

Blue Quill Community League AGM

Thursday, October 25, 2018

7:00pm

11304-25 Avenue NW

Looking to get involved in your community?
Want to give back, or just have a say in what
happens in the place you live?

JOIN US!

Details inside!



Blue Quill Community League

11304-25 Avenue NW

Edmonton T6J 5B1

780-438-3366

www.bqcl.org

Office Hours

8:30am to 1:00pm

Monday to Friday



Blue Quill
Community
League (BQCL)




@BlueQuillCL

BQCL PROGRAMS

BQCL strives to bring a variety of programming to the league, hoping to provide something for everyone. If you have an idea for a program you would like to see us offer, or if you are an instructor, we would love to hear from you!

BLUE QUILL Shito-Ryu Itosu-Kai

KARATE



and SELF-DEFENCE

for
Children, Teens and Adults

Our instructors are among a select few in Canada who have received their BLACK BELT certification from Japan and are currently registered with the FEDERATION OF ALL JAPAN KARATE-DOH ORGANIZATIONS (F.A.J.K.O.). This is the only governing body for Karate recognized by the Japanese Government.

Wednesday Nights
7-8:30 pm
Blue Quill Community Hall
11304 25 Ave NW

- 12-class Semester is only \$100 for BQCL members (*non-member rate available*)

www.bqcl.org/karate
www.AlbertaKarate.com

Blue Quill Bridge Club
Come play!
Wednesdays 12:30pm to 3:30pm



Bridge

Bellydancing
Thursdays
6:30pm to 8:00pm



Ruth's Yoga

NEW SESSION STARTS SEPTEMBER 12, WEDNESDAY

RUTH'S YOGA: Join us for hatha yoga class of stretching, breathing exercises and meditation. You will find increased sense of contentment as you develop calm and relaxed states. Suitable for all levels from beginner to more advanced.

Blue Quill Members \$60 for 6 weeks classes. Non-members is \$75.00 for 6 weeks. Seniors Community membership is free at 65. Call Ruth to register 780-237-6730. DROP IN is \$15.00.

TIME: 9:00 AM

AGM Vacant Positions

Blue Quill Community League is holding their AGM on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 7:00pm. We will be looking to fill various positions. If you are considering getting involved, please check out what you might be interested in!

Vice President

- preside at any meetings when the President is absent;
- assume any duties from the President as required;
- oversee all contracts of the League.

Treasurer

- be responsible for all financial records of the League;
- be responsible, on behalf or in the name of, the League, for all monies collected or otherwise received, issuing duplicate receipts, payments of all accounts when properly approved, and keep proper accounts, receipts, and vouchers of same, and the deposit of funds to the League's bank accounts;
- Report the financial standing at every General Meeting;
- present to the Annual General Meeting financial statements for the preceding fiscal year that have been reviewed by an independent CMA, CGA or CA;
- present to the Annual General Meeting the budget for the upcoming fiscal year;
- recommend, in conjunction with the Executive, an Annual Budget to the Board of Directors.

Sports Director

- be charged with the general supervision of all sports programs of the League;
- be an ex-officio member of all sports committees;
- prepare an annual budget and a yearend report in conjunction with each sport committee.

Program Director

- be charged with the general supervision of all programs of the League using the facility on a regular basis;
- be an ex-officio member of all such committees;
- prepare an annual budget and a year-end report in conjunction with each such committee.

Membership and Volunteerism Director

- be responsible for the organization, timing and completion of the AnnualMembership drive;
- be responsible for promotion of volunteerism including recruitment and recognition programs.

Civics Director

- be the liaison with Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues, South West Area Council, City Council, etc.;
- chair Ad Hoc Committees relating to specific development issues.

City of Edmonton at BQCL





BLUE QUILL PARTY IN THE PARK

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY THROUGH LOCAL MUSIC!

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you goes out to everyone that was involved in our 6th Annual Party in the Park! From volunteers, to sponsors, and musicians to staff, we couldn't have done it without you! This event takes so much time and effort to pull off, but every year we do it again as the reward is so great!





