

Newsletter Spring 2018

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The Greater Windermere Community League (GWCL) is a legal entity registered under the Societies Act as a not for profit community league. We are a member of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues servicing residents living in Ambleside, Windermere North, South Windermere, Upper Windermere, Windermere One, Lang dale, Glenridding, Riverpointe, Keswick, Westpoint Estates and Windermere Drive. The league is bounded on the north side by Anthony Henday Drive, on the south by 41 Ave SW, on the east by Whitemud Creek, and on the west by the North Saskatchewan River.



The Greater Windermere Community League would like to recognize Servus Credit Union in Windermere as a platinum sponsor for their continued support of our League's operations and events.

Thank-You Servus!

Community programming relies on the support of members. Programs that your membership supports:

- Indoor and outdoor community soccer require a community league membership in order to participate.
- Community pre-schools require a community league membership in order to register your child.
- Free use of the Terwilleger Recreation Centre every Saturday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm Includes swimming, fitness center, indoor running track and, children's indoor playground.
- Free Skate Tags for use at any of the outdoor community league rinks in Edmonton. List on www.efcl.org.
- Present your GWCL membership card at any of the City of Edmonton sports and fitness facilities and receive a 20% discount on a continuous month ly pass or an annual pass and 15% off multi use passes.

If you would like a membership, you can purchase yours online at www.efcl.org or in person at the TRAC office in Terwillegar Recreation Center. \$45 for a family.

Want to Know More?

Like us on facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Greater-

WindermereCommunityLeague/

Check out our website: www.gwcl.ca



From your Edmonton Public School Board Trustee, Nathan Ip

A New School announced in Chappelle; Schools requested for Windermere.

Greater Windermere continues to experience rapid population growth and additional schools will be needed in the coming years to serve young families in the community. As your trustee, advocating for new schools has been my priority since 2013.



Each Year, School Boards across the province submit a 3-year capital plan of new school construction and modernization requests to the Ministry of Education. All funding for new school construction or modernizations is determined by the Government of Alberta. Priorities on the capital plan remain unfunded until announced by the province.

On March 23rd, the provincial government announced funding for 2 of the priorities on our list – a K-9 school in Chappelle and a school consolidation in the Westlawn community. This means that the Keswick school is now the top unfunded priority after the southeast high school and other schools including ones in Windermere will move up on the list of capital requests. For more information about our district's capital plan, please visit www.epsb.ca.

Edmonton Public School's 2019-2022 Capital Plan was passed on March 20th, 2018. As space for high schools in south Edmonton continues to be a top priority, a Southeast high school occupies the first spot on the list. For the Windermere community, a K to 9 school in Keswick is 4th on the list. Other schools requested in Windermere include a 10-12 high school and a K-6 school, both in Glenridding Heights at number 7 and 13 respectively.

Capital Plan for Catholic Schools

The Catholic School Board has also approved a capital plan for 2019-2022 and their top unfunded priority is a K-9 school in Keswick. Their third unfunded priority is a high school for the Heritage Valley area.



New Benefits to GWCL Members

The GWCL has procured a limited number of discounted City of Edmonton Attractions and Recreation Centre Passes that will be offered to GWCL members only for a limited time while supplies last. We will only be selling them at GWCL events and meetings, with our first sale date at Windermere Day. Come visit us at our membership tent if you would like to buy passes for the following attractions:

John Janzen Center: \$10.25 for a family daypass
Edmonton Valley Zoo: \$31.00 for a family daypass
City of Edmonton Recreation Center: \$21.00 for a family daypass
City of Edmonton Recreation Center: \$6.00 for a senior daypass
City of Edmonton Recreation Center: \$7.75 for an adult daypass
City of Edmonton Recreation Center: \$4.75 for a child daypass

Please note all passes expire December 31, 2019 and re-sale of the passes is prohibited.

Taking Out Trash for Charity

The GWCL is pleased to offer its first free big bin event to our members only. This is a great opportunity to dispose of large household items without having to take them to an eco-station and paying the disposal fee.

We will be set up at Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour School (3815 Allan Drive SW) on Saturday, July 14th, from 8:00am to 5:00pm. The use of the bin will be first come first served until it is full. We will post an update of how full the bin is on our facebook page so please follow us there before driving over.

Please note the following items will not be accepted:

- · Batteries (of any kind);
- Household hazardous materials (e.g., paint, oil, pesticides, light bulbs, bleach, etc.);
- Anything with CFCs/refrigerant (e.g., fridges, freezers);
- · Concrete; or
- Commercial Waste

In order to use the big bins, please bring along your membership card and a piece of photo ID so that we can confirm your information. This event is restricted to GWCL members only!

