

## *Erlton Community Association Newsletter – Nov.2023*



*The Cenotaph at Central Memorial Park “THOSE WHO DIED 1914 – 1918, 1939 – 1945 and Korea 1950-1953”.*

### [Presidents Message](#)

*Neighbours,*

*For the ECA, November means our Annual General Meeting and the beginning of a new membership year. We hope to see as many of you as possible on Tuesday, November 14 at 7pm at the MNP Centre for the meeting. We operate our memberships on an annual basis which means that no matter when you bought it, your membership will expire as of November 14 so please [renew your membership](#) in order to maintain voting privileges and access to our [member discounts](#).*

*Our current Secretary and Membership Director, Nicole Bakker, will be resigning from her role as Secretary at the AGM (she will be staying on with Membership for now). First of all, the ECA and I would like to thank Nicole for her dedication to the ECA over the past few years. She was instrumental in getting the community garden off the ground and her organization and attention to detail have been an asset to the ECA. Thank you again, Nicole. This means we are in need of a new Secretary, so for anyone looking to get involved in the ECA this is a great opportunity. You can contact [erltonpresident@gmail.com](mailto:erltonpresident@gmail.com) or [erltonsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:erltonsecretary@gmail.com) or inquire directly at the AGM if you are interested.*

*Dylan Rayburn, President, Erlton Community Association*

## **The City of Calgary New Winter City Strategy Nov – March**

*In 2021, City Council approved the New Winter City Strategy to create a wider approach to strive toward making Calgary a great place to live, work and play all year round. It is focused on festivals and events, outdoor business activities, outdoor focused programming and initiatives during the winter months.*

*The Strategy was developed after reviewing successful winter strategies from other North American municipalities and resources available to the City through initiatives like “Wintermission: Bringing Public Life to Winter Cities – 8 80 Cities project”. It includes a Vision for Calgary’s future, guiding principles, desired outcomes, strategic goals and actions.*

*Strategy Vision: “Calgary is celebrated as world renowned winter city. Implemented through a dedicated approach, the strategy capitalizes on the benefits that winter can offer, harnessing winter as an asset to create social and economic benefit.”*

*It’s intended to benefit all Calgarians by:*

- *Celebrating winter in Calgary.*
- *Diversifying economic activity.*
- *Improving wellbeing and reducing social isolation.*
- *Increasing access to outdoor activities, events and cultural opportunities.*
- *Attracting more visitors to Calgary.*
- *Adapting public spaces by making them work better in winter.*

*Implementing the goals and actions of the strategy will occur in the short, medium and long term as funding is available.*

*As of March 2022, we have:*

- ✓ *160 outdoor rinks.*
- ✓ *393 km of snow cleared bike lanes.*
- ✓ *2 ice trails.*
- ✓ *1 Ski / snowboard hill.*
- ✓ *442 snow cleared pathways.*
- ✓ *5255 City parks.*
- ✓ *22 City maintained toboggan hills*
- ✓ *7 Cross country ski trails.*
- ✓ *95 Fire pits.*
- ✓ *3 Outdoor Markets.*
- ✓ *79 Outdoor events (Nov.-Mar)*

*To learn more about Calgary’s Winter Strategy: ([www.calgary.ca/events/winter-city/winter-city-strategy.html](http://www.calgary.ca/events/winter-city/winter-city-strategy.html))*

*8 – 80 Cities is a non-profit organization based in Toronto, Ontario. Their mission is to ignite action and challenge the status quo to create healthier, more equitable and sustainable cities for all people. ([www.880cities.org](http://www.880cities.org))*

Green Cart Collection Fall / Winter Schedule in Effect.

Starting in November, the City's fall / winter schedule for Green cart collection will be in effect. This means is your Green cart will be collected every two weeks until Spring 2024. Pick-up schedules for the Blue and Black cart does not change.

Green Cart Best Practice:

- Fill your Green Cart first and then use paper or other compostable bags for additional waste.
- Place the bags at least .5 metres (2 feet) away from your cart. Close the tops by rolling and make sure that YOU can lift the bag with one hand.

Check your schedule at [Calgary.ca/waste.html](http://Calgary.ca/waste.html).

