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May 20, 2010

Telus World of Science offers deals for League Members
FRONT YARDS IN BLOOM SEASON BEGINS **Park(ed)**
Closes Downtown Street to Traffic **LAST REMINDER MLA**
TOUR **Meeting to Clarify Hockey Process** **INFO**
SESSIONS

More . . .

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New benefits & discounts for your card carrying League Members at Telus World of Science [take in this family fun](#)

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55 LEAGUES PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY LEAGUE DAY

[See what they're doing . . .](#)

MLA'S Listen to League Voices

MLA PROVINCIAL CABINET TOUR TO INCLUDE THE VOICES OF OUR LEAGUES ON MAY 27

LOCATION: Balwin Community League, 12904 - 74 Street [GOOGLE MAP](#) 7:00 TO 9:00PM

Please be advised that doors will open at 7:00 pm. There will be a seating plan with table numbers. Try to be seated for a prompt beginning at 7:30.

EFCL has prepared topics of concerns to community leagues for opening comments. [Download this pdf to view](#)

Reserved spots are posted for you to [check online](#). If we have missed your name by oversight or lost email, or to get on a waiting list for available spots please contact us at info@efcl.org.

[More details online](#)

CLAIM YOUR TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE FREE FAMILY MEMBERSHIP and offer Discounts to your league members

During our run of the new Sultans of Science travelling exhibition, opening this Saturday, **May 21 until September 6** [VISIT THE TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE WEBSITE FOR WHAT'S ON](#)

TELUS World of Science - Edmonton would like to offer all card carrying community league members 10% DISCOUNTS and every league one free family membership. [Details online . . .](#)



Great Stuff:



[WHAT ARE OTHER LEAGUES DOING?](#)



efcl.org/Activities/GreenChallenge2010/



Sherbrooke Annual Street Dance and Barbecue June 5
[Details online](#)

West Division Safety Fair
Make your community safer, have a hot dog, and gather [information](#)

Bonnie Fest is on June 5 [details online](#)

Clareview Rocks and takes over Hermitage Park [June 19](#)

Greenfield Grand Opening of Spray Park & Playground on [June 19](#)

June is BIKE MONTH so [enjoy these pedal powered activities](#)

Monthly Recreation Passes now have automated billing and still 20% discounts for league members. [Read more online](#)

Have you booked your Outdoor Pool time yet?
[This years details...](#)

City of Edmonton hosts 59th Annual Salute to Excellence you and your community members are invited on June 7. Please post ad in your newsletter if you have time. [Read more](#)

Have a green event or community garden that could use some funding?
[Real Food Movement may have some grant money for you](#)

INVITATION TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS AND DISCUSS THE HOCKEY REGISTRATION PROCESS

The changes to the hockey registration and corresponding league membership sales has created a lot of wind of change for our leagues and hockey registrars alike. EFCL has posted the current process information online and you are [welcome to click here](#) to read if you still aren't 100% sure of what you should be doing for membership sales.

On **June 15 at 7:00 pm, at EFCL Offices, 7103 – 105 Street** please feel free to come down and discuss the procedure and give us your valuable feedback.

Leagues Asked to Support Our Sports Partners

Sports Registrars (Hockey, Soccer, Ringette, Ball etc) have been selling League Memberships for Time Immemorial. Please grant them free privileges and / or discounts for

- booking ice time (including Knights of Columbus)
- for using the halls for registrations
- for advertising the registrations and open houses in the newsletters

We are partners with the sports registrars and we would hope you appreciate their volunteer hours they have spent organizing the sales of your memberships.

Routes Recommended for Northwest LRT INFORMATION SESSIONS

The City of Edmonton has completed the evaluation for the northwest LRT extension from the planned NAIT station to the northwest city limits.

"This process involved significant technical evaluation and public consultation," says Adam Laughlin, Director, Facility and Capital Planning. "After careful examination, we recommend the 113A Street Corridor, using 153 Avenue, because it maximizes ridership and connections to communities in northwest Edmonton."

According to this recommendation, the LRT would travel from NAIT northwest through the City Centre Airport lands, over or under Yellowhead Trail and the CN railyard, north on 113A Street, then turning West on 153 Avenue to a future park and ride site planned at northwest city limits.

"This proposed LRT extension will change the way people use the transportation system. To facilitate this transition, we will continue to work closely with all the stakeholders, including the City of St. Albert, who has been a partner in the study. The route is designed to accommodate a potential future extension into the City of St. Albert which is consistent with St. Albert's transportation plans and the Capital Region Board's transit plans."

This route recommendation will be considered by City Council following a Statutory Public Hearing on June 22. City Council will make the ultimate decision whether the recommendation will be approved.

In preparation for the public hearing, public consultation will continue. Information sessions will be held on June 9 and 10 to share more details on the evaluation process and the recommended corridor.

Information sessions

Wednesday, June 9	Thursday, June 10
4 – 8pm	4 – 8pm
Calder Hall	Caernarvon Community League Hall
12721 - 120 Street	14830 - 118 Street

Information sessions will be a drop-in open house format, with presentations at 5 pm and 7 pm.

