

# KENSINGTON COMMUNITY NEWS

12130 134 B Avenue, Edmonton AB, T5E 5N1 780-454-6885 Ward  
Anirniq, Treaty 6 Territory, Metis Region4

September  
2025

## Letter from the President

As summer wraps up and we head into back-to-school season, I want to share some highlights from the past few months and what's ahead for Kensington Community League.

### Financial Reorganization

One priority this year is improving our finances. At the AGM, members supported hiring a bookkeeper to help streamline accounting and reporting. We are looking for someone local to take on this contract role. If interested, please reach out.

### Soccer Program Success

This year's outdoor soccer program had incredible turnout, and the tournament was a highlight of the season. Thank you to Chris and Shelley for their dedication. We are excited to see that energy carry into the indoor season.

### Playground Renewal & Fundraising

Our playground renewal efforts continue to grow. The next major fundraiser will be a silent auction during Community League Day. Every contribution moves us closer to building something special for the kids in our neighbourhood.

### Events & Initiatives

**Big Bin Day** in May was another success, helping neighbours clean up and recycle responsibly.

**Community League Day** is coming up in September. Expect live DJ entertainment, caricature drawings, face painting, balloon artists, food trucks, and playground fundraising activities.

We are also recruiting for rink staff, hall support, and a bookkeeper. Details are in this newsletter and on our website.

### Volunteer Shoutouts

Thank you to Mary for the clothing swap, Chris and Shelley for leading soccer, Darrell for building and event help, Angie for starting the book club, and Margo and Sylvia for organizing the Spring Market. Your efforts, along with everyone who comes to events and renews memberships, keep Kensington strong and welcoming.

### Back-to-School Safety

Please remember that Playground Zones are active year-round. The speed limit around Kensington School, Kensington Hall, and Kensington Playground is 30 km/h from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Let's work together to keep our kids safe.

I look forward to seeing you at **Community League Day**. Come say hello and enjoy the celebration with us.

Gilles Losier

### Inside this issue:

Kensington Council	2
Save the Dae	2
We're Hiring	3
Playground Update	5
KLC Membership info	5
Important Dates	6
Community Swim	6
Bingo Report	7
Community Events	8
Soccer Update	9
Soccer Registration	10
Community League Day	11
Final Reminders	12

---

# KENSINGTON COUNCIL

---

2025-2026

## Executive

**President**—Gilles L.

**Vice-President**—Troy C.

**Treasurer**—Lynn C.

**Past President**—Krystal B.

**Secretary**— Carrie L.

## Directors

Graham G. (Civics)

Darrel K. (Building and Grounds)

Shelley T. (Bingo and Area 1)

Sylvia L. (Newsletter)

Angie L. (Co Special Events)

Margo V. (Co Special Events)

Chris J. (Sports Director)

Kim B. (Membership)

Mary S. (Director at Large)

Melissa C. (Director at Large)

To share the work, we would love to get more people to volunteer on the specific events or programs they are passionate about getting into the community. If volunteering on council is not the right fit for you right now, consider joining or starting a committee to help out with just one thing (e.g. markets, Community League Day planning).

Contact [info@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:info@kensingtoncl.ca)



## Save the Date!

October 27  
Trunk or Treat

November 22  
Winter Market

Contact Margo Valens at 780-802-0171 to arrange a fun afternoon or evening glass or mosaic workshop with friends in the neighborhood!

# We're Hiring – Join the Kensington Community League Team

All roles are **paid contract positions** with seasonal or annual terms.

---

## Bookkeeper (Contract Position)

We're hiring a **contract bookkeeper** to support our Treasurer with the league's financial records. This is intended to be a **one-year contract from the hire date, renewable annually**.

### We provide:

A laptop with QuickBooks (non-profit edition) and Microsoft Office.

### You provide:

A printer, paper, and (ideally) a scanner.

### Main tasks include:

Entering deposits and payments into KCL's financial statements.

Reconciling bank and other accounts.

Preparing statements for Board meetings.

Completing AGLC reporting and tracking grants.

Preparing year-end working papers for accountants.

Training is available, and we have a binder that walks you through our processes. Ongoing support will also be provided.

### Contract timeframe:

Starts upon hiring (targeting Fall 2025)

One-year contract, renewable annually

### Interested?

Email your experience and hourly rate to **[treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca)**

## Hall Coordinator (Contract Position)

We're looking for a **contract hall coordinator** to oversee the Community League Hall and coordinate hall rentals. This role focuses on regular building checks, light maintenance, and communication with renters and contractors.

