



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WHEN: April 23 • 6:30 pm

WHERE: Queen Mary Park Hall

PROVIDED: Free light supper, as well as babysitting and activities for kids.

All community residents are welcome – even if you don't have a membership yet, they'll be available at the meeting (and they're free!)

Come see what's going on in our community!

In addition to a report on the activities of your board, we will also hear from the Revitalization Committee (City of Edmonton Central McDougall and Queen Mary Park Revitalization) about their plans for the coming year.

If you are interested in getting involved, now is your chance. Elections will take place at the AGM and we currently have vacancies on the board. If you want a chance to shape the future of our great neighbourhood and make it even better please contact the chair of our nominations committee, Nicole Forsythe at info@queenmarypark.ca or 780.482.1824.

Please be sure to attend the AGM as this is a great opportunity to learn about the many things we're working on including projects and community programming. It's also the perfect time to share your ideas with us, even if you can't make a regular commitment by being a director.

We hope to see you there!

Notice of Amendments to Bylaws

The Board recently reviewed and approved updates to our Bylaws. We will ask league members to approve these changes at our upcoming AGM.

The changes are mostly housekeeping in nature. Minor modifications are required so that our bylaws are acceptable to Service Alberta.

You will find a copy of the bylaw changes on our website: queenmarypark.ca.



Message From Our Community League President

Randy Shuttleworth

Time for Renewal

It seems like it was just yesterday we had our Annual General Meeting and it's that time again. The AGM is scheduled for April 23. Once again we will provide an update on the activities your Board of Directors have been working on as well as provide you with an overview of our plans for next year.

In addition to the activities of the league there are a number of other things we would like to update our members on including:

- City of Edmonton Revitalization
- Neighbourhood Renewal
- Commercial Development
- Parks Master Plan

Our Treasurer, Alex Beis is resigning this year. Alex has served us well and I wish to thank him for his contribution and advice in helping us be good stewards of the league's finances.

I would also like to thank the other members of our Board for all their efforts this past year. It has been my privilege to work them, serving our members and I look forward to working with those that are going to stay on the Board this next year.

I invite all of the members of our Community League to come to the meeting and look forward to seeing you there.

Randy Shuttleworth

**You can contact Randy at:
president@queenmarypark.ca or by calling 780.455.6139**

QUEEN MARY PARK NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We're looking for a few talented and conscientious volunteer board members to lead and strengthen our programs for building a strong community of people who are happy, active and engaged.

The time commitment includes one evening board meeting per month, plus a few additional hours at your convenience to move specific strategies forward. If you can contribute your time, thoughtfulness, and leadership and are interested in exploring this opportunity, call Nicole at 780-482-1824 to find out whether this volunteer opportunity is right for you.

We are recruiting several directors-at-large who are able to take on projects that align with their personal areas of interest within the framework of our strategic plan.

We are also recruiting a treasurer. Queen Mary Park employs a bookkeeper to keep our records and create financial statements, so the time commitment is the same as other board positions. We do prefer a candidate with some accounting experience for this role.

There are many exciting and positive things happening in Queen Mary Park - now is a great time to get involved.

Have fun with a group of like-minded people and reap the rewards of shaping our community!



Kids Bike Programs

Queen Mary Park is once again offering bike safety programs for new riders.

4 Wheel Drive

For riders with training wheels. Children will be taught basic skills and safety through drills and games.

BIKE HELMETS ARE MANDATORY

Date: May 31, 2015

Time: TBD - please check our website

Ride to Survive

Learn basic bike skills, rules of the road, and safety through games.

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Time: TBD - please check our website

THESE ARE FREE, DROP IN PROGRAMS. REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

THE "QUEEN MARY" DRINK ... SETS SAIL!

At our March 28, 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, a new signature drink was unveiled. The drink was concocted by Jill Murrin, who wanted to pay homage to our community's namesake Queen Mary of Teck (1867-1953), and to offer something original and fun for our social events. The cocktail was a hit and sold out! So for those of you that were asking, here's the ingredients and instructions on how to make it. It's recommended to use the brands and quantities named to obtain just the right smoothness and taste!

Enjoy . . . and cheers to Queen Mary!

The "Queen Mary"

In a cocktail shaker, combine:

- 3 large ice cubes
- 1-1/2 oz Welch's 100% concord grape juice (no sugar added), chilled
- 2 drops (scant) liquid blue food colour
- 1 oz Kirkland Anajo (premium aged) Tequila
- 1/2 oz Gionelli Amaretto
- 1 tsp fresh squeezed lemon juice

Shake gently; pour into Margarita glass (including ice). Then add:

- 2 oz Sprite, chilled
- 1 Tablespoon fresh blueberries

Optional (to sugar the rim): before starting, fill a saucer with a small amount of Sprite. Dip rim of glass into it; lightly shake off excess; then dip into a separate saucer filled with purple sugar sprinkles.





