

DOVERCOURT E-NEWS

2020 Summer Edition

Greetings Neighbours,

The Dovercourt Community League Team hope you and your family are doing well! It is good to see people again biking, walking and enjoying the playgrounds. We are a supportive community, and we hear continual stories about neighbours checking in on one another and helping each other out in these times. Please continue to do so, we will come out the other side together.

We bring you this summer edition to share the information that we've received so far about openings and of residents who are coordinating efforts. Community Leagues are currently permitted to use their outdoor spaces for gatherings and programs, however, whatever is made available must adhere to Alberta Health Services guidelines and protocols. We have not made a decision as to the feasibility of opening the league hall yet, we will keep you posted.

Things change by the day - so please stay in touch!

- **Sign up to receive the next newsletter electronically at dovercourt.publicity@gmail.com.**
Because of casino closures and the unknown, we don't know if we'll have the budget to continue with hard copy editions in the future. Our next scheduled publication is September 2020.
- Check your **spam folder on June 19** and/or search your email for 'Dovercourt Newsletter' on this day to make sure the e-news isn't getting filtered out of your inbox.
- Keep up on **Facebook** @dovercourtcommunityleagueone
- There's a community on **Nextdoor** app, downloaded through your phone
- The **website** will be updated periodically at dovercourtbl.ca
- If you think you'd like to get involved in the league, contact us. We're willing to mentor if you would like to try a role on for size. We expect the next Annual General meeting to take place in October.
- Stay updated with City openings and closures at edmonton.ca/COVID-19.

JUNE EVENTS

June 26: Dovercourt School Drive "Bye" Parade

- **Who:** Dovercourt Community
- **What:** SLOWLY... Drive, ride or walk the route to say Happy Summer to each other!
- **When:** June 26 10:00-1:00
- **Where:** Start at the community league, pass by the school, and turn right onto 122 Avenue
- **Why:** To celebrate all that you have accomplished and to welcome summer in style
- **How:** Staff will be socially distanced on the front lawn and will be waving and cheering as you pass by!

Friday and Saturdays nights Block Party

- **Who:** Everyone is welcome: Kirk Bennett is playing DJ at ongoing block party
- **Where:** Corner of 141 st and 123 ave.
- **When:** Start time around 6:30 pm. Details on days updated on our Facebook page

Front Yards in Bloom - until June 30

- Nominate a neighbour through the City of Edmonton's Front Yard in Bloom initiative.
- Details and nominations at <http://coewebapps.edmonton.ca/frontyards/>



Neighbours Helping Neighbours

CURRENT INITIATIVES



Grocery/Prescription Pickup

If you're unable to enter stores due to self-isolation and/or health concerns, a number of neighbours are willing to assist.

Contact Daniel at 780-901-4552 or danielhuber@shaw.ca

OR Jo-Anne at 780-975-5193 or jmfrere@telus.net.



Green Space Maintenance

The City announced it is unable to maintain our green spaces as often as usual due to budget restraints. A number of us would like to maintain our grounds. We have someone offering to coordinate. Do you have a mower, trimmer - or are willing to assist with picking up garbage or contributing to gas?

Contact Daniel at 780-901-4552 or danielhuber@shaw.ca



Food Collaboration

With rising food costs, there are many ways we can work together. Sharing and/or exchanging produce, helping to harvest and preserve fruit from our trees, buying staples in bulk at reduced costs, sharing knowledge...there are many ways to support each other, eat healthier and spend less. This is at the idea stage, please share yours.

Contact Maggie at maggie.harris2012@gmail.com.



Dovercourt Community Garden

Our community garden has restarted this season. Many plots are rented for the season, but there's always opportunities to get involved.

Contact dovercourtgardengroup@gmail.com

Remember that these plots are rented and maintained by families -

please do not pick the produce!



Do you have a lawn mower to donate?

The league is looking for a donated lawn mower to maintain the rink over the summer. If we can take care of some minor issues (latches), we can open the rink again this season as an off-leash park! Updates on Facebook and the website.

In Our Community

Kirk Centre in Dovercourt

IS UNDERGOING SOME EXCITING CHANGES!!

this beautiful heritage gem will be open as soon as the current situation permits ...

