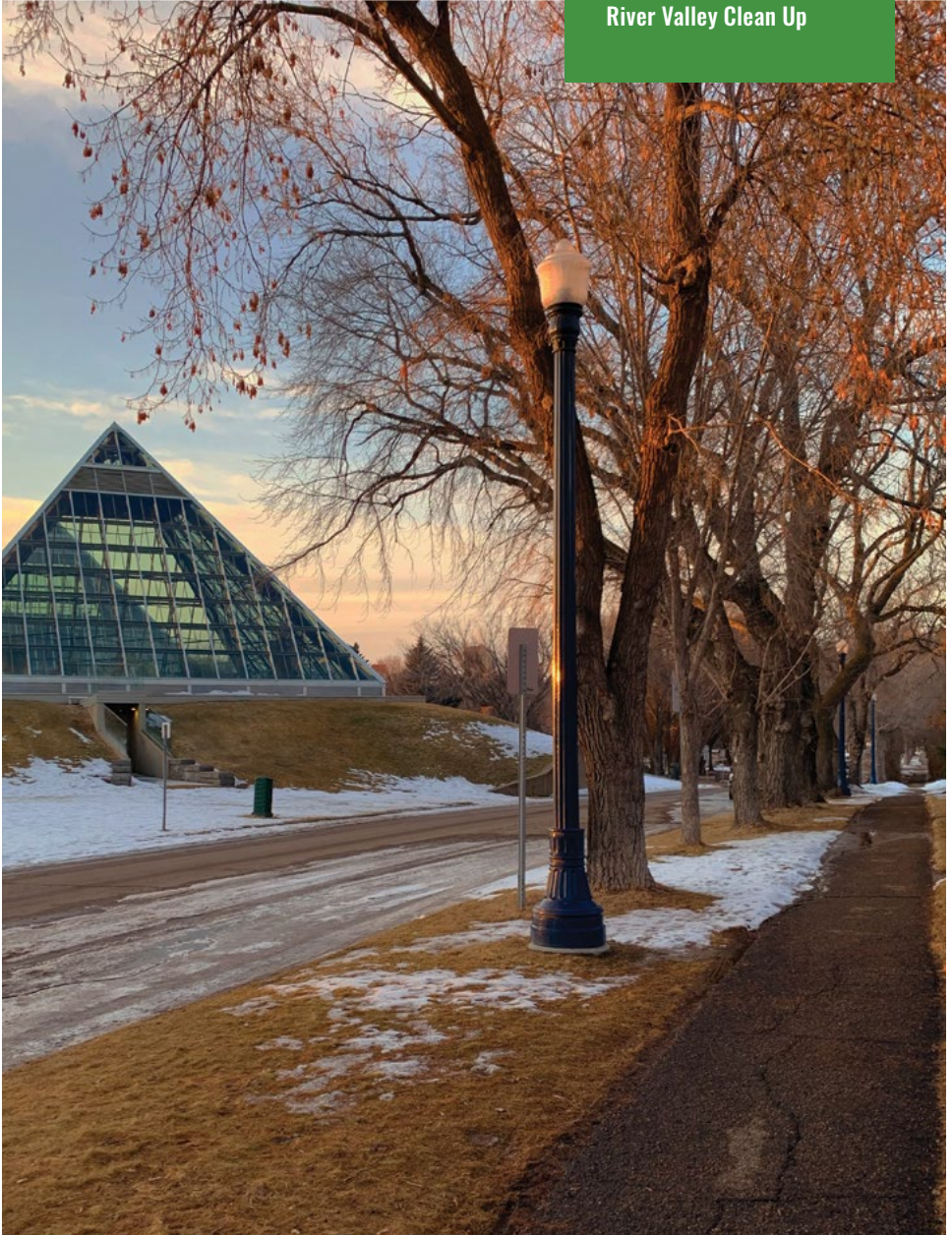


Cloverdale Community League

MARCH 2021

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Message From The CCL Board

Happy New Year, Cloverdale! May 2021 be filled with brighter memories, an appreciation for our resiliency, and gratitude for our community. Although the odometer has rolled over into a new year and 2020 is behind us, I anticipate that 2021 will feel much like the previous. As we continue to navigate this environment, we are finding ourselves in a groove. We are adapting, we know what to expect, we are receptive to help, and we are generous with our offers to help. There is light at the end of the tunnel, and we do envision that we will be able to resume in-person gatherings and events for our membership in the future. We are blessed to have an abundance of COVID safe activities outside our front doors; skating rink, playground, tobogganing, and the ski hill which has further added a tubing area and an incredible ice climbing wall! We are committed to keeping our community safe and healthy and we will continue looking for new ways to engage our membership and encouraging community connections.

