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Are you interested to help to make our community even more beautiful? Join DRCA Environment Committee!

The Environment Committee has two key events in its portfolio—Earth Day Litter Pick-Up (late April) and Community Cleanup (late May). We appreciate all the volunteer help we are getting for these two important projects. But we can do more if we have more people in the Committee!

These are some of the ideas we could do if we can extend our team:

- Fighting littering
- Tree planting and grants
- Preventing graffiti
- Addressing doggy doo-doo on sidewalks
- Exploring energy efficiency programs for community
- Conducting fire-related informational programs as we live close to the woods
- Informing the community on environment projects via DRCA Ridge Review
- Keeping in touch with the City of Calgary with regards to flood response and other environment-related issues

If you are interested but have limited time—that's not a problem. We do not need large time commitments. Let's have a talk and see what works.

Please contact Andrei Romaniuk, Chair for Environment Committee, at environment@discoveryridge.com.




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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

Facebook

DiscoveryRidgeCommunityAssociation

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Email Us

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

Please Donate to the DRCA Bottle Shack

Where Does the Money Go from the Bottles Collected at the Bottle Shack?

The money made from these resident donations helps:

- Supports the recreational facilities
- DRCA operating costs

How Should the Bottles be Packaged When Donated?

- Please have bottles in bags or boxes. Make sure the bags are safely tied and the boxes taped shut to keep our volunteers safe.

Is There Any Other Way I Can Help Support the Bottle Shack?

- Yes, we are always looking for volunteers to help empty the shack.
- If you can volunteer 15 minutes every month or so, please email volunteer@discoveryridge.com.



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

Please stop by to learn more about what the DRCA does 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.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Hello everyone,

A few updates for December.

First, DRCA Christmas Parade of Lights, the DRCA encourages residents to put up festive lights to create a special winter land feel for everyone in the community to enjoy.

Second, the city of Calgary recently posted a profile of Discovery Ridge based on the 2021 federal census. The profile can be found at this online address: www.calgary.ca/communities/profiles/discovery-ridge.html.

A few interesting data points about the community. A population of 4,330 people with 68% between the ages of 15 to 64, 17% between 0 to 14 years (means 730 kids) and 14% between 65 to 84. The profile shows a total number of 1,630 households, but this excludes the new area of Discovery Ridge Pointe which includes townhomes and single-family homes.

Third, congratulations to our DRCA membership contest winner Andrea Baghino who won two Cineplex movie tickets. Thank you to all who renewed or for the first time purchased their membership. So far as of November 15 we have 405 members or only 25% of households.

Please note memberships and bottle shack donations are the two main sources of DRCA revenues, while our costs mostly consist of liability insurance and operating costs for our facilities, financial statement audit costs and hosting community event costs. Every membership makes a difference. If you haven't yet, please renew your annual DRCA membership fee of \$25 at our website: www.discoveryridge.com/membership/. At only seven cents per day, you help support your community.

Fourth, we are looking for rink volunteers. Our existing volunteers have done an amazing job, and we would like to thank them. If you are interested, please email: volunteer@discoveryridge.com and in the subject line please state Rink.

Lastly, if you are interested in joining our monthly DRCA Zoom meeting to find out more about how the DRCA works or if you have any questions or would like to join the board, please email us at drca_pres@discoveryridge.com. Our meetings are usually the first Monday of every month from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. A Zoom link will be sent to you.

Please enjoy this festive season with your family and friends.

On behalf of your DRCA Board all the best and Happy New Year!



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Address: _____

Phone: _____

Postal Code: _____

Email: _____

I can volunteer for:

- General assistance
- Communications
- Special Events
- Sponsorship
- Membership
- Environment
- Skating Rink maintenance

Payment: \$25

- Cheque Cash CC Pay online at www.discoveryridge.com/membership

Membership runs from September 1 to August 31 each fiscal year.

Make cheques payable to Discovery Ridge Community Association.

Mail to: Discovery Ridge Community Association - 160 Discovery Ridge Blvd - T3H 4Y3

Undersigned hereby consents to: (1) the collection of the personal information on this form; (2) the use of the information for the following purposes: to solicit volunteers for DRCA's programs and activities; to recruit members and solicit renewal of membership in DRCA; to solicit participation or membership in programs or activities provided by DRCA; to provide information to you on the DRCA programs and activities; (3) disclosure of the information in the DRCA register of members which is available for review by various members of the public as required by law. The purpose of collection of the information is to provide contact and registration information for DRCA and to use in and disclose it as described above. The DRCA does not sell membership lists. Designated members of the board of the DRCA are able to answer questions about the collection of the information.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Benefits of DRCA Membership

What does the DRCA do for me?

- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stamped breakfast, Santa event.
- 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 and Councillor Pootmans 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.

Visit www.discoveryridge.com

Do You Want to See Your Photo in Print?

The Ridge Review and Discovery Ridge social media channels are always looking for photos to use as a cover or in the photo gallery. We invite both amateur and professional photographers of all ages to submit photos for all seasons and events in Discovery Ridge. Please send your name and photos as high-quality JPEGs (300 DPI and 1MB in file size) to newsletter@discoveryridge.com.



Membership News

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their 2024 memberships! DRCA could not operate without your support. If you have not yet done that, please head to the discoveryridge.com website and join your community.

You may not be aware of what the Community Association does for the community so here are a few things that we have done in 2023:

- Maintain the tennis courts and rink - this year we have improved the lighting in this area.
- Organized a successful Stampede Round-up event in late June where many people came to enjoy the Butterfield Acres petting zoo, the children's games, facepainting and the line dancing. As well, we were very fortunate to have Harry the Horse the Stampede mascot attend. There was a variety of food trucks to keep our tummies full and our bodies hydrated.
- Collaborated with the City of Calgary to find a resolution to the wildlife in our community.
- Completed the painting of our bottle shack to make it into an art piece which reflects our proximity to the wildlife in our park. You may have noticed it as you drive by across from the Cornerstone retail area.
- There is an ongoing initiative to have our community connected to the extensive bike path system that is in Calgary and hoping to have a pathway all the way to the Glenmore reservoir-wouldn't that be wonderful?
- Worked with two other community associations to have a recycle clean-up event in April.
- Organized a Music in the Park event in September which was a great success with four bands, a beer garden, games and activities for the kids, and food trucks!

All these things would not be accomplished without the Community Association board and volunteers who put many hours into organizing and planning these events. And these events wouldn't happen without collection of membership fees and resident involvement. Your community association is only as good as the membership it serves.

If you have any suggestions for what you would like to see happen – whether it be events or groups – please come forward with your ideas and contribute to making this community a great place to live.

Two Separate Organizations Support Discovery Ridge

The Discovery Ridge Community Association (DRCA) exists because of you - the residents of our great community!

With the purchase of an annual \$25 membership, the DRCA can serve its residents better while meeting the needs of the community and can be a stronger voice when lobbying on community concerns with the City of Calgary and the Province of Alberta.

We're all in this together – Please ensure your household membership is in good standing!

NDHA (Homeowners' Association)

- Relies on your \$325 fee per year.
- Annual fee legally required.
- Green space maintenance, boulevard/median plantings, and winter pathway snow clearing.
- Winter Lights at the entrance to Discovery Ridge.
- Pay by cheque or with credit card.

DRCA (Community Association)

- Relies on your \$25 annual membership.
- Fee is essential for continued, effective "voice" with the City of Calgary and Province on traffic (including Ring Road), safety and security and other issues.
- Recreation Facility: Design and construction of the ice rink and tennis courts as well as the seasonal maintenance of each. Further development plans under review.
- Ring Road / Traffic: Working with the City and the Province to improve the performance, design, interface treatment and safety of roads within, abutting and beyond our community.
- Communications: Facebook, website, Ridge Review newsletter, and member only e-communications.
- Events: Stampede Breakfast, Santa at Javino's, Family Skates, Galas, Fun Runs.
- Safety and Security: Collaborating with residents, police, and the fire department to combat crime, vandalism and fire threats within the community and Griffith Woods
- Mail cheque to address below or pay online at www.discoveryridge.com.

Not a member? Join online at www.discoveryridge.com.
Not sure if you're a member?

Click the "Purchase/Renew Membership" icon on the website. Already a member? Thanks for your support.

We greatly appreciate it. The DRCA membership year runs from September 1 to August 31.

Congrats to the DRCA Halloween Photo Winners



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June	23	16	14	\$937,450	\$975,000
May	23	13	7	\$829,999	\$829,999
April	23	5	7	\$379,900	\$379,900
March	23	8	11	\$515,000	\$500,000
February	23	13	6	\$942,500	\$927,500
January	23	2	3	\$359,900	\$368,500
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