Blue Quill Community League



"BQCL strives to provide a sense of community, and to enhance the quality of life in the greater Blue Quill Community by providing: facilities for community use; excellent social, recreational and cultural programs; and focussed advocacy efforts."

Annual General Meeting- October 15, 2020

Please take a moment to mute your mic.

Treaty 6 Acknowledgment

Introductions

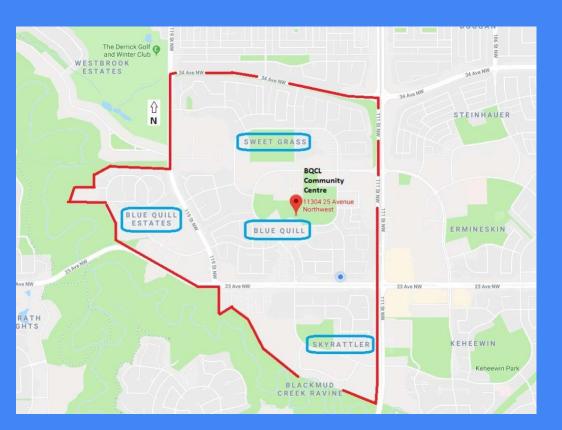
- President (Leslie Hierath)
- Vice President (Travis Ball)
- Treasurer (Samantha Tomte)
- Secretary (Tami Wong)
- Facilities Director (Garth Williams)
- Membership Director (Tamara Arnold)
- Member at Large (Wanda Krieger)
- Member at Large (Trevor Gerbrand)
- Fundraising Director (Richard Hughes)

OFFICE MANAGER- Kathryn Fernandez

Vacant Positions

- Civics Director
- Programs Director
- Publicity Director
- Social Director
- Sports Director
- Garden Director

Our Community



The Blue Quill Community League is made up of **four** separate areas, namely:

- Blue Quill
- Sweet Grass
- Skyrattler
- Blue Quill Estates

Annual General Meeting Agenda

- Call to Order, Declaration of Quorum
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Year in Review - President Leslie Hierath

- We started the year with several key board positions vacant
- COVID hit during our busiest time of year
- We saw a change/reduction in the following:
 - Rentals
 - Programming
 - Events
 - Soccer
 - Tennis
 - Memberships

Year in Review - President Leslie Hierath

- We were one of the first leagues able to reopen in the city once restrictions were reduced
 - Hall sanitized
 - AHS measures put into place
- Ran a Successful Basketball program under new guidelines
- We now have three long term renters
 - Blue Quill Playschool
 - Art Collective
 - South West Edmonton Seniors Association (SWESA)
 - Office space and programming.

Year in Review- newsletter

In late 2019 we upgraded our newsletter to an email version



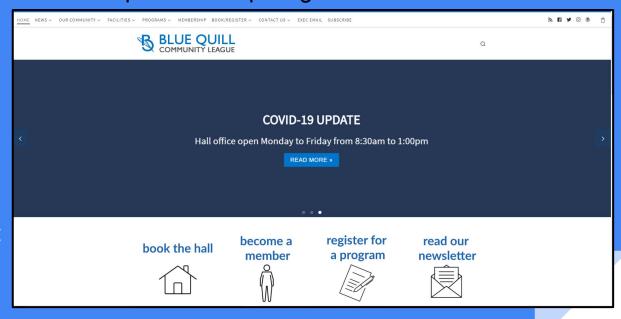
https://www.bqcl.org/blue-grass-rattler/



Year in Review- New Website

- New site launched in early 2020
- Responsive and user friendly.
- Online program registration now available
- Updates coming this year:
 - Live feed
 - Booking calendar

https://www.bqcl.org



Year in Review - Community Garden

New in 2020

- Efforts underway to construct a permanent community garden
- Temporary Pop Up gardens installed in Blue Quill & Skyrattler Parks this summer
- Validated community interest & gathered information for long-term plans
- Fundraising launched with socially distanced bottle drive



Year in Review Community Garden

Our Plans for Next Year

- Prepare detailed construction plans
- Gather resident feedback on garden plans
- Pursue fundraising & grant opportunities
- Install a temporary Pilot Garden at BQCL in Spring 2021
- Begin construction on permanent garden in fall 2021 (pending approval)



Year in Review Community Garden

Project Plans & Progress

- Project information & updates posted on our website <u>www.bgcl.org</u>
- Facebook Blue Quill Community Garden
- Updates in The Rattler newsletter
- Email: garden@bqcl.org to be added to our mailing list



Year in Review- Facilities Garth Williams

ONGOING MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

General building repair and maintenance (plumbing/heating/etc.)

