# NRC Report for July 2019 Prince Rupert Community League

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# REMINDERS

## Have an Event to Promote? Post it on our Calendar!

- The Edmonton.ca Events Calendar is provided as a public service and presents local events hosted, sponsored, or supported by the City of Edmonton and local organizations.
- Use <u>this form</u> to suggest an event for the calendar.

# WHAT'S NEW

## Dogs Off Leash Ambassador Program

- Who likes big mutts and they cannot lie?! Help keep Edmonton's dog parks safe and fun for all by becoming an Off-Leash Ambassador!
- Ambassadors visit the off-leash park(s) of their choice with their trusty canine companion on a regular basis and act as a welcoming host at each site to answer questions, note maintenance concerns, and redirect any user questions to the appropriate City section.
- Ambassadors also provide park users with information on City events, upcoming projects in off-leash areas, and contact details for City services like Bylaw and Animal Care and Control.

## Farmers Market Ride Along

- Join the City of Edmonton's Bike Education Outreach team on a free guided bike tour of Edmonton's south side and downtown protected bike routes.
- Ride alongs will depart from the <u>Old Strathcona Farmers' Market</u> every Saturday at 10am between June 1 and September 28.
- All ride alongs are free and last approximately 1.5 hours.
- Register at <u>Edmonton.ca/visionzero</u> to secure your spot!

## <u>yegTreeMap</u>

- Look at this tree-rific yegTreeMap for a database of trees in our city! Add existing trees in your yard, near your home or in your neighbourhood and help us create a more complete inventory of trees in Edmonton.
- Did you receive an Arbor Day Tree when you were in Grade 1? Upload a photo and tell your story about your Arbor Day Tree using yegTreeMap. See examples of others' <u>tree</u> <u>stories</u>.

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• This database not only maps trees in Edmonton, but also lists the many eco benefits to having a city full of trees.

## City of Edmonton Facebook Page

- Interested in knowing about City of Edmonton special events? Or opportunities to have your say in City planning and policy development (e.g. Northlands, bike plans)?
- Check out the events section on the <u>City's Facebook page</u>.

#### WasteWise App

- Do pizza boxes go in the garbage or recycling? Now you can have the answer at your fingertips with the City's free app, WasteWise.
- Download WasteWise for free on <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Google Play</u> stores, or visit <u>edmonton.ca/waste</u>.

#### Help YEG Thrive: Your feedback can impact the future of Edmonton. Add your voice.

- Want to make sure Edmonton keeps growing and thriving? Edmonton Economic Development wants to hear from all Edmontonians to make sure our city is moving in the right direction today and for the next generation.
- Take their <u>brief survey</u>.

# **PROGRAMS, EVENTS & LICENSES**

### Family Nature Nights

- Learn about mushrooms, butterflies, birds, mammals and the habitat we share with them right here in Edmonton's green spaces. Join local nature enthusiasts and deepen the connection between your family and our beautiful, complex planet.
- The mission of Family Nature Nights is to promote positive experiences for youth and their families with nature, science and urban wilderness. Programming is designed for 4-12 year olds, but nature lovers of all ages are welcome.
- Family Nature Nights are free 2 hour events that occur in locations across Edmonton. <u>Click here</u> for more info.
- For a map of exact locations within the parks, please visit the <u>Nature Alberta Facebook</u> <u>page</u> the day before the event!

#### **Summer Activities**

• Looking for things to do with family and friends in July? Here are a few suggestions:

Date	Event/Activity
July 17 - 21	FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour
July 19	<u>K Days Parade</u>

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# **PARKLAND USE & PROJECTS**

#### **Events on Parkland FAQs**

• Interested in what you can and can't do on Parkland? Check out our frequently asked questions page, or contact your NRC.

# **STRENGTHENING YOUR ORGANIZATION & FUNDING RESOURCES**

## **Community Ambassadors**

- The Community Ambassador Committee's mission is to connect Alberta Designated Accountants with not-for-profit organizations to offer financial expertise, leadership and guidance using their unique skill set.
- If your board is seeking board members with a background in finance, this group could help connect them with the right person.

# LEARNING & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

## Where Do I Go From Here? Engage Volunteers in New Ways

Free Webinar: Volunteer Match July 30, 12 - 1 pm (MST)

- Keep your volunteers interested, involved, and engaged using engagement best practices. Evolve your volunteer program to include new roles and responsibilities for volunteers, pathways for more involvement, and leadership positions in your program.
- This webinar will demonstrate the importance of recognition and its importance in retaining an engaged roster of volunteers.

# **CONTACT INFO**

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# RESOURCES

#### 1. The Park Bench e-NEWSLETTER:

• Each month you will find information that celebrates and highlights City activities, events, programs and services for neighbourhoods in Edmonton. <u>Click here</u> to subscribe.

#### 2. Abundant Communities Edmonton

- ACE is a neighbourhood engagement and community organizing approach that provides tools for neighbours to get to know each other on a block level.
- <u>Read about how you can help your neighbourhood</u> <u>Strangers into Neighbours</u> by becoming a part of Abundant Community Edmonton.

#### 3. Building Community Through Recreation

- We support neighbourhoods and local organizations to utilize recreation to build community connections.
- <u>Click here</u> for information about upcoming Recreation Network events