Better food starts here.

A special thanks to our Encore Sponsors!

BQCL MEMBERSHIP

Membership Rates

Family \$35/year

Single \$25/year

Senior Free

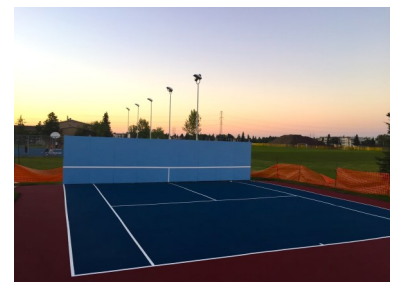
Associate \$35

Business \$125

Blue Quill Community League offers membership to our residents that comes with many benefits. With membership, you get the use of our skating rink, tennis courts, basketball courts, beach volleyball courts and all our programming comes with a discount. Not only this, but your hall rentals come at a discounted rate and you have the use of Confederation Pool on both Saturdays and Sundays from 4:00pm to 5:30pm. You can enjoy these and many other benefits, all while getting involved in your Community!

If interested, contact Toby at membership@bqcl.org

Amenities



Rent our Hall

The Main Hall and Kitchen can be rented for \$525.00 per day, or \$90.00 per hour. **BQCL members receive discounted rates of \$425.00 per day and \$60.00 per hour!**

The upstairs loft at BQCL is an ideal meeting space as it can accommodate up to 60 seated and has tables, chairs, a sink and a deck. This space can be rented on a weekday evening for \$175.00 (non-member) or \$125.00 (member). Weekend rental rates are the same as other rooms in the hall (\$90 per hour for non members and \$60 per hour for members).

A \$500 Cash Security Deposit applies to all rentals.

Blue Quill Community League does not rent on Sundays.

Membership Benefits



**MEMBERSHIP
BENEFITS**



Cloverdale Paint offers wholesale pricing!

Show your community league membership card, mention *Edmonton Fed. of Community Leagues* (code 057EFCL) and receive wholesale pricing at any Cloverdale Paint location. Find your closest Cloverdale Paint store. Just ONE of the many benefits of a community league membership!

Upcoming Events

BQCL AGM

Thursday, October 25

Vendor Fair/Kids Xmas

Saturday, December 8



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Be the first to sign up for this year's Leagues Alive Annual Board Development Conference!

This full-day session will provide community league board members with an opportunity to build their skills and improve their processes to ensure they can operate as a highly effective team.

The day will have a total of 3 training sessions, a networking session, and lunch. Bring your whole board to develop the skills and common language highly successful boards need.

Detailed outlines of all sessions are available on the Leagues Alive Eventbrite page. Session selection will be processed during the checkout process on Eventbrite.

BQCL was featured on the EFCL Website!

Reduce Consumption.

Reduce Expenses.

Conserve Energy.



These are the three goals of Blue Quill Community League's Energy Efficiency Initiative. As one of the larger community halls in the city, the facility has a high energy demand and cost all year long; in the summer, it's air conditioning loads energy-efficient and in the winter, it's the heating and lighting loads.

Blue Quill's next project was to utilize a rooftop solar PV system to reduce expenses. The hall has a large roof area, and this summer, Kuby Renewable Energy designed and installed a 156 panel, 54 kW array. This is the largest solar Community League project in Edmonton!

As the solar array was a big investment, Blue Quill did an assessment of funds in hand and grants available to build a cashflow timeline that determined that the investment was worth it. This array was paid for in parts by grants from the Alberta Municipal Solar Program as well as from the leagues' AGLC casino proceeds. This investment helps reduce the community league's monthly power costs, while cutting down on their greenhouse gas emissions.

Interested in the performance of the system? Check out the real time numbers here: <https://monitoringpublic.solaredge.com/solaredge-web/p/kiosk?guid=7c2713d8-9a08-4abd-ae1b-391562dcae68>

Blue Quill has been conserving energy, by using a web-connected programmable thermostat that has their HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) system on a schedule. It also provides them with alerts if the A/C units or furnaces are not operating as they should be. The Community League is looking into the benefit of a heat pump system to increase the efficiency of the building heating and cooling system.