The Salvation Army will also be on site to accept donations of household items. You do not need to be a member to donate to the Salvation Army at our event.



Sportball Program

The Greater Windermere Community League (GWCL) is pleased to be offering a 4 week Sportball Program to its members. The program will run on Friday nights from May 11th to June 1st. The class at 6:00pm-6:45pm will be geared towards children under the age of 5 who are not attending Kindergarten but are mobile (can walk and run with ease). The second class at 7:00pm-7:45pm will be geared towards younger school aged children. This program requires parental supervision and you are NOT allowed to leave your child(ren) unattended.

GWCL has contracted instructors from Sportball to host these classes and is able to offer them at a discount to our members. These classes normally cost \$64 from Sportball but we will be offering the classes for \$40 per child for the 4 weeks to our members. Please bring a cheque (made out to the Greater Windermere Community League) or cash to the first class on May 11th. Your child will not be allowed to participate until payment has been received. At this time, we can only offer this program to Greater Windermere Community League Members and their children under 12 years of age (elementary school aged). However, the structure of the programming is geared towards younger children under the age of 8.

Please fill out this application form to register your child(ren): https://gwclcommunications.wufoo.eu/forms/application-form-for-4-week-feb-sportball-program/ Where: St. John XXIII Catholic School 365 Windermere Rd NW

When: Friday, May 11, 2018 to June 1, 2018 from

6:00pm - 6:45pm &

Friday, May 11, 2018 to June 1, 2018 from

7:00pm - 7:45pm

Cost: \$40 per child and you must be a member of the

Greater Windermere Community League

Mommy Meetups

Please join us for our last Mommy Meetup of the season, this is a great opportunity for local parents and their young children to meet other parents with young families in the Greater Windermere Community. The event starts with some young children programming followed by refreshments and mingling time. This year (September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018), we are pleased to have Little Gym host our Mommy Meetup events at their facility. Be sure to follow us on Facebook for more details on registration dates.

Where:

Little Gym of Edmonton 2nd floor, Unit 201 Windermere Gate Plaza 6271 Andrews Loop, SW

When: Monday May 28 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Cost: Free to residents of Greater Windermere.



Epl2go Literacy Vans

The Edmonton Public Library Literacy Vans offer outreach programming to the residents of Greater Windermere. The Sing, Sign, Laugh & Learn program and a Pop-Up Library are offered at the following locations:

LOCATION	DAYS	TIMES
Servus Credit Union 1185 Windermere Way SW	Wednesdays	10:00 am & 11:15 am
Little Gym 6271 Andrews Loop	Tuesdays	10:15 am

Please check https://www.epl.ca/epl2go/ for more information or program updates.

City of Edmonton Day Camps

We encourage anyone interested in the City daycamps to register for one of the day camps offered in Windermere because the City will use the numbers to plan future programming for our community and underutilization may result in reduced programming offerings for our community.

*These City Day Camps will be cancelled if they do not have sufficient attendance by May 31.



Little Sports of All Sorts - Ages 3-5 (course code: 625953)

Preschoolers will have a ball at this camp! Learn basic skillssuch as jumping, skipping, hopping, galloping, and catchingthrough relay races and obstacle courses and other sport related activities.

LOCATION	DATES	DAYS	TIMES
Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour	July 23rd	Monday to Friday	1:30 pm
School	to		to
3815 Allan Drive SW	July 27th		4:00 pm

Cost: \$120

*Please register for camp by using the course code: 625953 either by calling 311 or at ereg.edmonton.ca. You can also register in person at any City Recreation Center.

Neighborhood Heroes – Ages 3-5 (course code: 625955)

Learn about everyday heroes that keep us safe and healthy. Try role playing and dress up as your favourite neighborhood hero. Each day we will read stories and create crafts to learn about firefighters, doctors, police officers and other community helpers.

LOCATION	DATES	DAYS	TIMES
Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour	August 7th	Tuesday to Friday	1:30 pm
School	to		to
3815 Allan Drive SW	August 10th		4:00 pm

Cost: \$109

*Please register for camp by using the course code: 625955 either by calling 311 or at ereg.edmonton.ca. You can also register in person at any City Recreation Center.

