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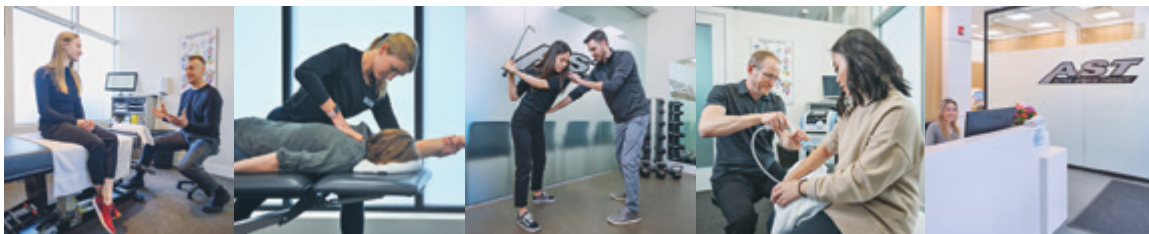
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Deer Ridge Community Association.

The Deer Ridge Community Association membership fee is \$15.00 per household and two membership cards will be mailed to you upon receipt of payment. Your membership also grants you Deer Ridge CA voting privileges at the AGM. We invite all Deer Ridge residents to actively participate in the decisions that shape our community. For volunteer opportunities, please visit www.DeerRidgeCA.com/volunteer/



Deer Ridge Community Association Membership 2022 - 2023

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Additional family members: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

** Please note that your email address will be added to our electronic mailing list and used for notifications of upcoming community events, information, and volunteer opportunities.
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OUR VISION: We will be a safe community with established programs and facilities, committed volunteers, and we'll be financially stable.

OUR MISSION: To enhance the quality of life in Deer Ridge for today and the future by establishing and fulfilling the common goals, needs and interests of our community.

Community Resources for Vulnerable Citizens

Calgary Alpha House Society is a local non-profit, charitable agency providing supports to men and women whose lives have been impacted by alcohol and other drug dependencies. Our work positively impacts Calgary communities by providing help to vulnerable citizens. In doing so, we divert individuals away from unnecessary uses of health care, criminal justice, and emergency systems by building relationships and connecting clients to more appropriate resources. Some of Alpha House's resources are listed here. We encourage you to use them where appropriate.

Join us in creating community for everyone.

The DOAP Team

403-998-7388

24/7

Non-emergency number for individuals on the street needing assistance.

Needle Response Team

403-796-5334

Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Mobile unit cleaning up needle and needle debris on public and private property.

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Box Options

Small Box: \$25, 20-25lbs* of fruits and vegetables

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**Please note, weights are approximate and will vary depending on produce size and density*

Order Day

August

September 6

September 27

October 18

Pickup Day

No orders

September 15

October 6

October 27

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

It's already August – we're at mid-summer and we hope it's turning out to be a great summer season for you.

Annual General Meeting

At the Annual General Meeting in June, incumbent Board members were elected for another term, and there were no changes to Board member roles. Many thanks to those Board members who allowed their names to stand again and who are excited to serve their community for another two-year term.

Community Cleanup

The community clean up on July 9 was again a big hit with our community members, who came out in significant numbers to drop off their unwanted household items and clean up our neighbourhood. We extend our thanks to the City of Calgary for providing the opportunity to fill dumpsters with our refuse for free, and to the Queensland/Diamond Cove Community Association for once again hosting this event in their parking lot, so that you could bring your unwanted household items for disposal with no fee. Congratulations to everyone on another successful cleanup!

Movie in the Park

Make sure you come and bring your family and friends to Yellow Slide Park on August 20 for a very special fun evening of activities, hot dogs, drinks, snacks, and a movie at sundown. Enjoy getting together once again over a movie, food, and fun, with folks you haven't seen in a while. It's all free, so all you need to bring is jackets, chairs or blankets, bug spray, and your enthusiasm for a great night of getting together with friends. Watch our website for more details.