Rentals are available including:

- two large auditoriums for sport groups, wedding receptions, markets
- several large gathering spaces for concerts, worship, dance
- office space for businesses, licensed kitchen for caterers
- and much more

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Dovercourt Community Cleanup

Let's all keep our streets and sidewalks in Dovercourt clean. You can request a Capital City Clean Litter kit through the Dovercourt Community League. Each kit includes a safety guide, litter grabber, a pair of gloves and a small and large garbage bag. Contact: programsdovertcourt@gmail.com

Capital City Clean Up is a litter reduction and graffiti prevention program developed to help keep the city clean, safe and attractive. Keeping our city clean is a shared responsibility.



Increase in Thefts - Coordinator needed

The most popular posts on our Facebook page is about break ins and thefts. One of the best things we can do is know our neighbours and be active in the community. There are many (safe!) initiatives other communities undertake to decrease theft. If you would like to be involved or coordinate with neighbours (we need a coordinator), contact dovertcourt.publicity@gmail.com.

In Our Community Too...



We Miss You! See you in September

I can't express how much we've missed having our children at the school! So much gratitude to parents, staff and especially our students, who have had to adapt to the circumstances brought on by Covid.

We won't know until August 1 what the return to school will look like, but we will make every effort to ensure that our children feel loved and supported.

We look forward to a "DRIVE BYE" on Friday, June 26 from 10-1pm at Dovercourt School, as we celebrate the end of our school year.

We also look forward to an updated look - hurrah and thanks to the painters.

In Partnership,
Leanne Moncrieff, Principal



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Off-leash Update - Rovercourt 2020

The league is applying to open up the rink area as an offleash park again this year. Updates to be posted on our Facebook and website. In the meantime, we remind all dog owners that **dogs are not allowed on school grounds, sports fields, playgrounds - it's against bylaws, and prevents others from enjoying the grounds.** Parkland Bylaw 2202, states dogs are not allowed on parkland unless in a designated off leash park or on leash on a trail. Bylaws apply whether there is a signage or not and a Peace Officer could enforce a violation without signage in the area. **The fine for violating this by-law is \$100.** With the exception of Manning fenced off-leash dog park, fenced dog parks and off-leash areas in the City are now open for off-leash use. Reminder: the City is not providing bags in any off-leash areas. Please bring your own bags.



Updates from the City of Edmonton

Green Shack programming will not be activated for the duration of the summer season. This decision was made as part of the City's strategy to reduce expenditures and will not be affected by Provincial economic relaunch plans. Many City programs and services have been adjusted or impacted due to COVID-19 and/or staffing and budget constraints. The city has a search tool, updated regularly, to help you and your community stay in the know as the City reopens some programs and services. Stay updated at edmonton.ca/COVID-19.



Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Online Worship

Mt. Zion is uploading sermons and special services to YouTube. Google search Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Edmonton.

Coyotes

We've had numerous coyote sightings, be on the lookout! There are many good resources on dealing with coyotes. Hopefully with increased activity in the neighbourhood, coyotes will be discouraged from making Dovercourt their home. If you encounter a coyote, take these immediate steps:

- Clap your hands loudly and firmly towards the animal
- Respond to its presence aggressively by making yourself appear large (wave your arms overhead or swing objects like a walking stick at the coyote)
- Throw rocks, sticks or other objects to scare it away
- Carry a whistle and blow it to startle the animal
- Carry dog spray in areas highly frequented by coyotes
- Shout in a deep voice and maintain eye contact
- Do not turn away or run. This may trigger a natural predator/prey instinct and might encourage the coyote to chase after you
- If the coyote continues to approach, back away slowly and move toward buildings or human activity. Coyotes may remain near a source of food or a den site, and this could be the reason they refuse to leave. Be mindful of situations like this, and remove attractants if possible.



Let's Connect

Our Amazing Neighbours

Thanks to all the people who make our neighbourhood great. This is only a partial list - hats off to you all!



Here's one of a number of people who have taken the initiative to mow the common spaces. Thank you!



We saw Connie working hard at the hall taking care of the beautiful garden around the sign!

About 20 homes have picked up clean up kits from Jo-Anne. Thanks to all who beautify our community.

Daniel and Jo-Anne have been making grocery runs for neighbours and checking in on friends.

Nadine and her mom donated beautiful flowers to the hall garden and Dovercourt School to beautify our neighbourhood.

Thanks to those who cleaned the junk around the dumpster.

Kirt brings his sound system outside for weekend block parties!



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