



# Buena Vista Community Association

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## 2018 Fall Newsletter

### CIVICS: BV AND BEYOND

#### PUMP TRACK AND PARK ENHANCEMENT

The Pump Track has proven to be a well-loved and well-used addition to Buena Vista Park. Thank you again to the volunteers and City staff who helped make this happen, and the kids for taking such good care of it. We will be installing the benches and bike racks this fall. The money for this project comes from BVCA funds, a legacy donation and city grants. Keep an eye out on Facebook and the BVCA website for more information!

#### BRIDGE UPDATES

The Victoria Bridge is on course for October completion, and the Rotary Park walkway path has re-opened underneath the bridge. The Idylwyld Bridge will close in 2019 for major repairs. The BVCA lobbied for major upgrades to the bridge's pedestrian pathway and received some improvements in drainage and the size of the barriers on both the roadway and river ends. However, the City decided against increasing the width of the pathway to national multi-use standards. Instead, a reduction in the width of the barriers reclaims about 25 cm of extra space. The BVCA will continue to lobby for upgrades to bring this important active transportation corridor up to national standard.

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#### BUENA VISTA CREATIVE PRESCHOOL

- We are a volunteer-driven cooperative preschool, made possible by parents like you!
- There may still be some space in the Monday/Wednesday/Friday class for our 2018/19 school year.
- Please contact [bvcreativepreschool@gmail.com](mailto:bvcreativepreschool@gmail.com) to register, or check us out @ [bvcreativepreschool.com](http://bvcreativepreschool.com).



#### MOVIE AND POTLUCK IN THE PARK

Join us for a potluck and movie night at Buena Vista park! Tables will be set up near the playground, and the movie will be projected on to the pool building.

- Date:** September 15  
**Time:** Potluck at 6:30pm  
 Movie at 7:30pm/when it is dark enough  
**Movie:** TBD!  
**Provided:** Snacks, drinks, cups, plates, cutlery  
**Bring:** Potluck dish, serving spoon, bug spray, blankets, chairs

### IMPORTANT DATES

- September 4—First day of school
- September 10—First day of preschool
- September 5—Fall registration; *see reverse for programming.*
- September 8—Broadway Street Fair *see Cynthia's write-up*
- September 16—Walking Saskatoon *Open meeting at Tastebuds, 1pm*
- September 15—Movie and potluck *see below for more details!*
- September 16—Broadway Street Fair *11am-5pm, Broadway Ave*
- October 24—2018 AGM, 7pm, BV School LRC; *everyone welcome!*

### BVCA BOARD POSITIONS

President	Sean Sass
Vice-President	Jon Storey
Treasurer	Wendyl Saretzky
Secretary	VACANT
Preschool chair	Megan Bartake
Members at large	Garry Colin, Virginia Scissons, Jason Blair, Susan Pederson

### NON-BOARD POSITIONS

City of Saskatoon	Kevin Ariss
Parks and Civics	Mike Winter
Programs	Sean Sass
Volunteer coordinator	VACANT
Soccer	Oduwa Osas, Jordan Goota
Rink	Jared Madsen
Newsletter	Warrick Baijusz
Website	Meghan Mickelson
Facebook	Susan Pederson, Mandy Madsen
Community garden	Erin Wolfsen
Pump track	Jared Madsen

# What's happening in your community

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR WARD 6 COUNCILLOR

I hope you've been getting in some *Saskatooning* this summer. It's been an exceptionally great summer in the city with fabulous weather, festivals and events. It's also been a busy one at City Hall.

Public and stakeholder engagement are ongoing as Council tries to flush out the way forward for transportation, as directed by the Growth Plan. **Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** is designed to change how we do transit and thereby increase ridership, reduce vehicle congestion and ensure Saskatoon is prepared for the future – for the same operational cost that we spend today.

An **All Ages and Abilities Cycling Network** is also part of the Growth Plan. Cities across North America, including cold cities like ours (Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton) are moving to this model in order to improve traffic flow, enhance safety and increase options for those who either cycle or use other wheels such as walkers and wheelchairs.

Further study is underway to look at options for a waste utility, which would include black/blue/green bins and the option to **Pay as You Throw** (PAYT) based on bin size. The current system is unsustainable both financially and environmentally. Council has passed a bylaw that will regulate the sale of **Cannabis** once it becomes legal in October. Of note, cannabis sales will be prohibited within 60 metres of schools. Council has directed a stand-alone bylaw for ride-share companies such as **Uber and Lyft**. Provincial regulations for the new service are expected to be in place by October.

Both the **Traffic Bridge** and **North Commuter Bridge** will open in October. At the same time, a pilot project will begin on **9<sup>th</sup> Street** that will close the west-bound ramp onto the freeway. I will be watching this study carefully to see how it impacts other streets. Several new projects are expected to come before Council in the next few months, including one at the top of the University Bridge and two or three in the Broadway District. The City is recommending improvements to the walkway on the **Buckwold Bridge** when preservation work begins next year. It will include higher railing, protection from vehicle traffic and a small widening, which will hopefully improve the pedestrian space.

I hope to see you at the **Broadway Street Fair** on September 8<sup>th</sup>. I'll be hanging out at the Ward 6 booth, and you might also find me at the dunk tank.

