



Buena Vista Community Association

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2017 Winter Newsletter



NEW MEMBERS ON BVCA BOARD

We are happy to welcome Jon Storey as Vice-President, Erin Wolfesen as the Community Garden coordinator; a belated welcome to Justin Buhler as a Member at Large (2016 AGM). A round of thanks as well to our current and past volunteers!

There are some **open seats on the board**. Inquire about them! Our meetings are very informal, and a great way to learn about your community, and also to have a hand in shaping its future.

NEIGHBOURHOOD TRAFFIC REVIEW CONTINUES

Thank you to all participants in the Traffic Review—we hope that the City is able to address your concerns! Please note, the process is on-going, and you can still submit your comments and concerns through the City's website. We have compiled some links for you on our website:

<https://bvcasaskatoon.ca/traffic-review-information/>

COMMUNITY RINK UPDATE

We need volunteers to help with flooding and snow clearing! Visit Facebook or email for more info.

Lights! They will be on nightly from 6-10pm; we will be posting hours for the shack on our Facebook page in early December.

Organizing an event? Let us know via email if you want access to the warm-up shack—buenavista1910@gmail.com

BV CREATIVE PRESCHOOL 2018-19 REGISTRATION

- We offer programs for 3-year (Tu/Th) and 4-year olds (M/W/F)
- Classroom is on the main floor of Buena Vista School
- Open house and registration:



February 8, 7-8:30pm

Please bring your chequebook!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US

bvcreativepreschool@gmail.com
www.bvcreativepreschool.com

IMPORTANT DATES

TBD—Rink Shack Grand Opening; check website and Facebook!

January 10—Winter registration; programming on *back page*

February 8—Preschool registration; 7-8:30pm, preschool classroom

WINTER EVENTS

Dec 21—Winter Solstice service; 7pm, Station 20 West (*page 3*)

Jan 18-Jan 21—Winterruption 2018; Broadway Theatre

Jan 28-Feb 5—PCS Winter Shines; Farmer's Market

BVCA BOARD POSITIONS

President (*)	Sean Sass
Vice-President	Jon Storey
Treasurer (*)	Wendyl Saretzky
Secretary	VACANT
Preschool chair	Megan Bartake
Members at large	Garry Colin, Sarah Story, Jason Blair, Susan Pederson, Justin Buhler

NON-BOARD POSITIONS

City of Saskatoon	Kevin Ariss
Parks and Civics	Mike Winter
Programs (*)	Sean Sass
Volunteer coordinator	VACANT
Soccer	VACANT
Rink	Jared Madsen
Newsletter	Warrick Baijius
Website	Meghan Mickelson
Facebook	Susan Pederson, Mandy Madsen
Community garden	Erin Wolfesen
Pump track	Jared Madsen

(*) Interim basis

What's happening in your community

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR WARD 6 COUNCILLOR

Happy Holidays, Buena Vista - It's been a busy time in our city.

The BV Neighbourhood Traffic Review is well underway and we anticipate formal recommendations early in 2018. [Page 1 for more information.]

Transportation has been a big theme as we get closer to making decisions about the future of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), an All Ages and Abilities network (AAA), which includes a cycling network and the anticipated arrival of ride-sharing companies such as Uber. Public engagement has been ongoing and decisions are expected in the first half of 2018. An on-line survey for the BRT is available on the City's website until December 15th: <https://www.saskatoon.ca/engage/transit-plan>. As well, the Victoria Avenue Corridor from 8th Street to the Traffic Bridge will showcase Saskatoon's first complete multi-modal street, a project that moved forward due to matching money from the federal government. The Traffic Bridge is still scheduled to open in the fall of 2018.



Speaking of bridges, the City will examine an opportunity to expand the pedestrian walkway on the Sid Buckwold Bridge. Thanks to the Ward 6 Civics Committee for their hard work in getting this on the agenda prior to the bridge revitalization work scheduled for 2019. [See page 3.]

As always, a huge thank you to all of the volunteers on the community association who continue to go above and beyond to provide great programs and events, while advocating for important issues in your neighbourhoods. It's been an honour to work with all of you over the past year.

Wishing you the best of the season,

Cynthia

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Celebrate Solstice

Celebrate the longest night and the return of the light with music, story & ritual
*bring a dessert to share

Dec. 21, 7pm
Station 20 West - 1120 20 St W



PROGRAMMING NEWS!

NEW ZUMBA INSTRUCTOR

We are happy to welcome Priscilla Brightley as our 2018 Zumba instructor! Please note that our Zumba program is also drop-in friendly at \$6/session (plus one-time \$5 registration).

NEW NETS, INSIDE AND OUTSIDE

We have some new nets for pickleball, and also two new ones for the rink. We are also scouting out replacements for the old rink nets; they are ready to retire!

