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February	26	6	7	\$459,900	\$445,000
January	26	13	8	\$1,242,450	\$1,257,500
December	25	7	4	\$1,338,000	\$1,338,750
November	25	4	5	\$1,198,888	\$1,189,000
October	25	4	9	\$889,870	\$889,300
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DRCA Channels of Communication

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

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Twelve publications per year

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



Farm Stand by Shirley's Greenhouse

Sundays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Rec Facility Parking Lot.

To continue through the summer on Sundays (weather permitting).

DRCA Board Meeting

September 8, 7:30 pm.

Contact drca_pres@discoveryridge.com for more information.

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

Please contact the DRCA to learn more about what we do 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.

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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

The summer started out with a bang here in Discovery Ridge. We kicked things off with three fantastic events—our annual Community Cleanup, the Parade of Garage Sales, the always popular Stampede Roundup, and our critical fundraiser, the Casino. These gatherings are part of what makes Discovery Ridge stand out among Calgary neighbourhoods, and we are proud of the energy, connection, and community spirit they bring.

As we look ahead to fall, we're also taking a moment to reflect on the fun we've had. It has been a busy season for our volunteers, and we want to extend a tremendous thank you to everyone who lent a hand. Whether you helped at an event, contributed an hour a month, served on a committee, or held a board seat—your efforts are the reason this community runs as smoothly as it does.

This fall, we are launching both a Volunteer Recruitment Campaign and a Membership Drive. Watch for updates through memberonly emails, Facebook, Instagram, and our website. These initiatives are essential to ensuring we can continue offering events, advocating for the community, planning for the future, and keeping residents informed. To champion for you, ensure safety, and deliver meaningful programming, we rely on both members and volunteers.

Volunteers

Many of our longtime volunteers are ready to pass the baton, and we're looking for new faces and fresh ideas to help shape the next chapter of Discovery Ridge. If there's an event you'd love to see, a cause you want to champion, or a skill you'd like to share, we invite you to join us. Simply reach out to volunteer@discoveryridge.com—there's a place for everyone.

Membership

Most of you have already paid your yearly \$325 NDHA dues, which keep our boulevards, parks, and common areas beautifully maintained in summer and clear of snow in winter.

What many residents don't realize is that the DRCA is a separate organization with its own annual membership. For just \$25 per year, a DRCA membership supports our recreation facilities, provides access to the tennis courts, funds community events, and invests in improvements that benefit everyone in Discovery Ridge.

Your membership—and your volunteer time—strengthens Discovery Ridge and keeps our community vibrant, connected, and thriving.

Wishing you a safe, happy, and sunny August.

Warm regards,

The Discovery Ridge Community Association Board

Snapshots of Discovery



Beaver by Marc Dupuis

An advertisement for Gutter Doctor Home Exterior Services. It features a cartoon character of a beaver wearing a blue cap and holding a yellow spray bottle. The text lists various services: Gutter Clean/Fix/Install, Leaf Screens, Window Cleaning, Fascia/Soffit/Siding, Pressure/Soft Wash, Cladding, Permanent Lights, and Roofing. It also mentions Senior Discount, Warranty, WCB, and Insured. The phone number 403-714-0711 and the website gutterdoctor.ca are prominently displayed at the bottom.

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Stampede Roundup Thank You

The 2026 Discovery Ridge Stampede Roundup is officially in the books and what an unforgettable day that was! We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who made it such a success.

To our amazing volunteers: Thank you for the countless hours, hard work, and dedication before, during, and after the event. The Roundup simply wouldn't happen without you.

To our sponsors: This event simply would not be possible without you. We sincerely thank you for your support and willingness to strengthen and celebrate our community by bringing it together.

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To our amazing band, "Dangerous Goods": Thank you for bringing incredible energy to this event through your live music.

To the 2026 Calgary Stampede Royalty: Thank you for sharing the spirit and traditions of the Calgary Stampede with us.

- First Nations Princess – Raegan First Rider
- Calgary Stampede Princess – Sarah O'Brien

To our community: Thank you for spending the afternoon with us, celebrating our Western heritage and bringing your friends, neighbours and families to join in this community fun. Your support and enthusiasm are what make this event so special year after year.

We'll see you next year!

Yahoo!



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STAMPEDE ROUNDUP





DRCA Updates—Big Things Happening in Discovery Ridge!

Membership

Our annual DRCA Membership Campaign launches this fall. Watch for details in the September Ridge Review, member only emails, and on Facebook, Instagram, and our website.

A DRCA membership is \$25 per year and directly supports community events, neighbourhood advocacy, and our ongoing work on planning, traffic, safety, and more. Your membership ensures we have a strong, unified voice for Discovery Ridge.

Please note: The \$25/year DRCA membership is separate from the \$325 NDHA annual fee you pay for landscaping and maintenance services.

Purchase your membership at discoveryridge.com/membership/.

Special Events

Help Shape the Future of Fun!

The best communities are connected communities—and special events are a huge part of what makes Discovery Ridge so special.

