

# Cloverdale Community League

## JUNE 2021 CHRONICLE

—  
Annual General Meeting  
On-Demand Transit  
Crime  
Bike Challenge  
Root for Trees  
Gallagher Park's Future

AND MORE +



# COMMUNITY LEAGUE BIKE MONTH



**WHO WILL WIN?**

THE LEAGUE WIDE  
CHALLENGE IS BACK

EMAIL YOUR  
TOTALS WEEKLY  
DO NOT USE STRAVA

RECORD YOUR  
PROGRESS BETWEEN  
**JUNE 1- 30 2021**

CONTACT:  
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## On-Demand Transit

On-Demand Transit service is now available in Cloverdale. In addition to the stops on 98th Ave, there is a new stop in front of the community center. The On-Demand bus will take you to the closest Transit Hub (Connors Road / 95 Ave). The On-Demand bus can be booked three ways:

- Download the Edmonton On Demand Transit app to your mobile device.
- Book online via the ETS On Demand website (<https://eodt.app.ridewithvia.com/login>).
- Call 780-496-2400.

## Crime in Cloverdale

Have you noticed an increase in crime? We've heard that residents feel crime has increased, but EPS statistics report that numbers have been stable over the past several years. If you are the victim of a crime, regardless how small, it's imperative that it is reported to the EPS on their non-emergency line: 780-423-4567. Reporting crimes helps us advocate our needs to the city.

Theft from Vehicles and Garages make up 80% of crimes in Cloverdale. Please remember to keep your car and garage doors locked.

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## Record Your Biking Km to Help Cloverdale Win Edmonton-Wide Challenge

The June Bike Challenge was first organized by Ritchie Community League last year and approximately 17 community leagues joined the fun. This year 18 communities have signed up, including Cloverdale.

This event is only for the month of June and is a great opportunity to keep active during COVID-19 restrictions and improve your mental health.

If you're interested in participating, all you need to do is email the social director (*see contact sheet on last page*) every Sunday night in June with the number of km you managed to ride for the week. The weekly results for Cloverdale and the Edmonton-wide rankings

will be posted so we can keep track of our progress as the challenge goes on. Cloverdale's team is called Cloverdale United.

Last year, Cloverdale had 67 participants and we managed to come in second to Ritchie, which was a fantastic achievement considering the size of our community. This year, they are looking into accounting for the size of the communities and the number of participants in each community in order to help level the playing field.

Let's all get out our bikes this June, record the kilometres we ride each week, and let's see if we can out-ride Ritchie this year!

# Root for Trees Returns

Root for Trees is Edmonton's volunteer tree planting initiative. Since 2012, volunteers have planted over 259,363 trees and shrubs, helping to expand our urban forest and protecting the local biodiversity. You can help by doing a volunteer planting shift, which can be booked online at: [www.volunteermark.com/coe-root-for-trees](http://www.volunteermark.com/coe-root-for-trees)

This year, guided planting shifts will have a location preassigned. Our nearest location is on Cloverdale Hill (the South-East part, along 98th Avenue and the Strathearn pathways). You can book other locations if desired, or take part in a self-guided planting shift.



Safety measures will be in place, including: available hand sanitizer, disinfected shovels for volunteers, gloves, and two meter planting areas to facilitate social distancing.

Volunteer shifts for the late summer and autumn will be made available in the coming months. More details are available about Root for Trees on the City's website.

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## Get to Know Your Neighbours! Become a Block Connector

Cloverdale, your block or condo building needs you to be the point-person to connect your neighbours and make our neighbourhood a friendlier place to live. If you are in the following multi-family units or blocks and have an interest, drop Marilyn a line or text.

If you want to attend an informal info session, earmark June 2nd at 7 pm for an online 30 minute overview of the Block Connector role as part of Abundant Communities Edmonton. Contact Marilyn for more details.

### NEEDS BLOCK CONNECTORS:

- SoHo
- Cloverdale Manor
- Cloverdale Hill Condos
- The Landing 9815, 9811
- Waterside
- 92 St.
- 93 St.
- 95 St South of 97 Ave

### CONTACT:

Marilyn at 780 901-0323, or email [Neighbourhoodconnector@cloverdalecommunity.com](mailto:Neighbourhoodconnector@cloverdalecommunity.com)



## City Unveils Concept Plan for the Future of Gallagher Park

With a goal of creating a 20-year vision and development plan for the Park, the 139 page concept plan covers the history of Cloverdale, an inventory of current amenities, and a strategy for implementing a series of new plans.

Among the many ideas suggested in the concept plan, the first category recommends improving the park's amenities, including adding: a stand-alone public washroom, more picnic tables, and view lookout areas along Cloverdale Hill Road and/or Connors Road.

Other recommendations included adding wayfinding signage, interpretive information signs (either about the historical usage and occupants of the area, or information on the floodplains environment), improved park path lighting, adding public art and entrance features, and expanding some naturalization areas (a landscaping method that was overwhelming supported by the community during consultation).