Garth Williams is the Facilities Director at Blue Quill and he feels good about their Facility Sustainability Plan, as they are now paying less each month for power, taking advantage of new technology (inverters, shown to the left), and are being more fiscally and environmentally responsible. "The technology is amazing... to see how much direct current (DC) these solar panels generate and then how it gets converted into alternating current (AC). We live in an amazing age."

Is your league interested in undertaking sustainability initiatives? Garth stressed that "knowledge is power." Completing the energy assessment was a catalyst for the changes that Blue Quill has done. They also found a great contractor in Kuby Renewable Energy to, not only look after the solar PV installation but also helped identify grants and filled out compliance paperwork. Garth is glad Blue Quill acted on this project sooner rather than later as he predicts that, "as time goes by, solar will become more commonplace, and grants will diminish." He stresses that "if there is desire and if there are funds, then now is the time."

If you are feeling inspired by Blue Quill Community League, the EFCL can help you get started. The Green Leagues Program offers workshops, resources, and tools to help guide your sustainability initiative.

BQCL Board of Directors

The BQCL Board meets once a month on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.

If you are interested in coming to a meeting or joining our board, please feel free to call 780-438-3366.

BQCL Board Members	
POSITION	NAME/EMAIL
President	Travis Ball president@bqcl.org
Vice-President	VACANT vicepresident@bqcl.org
Treasurer	Andrew Happer treasurer@bqcl.org
Secretary	Tami Wong secretary@bqcl.org
Past President	VACANT pastpres@bqcl.org
Civics	VACANT civics@bqcl.org
Facilities	Garth Williams facilities@bqcl.org
Fundraising	Richard Hughes fundraising@bqcl.org
Memberships	Toby Brilz membership@bqcl.org
Programs	VACANT programs@bqcl.org
Publicity	Samantha Tomte publicity@bqcl.org
Social	Kelly Haylock social@bqcl.org
Sports	VACANT sports@bqcl.org

Update from the City of Edmonton First Place Homebuyers Program

Blue Quill First Place

The Blue Quill show home opened in July 2018. Construction is in full swing. The neighbourhood's desirability, as well as its proximity to transit, retail, and health services are attracting new buyers. To date, 58 of the 62 new homes are already sold or committed to first time home buyers. Families will start moving to Blue Quill by the end of August 2018 and we are expecting all new home owners to move in by summer 2019. The show home, located at 215 Saddleback Road is open from 3-8 p.m. Monday to Thursday, and from 12-5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. For information on eligibility requirements and new home pricing, please visit the [Blue Quill First Place by Landmark communities website](#) .

Skyrattler

There have been some changes to City Council priorities that have placed new demands on the Real Estate Branch, which have impacted the planned project timelines in the Skyrattler neighbourhood. As a result of these emerging priorities, the project start date for the Skyrattler communication/public engagement process has been revised from late 2017/early 2018 to the Fall of 2018.

More information

More information on the program and eligibility is available on the City website under [First Place Program](#) .

**ADVERTISE in the
Blue Grass Rattler!**

If you wish to
advertise in the Blue
Grass Rattler, please
call 780-438-3366 or
email
bqcladmin@bqcl.org.

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The Blue Grass Rattler is a local community newsletter published monthly that provides news and details of events, programs and civic issues. It is circulated via email to our membership and all those that subscribe. Advertisements are accepted according to the rate schedule below with priority given to local businesses and organizations. The newsletter is published and circulated by the Blue Quill Community League who maintains editorial control and reserves the right to limit advertising as required.