When: June 21 10 am - 2 pm **Where:** Queen Mary Park Hall & Parking Lot
 Here's your chance to clear out unused things in your house and garage. We'll have the big bins at the hall for general garbage disposal, and a ReUse Fair for those items that are too good for landfill, but not meeting your needs anymore.

Community residents can browse and take what they need from the fair. All leftovers will go to a charity. Further details will be available on our website in early June.

KEEP OUR ALLEYS CLEAN

For most of us, garbage collection day is TUESDAY. Recently we noticed that some residents set their garbage and recyclables out prior to collection day. Unfortunately, this encourages others to rip open the bags in search of bottles, milk containers and other recyclables, leaving contents and food scraps strewn throughout our alleys. If you wish to leave bottles, etc. out for the taking, please separate them from the rest of your garbage and recyclables and set your bags out on collection day. This will help keep our community clean. If you have larger items that you want to dispose of or recycle, keep in mind that Queen Mary Park will again be hosting a BIG BIN EVENT in June, or sign up for our Community Garage Sale!

Community Garage Sale!

One of our residents has come up with the idea of collectively promoting a garage sale weekend throughout Queen Mary Park. The way it works is a weekend is chosen when those interested will hold a garage sale at their house. All the households involved will have their addresses shown on a map. When someone visits one of these garage sales they are given a map to all the other garage sales. This will encourage them to go to all the garage sales in Queen Mary Park that weekend.

Interested? Contact Mariam at 780 473 1737.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

All events held at Queen Mary Park Hall unless otherwise noted

Annual General Meeting

April 23, 2015. Light supper at 6:30 pm. Meeting starts at 7 pm.

Big Bin & ReUse Fair

June 21, 2015 10 am - 2 pm
 As you finish up your Spring cleaning, drop off what you no longer need at our Big Bin & ReUse Fair. See article for details.

NOTE: we cannot accept hazardous materials.

Green Shack

July - August 2015
 Supervised games and activities in the park. Check our website, Facebook or hall signage for hours and dates.

Registered Kids Programs

Check our website for details on the dates, times and ages for registered summer programs offered at Queen Mary Park.

Realizing Housing Potential

May 7, 2015 | 6:30 - 9 pm
 Realizing Housing Potential is about identifying ways to improve housing conditions. Free childcare and dinner provided.

Visit our website for additional updates and information on many of these community activities, or to view activities put on by other clubs and organizations at our hall:

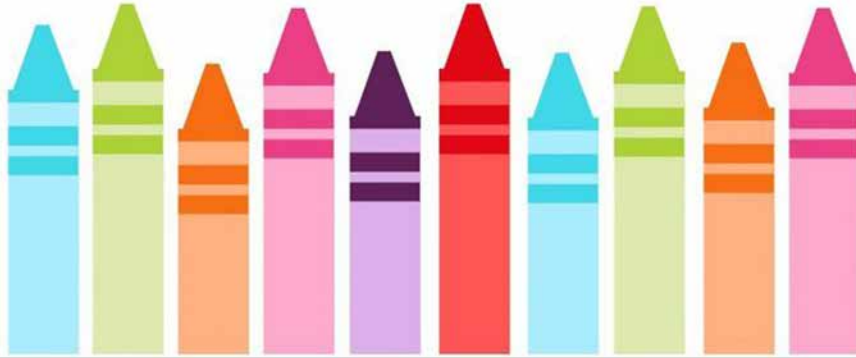
www.queenmarypark.ca

To **VOLUNTEER** for any of these events:
 Call **780.447.5389** (leave a message)
 Email events@queenmarypark.ca

TOT TIME

Thursdays from 10:00-12:00

Queen Mary Park Community Hall 10844-117st



PARTY YOURSELF INTO SHAPE

WE'RE BACK!

Come one, come all...

For your first, second or seventh time.

Due to popular demand, we've added 6 more weeks of Zumba!

It's free. It's convenient. There's free babysitting.

What should I bring?

Indoor sneakers and a water bottle. \$2 if you're not a Queen Mary Park community league member.

No experience needed!



Zumba

The Latin-inspired, fun, calorie burning dance party!

Queen Mary Park Hall
10844 - 117 Street

Sundays, 10-11 am
April 5 - May 10

Questions? Contact Allison at
780-554-0958

allisonm.zumba.com

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If you have something to promote, or ideas for new events or activities, we'd like to hear it!

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