

Greenfield Gazette

January/February 2022

President's Note

Well, this has been one heck of a start to 2022, hasn't it been Greenfield? Does anyone else feel as though we are finding more and more of our foundations have been built on sand, and the holidays have been moving us towards a shifting under our feet? I think we are in for a challenging couple of months – the uneasy peace and balance we had struck with covid seems to changing the rules in the middle of the game, and once again we are being asked to adapt on the fly. We are building a Ferrari in the midst of a Grand Prix and someone just replaced our lug nuts with Lego. Or, if you've been in my house for the last week, you thought you were playing Scrabble, but somehow you've ended up acting out "social distancing" in a complex game of Charades...

As my family snuggled down and hibernated in the cold weather, I took some time to try and declutter our basement (for those who know my basement, you'll be proud to know I absolutely accomplished at least a third of what I had set out to do....). It's amazing how much change I can see by decluttering our basement – from the speakers my husband dropped a fortune on in the early 2000's which will no longer connect to any piece of technology in our house, to the reams and reams of photographic negatives stacked in boxes – all the way to the debate of continuing to fill space with CDs and DVDs in the streaming age. It's even more pronounced in my mother's basement – with my Grandmother's fine China and quilted blankets.

I guess the point of this segue is to comment on how adaptable we are – as a community, as individuals. We've got this Greenfield – we will not be cowed by the potential changes to come; we will continue to gather – whether it be in cohorts, in socially distant compliant sidewalk chats, on the phone or on a screen. And let's be kind and patient with each other as we navigate these roads. Your basement doesn't have to be completely decluttered before you agree it's a good idea to store three more Christmas deer down there, you don't have to change out of your dinosaur footie pajamas for five days (my daughter proved this) when your mother takes you to No Frills, no one is judging how much whipped cream you put on your hot chocolate after shoveling your walks, you can follow your own compass and comfort as we navigate how to stay safe in these new waves.

If all else fails – footie pajamas for everyone!

Thank you to everyone who joined us in the cold clear air of New Years Eve - it was a great turn out despite the cold temperatures and another amazing show by Uncle John's Fireworks. As always, I can be reached at president@greenfieldcommunityleague.com or you can find me escorting pajama clad children in the baking aisle at No Frills. Amanda

Support Local Snow Removal!

In late 2021, we received a phone call from a Greenfield resident and his friend who formed a small snow removal company this winter and wanted to know if we could use their services.

After speaking on the phone, this individual proceeded to go over to the community league hall after our first big snowfall and send pictures of the area we thought he was confirming needed to be cleared. About an hour later we received another set of pictures showing the entire hall sidewalk area was cleared, and we were told it was for free! They also cleared the walks all the way down to and in front of the skate shack.

In the middle of a search for a snow removal company, it was a no-brainer! We hired these local entrepreneurs for 4 months. They are hard working young men and we hope that anyone looking for snow removal this winter will consider doing business with community residents.

See the advertisement below for contact information!



Keep yourself warm this winter and let us take on the responsibility of keeping your property clear of snow and ice this winter. We provide snow removal for commercial and residential buildings at an affordable rate.

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Email: alphaprosnowremoval@gmail.com

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Community League Events

Past Events

2021 NYE Fireworks

Happy New Year! Thanks to everyone who joined us on New Year's Eve. We were very pleased to bring back our signature event, and Uncle John's Fireworks put on a great show! It was nice to see an incredible number of Greenfield residents (in the hundreds!) attend the event despite the frigid –30C temperatures.

Upcoming Events

2022 Greenfield Winter Fun Day

February 27, 2022 is Greenfield Winter Fun Day from 12PM to 7PM at Greenfield Park!

The event will kick off at 12PM with a community shinny game at the skating rink, featuring guest coach City Counsellor Michael Janz, and another guest coach TBD.

From 1PM to 6PM, an open event will begin with hot chocolate, fire pits, a 50:50 raffle, music and other fun winter activities such as skating and tobogganing.

At 5:30PM, we have booked local musician Martin Kerr. Martin is a pretty big name on the Edmonton music scene and was fortunate to book with Greenfield Community League for the event. You can find out more about Martin's music at https://www.martinkerrmusic.com/press-kit.