SIZE	(width x height)	RATE
1/8 page	(3.5" v 2.25")	\$100
¼ page	(3.5" x 4.75")	\$125
½ page	(7.5" x 4.75")	\$200
Full Page	(7.5" x 10")	\$350
Back Page	(7.5" x 10")	\$450

**BQCL is starting this news-
letter as an online edition.
Ads in the online edition are
\$100 for up to 1/2 page.
Within a year, we hope to
mail out print editions which
would have the above rates.**

The 4 Corners of our Community

Blue Quill Community League is comprised of 4 communities. Blue Quill, Blue Quill Estates, Sweet Grass and Skyrattler. In this area, we would love to feature events, initiatives or issues that affect these individual neighbourhoods. If you have something you would like to see in the newsletter, please let us know!

BQCL Seniors

BQCL would love to hear from our resident Seniors! If there is an activity or information session you would like to see at the league, please let us know!

If you are a senior with extra time on your hands, the board would benefit from having a senior's rep attend our meetings. This person could be a liaison between the Board of Directors and the Senior Community. If you are interested, give us a call! 780-438-3366



Upcoming EFCL Workshops and Events

[Let's Talk About Governance \(District J\) – September 29, 2018](#)

[Introduction to Community Walking - October 13, 2018](#)

[Leagues Alive - October 20, 2018](#)

[Community Walking Refresher - October 27, 2018](#)

[Fall General Meeting - October 29, 2018](#)

Take part in International Walk to School Week

We all want our kids to be healthy and active. A good way to do that is to help them find ways to walk—or ride or roll!—to school.

Since October 1 marks the first day of [International Walk to School Week](#), it's a great time to think about ways to stay active, decrease traffic around your child's school and help the environment. Here are some ideas:

- Use your community league's message board or Facebook page to find other families interested in walking or wheeling to school.
 - Look for a walking or wheeling buddy to accompany your child.
 - Think about organizing a walking school bus, with different parents or caregivers taking turns as the "driver".
 - If you need to drive, stop several blocks from the school and walk from there to reduce congestion around the school.
 - Involve your school's parent advisory council and offer monthly prizes to kids for walking to school.
- [Register](#) your family or school for this special week and [learn more](#) about walking to school.



City of Edmonton

Events this month

- The Edmonton Canadian Immigrant Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Oct. 1
 - Edmonton Opera's Free Screening of Moulin Rouge, 7-9 p.m.: Oct. 1
 - Make-A-Wish Foundation's Wishful Baking Week: Oct. 1-5
- Read In Week to promote literacy: Oct. 1-5
- Royal Alberta Museum grand opening: Oct. 3
 - Thanksgiving Day: Oct. 8
 - Edmonton Comedy Festival: Oct. 10-13
 - Mosquers Film Festival: Oct. 13
 - Edmonton Federation of Community League (EFCL)'s Introduction to Community Walking: Oct. 13
 - EFCL's Leagues Alive Annual Board Development Conference: Oct. 20
 - Edmonton Diwali Fair: Oct. 20-21
 - City of Edmonton's Change for Climate Talks, 5:30-9 p.m.: Oct. 24
 - Boo! At The Zoo, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.: Oct. 28
 - Halloween trick or treat: Oct. 31

Get involved!

- Tour Ekota and Greenview / Hillview in Mill Woods with [new community walking maps](#) available at Edmonton Public Libraries, City Hall, or by calling 311.

Sign your kids up for free drop-in [Fall Green Shack Programs](#).

- Take the City's [Green Shack Survey](#) to help us offer the best program possible.

Help a [newcomer feel welcome](#) in Edmonton.

- [Share your thoughts about The City Plan](#) at drop-in public engagement sessions.

- Lend a hand building a home with [Habitat for Humanity](#).

Offer your insights about [The Future of Waste](#) in Edmonton and help Waste Services shape a new long-term waste strategy..

Drop in to [Kara Family Resource Centre's many programs](#) for parents and children, including Buddy & Me, for dads and their pre-schoolers, or Grow with Me, for parents and babies.

- See top-notch movies at the [Edmonton International Film Festival](#) until Oct. 6.

Discover how the City can [help you with community programs and neighbourhood events](#).

Give your opinion by joining the [Edmonton Insight Community](#).

- [Find your nearest community league](#) and become a member.