As we move into a new year, create new habits, and set new goals, I would like to encourage you to keep this in your periphery; do not hesitate to

raise your hand and volunteer, to take the lead, or take an opportunity to provide input because your expertise and opinions are valued. The members of Cloverdale Community League are here to support you and cheer you on. A great and recent example of this is the partnership between the CCL and The Edmonton Ski Club (ESC). The ESC came forward with a brilliant proposal for managing and creating bookings for the rink through a link on the Cloverdale website, run by them. This mutually beneficial relationship is likely the basis for many future opportunities as it is a tremendous success.

I would be remiss if I did not also thank all of my fellow Board and Committee members for their patience, persistence, and dedication to the Community during these very strange times! The hard work and number of hours of volunteered time is truly commendable.

Please stay safe and healthy! I Look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood!

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Cloverdale Community League President



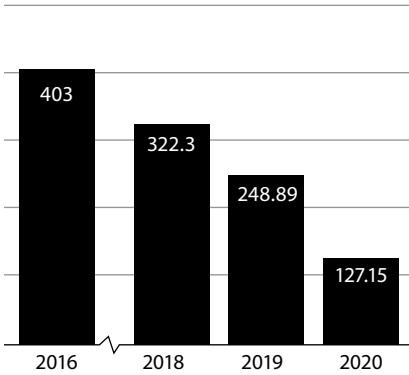
Thanks for Skating!

Hope you enjoyed the rink! With the warmer weather, the rink is now closed for the season. See you next year!

Cloverdale Hall Leads Sustainability

In 2019, the Cloverdale Community League (CCL) completed major renovations to the hall in order to increase the comfort of the hall, extend its lifespan and reduce operating costs. The numbers speak for themselves (note the 2020 date is up to August):

ELECTRICAL CONSUMPTION (KWH)

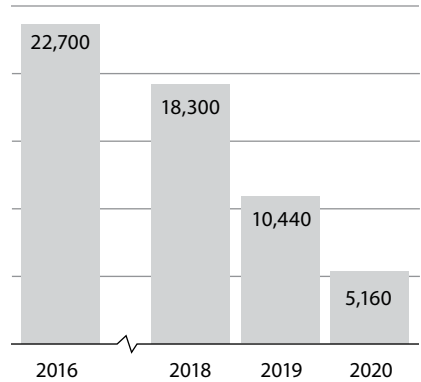


Clearly, the impact of hall closure since March 2020 due to COVID-19 is reflected in the 2020 consumption figures.

Since commissioning the solar panels in August 2019, the CCL has generated 28,140 kWh of electricity which has been exported to the electrical grid and received \$1,828 for that microgeneration. The average home in Alberta uses 7,200 kWh of electricity per year (2014). In two years, the solar panels have produced renewable electricity to supply 3.9 homes.

Spending less on utility expenses, due to these upgrades, is a huge benefit to the CCL. It's another way for the CCL to meet the challenges that the CCL is facing due to COVID-19.

NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION (GJ)



Changes to the plumbing system in the rink shack eliminated wastewater treatment and drainage charges. This led to big savings which will be ongoing. In the first year, the CCL's saved \$1,707 on its water bill. A City of Edmonton grant covered 50% of the capital costs. The CCL portion of the costs was \$1,455. In one year, we more than recovered the costs of this project!

The Cloverdale Community League is demonstrating leadership for energy conservation and responsible facility operations and management among community leagues in Edmonton. We've achieved a lot with these renovations and will continue to reap the benefits.

Help Make Cloverdale a More Connected and Caring Community

The Cloverdale community is part of the city-wide Abundant Community initiative. “Get Neighbouring” is a way to care for and build the social networks in our neighbourhood. Some of the benefits of neighbouring include:

- **Health:** More and stronger relationships improve health. The neighbouring relationship is often overlooked as a unique and potent source of personal well-being.
- **Mental Health:** Having access to consistent opportunities to build meaningful relationships opens the door for a troubled neighbour to connect with a supportive neighbour and benefit from human-to-human connection.
- **Social Care:** Neighbourhoods are “the villages” that can reasonably and responsibly take on care beyond the family, looking out for children, seniors, marginalized, especially the most vulnerable.
- **Companionship:** Belonging, engagement and connection are essential to human thriving. Friends and families are not always, or sometimes not ever, available. Neighbours can be company and companionship nearby.
- **Recreation:** Mental and physical fitness are enhanced by local, easily accessible and often impromptu opportunities for play and social connection in leisure time.
- **Seniors:** Connected “blocks” (e.g. street, condo building or floor) naturally look in on seniors and keep caregivers informed.
- **Youth Mentoring:** Supportive mentoring relationships can naturally occur in the neighbourhood when neighbours of all ages get to know one another. Neighbours can feel empowered to intervene when children misbehave—sharing care of the young and creating ‘the village’ to raise our children.

BE A BLOCK CONNECTOR!

