



NEWSLETTER April 2021

Keeping you informed of events in your community.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE:

Our last executive meeting was on Wednesday, March 24.

Our exciting news is the completion of the sports court project! Hopefully you have been over to have a look and perhaps shoot some hoops or play volleyball or four square. We of course highly recommend following the AHS safety guidelines but we are not responsible for enforcing them. After Easter the schedule for the volleyball/pickleball net will be on set dates and you will find this information in a section in this newsletter. Note that if an adult wants to play pickleball on a volleyball day during school hours or if not in use, and you are regular players, we can teach you how to change the height. Contact Janet if this interests you. Basketball hoops are adjustable by anyone easily. It will stay this way unless we see abuse – we have noticed participants lowering them for the purpose of slam dunk hanging. If this does continue, we will have to lock the cranks. Next up is completion of the signage. We have a plaque already on the way for the Aaron Elzinga Memorial Bench and we are working on signage recognizing all our sponsors. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions for the sports court – they are welcome. You can contact any of the executive and they will make sure your question gets answered. Lastly, thank you to everyone who played a part in making this project a reality. If you did any volunteer hours on this project other than the bottle drive, please take a few minutes and email your hours to me at vranas@shaw.ca. Recording of these hours will go towards the matching portion of the grant we received and would really be appreciated. Name and number of hours volunteered is what I need.

It will come as no big surprise that our financial situation is becoming a bit more precarious since our hall has not been able to function normally for over a year and it will be some time before we are up for another casino. The loss of all this revenue is hitting us hard. Luckily we do have some money in reserve, but it is scary to have to dig into that. We have been fortunate to receive a few grants to help tide us over. Approximately \$3300 from the government for community groups whose revenue was impacted by Covid, plus another \$2000 from a special grant set up by Sturgeon County for community groups which was put forward by our Councillor, Kristin Toms. We also hope to receive some of the regular operational grant funding through Sturgeon County and hope to hear on this within the next few weeks. Lastly, we did apply for capital funding for an AED machine for the hall. We would purchase this when we can fully reopen again.

As in previous years, we have applied to Canada Summer Jobs for funding toward the summer position. This year the position would entail not only the park maintenance but also some work with youth at the sports court. We have applied for 30 hours a week for 8-9 weeks so we will see what the results are. The job will be posted on our website and our Facebook page if it goes ahead. Thank you to Beth Heard and Susan Evans for their work on the above mentioned grants.

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We ask for our community's help in reporting when things are happening at the hall that shouldn't be. The season of coming to the parking lot just for the sole fun of spinning donuts in the gravel has returned. It takes volunteer time to sweep up all the gravel strewn about on the sidewalks from this, not to mention damage incurred at times. Please call the RCMP if you notice this or any other suspicious activity. We of course are catching a lot of this on our cameras, but we cannot always make out the license plate number. Same goes for any other vandalism. The more we report suspicious activity, the more drive-bys we can get. Acts of vandalism have slowed down somewhat now that we have camera surveillance. The local RCMP can and do follow up.

There are now new galvanized chains on the swings. The temporary measures we tried last year didn't hold up. We also will be, or may have by the time you read this, replaced one of the swing seats which had some damage.

We are excited that we are going to be sponsoring the Community Garage Sale again. Jaclyn Miller will keep you updated as we get closer to the June 4-5 date as to guidelines to help keep it a fun and safe community experience.

Every year our Association is asked to recognize one volunteer who made an impact that year. Because so many people helped with the sports court as well as grant applications, park maintenance, damage control, the rink, publicity or our finances – the list is endless, I asked permission from Sturgeon County Community Services to recognize the whole team who made the sports court possible. They are being supportive of this initiative and you will hear more about this soon if you were a part of the project. By emailing in your volunteer hours as mentioned previously to vranas@shaw.ca, I will be sure not to miss you for this recognition happening in April.

Stay well everyone and I look forward to seeing many of you out and about now that spring is here!

Janet Vranas

President

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CARDIFF COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

More Information to follow as government guidelines and restrictions change. Please check online (website and/or Facebook page) for evolving changes.

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TENATIVE DATES:
Friday June 4 (5 to 9pm)
Saturday June 5th, 2021 (9-5 pm)





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Are you planning an event? Consider Cardiff Hall!

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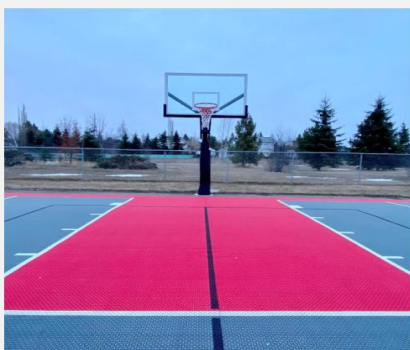
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Cardiff Community Hall remains open and in compliance with Government restrictions.

View our online virtual tour!



CARDIFF CENTRAL PARK COURT

Pickleball Monday to Wednesday
Volleyball Thursday to Sunday
Basketball nets are adjustable.
4 Square also available

SCHEDULE IS FLEXIBLE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

- *No bikes, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades, strollers, remote control toys, motorized equipment etc...on court surface.
- *Please clean up after yourself.
- *No gum.
- *Be respectful and share the court.
- *Use at your own risk and follow public health restrictions.
- *Use the court as it is intended.

If you see something that requires attention or needs to be reported, please reach out to a member of the CCA Executive.



Cardiff Park, Alberta - Nova Scotia Remembers

Register and Join a local family of victims in a 5k walk at Cardiff Park, AB as Nova Scotia Remembers the 23 victims of the April 2020 tragedy that occurred in and around Portapique, NS.

The walk will take place on April 18th, to register or donate via a virtual walk go to: **raceroster.**

com/events/2021/46972/cardiff-park-ab-nova-scotia-remembers

The funds will go towards establishing a permanent memorial in NS for all 23 lives that were so unfairly taken from families, friends, and their communities.



NS REMEMBERS