### Key duties include:

Checking the hall every 48 hours (water, heat, filters, emergency lights, AEDs).

Sanitizing high-touch areas and ensuring spaces are ready for programs or rentals.

Coordinating annual fire inspections and ordering supplies.

Managing hall rental inquiries, bookings, deposits, and walkthroughs.

Serving as the main contact for Telsco, fire inspections, garbage services, and other facility needs.

### Contract timeframe:

Seasonal contract: **November 2025 – March 2026** (renewable yearly)

Estimated 5–10 hours/week, depending on rentals and building needs

### To apply or ask questions:

Email your experience and hourly rate to **[treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca)**

## Ice Rink Master (Maker) – Contract Position

We're hiring a **contract Ice Rink Master** to handle building and maintaining the quality of the ice surfaces at the community rink.

### Key duties include:

- Building and maintaining ice on two outdoor rinks throughout the season.
- Operating and maintaining snow removal and flooding equipment.
- Clearing snow from walkways around the hall and rink areas.
- Performing seasonal prep (before opening) and clean-up (end of season).
- Coordinating with the Rink Attendant and board on rink conditions and maintenance needs.
- Snow removal may be required outside of ice maintenance and should be billed separately at a reduced rate (to be agreed with the board).**

*Hours may vary depending on weather and ice conditions.*

### Contract timeframe:

- Seasonal contract: **November 2025 – March 2026** (weather dependent)
- Expected average 10–15 hours/week

### To apply or ask questions:

Email your experience and proposed tender (include breakdown for ice maintenance and snow removal) to [treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca)

---

## Ice Rink Attendant (Contract Position)

We're hiring a **contract Ice Rink Attendant** to supervise the rink building during open hours and support safe, enjoyable use of the rink.

### Key duties include:

- Opening and closing the rink building during scheduled hours.
- Monitoring rink users and encouraging safe skating practices.
- Assisting with light snow clearing and reporting any equipment or facility issues.
- Keeping the rink building tidy and welcoming for visitors.
- Providing updates to the board about attendance and any incidents.

### Rink and Building Hours:

Weekdays: 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Saturdays: 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Sundays: 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

During school breaks: Saturday hours apply (except Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, when hours are 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm).

No service is expected on statutory holidays. 48 hours' notice will be provided if Kensington Elementary School plans to use the ice.

*Hours may vary depending on weather and ice conditions.*

### Contract timeframe:

- Seasonal contract: **November 2025 – March 2026** (weather dependent)
- Hours as per rink schedule

### To apply or ask questions:

Email your experience and hourly rate to [treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:treasurer@kensingtoncl.ca).

## Playground and Park Update

At the time of writing, fingers are still crossed hoping the League will receive \$125,000 from a Federal Government Accessibility Grant. We have been advised, due to the large number of proposals received, there was not sufficient funding to move forward with our project at this time. However, should funds become available, we would be contacted to discuss our continued eligibility.

The staff of the Federal Edmonton Centre Constituency Office closely tracked the progress of the decision making on this program. They have been asked to determine the likelihood of more funds becoming available. They are aware, since the filing of our application significant funding has been received, so now we have over 80 per cent of our funding in place. Receiving the \$125,000 would guarantee a Spring of 2026 installation of the new playground.

On September 20, 2025, in conjunction with Community League Day come join us for a Celebration Fundraiser! Many local businesses are donating goods and services for a silent auction and you can bring the bottles and cans you have been saving for us! Please visit our website to find out how you can continue helping contribute to the development of our playground fund through donations and even with your grocery shopping! If you have an idea for a fundraiser please contact: [info@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:info@kensingtoncl.ca).

## COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS

### Save on Your KCL Membership – And Help Us Win \$1,000

September's the perfect time to grab or renew your Kensington Community League membership. Every membership sold this month helps us climb the leaderboard for the **EFCL Membership Drive Challenge** and if we take the top spot, Kensington wins **\$1,000** for programs, events, and rink maintenance right here in the neighbourhood.

#### Two easy ways to join:

**EFCL Website** – Reduced \$1 admin fee during Community League Day weekend



**Direct from KCL** – Buy through our site and skip service fees completely (best value)



*Scan the QR code in the newsletter for quick mobile access.*

Help us hit record numbers this September every membership counts toward the challenge and supports the things that matter most to our community.

