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September	23	6	5	\$525,000	\$520,000
August	23	7	10	\$712,500	\$720,000
July	23	8	9	\$1,050,000	\$1,070,000
June	23	16	14	\$937,450	\$975,000
May	23	13	7	\$829,999	\$829,999
April	23	5	7	\$379,900	\$379,900
March	23	8	11	\$515,000	\$500,000
February	23	13	6	\$942,500	\$927,500

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DISCOVERY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (DRCA) EXECUTIVE (2024)

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CURRENT COMMITTEES

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Wildlife and Cohabitation		
Recreation Facility	Paul and Darrell	

DRCA Channels of Communication

Our community association has several channels to communicate to you, and for you to communicate with us!

Member Emails

Get a membership and provide your email for 'what's new' updates

Ridge Review Newsletter

Twelve publications per year

Website

www.discoveryridge.com

Facebook

DiscoveryRidgeCommunityAssociation

X (Twitter)

@DiscoveryRidge1

Email Us

See listing or the website 'contact us' page for contacts

Please Donate to the DRCA Bottle Shack

Where Does the Money Go from the Bottles Collected at the Bottle Shack?

The money made from these resident donations helps:

- Supports the recreational facilities
- DRCA operating costs

How Should the Bottles be Packaged When Donated?

- Please have bottles in bags or boxes. Make sure the are bags are safely tied and the boxes taped shut to keep our volunteers safe.

Is There Any Other Way I Can Help Support the Bottle Shack?

- Yes, we are always looking for volunteers to help empty the shack.
- If you can volunteer 15 minutes every month or so, please email volunteer@discoveryridge.com.

Mark Your Calendar

•DRCA Stampede Roundup Saturday, June 22

Did you know that board meetings happen monthly and all DRCA members are welcome to attend?

Please stop by to learn more about what the DRCA does for the community and our future plans. Email drca_pres@discoveryridge.com for more information on the DRCA and if you wish to attend upcoming meetings.

DISCOVERY RIDGE BUSINESS DIRECTORY

MEDICAL SERVICES

Cornerstone Veterinary Hospital
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Are you interested to help to make our community even more beautiful?

Join DRCA Environment Committee!

The Environment Committee has two key events in its portfolio—Earth Day Litter Pick-Up (late April) and Community Cleanup (late May). We appreciate all the volunteer help we are getting for these two important projects. But we can do more if we have more people in the Committee!

These are some of the ideas we could do if we can extend our team:

- Fighting littering
- Tree planting and grants
- Preventing graffiti
- Addressing doggy doo-doo on sidewalks
- Exploring energy efficiency programs for community
- Conducting fire-related informational programs as we live close to the woods
- Informing the community on environment projects via DRCA Ridge Review
- Keeping in touch with the City of Calgary with regards to flood response and other environment-related issues

If you are interested but have limited time—that's not a problem. We do not need large time commitments. Let's have a talk and see what works.

Please contact Andrei Romaniuk, Chair for Environment Committee, at environment@discoveryridge.com.



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New Membership Renewal Membership

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

Postal Code: _____

Email: _____

I can volunteer for:

- General assistance
- Communications
- Special Events
- Sponsorship
- Membership
- Environment
- Skating Rink maintenance

Payment: \$25

- Cheque Cash CC Pay online at www.discoveryridge.com/membership

Membership runs from September 1 to August 31 each fiscal year.

Make cheques payable to Discovery Ridge Community Association.

Mail to: Discovery Ridge Community Association - 160 Discovery Ridge Blvd - T3H 4Y3

Undersigned hereby consents to: (1) the collection of the personal information on this form; (2) the use of the information for the following purposes: to solicit volunteers for DRCA's programs and activities; to recruit members and solicit renewal of membership in DRCA; to solicit participation or membership in programs or activities provided by DRCA; to provide information to you on the DRCA programs and activities; (3) disclosure of the information in the DRCA register of members which is available for review by various members of the public as required by law. The purpose of collection of the information is to provide contact and registration information for DRCA and to use in and disclose it as described above. The DRCA does not sell membership lists. Designated members of the board of the DRCA are able to answer questions about the collection of the information.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Benefits of DRCA Membership

What does the DRCA do for me?

- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stampede breakfast, Santa event.
- Coordinates the Ridge Review community newsletter.
- Provides up-to-date information about issues affecting you and the community through member only email provides updates on important items for all at www.discoveryridge.com.
- Communicates regularly with the Ward 6 Office and Councillor Pootmans on community and city related issues.
- Provides effective representation and advocacy to external third parties about issues of concern to the community, including public safety, development and the natural environment.
- Attains and works casinos to fundraise for the community.
- Creates a sense of community pride through participation in community activities.

Membership Perks!

Did you know that only up-to-date DRCA Members receive regular community emails informing them of events and ongoing activities in your community? Visit discoveryridge.com to purchase your \$25 membership or see the membership.

Visit www.discoveryridge.com

Do You Want to See Your Photo in Print?

The Ridge Review and Discovery Ridge social media channels are always looking for photos to use as a cover or in the photo gallery. We invite both amateur and professional photographers of all ages to submit photos for all seasons and events in Discovery Ridge. Please send your name and photos as high-quality JPEGs (300 DPI and 1MB in file size) to newsletter@discoveryridge.com.



Two Separate Organizations Support Discovery Ridge

The Discovery Ridge Community Association (DRCA) exists because of you - the residents of our great community!

With the purchase of an annual \$25 membership, the DRCA can serve its residents better while meeting the needs of the community and can be a stronger voice when lobbying on community concerns with the City of Calgary and the Province of Alberta.

We're all in this together – Please ensure your household membership is in good standing!

NDHA (Homeowners' Association)

- Relies on your \$325 fee per year.
- Annual fee legally required.
- Green space maintenance, boulevard/median plantings, and winter pathway snow clearing.
- Winter Lights at the entrance to Discovery Ridge.
- Pay by cheque or with credit card.

DRCA (Community Association)

- Relies on your \$25 annual membership.
- Fee is essential for continued, effective “voice” with the City of Calgary and Province on traffic (including Ring Road), safety and security and other issues.
- Recreation Facility: Design and construction of the ice rink and tennis courts as well as the seasonal maintenance of each. Further development plans under review.
- Ring Road / Traffic: Working with the City and the Province to improve the performance, design, interface treatment and safety of roads within, abutting and beyond our community.
- Communications: Facebook, website, Ridge Review newsletter, and member only e-communications.
- Events: Stampede Breakfast, Santa at Javino's, Family Skates, Galas, Fun Runs.
- Safety and Security: Collaborating with residents, police, and the fire department to combat crime, vandalism and fire threats within the community and Griffith Woods
- Mail cheque to address below or pay online at www.discoveryridge.com.

Not a member? Join online at www.discoveryridge.com.
Not sure if you're a member?

Click the “Purchase/Renew Membership” icon on the website. Already a member? Thanks for your support.

We greatly appreciate it. The DRCA membership year runs from September 1 to August 31.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Hope your February was filled with health and wellness.

Just a few updates this month.

Firstly, thank you to everyone who attended the online DRCA Annual General Meeting. A big welcome to those individuals who decided to join the board for the next year. A special thank you to our retiring board members for their time and hard work over the years.

If you are interested in joining the board in an executive or non-executive role, please reach out to the DRCA. See contact information on page 4 in this newsletter.

Secondly, save the date: Saturday June 22 since planning is underway for our annual Discovery Ridge Stampede Round Up. This is a fun afternoon filled with kids' games, awesome food trucks, face painting and more! Come out with your family and friends and get into the Stampede spirit!

Finally, if you are interested in joining our monthly DRCA Zoom meeting to find out more about how the DRCA works or if you have any questions or would like to join the board, please email us at drca_pres@discoveryridge.com. Our meetings are usually the first Monday of every month from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. A Zoom link will be sent to you.

On behalf of your DRCA Board have a great month!