Tennis/Basketball court maintenance

Hockey Rink repaint

Interior rental space repaint



Year in Review- Facilities Garth Williams

UPGRADE ACTIVITIES

Replacement of high security lock system

- Grant: 2019 CFEP
- Value: \$17,150
- Expected completion: Q4 2020
- Lock system is 15+ years old
- Proprietary older system is expensive to maintain
- New system (Mul-T-Lock) will cost less to maintain
- Will position BQCL for electronic access (expected 2021)

Year in Review- Facilities

Garth Williams

UPGRADE ACTIVITIES CONT'D

Replacement of tables and chairs

- Grant: 2019 CFEP
- Value: \$40,000
 - Expected completion Q1 2021
- Last replaced in +/- 2004
- Main Hall rentals
 - General use extra strength plastic
- Loft Rentals
 - Metal/Fabric
- Loft Deck Rentals
 - Weatherproof

Year in Review- Treasurer Samantha Tomte

- We began the 2019-2020 fiscal year on a tight budget. Covid arrived 6 months in.
- BQCL relies on operating grants, year to year, to keep the lights on, as well as casino funds.
- Grants and casino funds present the league with a unique challenge of spreading the money throughout the fiscal year (or 2 years with casino).
- Grants totaled \$111,000 for the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year

GRANT	AMOUNT	DATE APPLIED	DATE RECEIVED	DATE REPORT DUE	USE	STATUS
CLIP-COE	\$25,000	FEB 2019	NOV 2019	MAY 2021	TABLES/CHAIRS/DOORS/ LOCKS	\$ IN BANK
CIP-GOA	\$32,300	MAY 2019	NOV 2019	MAY 2021	TABLES/CHAIRS/DOORS/ LOCKS	\$ IN BANK
CLIP-COE	\$25,000	JAN 2020	AUG 2020	NOV 2022	FURNACES	\$ IN BANK
CFEP-GOA	\$25,777	JAN 2020	AUG 2020	JAN 2022	FURNACES	\$ IN BANK
CLOG-COE	\$26,799	JAN 2020	JUNE 2020	N/A	ANYTHING-OPERATING GRANT	\$ IN BANK
CSG-GOC	~\$20,000	JAN 2020	NOT YET RECEIVED	~FEB 2021	PAY SUMMER STUDENTS	
CEWS	~\$6-9000	MONTHLY	MONTHLY	?	WAGE SUBSIDY REMAINING (ends Jan 2021	

Year in Review- Treasurer

	Budget 2019-2020	Actual 2019-2020
Total Income	\$214,500	\$181,874
Total Expenses	\$277,400	\$157,742
Net Cash	-\$62,900	\$24,132

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Proposed Operating Budget 2020 - 2021

	Actual 2019/2020	Proposed 2020/2021
Total Income	\$181,874	\$209,400
Total Expenses	\$157,742	\$265,377
Net Cash	\$24,132	-\$55,977

^{*\$60,000} in the bank

Proposed Operating Budget 2020 - 2021

Adjustments to INCOME (\$209,400)

- Casino: \$20,000 allotted to this fiscal year, remainder to 2021-2022
- Anticipating low memberships
- BAPS inside gathering restrictions have prevented their return to BQCL
- NEW renters: Art Collective \$11,000/yr as we no longer have Mosaic Church renters
- Community Garden committee is actively fundraising and applying for grants

Proposed Operating Budget 2020 - 2021

Adjustments to EXPENSES (\$265,377)

- Community Events budget \$2000
- Program Expenses \$6000
- New website fees around \$500 (host and tech support)
- Basketball courts due to the overwhelming use
- Community Garden \$3400

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Special Resolution - Amendment of the Bylaws

Be it resolved that the BQCL Bylaws be amended to include the following under Article 6:

- 6.14 Garden Director
 - The Garden Director will:
 - Be responsible for the development, operation and maintenance of Blue Quill community garden grounds.
 - Be responsible for the planning and maintenance of centre shrubs, trees and flowers in conjunction with the Facilities Director. (i.e. soft-scape versus hardscape projects).
 - Chair the Blue Quill Community Garden Committee.
 - Be the liaison with Sustainable Food Edmonton, City of Edmonton Community Greening Coordinator and Local Community Gardens.
 - Be responsible for the supervision of community garden contractors in conjunction with the Facilities Director.
 - Prepare an annual budget and a year end report in conjunction with the Community Garden Committee.

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Vacant Positions and Elections

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- Treasurer
- Social Director
- Sports Director
- Programs Director

- Membership Director
- Civics Director
- Publicity Director
- Fundraising Director
- Garden Director
- Member at large (2)

Volunteer of the Year

Tamara Arnold!!

- Soccer coordinator
- Sports
- Programs
- Membership
- Website
- Garden
- And more!!



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We hope to see you around the community very soon.