[Link to pdf with more information](#)

Edmonton Capitals Baseball Offer Special Rates to Community League Members Get group rates as an individual or book a league party [...check it out online](#)

City of Edmonton Sidewalk Strategy If you are aware of any missing curb ramps or sidewalk links that pose accessibility issues or would benefit your community as a whole please contact us by calling the Transportation Planning Branch at 780-944-5600 or sending an email to transplanning@edmonton.ca.

Would you Like a Mature Tree Bylaw for Edmonton? [Details online](#)

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Park (ed) Creates a Car Free Day Downtown Edmonton

Join EFCL in the Park(ed) Stall Contest, on **Park(ed)- car free day**, Saturday, June 19th, 12 – 4 pm, 102 Avenue between 104 St./110 St.

Help decorate EFCL's reserved car free parking stall, and get the message out that Community Leagues promote active living and the environment. Promote your green ideas and projects. Contact Bev.Zubot@efcl.org or Valerie.Pachal@efcl.org, 780-437-2913.

For more information on Park(ed) Day, visit www.edmonton.ca/activedmonton

Residential Infill Guidelines Sessions

One more meeting to be held at **7 pm**

- **May 27 in Garneau, Community Arts Centre**, 10943 - 83 Avenue
Limited seating in Garneau, **RSVP to Bev.Zubot@efcl.org** or 437-2913

- **June 2 in Bonnie Doon**, 9240 - 93 Street

City planners will let you know where higher density housing will be allowed in your mature neighbourhood, review quality control guidelines, and give you an opportunity to have input into requirements for apartment yards suitable for children.

If your League wishes to host a Session, contact EFCL.

Front Yards in Bloom has Officially Started Again

We hosted a kick-off event on Monday, May 17th at the address of the first official nomination (address of Maggie Easton in Satoo community). Here is the news release that went with it (http://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/news/find-edmontons-best-dressed.aspx).

Get your neighbourhood involved and post the ads at the hall:

(http://fyinb.pbworks.com/f/FYinB2010_ad.pdf) or the Front Yards in Bloom poster (http://fyinb.pbworks.com/f/FYinB2010_ad.pdf).

If your league would like to deliver the front yard signs or be involved in the process please contact the Edmonton Horticultural Society frontyards@edmontonhort.com

To nominate yards.bloom@edmonton.ca by July 8.

And we got some nice press about Front Yards in Bloom lately:

Edmonton Journal (<http://www.edmontonexaminer.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e=2586110>)

Edmonton Examiner (<http://www.edmontonexaminer.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e=2586110>)

And remember, now is the time for nominations. So look out for attractive yards. We don't want to miss any really good yards this year.

Enjoy the spring,

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Edmonton Public Schools Sector Planning

Sector planning is about making the best possible use of available resources so that all students have access to vibrant schools and a range of quality programs in their sectors. Possible results include no change, combining schools together, reorganization or relocation of programs or closure of some schools.

COME TO THE CONVERSATION – Attend a community forum to discuss what is working well in area schools, what can be improved, and your ideas, issues and concerns about school space use specific to your area.

MAY 29 | 9am to 12:30 pm
Strathcona School, 10450 72 Avenue
FOCUS: South Central Sector

JUNE 5 | 9am 12:30 pm
Ross Sheppard School, 13546 – 111 Avenue
FOCUS: West 1 Sector

JUNE 19 | 9am 12:30 pm
Victoria High School, 10210 108 Avenue NW
FOCUS: Central Sector

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IS THERE A LEAGUE OUT THERE THAT NEEDS A SKATING RINK?

Laurier Heights has a wood hockey board system, approximately 190 x 85, with recently renovated wood upgraded. If they could find someone to take them away that would be our preference and a donation to our building society or community league would be even better.

mjacobson@shaw.ca or cell number Ray at 780 718 2247

Home this May Long Weekend? Enjoy this Biodiversity Event

Looking for a fresh and fun way to spend an afternoon on the long weekend? Join some of Edmonton's Master Naturalists and local conservation organizations to celebrate the **International Day of Biodiversity** on May 22, from 12-6 pm at the Stanley Milner Library! There will be indoor and outdoor fun for the whole family: tips on how to create a garden to attract native wildlife, a demonstration planting, biodiversity games, a screening of *Lost Worlds: Life in the Balance*, and a World Cafe conversation about how we can build community through the protection of biodiversity in Edmonton.

Check out the attached poster for details, and come along and join us!

Please visit the website (www.edmonton.ca/naturalareas) or contact Angela Hobson at the City of Edmonton Office of Natural Areas for more information:

angela.hobson@edmonton.ca or 496-6147.

Improve Active Non-Motorized Transportation

Contact the Trails Paths Routes Advisory Committee with your suggestions on improving active, non-motorized transportation in Edmonton. This Committee provides citizen input to the City on enhancing trails and routes for walkers, cyclists, skiers, skaters and horse riders. EFCL has a position on the Committee and would like to hear from you directly (bev.zubot@efcl.org) or through the Trails Paths Routes Advisory Committee (tprac@edmonton.ca, 496-1795).

An information brochure is available at www.edmonton.ca/tprac.

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