Shortly after 6PM (dependent on sunlight), Fires on Whyte fire spinning will put a on a show to warm everyone up.

Don't forget to bring your own mug!



Ice Rink Update

Mother nature has been quite a drag on the process this year. With temperatures being above freezing for most of November, ice making didn't start until the first week of December. Our new ice maker Stephen has been hard at work trying to get the ice made. Snow fall, a new membrane on the hockey rink being utilized, and the bitter cold have made the process very slow.

Now that we are encountering warmer weather, Stephen will be hard at work to get the small rink completed. Openings of each ice surface will be possible if the temperature remains below freezing, but above -15C. Flooding below this temperature presents many hazards and produces a poor quality ice surface.

For anyone who wants to volunteer to help clear snow please reach out to Jeff Mann @ vicepresident@greenfieldcommunityleague.com.

Volunteers will be connected with Stephen to coordinate labour and times required.

Greenfield Hall Programs





Japanese Martial Arts

Supporting Japanese weapon arts in Edmonton, Alberta.

The Kita Kaze Budo Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of Japanese weapon arts in Edmonton, Canada.

Kendo, meaning "way of the sword" in Japanese, is a full-contact sport where practitioners put on armour and strike each other with bamboo swords.

Iaido, the art of cutting a target immediately from the draw and sheathing the katana, utilizes a dull blade while performing special choreographed sequence's called kata.

The Naginata is the Japanese polearm, A full-contact sport comprised of sparring with armour and bamboo weapons as well as kata (choreographed sequences of attack and defense)

Thursdays: 6:00—7:30pm (Kendo Kids, laido)

7:30—9:00pm (Kendo Adults, Naginata)

Winter session: January 6—March 31/2021

For more information please visit: https://kitakazebudo.org/

IMPORTANT NOTE

Greenfield Hall is currently participating in the Government of Alberta Business Exemption Program.

Effective Nov 1, it is required for individuals accessing Greenfield premises to be double vaccinated if ages 12 years or older.

More details can be found on the main page of our website at www.greenfieldcommunityleague.com.

Karate Classes



Traditional. Authentic. Realistic.

Program taught by our Chief Instructor (6th degree black belt with a Shihan Master Title from Japan), who being a former police officer, brings an advanced depth of knowledge, experience, psychology and situation readiness for maximum benefit of all our students, rare to any martial arts program or club.

Mondays: 6:30-9:00pm

Winter Session: January 10—March 28, 2022

Please contact: 780.439.8967

Instagram: mumonkan.dojo Email: info@MMK-Karate.com



Hatha Yoga Classes

Schedule time for yourself with a weekly yoga class. Large room and small class sizes allows for physical distancing. Enhanced cleaning protocols. Students are required to bring their own yoga mats and props. Registered students only, no drop in.

Tuesday Mornings: 9:00—10:00 am **Tuesday Evenings**: 7:00—8:00 pm

Winter Session: January 4—March 22, 2022 Instructor: Patricia MacTavish RYT 200.

To register or for more information email pattimact@hotmail.com











Essentrics Fitness Classes (eOne Fitness)



Mondays: ESSENTRICS® for Seniors, 1:00-1:45 pm

Instructor: Lori Griffith, eOne Fitness

This class is aimed at regaining your mobility while slowly building strength and reawakening the power of your 650 muscles. This is a slower paced class and is designed for those who have muscle stiffness/atrophy, frozen shoulder, chronic aches and pains, and for those who are beginning to exercise after being inactive. Ideal for Seniors who are looking for a gentle, slow tempo class that focuses on improving mobility, balance and strength. Level 1 – Gentle Fitness, standing and chair work. Bring your yoga mat and water to drink.

Winter session: January 10—March 28, 2022

Discount offered to Greenfield Residents with valid membership

Please contact Lori Griffith at (780) 916-4483 for more information.

To register online go to www.eonefitness.ca.

Strength & Serenity

Come out and experience a core focused, full body fitness class followed by a meditative stretch and relaxation. This 60 minute class focuses on using our most versatile piece of exercise equipment...our own bodies! Incorporating many styles of exercise we will pursue increased strength, mobility, flexibility and balance, and work to bring focus and attention to our physical and mental health. Participants will be required to bring their own yoga mats, hand weights and optional equipment. Registered students only.