Volunteers for help with set up, refreshments, people flow and safety, and post event equipment tear down and clean up, are so important in ensuring Movie in the Park runs smoothly. Please contact us at DeerRidgeCA@gmail.com if you can spare a few hours to help make a very fun community event even better.

Community Membership

The Deer Ridge Community Association Membership drive happens in August. Get your 2022-23 membership now! Just \$15 per household gets you a say in what happens in your community, and the opportunity to help create and sustain the vibrancy and vitality of our neighbourhood.

Board Meetings

Board meetings resume in just another month and a half, with the first one being on Tuesday, September 20, at 7:00 pm. Watch our website (www.deerridgeca.com) for location and other details.

School's Back!

School resumes at the end of August. Remember to watch for those kiddos who'll be excited to get back to hanging with their friends at the end of this month as you drive through the neighbourhood – they may be too excited to watch for you.

August Newsletter Word Search

Our word search creator is taking a break, so there is no word search in the newsletter this month. We apologize to those who will miss this feature.

Wishing you a wonderful August and we'll chat again in September!



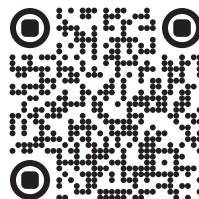
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Avoid Hidden Fees When Booking Your Next Trip

by the Better Business Bureau



Even when you carefully plan and budget for a vacation, additional travel expenses often crop up, thanks to a sneaky technique called drip pricing. BBB recommends the following tips to predict, prepare for, and even avoid the hidden travel fees buried in the fine print.

Identifying and Avoiding Hidden Travel Fees

- Watch out for resort fees. These fees – sometimes called “destination fees” or “urban fees” – are often not listed on hotel aggregator websites, which means you need to click through several pages to find the hotel’s final price.
- Look for hospitality tax. Some cities charge hotel or hospitality taxes, which aren’t included in the hotel’s nightly rate.
- Not all airport shuttle services are free. Just because a hotel says it offers an airport shuttle service doesn’t mean it is complementary.
- Find out about parking. Not all hotels offer free parking, so ensure this is included before you book, especially in high-traffic areas with limited parking space.
- Don’t assume hotel amenities are complimentary. Poolside towels, early check-in, in-room snacks, and even a continental breakfast may not be included in your room rate.
- Pack as little as possible when flying. Avoid baggage fees by reducing your luggage to a single carry-on if possible.
- Find out precisely what is included in the price of your airline ticket. Picking your seats, for example, and even in-flight entertainment, headphones, snacks and beverages, airline pillows and blankets, and in-flight Wi-Fi are not always free services.
- Check in and print your boarding pass before going to the airport. Some airlines now charge steep fees to check you in and print a physical boarding pass at the airport.
- Understand your airline’s change and cancellation rules. Many airlines advertise free cancellations and change policies, especially since COVID-19 made traveling much more unpredictable. However, there are usually time limits or other limitations.
- Don’t get hit with roaming charges. If you are traveling outside your home country, don’t forget to check with your cellular provider about roaming charges before you travel.
- Get the most from currency exchanges. Changing currency at the airport or a big hotel is not your best bet.
- Double-check visa and tourist fees. In a world recovering from a pandemic, many countries have revised the length and cost of their tourist visas. Canadians should visit this page on Canada.ca.

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Hi, Ward, 14!

Summer is here, so I will not take up much of your time. The Parks Wayfinder Map is a tool you can use to help get out and enjoy being outside. It shows amenities owned by Calgary Parks. You can search for the nearest washroom, drinking fountain, waste/recycling disposal, firepit, picnic table, off-leash area, sports field, park vendor, and other amenities available in City parks. You can find the Parks Wayfinder Map at <https://maps.calgary.ca/ParksWayfinder/>. You can also find other useful maps at <https://maps.calgary.ca>.