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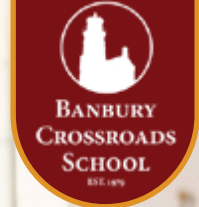
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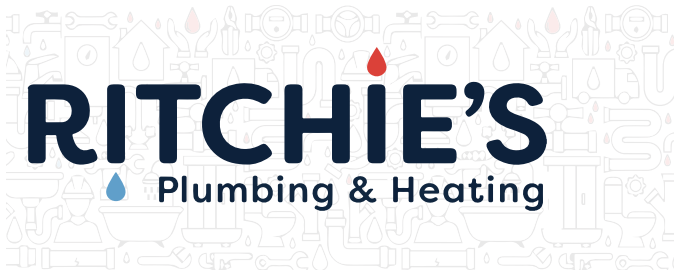
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Word of the Month

Imponderabilia: *plural noun* (im-pon-der-uh-bil-ee-uh)

Experiences, ideas, and objects that are complex to explain.

In her poetry, Jane discusses the imponderabilia of life's milestones and hardships.



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Homeowners' Association News

Happy March! As the winter season winds down, our main priority continues to be clearing snow from the community pathways. ULS works to make our paths as safe as possible during the winter months, but Mother Nature gives us all manner of weather and temperatures at this time of the year and ice can form unexpectedly, especially on slopes. Please be vigilant when walking outside. Use caution and don't hesitate to contact us if you find an area that needs attention.

2024 Fees

By now, you should have received your annual NDHA invoice. Your 2024 membership fee remains at \$325. For most homeowners, your invoice was sent to the email address registered on your membership account portal. Please check your "junk" folder if you have not yet seen it. If there is no email address set up in your portal, a paper invoice was sent to your on-file mailing address via Canada Post. We ask that you ensure your email address, mailing address, and other contact information is registered and up to date with the NDHA. Fee payments can be made by credit card, Interac e-transfer, or by cheque. Please refer to your invoice for further payment information.



If you are unsure of your invoice or payment status, you can access this information via your membership portal at www.ndha.ca. If you have questions or concerns, or require help accessing the membership portal, contact our Membership Director at NDHAMembership@ndha.ca.

*Important: some people own multiple homes in Discovery Ridge; please indicate your full name and the address of the property in your email enquiry.

Thank you in advance for your timely payment!

New Homeowner?

If you have moved to Discovery Ridge in the past year, welcome! If you have any questions about the NDHA or the work we do in the community, this information can be found on our website at www.ndha.ca. The monthly news articles on our homepage, and the FAQ tab are fabulous sources of important information for our members!

If you are unfamiliar with how to set up and access your membership portal, or have difficulty doing so, please email our Membership Director at NDHAMembership@ndha.ca. We would really appreciate you taking a moment to do this; it is important that we record the correct owner

information for your property in our files. It will also make a big difference in how much time our volunteers spend tracking down new owners; lawyers sometimes fail to contact us regarding ownership changes or status of fees. Annual fees should be sorted out upon sale and is the responsibility of the parties involved to correctly pro-rate paid (or outstanding) fees for each property. Please note that the annual fee is not optional; it is secured by the NDHA Encumbrance registered on your property title. Fee enquiries should be emailed to the NDHA treasurer at accounts@ndha.ca.

2024 Budget

The NDHA Board members have established the 2024 budget and will use it to guide what projects will be completed this growing season. The "to-do" list is always long, but we always ensure a fiscally responsible approach to keep our community green spaces as beautiful as ever.

Volunteers, Please!

As the saying goes, "It takes a village". You have made Discovery Ridge your village. The NDHA has some retiring board members this year. Please consider the opportunity to serve your community by volunteering for the NDHA; the term starts in June and runs for twelve months. Various positions are available. We meet once monthly (except August and December) for a few hours. You are welcome to join us as a guest at one of our meetings to check things out; don't hesitate to contact us for our next date and time. Alternatively, we would be pleased to have a board member meet with you to chat about volunteer opportunities.

We are always happy to hear from our NDHA members; please access our website at www.ndha.ca for NDHA News updates or to send an email - you can also call us at 403-237-9595.

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