Thursdays: 9:00 - 10:00 am

Winter Session: January 6—March 24, 2022

Instructor: Nichole Aytenfisu, AFLCA Certified Group Fitness

Leader. To register or for more information email

nichole.r@gmail.com



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PETROLIA SENIORS GROUP

It is very disappointing and frustrating, but prudent, that we once again have to postpone another of our meetings! Because of the current daily increase in the number of COVID cases we will NOT meet in January.

Hopefully we will be able to meet February 15th in the Greenfield Hall when Bob Layton and his ventriloquist "friends" are scheduled to come to entertain us.

Please call Betty (780-434-0711) or Claire (780-435-3051) for more information.

Help Wanted!

We are looking for volunteers to join the Community League in a number of exciting positions:

Social Director: Leads the board in planning and organizing community engagement events, works closely with community partners.

Membership Coordinator: In charge of organizing memberships for Greenfield residents, helps plan community swim days with the City, works closely with Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL).

Volunteer Coordinator: Establishes a network of potential volunteers to help support community initiatives and events. Works closely with the social director.

Tennis Liaison: Helps represent the Tennis Club and community with the board, supports tennis initiatives and development opportunities. Works closely with the Tennis pro and tennis community

Social Media Volunteer: Looking for a social media volunteer who would be interested in helping Greenfield Community League develop a stronger social media presence, working closely with the Board Executive and Communications director.

Please contact:

President@greenfieldcommunityleague.com if you are interested in any of the opportunities above!



Soccer Registration—Spring 2022

Despite this cold spell, we are well underway planning spring soccer in our community! Soccer registration will open on February 1, 2022 using the EMSA soccer portal, supporting kids to learn and play this game from ages 4 to 18. Greenfield community has a history of a large and successful soccer program with support from governing organizations SWEMSA (which supports community and club soccer programs), EMSA and ASA.

At this time it is difficult to say how this will look, but over the last 2 seasons we have successfully ran cost-effective programs based on current public health guidelines. We have modified teams, costs, games and practices based on public health, players, parents, SWEMSA and ASA guidelines.

The kids are placed into teams in the SW zone of Edmonton based on age, community of residence, requested friends or coach, and lastly considering late registrations as able (late registrations are those completed after Feb 28, 2022).

Key points:

- Teams are created in coaches/assistant coaches home communities
- You must register for your child's age based on year of birth, and home community. If you wish to play in a different community, request transfer to preferred community
- U7 & up are separated into male/female teams
- Kids playing U9 & up would be expected to travel to other communities in the SW; kids U13 &up play city-wide
- Fees cover training for coaches, equipment, uniforms, insurance, field maintenance, referee training and fees, team photos (COVID pending), and fees to SWEMSA, EMSA and ASA
- Practices are scheduled by the coaching team

A volunteer role and deposit will be required. Last year this was overlooked due to the difficulty of gathering. Each family must provide a \$200 post-dated cheque deposit which covers volunteering and uniform. The deposit will be used for default for either.

If you are in need of financial assistance for your child to participate in programming, please consider applications to Jumpstart or Kidsport.

FEES

Age Group	Birth Year	Days of Play	Fee
U5	2017	Saturday	\$85
U7	2015/2016	Monday/Wednesday	\$95
U9	2013/2014	Tuesday/Thursday + weekly practice	\$120
U11	2011/2012	Monday/Wednesday + weekly practice	\$140
U13	2009/2010	Tuesday/Thursday + weekly practice	\$180
U15	2007/2008	Monday/Wednesday + practices	\$200
U17	2005/2006	Tuesday/Thursday + practices	\$200
U19	2003/2004	Sunday/Tuesday + practices	\$200

For registration to be completed and ready to place on teams the following must be included (please find required links at the Greenfield Community League webpage: http://www.greenfieldcommunityleague.com/soccer.html):

- Purchase of an EFCL membership
- Online registration and signing of waivers in the EMSA portal
- Submission of fees via credit card (preferred), EFT, or cheque. Instructions to do these are in the EMSA portal for Greenfield
- Submission of post-dated (to June 30, 2022) deposit cheque (\$200) to GCL hall mail slot or email me below to arrange.
- Submission of confirmation of your Greenfield address and new registrants also required to submit confirmation of date of birth.