Green Shacks

Join in games, sports, crafts, music, drama and special events with the City of Edmonton Green Shack Program. The program free and is targeted for children aged 6-12, children under 6 must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

The Green Shack program is running in Windermere at the following locations and dates:

LOCATION	DATES	DAYS	TIMES
Ambleside 181 Ambleside Drive SW	July 3 to August 23	Monday to Friday	10:00 am to 1:30 pm
Langdale 808 -174 Street SW	July 3 to August 23	Monday to Friday	2:30 pm to 6:00 pm
Glenridding (Pop Up Play) 2340 Glenridding Blvd SW	July 3 to August 23	Monday to Thursday	10:00 am to 1:30 pm
Keswick Area 2641 Keswick Blvd SW	July 3 to August 23	Monday to Friday	10:00 am to 1:30 pm

The program is led by staff who are wearing blue shirts and name tags. Staff ensure that participants play safely. Parents are responsible for their children at all times and must be available in the event of an emergency.

Drop-in Bike Safety Program

The City of Edmonton is hosting a free, drop-in, Bike Safety Program in our community. Please come out and join in to learn about the parts of your bike, road and trail rules, riding drills and cycling etiquette.

LOCATION	DATES	DAYS	TIMES
Windermere CST. Daniel Woodall School	June 10th	Sunday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm

The program is targeted for children aged 6-12, but all children accompanied by an adult are welcome. Families are encouraged to participate! Participants must have their own bikes, as well as a CSA approved helmet in order to participate. The program may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Please visit Edmonton.ca/playgrounds or call 311 for updates and further information.



Feature Article - Edmonton City Councillor Tim Cartmell on Terwillegar Corridor



Our newsletter committee was able to catch up with Tim Cartmell, Edmonton City Councillor of Ward 9, and he has provided us with the following information regarding the proposed Terwillegar Corridor which would convert Terwillegar Drive into a freeway between Whitemud Drive and Anthony Henday Drive.

Earlier this year, many residents in the community were frustrated to see a rehashing of design plans for the Terwillegar Corridor that had already

been decided on in previous consultations in 2001, 2006, and 2012.

After listening to feedback from hundreds of residents, Councillor Tim Cartmell put forward a motion to City Council to ensure we see action, not redundancy, for the Terwillegar Corridor. On February 28, 2018, City Council voted unanimously in favour of this motion.

The Motion

That Administration do the following:

- Suspend any public engagement activities regarding the ultimate long term Terwillegar Drive / Whitemud Drive interchange and any roadway modifications that may limit access in the interim;
- Optimize the concept plan for the Terwillegar corridor between Whitemud Drive and Anthony Henday Drive, including provision for opportunities of mass transit and active transportation;
- Advance the Preliminary Design for Terwillegar Drive / 40th Avenue interchange;
- · Advance the Preliminary Design for an optimized

Stage 2 of the Whitemud Drive / Terwillegar Drive interchange, with consideration for reduced design parameters (i.e. design speeds) with the intent of reducing overall complexity and cost:

- Continue to advance preliminary design on the basis of a number of \$75-100M packages in support of staged completion of the Terwillegar corridor, including full access for 40th Avenue, Rabbit Hill Road, 23 Avenue, and Haddow Drive;
- Present a list of potential shared funding opportunities with the provincial and federal government that take advantage of infrastructure and innovation funding;
- Bring back to Council a report summarizing progress on the aforementioned design elements in 2018 Q3.

So, what are the next steps?

The next consultation on the Terwillegar Corridor will primarily focus on the 40th avenue interchange (with full access), and will take place either in late June or early September. Councillor Tim Cartmell will post information on his website at https://www.timcartmell.ca as it becomes available.

Following that consultation, cost and schedule information will be discussed and debated by City Council this fall as part of the Capital Plan for the next four year cycle. Councillor Tim Cartmell will be strongly advocating for multiple \$75-\$100M packages of staged completion of the Terwillegar Corridor to be included in that Capital Plan.

If passed in the Capital Plan, design of those segments would take approximately one year, with construction ideally starting in 2020, and completion likely in 2022.

In the longer term, Councillor Tim Cartmell will be advocating for the rest of the Terwillegar Corridor upgrades to be a part of the 10 year transportation master plan so that we can see completion in the next decade of this necessary work for our communities.

"Thank you to the over 2,600 residents who signed my call to action in support of the motion. I have heard your message loud and clear, and will continue to be a strong advocate for your thoughts on this topic."

Tim Cartmell, Ward 9 City Councillor

TRAC Terwillegar Riverbend Advisory Council May 27, 9:00am 1K 3K 5K 10K Mother Margaret Mary High School

www.tracspirit.ca

TRAC Community Run/Walk