BVCA NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Free Classifieds for members & non-profit groups, preschools and recreational-based organizations, within the Buena Vista neighbourhood, shall be published as space permits.

Email buenavista1910@gmail.com for more information.

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What's happening in your community

BUCKWOLD BRIDGE WALKWAY UPDATE

After presenting to a subcommittee of the Saskatoon City Council on June 12, 2017, we have continued to engage with the City, presenting the concerns and experiences of people crossing the river on the Sid Buckwold Bridge pathway. The Standing Policy Committee on Transportation requested further information from the Transportation Department, who recommended further design work to establish feasibility and costs. On November 27, we addressed the Mayor and Council as a whole to reiterate those concerns and experiences before they began deliberating the 2018 budget.

Three community associations—Buena Vista, Queen Elizabeth-Exhibition-West Haultain, and Nutana—submitted letters of support to fund further design work on the pathway widening. During the deliberations, City councillors requested a report on alternatives to structural bridge work. Many thanks to Cynthia Block for her work on this, and also to the rest of the Councillors, and other volunteers, for their support of active transportation in moving this project one more step forward.

The Transportation department is also actively studying possible design scenarios to increase the width of the pathway without incurring significant construction costs. We look forward to reviewing the report and commenting on the scenarios in mid-2018, prior to it going to Council.

If you want to learn more about this, and other pedestrian concerns around Saskatoon, Walking Saskatoon will be holding their next meeting in January 2018. Check our social media for updates:

Walkingsaskatoon.org | Facebook: Walking Saskatoon
Twitter: @walkingyxe | Instagram: @walkingsaskatoon

PUMP TRACK AND PARK ENHANCEMENT UPDATE



Thanks to a hard working group of volunteers—adults and kids alike—the pump track is installed! Thank you also to the donations of cake, pizza, and sand (P.H. Trucking donated half of the load!)—all very necessary for a solid track. It was a busy track that first evening, and has seen lots of use since. We'll have a sign up for it soon, and are excited to see it again in the spring.

For park enhancement, our benches and bike pedestals have arrived, but a bit too late for installation. They will be installed in spring 2018, and will be a welcomed addition of seating and bike lock-ups.



BVCA REGISTRATION NIGHT—January 10, 2018

BUENA VISTA SCHOOL GYM—6:30-8:00PM

Program (& start date)	Day/Time	Where	Cost
ADULT FITNESS			
All Levels Yoga (Jan. 16)	Tues. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
Pilates (Jan. 16)	Tues. 6:45-7:45 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
Co-Ed Volleyball (Jan. 17)	Wed. 8-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$25/person
Boot Camp Cardio (Jan. 18)	Thurs. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
Total Body Sculpt (Jan. 18)	Thurs. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
Pickleball (Jan. 15, equipment only;)	Mon. 8-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$15 (10 sessions)
Zumba (Jan. 25)	Thurs. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 sessions) or \$6 drop-in (incl. reg.)
ADULT RECREATION/CRAFT			
Beginner Traveler Spanish (Jan. 15)	Mon. 7-8 pm	BV School Library 2 nd Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
Intermediate Traveler Spanish (Jan. 15)	Mon. 8-9 pm	BV School Library 2 nd Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
Book Club (Feb 15; Mar 15; April, May TBA; check the website for updates)	7-9 pm	BV School Library 2 nd Floor	\$5/person
Beginner Social Dance (Jan. 19)	Fri. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
Intermediate Social Dance (Jan. 19)	Fri. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
CHILDREN/YOUTH			
Martial Arts for Kids (Jan. 15; age 6-12)	Mon. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$50 (10 classes)
Supervised Youth Drop In (Jan. 17; age 9-13)	Wed. 6:30-8 pm	BV School Gym	Free
Family Gym Time (Jan. 19; access to equipment; must be supervised)	Fri. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$15/family
Indoor Soccer	Register with SK Soccer for competitive and over age 10.		
Learn to Play Soccer (Jan. 22; age 3-5; equipment provided; parents must coach)	Mon. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$25 (10 sessions)

- ◆ **All dates and times are subject to change. Check for up-to-date information at bvcasaskatoon.ca.**
- ◆ Class will run based on reaching minimum required registration numbers. Classes are run on a not-for-profit basis.
- ◆ Non-refundable \$5/individual or family BVCA membership fee is required.
- ◆ Late registrations are subject to a \$10 surcharge.
- ◆ Refund Policy: Once class begins, **No Refunds**. All other refunds at the discretion of the BVCA.
- ◆ BVCA honours other community association memberships and supports “shared programming”.
- ◆ KidSport funding available to ensure everyone can participate in programs: e-mail us for funding. All inquiries are confidential.
- ◆ **Minors are to be supervised by parent/adult guardian while on School property at all times.**
- ◆ Email buenavista1910@gmail.com with any questions, or for KidSport funding.