I have been seeking a replacement for me in this role for a year, but have agreed to continue at this time as no one has stepped forward. If you have interest in supporting our community soccer program, please let me know.

For any questions please reach out to Greenfield Community Coordinator primarily at the contact info below.

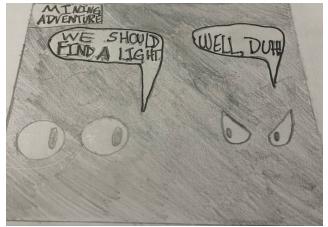
I look forward to seeing the kids playing soccer!

Tara Wren

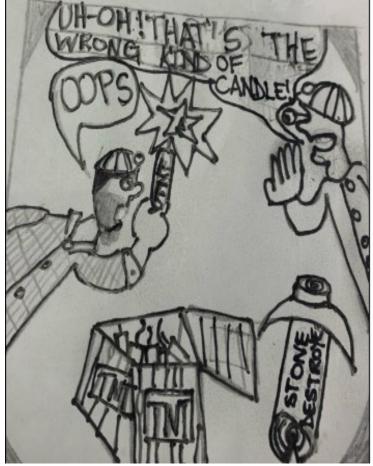
soccerinfo@greenfieldcommunityleague.com

780-504-9970 (call or text)

A COMIC STRIP—By Greenfield Resident Liam Park (age 11)







Next Door Neighbour Ads

If you have a current Greenfield Community League membership, you can post a free ad about your small business in Greenfield!

Visit our website for more information (http://www.greenfieldcommunityleague.com/gazette--express.html)

Business Name	Description	Contact Info
New Season Silver Jewelry	Handmade sterling silver jewelry. Visit my website at newseasonsilverjewelry.ca.	newseasonsilverjewelry@yahoo.com Teresa @ (587) 590 - 2822
Art De Leon Electrician for hire	Residential / Commercial Repairs and Renovations. Licensed and Insured Electrical Journeyman with Master Electrician Certification. Contact for free estimates or service appointment. https://electrician-for-hire.square.site/	ajdeleon63@gmail.com Art @ (780) 932 - 3858
TCB Foam Solutions Local concrete lifting company	We lift sunken driveways, sidewalks, and patios that cause tripping hazards and drainage issues. Thinking about selling your home and want to improve curb appeal? Call us to book your free estimate. TCBFoamSolutions.com	Tom@TCBFoamSolutions.com (587) 334 - 3925
Brand Practice Helping you tell your story	We can give you clarity on establishing or refreshing your brand, build you an eye-catching website, train you on using social media as well as provide strategic communication planning to help take your business to the next level.	Visit our website today to learn more: brandpractice.biz
Good Worm Gardens	I am a registered social worker turned urban agriculturalist and am excited to live in the Greenfield community! I provide garden services: planting, coaching and maintenance. Please visit www.goodworm.org for more details.	goodwormgardens@gmail.com Nicola at (778) 584 - 4619
Dan Martin Books	provides novels and short stories with excellent critical reviews. Most novel settings are local. Checkout website: danmartin-books.com. Purchases can be made through the website, or at Amazon.ca, or Audrey's Books on Jasper Ave.	danmartinbooks.com
Online Music Lessons	Professional musician in the Greenfield neighbourhood with a BMus degree. I offer online lessons via zoom for violin, guitar, drums, ukulele, banjo and didgeridoo.	ryanalexanderberends@gmail.com or call/text Ryan Berends at (780) 243-7857



Free Community Swims Are Back!

When? Saturdays and Sundays, 4:00—5:30PM

Where? Confederation Leisure Centre, 11204 43 Ave NW

For who? Greenfield Community League Members. Remember to bring proof of membership to participate.

The city is temporarily reducing capacity of the pool, so make sure you arrive early!



3803 - 114 Street Edmonton, Alberta

Hall Rentals

Want to rent the community hall for your next function?

For info contact Wendy at

hallmanager@greenfieldcommunityleague.com

or at 780-242-7448