## 2025 dates:

- CGSA Registration opens August 2st
- **September 20**, Community League Day
- **Book Club** last Wednesday of every month
- October 26 Trunk or Treat
- **November 22**, Winter Market
- See Bingo Report for dates
- Check out [www.epl.ca](http://www.epl.ca) and search Calder library events .
- North West Edmonton Seniors Society [www.nwess.ca](http://www.nwess.ca) regularly host events.

## COMMUNITY SWIMTIMES

- Grand Trunk Friday Evenings from 7:15—9:15 PM
- Grand Trunk Sunday Afternoons from 4:15—5:45 PM
- Grand Trunk Aquafit Wednesday mornings 8:00—9:00 and 9:00—10:00
- O'Leary Saturday Afternoons from 4:00—6:00 PM
- Londonderry Sunday Afternoons from 4:15—5:45 PM

## IMPORTANT DATES

- September 20 Community League Day, volunteers needed!
- November 22 Winter Market at Community Hall
- Need a membership? You can buy one on our website: [www.kensingtoncl.ca/membership](http://www.kensingtoncl.ca/membership)
- If there's something you would like to see in the newsletter, email [newsletter@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:newsletter@kensingtoncl.ca) by December 1, 2025
- If you would prefer to read the e-newsletter sign up at [kensingtoncl.ca](http://kensingtoncl.ca). Please post a sign on your mailbox stating "No newsletter" so those delivering know.
- Follow us on Social Media (info at the bottom of this page).
- Check out our website [kensingtoncl.ca](http://kensingtoncl.ca) for updates on council meetings, events calendar, and more!
- Volunteers are regularly needed for community events and fundraisers. Please consider helping out! Contact



# Bingo Report

**Join us IN PERSON for a Bingo Afternoon or Evening at  
Kensington Bingo Hall 12538 132 Ave, Edmonton T5L 3P9  
(close to Giant Tiger)**

<b>Evening Bingos</b>	<b>Afternoon Bingos</b>	<b>Area One Evening</b>
Friday August 29, 2025	Thursday August 28, 2025	Wednesday Sept 3, 2025
Thursday Sept 11, 2025	Friday October 3, 2025	Thursday October 16, 2025
Friday October 31, 2025	Friday October 24, 2025	Monday Nov 24, 2025
Saturday Nov 1, 2025	Tuesday December 2, 2025	Wednesday Dec 3, 2025
Monday Dec 22, 2025	Saturday Dec 27, 2025	Monday Jan 5, 2026
Thursday January 15, 2026	Monday January 12, 2026	Tuesday Jan 27, 2026
Tuesday Feb 3, 2026	Friday February 20, 2026	Saturday Feb 21, 2026
Thursday Feb 26, 2026	Friday March 20, 2026	Monday March 2, 2026

**Contact Kensington Bingo at 780.454.3635 for Loonie Pot and Specials Information!**

The Area One Bingos fund the Community Swims at Grand Trunk that are admission free to Kensington Community League members on Friday Evenings (7:15 - 9:15 pm), Sunday Afternoons (4:15 to 5:45 pm) and Drop in Aqafit on Wednesday mornings from 8:00 to 10:00 am.

**You can earn credits towards sports paid programs at the League's Bingos.**

For the Afternoon Bingos the time commitment is from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm. For the Evening Bingos (the formats are exactly the same) the time commitment is from 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

As volunteer workers you have a 20-minute meal break. In appreciation for you working for the League you are provided with a meal allowance at the Bingo's Concession

**At each Bingo we need to cover the following positions:**

**Chair** - responsible for entire Bingo event and has to be prepared to cover a position if something happens during an event for example a worker becoming ill

**Bonanza Controller** - records the number of cards assigned to floor sellers and the funds turned in from the sale of the cards.

**Paymaster** - sells Early Bird cards and pays out the winnings to the Bingo patrons

**Sheets** - hands out paper for Bingo patrons to play the bingo series

**Floor Sellers** - purposeful walking to get your steps in! wear comfortable shoes

**Speedo & Flip** - selling two games at \$1 a card

**Bonanza & 50/50** - selling two games at \$1 a card

**Double Action/Even Better/649 Baseball** -selling three games at \$2 a card

**Pull Tab Sellers** -selling pull tabs for \$1

All floor sellers are also responsible for the calling back of Bingos, taking the patron's receipt to the Paymaster to collect the player's winnings and returning the receipt and winnings to the patron.

**To volunteer for a Bingo call Shelley at 780.454.2910**

**Thank you to all the dedicated Bingo Volunteers. We couldn't do it without you!**



## Community Events

### Book Club

Are you a book lover? Looking for a home to read and discuss books with friends in your community?