**DID YOU KNOW?** The City of Calgary provides free sand and salt (pickle mix) to assist with ice and snow removal?

**YUP! its true!** But on a first come, first serve basis. Bring your own container.

Fun, Fun and More Fun:

**Readers Garden Café:** Your ECA membership entitles you to 10% discount on drinks at the Café. We are working on an email confirmation for our members to present at the Cafe.

**Erlton Garden Beautification Project:** Volunteers needed to help us spruce up the park in the spring, please email us if you can help out.

**Nov.14:** ECA Annual General Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm at the MNP Center. We have several open Directors positions. You can also renew your membership at the meeting.

MNP Center Access Strategy – How do you want to arrive – Online Engagement Nov.1-Nov.21<sup>st</sup>  
[Engage.calgary.ca/mnpaccess](http://Engage.calgary.ca/mnpaccess)



**Remember! Daylight savings time ends Nov.5<sup>th</sup> at 02:00. Set your clocks back one hour.**

*Alpha House is in need of Fall and Winter Clothing. Please have a look at the "How You Can Help" Page for a list of needed items. ([www.Alphahousecalgary.com](http://www.Alphahousecalgary.com)).*



*On Behalf of the Erlton Community Association, the Board of Directors would like to extend our Sincere Condolences to the Family and Friends of Wilda Pashak who passed away on Sept.1<sup>st</sup>. Wilda and Larry Pashak were two of the founding members of the Erlton Community Association and the development of our Bylaws.*



*Volunteering with ECA as a Director or Committee member is a great way to meet some new friends, have some fun and make a positive impact in our community. Please email [Erltonsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:Erltonsecretary@gmail.com); [Erltonpresident@gmail.com](mailto:Erltonpresident@gmail.com); [Erltoncommunications@gmail.com](mailto:Erltoncommunications@gmail.com) if you are interested.*



### Calgary in November



Average High Temperature: 4.0°

Average Low Temperature: -7.0°

Sunrise on Nov. 1st at 8:28 AM and Sunrise on Nov.30<sup>th</sup> at 8:16 AM

Sunset on Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:10 PM and Sunset on Nov.30<sup>th</sup> at 4:33 PM

## WEST ELBOW LOCAL AREA PLAN SURVEY

*The West Elbow Local Area Plan is a planning document that guides development in our neighborhoods for many years. As such it is important to get it right when it comes up for review, as it is now. This spring, representatives from many affected communities met to talk in general about the document and our hopes and expectations for it. We felt that we*



*wanted to seek feedback from our residents with our own survey, a link to which you find below. There will be many opportunities to provide feedback during the process but we as leaders wanted to understand the perspectives of our members and residents before starting a formal engagement with the City. I'd like to thank Lisa Poole, President of the Elbow Park Residents Association, for leading this effort and for compiling the responses to the survey. Please let Dylan (President) or Heesung (Planning know if you have any*

*questions about the West Elbow LAP engagement.*

*These survey questions have been developed by the communities involved in the LAP process, we are hoping for honest feedback from our community residents.*

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XRNT76R>

***Test your Smoke and CO detector after you're finished reading this newsletter to ensure they are working properly.***

***Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Remembrance Day.***

***Calgary Highlanders Annual Unit Parade and Ceremony of Remembrance –  
Nov.11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am Central Memorial Park at the Cenotaph.***



***“PASS NOT IN SORROW BUT WITH PRIDE” – North Bench***



***“MAY WE LIVE AS NOBLY AS THEY DIED” – South Bench***



*In Flanders Fields by John McCrae*

*In Flanders fields, the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
In Flanders fields,  
Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields*



*R.L. Boyle - Boer War Monument.*

*This Statue is intended as a tribute to all  
Albertans who fought in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Boer War (1899-1902).*





***TO THE IMPERSIBLE GLORY  
OF  
THE MEN OF THIS PROVINCE  
WHO FOUGHT AND DIED  
FOR`  
THEIR KING AND COUNTRY  
IN THE GREAT WAR  
1914 - 1918  
ERECTED BY COL. MACLEOD CHAPTER  
L.O.D.E***

***On November 11<sup>th</sup>, let's stop for 2 minutes and think about all of these people, our Veterans and Current Members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have fought for our freedom and protect us.***