Feel free to contact me any time. The best way to contact me is by visiting calgary.ca/contactward14 or calling 403-268-1653.

Councillor Peter Demong



Deer Ridge Crime Activity was Up in June 2022

The Deer Ridge community experienced 11 crimes in June 2022, in comparison to 10 crimes the previous month, and 1 crime in June one year ago. Deer Ridge experiences an average of 5.7 crimes per month. On an annual basis, Deer Ridge experienced a total of 68 crimes as of June 2022, which is up 24% in comparison to 55 crimes as of June 2021. To review the full Deer Ridge Crime report visit drri.mycalgary.com.

How To Report Crime In Deer Ridge: Dial 911 for emergencies or crimes in progress. For non-emergencies dial (403) 266-1234. To report a crime anonymously, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (Talk, Type or Text), submit tips online at crimestoppers.ab.ca, or text ttTIPS to 274637.

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The dog days of Summer are upon us, and I hope all of us had a great time in July with some wonderful Calgary event traditions, such as the Calgary Stampede and Folkfest. There is still lots to do in the Calgary region in August, so soak up all that is fun and good while the weather holds. A local foodie experience close to home is Open Farm Days, August 13-14. This is where local farmers open their "barns" for you to see the inner workings and have a farm to table experience. Watch for details on my social media for all the links to register. Travel Alberta and Tourism Calgary can help you and your family create memorable experiences right in our own Alberta backyard.

July wrapped up the annual PNWER (Pacific North-West Economic Region) Summit held this year in Calgary. It was a pleasure to host Canadian and US legislators, policy makers, and business leaders from across the Pacific Northwest in my hometown and show them all that Calgary and Alberta has to offer. This month, in my role with PNWER, I will be attending the LEHI (Legislative Energy Horizon Institute) in Washington State to better understand energy infrastructure and delivery within the North American context. With gas prices at an all-time high, energy security is critical to Alberta and North America as a whole.

Alberta is blessed with being a resource-rich province with minerals/fuels which not only fill our cars and heat our homes but also provide by-products that will take us into the next generation of supply/demand. One example, lithium, found in oil deposits and petroleum by-products is used in electric car batteries. The list of petroleum by-products includes hundreds of everyday-use items. The next time you are colouring with crayons, taking a picture, watching a movie, using a cellphone, playing basketball, putting in contacts, wearing glasses, sitting on the toilet seat, or shampooing your hair – think of the Alberta Advantage. Alberta's economy continues to diversify through technology and innovation.

Occasionally, politics spills over into Albertans' everyday life. The UCP is having a leadership race and the results of that race will determine who will be our Premier until the next election. This is a unique opportunity to vote directly for who will be Premier. A membership is required to vote and the guidelines for membership are; minimum 14 years of age, Alberta resident or resident for 6 months over the last 12 months, and a \$10 fee. I would encourage anyone who has an interest in who should be our Premier to vote. Memberships for Leadership must be purchased by August 12th. Stay tuned for our MLA Cafés to resume in September and please enjoy the rest of your summer.



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Deer Ridge Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Deer Ridge

MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
Jun-22	\$389,900	\$385,900
May-22	\$289,450	\$292,000
Apr-22	\$389,950	\$396,325
Mar-22	\$398,800	\$410,000
Feb-22	\$367,400	\$375,000
Jan-22	\$232,000	\$225,000
Dec-21	\$385,000	\$425,000
Nov-21	\$390,000	\$380,000
Oct-21	\$319,900	\$324,925
Sep-21	\$375,000	\$365,000
Aug-21	\$385,000	\$380,000
Jul-21	\$314,450	\$309,250

Last 12 Months Deer Ridge

MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
Jun-22	10	13
May-22	10	6
Apr-22	8	8
Mar-22	9	9
Feb-22	11	10
Jan-22	2	5
Dec-21	2	5
Nov-21	7	5
Oct-21	8	10
Sep-21	8	15
Aug-21	13	5
Jul-21	9	4

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