Look no further !! Kensington Community League has a book club!!

We meet at the hall in the meeting room on the last Wednesday of the month at 7 PM. We would love to have you join us. Here is the line up for the rest of 2025.

Any questions contact [angie.lee@Kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:angie.lee@Kensingtoncl.ca)

Wednesday September 24 at 7PM Yellow Face by R.F Kuang

Wednesday October 29 at 7PM The House Swap by Rebecca Fleet

Wednesday November 26 7PM Out of the Corner by Jennifer Grey

NO BOOK CLUB IN DECEMBER

**Trunk or Treat at  
Kensington Community Hall  
12130 134B Ave  
Sunday October 26  
2-4 PM**



Come dressed up and get treats from your fellow neighbours and friends Community members who want to see costumes and hand out candy and treats (that each individual car provides) - come with your vehicle to the Community Hall parking lot at 1:45 Bonus if your car is decorated or you are playing Halloween tunes. Treat will be handed out in the rinks shack if the temperature is to cold

Questions or to sign up to pass out your treats contact Angie Lee at 780 919 3598 or [angie.lee@kensingtoncl.ca](mailto:angie.lee@kensingtoncl.ca)



The U5 tournament hosted by the Kensington Cobras was an amazing day for the littles and they had a blast!

- Gypsy from Kensington H& W for their donation of fruit so the kids had a healthy snack {they asked for pictures for their social media}-sent
- Maya from Freshco for attending and providing juice boxes, cookies, granola bars and crispy treats
- Scott from Castledowns Superstore for their gift card donation to assist with food supplies
- Erin from Oxford Save On Foods for their donation of cases of water and hot dog buns
- 2nd Call Locating for their monetary donation
- Powerplay Sports for their monetary donation

Together with our AMAZING volunteers we were able to provide a day of fun, food and friendship right in our own backyard. A big thank you to Alix from the CGSA for all her support in getting things off the ground,

Thank you to Chris, Gilles and Graham for all the set up and take down, BBQing and cleanup. It was greatly appreciated!

Thank you to Shivon, Chris, Lynn, Gilles, Shayna, Emeilia, Emma and Aria for slinging hot dogs to twirling cotton candy, doing whatever needed to be done at the time, your commitment and time is valued beyond measure.

Thank you to Nicole, our photographer, who also pitched in where needed.

Thanks go out to Liz for lining our fields in time for the tournament even with all the crazy weather happening!

And to our referees, coaches and little Timbits who without you we would not have had this great tournament!





# INDOOR SOCCER

2025/2026

*This season think:*  
**Affordable  
Community  
Grassroots**



**Come play with one of our  
nine communities:**

Beverly Heights



Delwood

Kensington



Kilkenny

McLeod



Fraser



Hairsine



Highlands



Steele Heights



**Registration opens AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup> at [www.CGSA.ca](http://www.CGSA.ca)**

All CGSA teams u5-u17 are co-ed. Prices will be released mid July. Facilities and gamedays will not be known until September but all games are on weekends at the Dow, Millennium Place or Servus Place. In person payments will be announced late July. Families are required to purchase a membership to their home league, but can play with any of our leagues. KidSport funding is available for families. CGSA is a partner of EIYSA, with TimBits U5/U7 sponsorship and ASA Sanctioning.



**SCAN ME**

# Community League Day at Kensington Hall 12130 134B Ave Saturday, September 20th from 4-7pm

Come out and meet your neighbors, friends and Community.  
Find out what the league has for programs....would like to do....and offer up your suggestions too!!

Get your memberships, enjoy some entertainment, food and family fun.

There will be food from:  
Killer Foods Veg Head & Gaetano's Pizza Gourmet.  
Ice cream treats and popcorn from your League.

Entertainment will be:  
A live DJ 4-7pm  
Freya the Fire Breather and dance duo  
1st show will be at 5:00pm  
2nd show will be at 6:15pm

Bouncy castle, glitter tattoos, face painting, balloon animals from 4-6pm  
Caricature Artist 4-7pm  
Silent Auction  
Give/take/share table of produce/jam/jellies/canned goods



# KENSINGTON COMMUNITY LEAGUE DAY

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025**  
**4:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Kensington Community League Hall**  
**(12130 134B Street, Edmonton)**

## Activities & Features

- Fire Entertainer at 5 PM
- Balloon Artist & Face Painter (4-6 PM)
- NEW Marketplace (4-7 PM)
- Free Popcorn & Treats
- Free entertainment (Caricature and food available for purchase)

