. If you have questions or concerns, you may contact the NDHA treasurer at accounts@ndha.ca

or our Membership Director at NDHAMembership@ndha.ca. Please reference your property address.

NDHA is exceptionally proud Discovery Ridge continues to be one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in our city. A neighbourhood to span a lifetime. If you happen to notice an area that might need attention such as a bed being missed or damage incurred due to storms or other factors, please let the NDHA know. We are always happy to hear from our members; please access our website at www.ndha.ca to send an email or call us at 403-237-9595.

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Griffith Woods Park: Soaking in Summer

by The City of Calgary

Griffith Woods has always been a busy area, long before it was the park we know today. Nestled along the Elbow River it would have been an important site for indigenous people to gather, as the river is rich in resources. There are over 30 known sites within a kilometre of the park, some of which are thousands of years old. Through all that time this area has remained a beautiful slice of nature, something the City of Calgary wants to continue. You can help with this, by staying on marked pathways, not picking up flowers, respecting and keeping a distance from wildlife, and keeping pets on leash, you help to keep this park the special place that people have known about for thousands of years.

The Elbow River continues to be an important feature here in Calgary. It fills the Glenmore reservoir, providing drinking water to a good part of the city. From its headwaters west in the mountains around Elbow Lake, it travels undammed through forests, the hamlet of Bragg Creek, and through numerous small communities until it spills into the reservoir, and eventually, the Bow River. In 1907 The City of Calgary, growing quickly and needing fresh water for drinking and fire suppression, built a 30" diameter wooden pipeline that moved water until it was decommissioned in 1933. When Discovery Ridge was being constructed parts of the pipeline were excavated.



With summer fast approaching it also means the return of many animals to Griffith Woods. Be on watch for all kinds of returning birds as they complete their spring

migration or stop by on their way further north. Recent sightings include great blue herons, osprey, eagles, and numerous songbirds and waterfowl. As migrating birds return, they often begin nesting, and many of those nests reside on the ground. One of the reasons to stay on path is that shoreline and ground nesting birds hide their nests well, and it is easy to not notice those nests until we step on them. If you see birds flying out of tall

grasses as you pass by, a behaviour called flushing, it may suggest a nest is present. Staying on the path reduces the likelihood of frightening birds off the nest or accidentally crushing eggs underfoot.



Other wildlife have become more active as well. White-tailed and mule deer, as well as moose, are just finishing calving season, so they may be extra protective with little ones around. In early May we had reports of a mother black bear and cubs seen in the Weaselhead, not too far downstream. At all times we should be remembering to give wildlife plenty of space. Parks Canada recommendations are three bus lengths (30 meters) from deer and moose, and 100 meters from bears.



Speaking of bears, they have just woken up in the last month or so from their winter sleep, and after not eating for several months, they will be hungry. Please make sure we are not leaving out garbage or compost bins that may contain attractants that could bring the bears or other wildlife into our neighbourhoods. For both our own safety and the safety of the bears, it is best to keep them out of our back yards. If you do see bears in our parks, contact 3-1-1 or Alberta Fish and Wildlife at 310-0000. Knowing that bears are present allows us to take steps to alert citizens and keep both people and bears safe.

Have a great summer and enjoy another beautiful season out in Griffith Woods. For more information you can go to: calgary.ca/parks/griffith-woods-park.html.

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The Alberta government has released new Bow and Elbow River flood maps showing Calgary's flood risk along the Elbow River. For more details, visit <https://www.alberta.ca/release.cfm>.

Alberta Emergency Alerts are issued to provide you with critical information about a potentially life-threatening situation in your area, including wildfires, floods, and tornadoes. Emergency alerts include information about the location of an emergency and what action you need to take to protect yourself. Alerts are sent out on TV, radio, websites, social media, the Alberta Emergency Alert mobile app, and compatible smart phones.

Various organizations in Alberta issue alerts based on the emergency:

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- Police manage criminal events including AMBER alerts.
- Alberta 511 handle hazardous road conditions.
- Environment Canada oversees weather-related alerts.

Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) supports all alert issuers and communities.

Emergencies and disasters can occur anywhere, at any time. Please become familiar with the types of alerts being issued and ensure you are prepared if there is an emergency or disaster. Download the Alberta Emergency Alert mobile application to ensure you receive the alerts you need.

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by Jennifer Puri

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Alfalfa sprouts not only add a crunchy texture to any dish but can also make a dish look “gourmet” as shown in the BBQ Beef Patties on Buns recipe below.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- ½ cup fine dry breadcrumbs
- ½ tsp coarsely ground black pepper
- 1 egg
- ⅓ cup barbeque sauce
- 2 tsps. finely chopped parsley
- 4 slices mozzarella cheese
- 4 hamburger buns

Toppings:

- Red onion
- Lettuce leaves
- Mayonnaise
- Mustard
- Alfalfa or radish sprouts

Directions:

1. In a medium size bowl mix together ground beef, egg, breadcrumbs, barbeque sauce, chopped parsley and black pepper until mixture is smooth.
2. Divide the mixture into 4 equal size portions and form balls. Flatten the balls into ¾ inch patties on a cutting board. Use your thumb to create a depression



in the centre of each patty which helps to keep them in shape while cooking.

3. Oil the grilling grates and then grill the patties, covered, on medium high heat or until brown on the first side about 5 to 6 minutes.
4. Flip the patties and continue cooking for a few more minutes until desired doneness is reached. Use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature of the patties aiming for at least 160 degrees Fahrenheit.
5. Top each patty with a slice of mozzarella cheese and allow cheese to melt.
6. Slice buns in half and toast on the grill if desired. Spread a little mayo and mustard followed by lettuce leaves, onion slices, and patties on one half of the buns then top with alfalfa sprouts and remaining half buns. Serve with French or sweet potato fries if desired.

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