We’re always on the lookout for **block connectors**, whether that block is a street or floor of a condo building. For more information, please contact Marilyn at: neighbourhoodconnector@cloverdalecommunity.com.

The following locales need point people:

- Cloverdale Hill condos
- SoHo
- The Landing
- The Clove
- Waterside
- 96 A St South of 97 Ave

The YEG Good Neighbour Challenge

JOIN MARCH 15–31

Submit a photograph of what good neighbouring means to you! It could be shoveling a walkway, working on community projects, watching over someone's property, casual conversations over the fence or something else entirely! Staying home? Perhaps it's a display you share with others on your window or yard, connecting with neighbours online or over the telephone, or waving to neighbours as they pass by. Whatever it

is, show us what are the greatest gifts of being a good neighbour to be entered into a random prize draw!

In addition to submitting your entry, you can also share on social media using the #yegneighbouring hashtag. Stay safe, be creative, and enjoy each winter neighbourhood challenge!

For Edmonton challenge details and the online entry form, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/5b53var6>

Get Your Membership!

Cloverdale Community League renewals moved online in 2021. In case we missed you, or if you are new to Cloverdale, please contact Marilyn, our membership director at: membership@cloverdalecommunity.com

Individual and senior memberships are \$12, and the family rate is \$25. Payments are processed via Square at: <https://cloverdale-community-league.square.site/>

Membership comes with lots of perks! Visit our community website for more details on benefits: cloverdalecommunity.com

Volunteers Needed

Casinos are an important part of the revenue stream for not-for-profits, including the CCL. Our casino dates will be in April, May, or June and will need volunteers. Please contact Bev Bennett at beverlyjoanbennett@gmail.com if you are available to volunteer. Bev will put a flyer in your mailbox with the dates.

Programs Paused

In 2020, Cloverdale suspended all hall rentals and programs. We look forward to reopening in a safe and secure manner in 2021, subject to COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time. We appreciate your support and understanding. Stay safe, stay well, and take care.

CCL Board Member Updates

The CCL board welcomes two new additions to Board roles that became vacant since the AGM held June 28, and a new committee leader:



Alexa Guse will assume the role of Communications Director and will lead a committee of residents that will help maintain the website, hall sign, social media and capture stories for the Chronicle and South East Voice. In short, this committee keeps us residents informed as to what is happening and how to stay engaged. Download the “Nextdoor” app, which is a resident-based app for us all to stay connected. Alexa is a graphic designer with Startup Edmonton and lives in SoHo.



The Edmonton Folk Music Liaison (EFMF) Director position has been accepted by Jayne Bawden who has been a dedicated volunteer in the Festival Kitchen for several years. In this role, Jayne will chair the committee that deals with the EFMF and the City about issues related to the EFMF’s impact on the Cloverdale neighbourhood and issues the parking passes during the festival. The EFMF committee provides an annual evaluation and recommendations to the City of Edmonton and the EFMF for improvements to mitigate the impact of the EFMF on Cloverdale. Jayne lives in La Caille.



Gallagher Park Concept Plan committee also has a new leader. Kirsten Hannaford will represent Cloverdale in the final planning for the vision of our park area that includes the area from the Camel Humps to the Peace Dove and all the recreation areas in between. The City identified a need in 2016 and began consultation with stakeholders on this concept for a 20 year vision for the programming and uses of the park. Kirsten will be engaged as the plan is finalized in the very near term. Kirsten lives on 95 St.

Board Member Contact Sheet

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Visit our community website
CLOVERDALECOMMUNITY.COM



Join the Cloverdale Community Garden

The Cloverdale Community Garden, located just north of the Bennett Centre, has 24 garden plots measuring 4'x8'. Plots are distributed randomly at the annual garden cleanup, **tentatively set for Saturday May 15** from 10–noon.

Garden members pay an annual fee of \$30/plot. There's also a portion of the garden devoted to the Food Bank, with last season's harvest donating 90 kg of zucchini and countless potatoes.

The community garden provides healthy outdoor exercise, a friendly group of people and lots of ideas on how to grow a garden in Alberta. Please join us! 'Welcome back' emails will be sent out to former gardeners shortly (please return by April 15).

If you are new to the community garden, please contact Margaret (email on previous page) for your application form. Come grow with us!

Take Part! River Valley Clean Up

EVENT: MAY 16 | RSVP: MAY 12

The annual clean up is fun for the whole family and a way to make Cloverdale a better place to live! Register with Bob, the Social Director (email on previous

page), by May 12 so he can prepare your kit in advance. Between 10:30–11:30 am on May 16, visit the sign-in table (west deck of the the hall). Please follow social distancing guidelines and wear a mask. Garbage bags, gloves and pickers will be distributed on a first-come-first-served basis, and you will be assigned an area. Bob will pack up by 1pm. Please email Bob with any questions. See you there!