Have you signed up for City News from Cynthia? To receive e-updates or read previous updates, go to <http://www.cynthiablockward6.com>

Sincerely,

Cynthia  
[cynthia.block@saskatoon.ca](mailto:cynthia.block@saskatoon.ca)



## FLU IMMUNIZATION BEGINS OCTOBER 22, 2018

**What:** Flu vaccine is a safe, effective way to help people stay healthy, prevent illness & save lives.

**Who:** For everyone 6 months and older.

**Where:** Prairieland Park—Hall A  
503 Ruth Street West

When:	Date	Start	End
	October 26	12:30pm	7pm
	October 27, 28	9:00am	4pm
	October 29	12:30pm	7pm

Also offered at public health clinics, some physician and nurse practitioner offices and pharmacies

Call Healthline 811 or visit:

<https://www.4flu.ca>



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## PARKS UPDATES

The Saskatoon Hilltops have nearly completed their new clubhouse at Kilburn Park. Other improvements to the park include fixes to the on-site batting cage and new tree plantings facing Kilburn Avenue. Parking and public usage of the park continue to be occasional issues.

Meewasin is monitoring Gabriel Dumont Park for invasive plant species, in particular common burdock, which poses a threat to native plants and birds. Further down the park trees are being cleared in Diefenbaker Park for the start of construction of the Rotary Hill winter play area. supyxe are running weekly stand-up paddleboard events that launch from Rotary Park and Gabriel Dumont Park. Contact Escape Sports for details.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD TRAFFIC REVIEW UPDATE

After two rounds of public consultation the city has completed the Neighbourhood Traffic Review for Buena Vista, with results being sent out to all neighbourhood residents. Currently \$30,000 of the \$300,000 in requested improvements are funded. Residents will see temporary rubber installations on many streets; if they are seen to work well they will be replaced by permanent concrete installations with two years.

Other changes are expected for:

- 2018 (new/improved signs and street markings),
- 1-2 years (speed/traffic studies),
- 3-5 years (pedestrian corridor crossing, accessibility ramps), and
- 5+ years (e.g. sidewalk infill)

Thank you again to everyone who participated. We hope you see some positive changes in neighbourhood traffic, for pedestrians and vehicles alike. For more information, visit

<http://bvcasaskatoon.ca/traffic-review/>

## OFF-SITE LEVY FEES FROM INFILL DEVELOPMENT

The BVCA is working with our Ward 6 city councillor Cynthia Block to re-direct off-site levy fees from new construction within Buena Vista to projects within Buena Vista rather than the city's general fund. Off-site fees from new buildings are used to compensate the city for the cost of new infrastructure. Buena Vista, as an existing and mature neighbourhood, generally does not need major infrastructure projects so the fees from infill construction within the neighbourhood do not benefit the area. The BVCA would like to see all off-site levies from construction within BVCA directed to implementation of projects of benefit to the neighbourhood such as new sidewalks, park improvements and implementation of items from the Neighbourhood Traffic Review.

## SIDEWALKS

The BVCA continues to lobby for sidewalk installation in Buena Vista, the neighbourhood with the most blocks without sidewalks in the entire city.

## TREE PRUNING AND REMOVAL

City of Saskatoon Forestry will be pruning Buena Vista's city-owned trees this fall. This year, the pruning process will also include removal of the many diseased Ash and Chokecherry trees around the neighbourhood. To have the city replace a removed tree for free contact the City of Saskatoon about their 'Request a Tree' program.

## CITY-WIDE CURBSIDE SWAP

Give away some of your used household items during the curbside swap.

Safe, good condition items, only! Don't block foot or road traffic, and be mindful of where you park!

**Learn about Curbside Swaps, view curbside listings, and list your swap**

[www.saskatoon.ca/curbsideswap](http://www.saskatoon.ca/curbsideswap)

## 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 [buonavista1910@gmail.com](mailto:buonavista1910@gmail.com) for more information.*

**FREE**

# BVCA REGISTRATION NIGHT—SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

## BUENA VISTA SCHOOL GYM—6:30-8:00PM

Program (& start date)	Day/Time	Where	Cost
<b>ADULT FITNESS</b>			
<b>All Levels Yoga</b> (Sept. 17; Brett Donlevy)	<b>Mon. 7-8</b> pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 sessions)
<b>Pickleball</b> (Sept. 17, equipment only)	Mon. 8:30-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$15 (12 sessions)
<b>Pilates</b> (Sept. 11)	Tues. 6:45-7:45 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 sessions)
<b>Co-Ed Volleyball</b> (#1: Sept. 18; #2 Sept. 19)	Tues. & Wed. 8-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$25/person
<b>Boot Camp Cardio</b>	<b>Not offered at this time</b>		
<b>Total Body Sculpt</b>	<b>Not offered at this time</b>		
<b>Zumba</b> (Sept. 20; Stephanie Leier)	Thurs. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 sessions) \$6 drop-in
<b>ADULT RECREATION/CRAFT</b>			
<b>Beginner Traveler Spanish</b> (Sept. 17)	Mon. 7-8 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Intermediate Traveler Spanish</b> (Sept. 17)	Mon. 8-9 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Book Club</b> (Sept. 20, Oct. 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 13)	3rd Thurs. 7-9 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$5/person
<b>Beginner Social Dance</b> (TBA)	Fri. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
<b>Intermediate Social Dance</b> (TBA)	Fri. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
<b>CHILDREN/YOUTH</b>			
<b>Supervised Youth Drop In</b> (Sept. 19; ages 7-13; access to equipment)	Wed. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	Free
<b>Family Gym Time</b> (Sep. 14; access to equipment; must be supervised)	Fri. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$15/family
<b>Indoor Soccer</b> (BVCA + SYSI; ages 4-8: U5 [2014] co-ed, U7 [2012/13] boys/girls, U9 [2010/11] boys/girls )	<b>TBA; register at BVCA registration night!</b> For older than 2010, register with SYSI <a href="mailto:info@saskatoonyouthsoccer.ca">info@saskatoonyouthsoccer.ca</a>		

- ◆ **All dates and times are subject to change.** Check for up-to-date information at [bvcasaskatoon.ca](http://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](mailto:buenavista1910@gmail.com) with any questions, or for KidSport funding.