The topic most brought up during the consultation phase, and expanded upon in the report, concerned access to the park. The concept plan recommends adding sidewalks (notably along the south side of 96 Ave along the Ski Club, and along the park on 95 Street), improving trails in the Camel Humps, and adding paths to connect and improve bike, ski, and pedestrian access from other City trails and the LRT.

The City reports that “there is currently no funding available for implementation of the concept plan,” and notes that even if there was, water drainage and seepage issues need to be addressed first. The City is in the design phase of a seepage project, and “investigations are currently underway to determine how best to remediate” the drainage issues on the bottom of the hill. No details around timing or construction impacts are available at this time, although it is listed as being addressed in summer/fall of this year.

The full concept plan is available on the City's website at:

[https://www.edmonton.ca/projects\\_plans/parks\\_recreation/gallagher-park-master-plan.aspx](https://www.edmonton.ca/projects_plans/parks_recreation/gallagher-park-master-plan.aspx)

# Ribbon of Green: Help Shape the Future of Our River Valley

The City is working on a modernization project to renew “processes and tools for evaluating and regulating development that is proposed within the [River Valley] system.” As a Cloverdale resident, your participation is important to influence plans for this vital ecological corridor—a valued recreation destination, a place of incredible cultural significance and a draw for visitors throughout the region—which is also our home. Join in at: <https://engaged.edmonton.ca/rivervalleyplanningmodernization>

# Big Bin Event Rescheduled to June

The Big Bin Event is your opportunity to dispose of non-hazardous household and yard waste. Originally scheduled for May, it was postponed due to COVID-19. We are tentatively rescheduling it for June 26 from 10AM until 4PM. The bin will be outside of the Community Hall.

This year, the event will include a partnership with Find Edmonton to collect household articles and furniture to help folks who are transitioning into secure housing, and we will also be collecting egg cartons for the Edmonton Food Bank. In addition, there will be a toy, book, and game swap.

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# Community Garden Begins Season

The Cloverdale Community Garden began cleanup in mid May, and it turned out to be the perfect time for cleaning and readying the Garden. Gardeners were organized into teams of 5 people or less to meet AHS regulations. They completed a long list of garden chores in record time! Leaves were raked, compost turned, beans and peas planted, pathways chipped and many weeds demolished.

Thanks to Roger T and his trusty truck, a huge pile of old branches and debris were loaded for recycling. The



new Squash Hill, located on the Bennett berm, required new soil and some grass and weed removal in order for gardeners to ready their spot to plant.

# Board Member Contact Sheet

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## BOARD MEMBERS

**President:** Darryl .....president@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Past-President:** Reg .....pastpresident@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Vice-President:** Michelle R. ....vicepresident@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Secretary:** Braden..... secretary@cloverdalecommunity.com

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**Civics Director:** David.....civicsdirector@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Folk Festival Liaison Director:** Jayne .....folkfest@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Communications Director:** Alexa.....communications@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Social Director:** Bob .....socialdirector@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Program Director:** Michelle K. .... programmedirector@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Membership:** Marilyn .....membership@cloverdalecommunity.com

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## COMMITTEE LEADS

**Casino Coordinator:** Bev .....casino@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Edmonton Ski Club Liaison:** Lisa & Clay..... skiclub\_chair@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Flood Mitigation:** Eric .....floodmitigation\_chair@cloverdalecommunity.com

### Community Garden (CCGC) Chair:

Margaret .....communitygarden\_chair@cloverdalecommunity.com

### Abundant Community, Neighbourhood Connector:

Marilyn .....neighbourhoodconnector@cloverdalecommunity.com

**Gallagher Park Concept Plan:** Kirsten ..... (no contact info at this time)

**Seniors:** Vacant role (We need you!)..... seniors@cloverdalecommunity.com

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**CLOVERDALECOMMUNITY.COM**

CLOVERDALE COMMUNITY LEAGUE

# Annual General Meeting

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**2PM, SUNDAY, JUNE 27**

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## ONLINE EVENT

The event link and any additional details will be posted on the website shortly:

**[cloverdalecommunity.com](http://cloverdalecommunity.com)**



## TENTATIVE AGENDA

- Approve agenda
- Approve 2021 minutes
- Annual reports
- Presentation of 2020–2021 financial report
- Appointment of financial reviewers for 2021–22
- Election of board and committee members
- Presentations (to be confirmed: Edmonton Ski Club, Edmonton Folk Music Festival)
- New business

## Join the Board or a Committee

Help make your community better by joining the Cloverdale Community League as a board member or as the lead on a committee. You can express your interest by emailing [info@cloverdalecommunity.com](mailto:info@cloverdalecommunity.com).

### BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Social Director
- Program Director
- Communications Director
- Civics Director
- Folk Festival Liaison Director
- Seniors Director

### COMMITTEE LEADS

- Casino Coordinator
- Edmonton Ski Club Liaison
- Rink Maintenance
- Flood Mitigation
- Community Garden Chair
- Abundant Community: Neighbourhood Connector
- Gallagher Park Concept Plan Liaison
- Facilities Management
- Membership