We're looking for fresh ideas, new energy, and volunteers who want to help create events that today's families, couples, teens, and residents will truly enjoy. Whether it's food trucks, movie nights, fitness events, cultural celebrations, adult socials, or something totally new—we want to hear your ideas!

You won't be doing it alone. Past event chairs and the DRCA Board are ready to support you every step of the way.

Interested? Reach out to events@discoveryridge.com.

Fundraising

Casino Fundraiser

July 30 and 31

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is complete—and you made it a success. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time. Each shift earned approximately \$2,300 for our community, directly supporting the recreation facilities we all enjoy. There were laughs, new friendships, and plenty of community spirit. We'll share final results once they're available.

Bottle Shack

Your refundables are helping power our community!

Every bottle and can donated helps support community events, recreational facilities, and neighbourhood initiatives that make Discovery Ridge such an incredible place to live.

Want to help out? Contact volunteer@discoveryridge.com to get involved.

Volunteering

Discovery Ridge didn't become one of Calgary's most admired communities by accident.

It was built by passionate neighbours, dedicated volunteers, and people willing to step up and make a difference. From recreational facilities and events to advocacy and beautification, volunteers are the heart of this community.

Whether you have a few hours a month or want to take on a larger role, there's a place for you here.

Help make Discovery Ridge even better. Contact volunteer@discoveryridge.com to learn more.

Safety and Security

Traffic and Speeding

With sunny weather and more people out walking, biking, and playing, please watch your speed and stay alert. Together we keep Discovery Ridge safe.

Bears and Bins

We know many residents remain concerned about early garbage collection times during bear season. The DRCA submitted a request to the City of Calgary to adjust pickup times; unfortunately, the request was denied. Please continue to do your part by keeping bins secured and only placing them out as close to pickup time as possible.

Green bins are for food scraps and yard waste. Food scraps belong in the green cart, but packaging does not. Plastic does not compost and can break into small pieces

during processing, which can contaminate the finished compost. All food scraps must be separated from packaging before composting, even if the packaging says it is biodegradable or compostable.

A simple habit can make a big difference:

- Remove all plastic before putting food scraps in the green bin.
- Empty and clean plastic, glass, and metal containers go in the blue cart.
- Plastic wraps, foam, and other non-compostable packaging belong in the black cart.

Putting food scraps in the green cart and packaging in the right bin helps keep compost clean. If you are not sure where an item goes, visit calgary.ca/waste/what-goes-where/default.html.

Recreational Facilities

If you haven't visited our recreation area yet this summer, now's the time! Pickleball, road hockey, tennis, basketball, and open play spaces are all ready for you. These facilities are volunteer maintained—please pick up after yourself and use the bins provided. If you wouldn't leave it on your own property, please don't leave it on ours.

The tennis courts are now locked and available to DRCA members only. Memberships are just \$25 at DiscoveryRidge.com. See the poster on page 10 for details.

Tennis Courts

The secret is out—Discovery Ridge has some of Calgary's best community tennis courts!

To help ensure DRCA members continue to have priority access, a new lock system will soon be installed. Instructions for member access will be shared shortly.

Not a member yet? Join today for just \$25 per household at discoveryridge.com/membership/.

We'll also be replacing tennis nets and completing seasonal maintenance to keep the courts in top shape.

See you on the courts this summer!





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In partnership with The City of Calgary and DRCA, **Shirley's Greenhouses** is running a farm stand in our community. Get some fresh local fruit, veggies, eggs, and baked goods!

THE FIRST EMPEROR



The month of August is named for Augustus (Octavian) Caesar – the first Emperor of Rome and adopted son of Julius Caesar!

TENNIS COURT RULES



DISCOVERY RIDGE

- **DRCA tennis courts are for tennis only.** Skateboards, roller skates and bicycles are prohibited on tennis courts.
- Private lessons are not permitted. Only official DRCA lessons and tennis clinics are authorized.
- Courts are available on a first-come, first-served basis for DRCA members and their guests. No reservations are permitted.
- Wait time:
 - When players are waiting for courts (at least two players must be waiting and ready to play), players on court have a maximum of thirty (30) minutes to complete play.
 - First court occupied is first to give up court to players waiting.
- Do not walk onto court while a ball is in play; wait for a break.
- Please only wear shoes with non-marking soles.
- Please ensure that court gates are closed/locked at all times.

TENNIS COURT ACCESS



Please note that the tennis court gates are locked with access code provided to DRCA Members. **To obtain the access code – please log in to your DRCA Member account at discoveryridge.com or scan the QR code.**

To help ensure court access is restricted, always keep gates closed.

Thank you - DRCA

Support Victoria Fortuna and Her Family After a Tragic Highway Accident



Victoria has been left with life-threatening and life-altering injuries. She is currently fighting for her life and receiving critical medical care at the University Hospital in Edmonton. Donate to this GoFundMe to help ease the inconceivable financial hardship the Fortuna family is facing.

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Evenly Split

The Continental Divide is an area in Western Canada that helps to form the geographical boundary between Alberta and British Columbia. It also acts as a hydrological divide – water in the western portion flows to the Pacific Ocean, while water in the east flows to the Atlantic.

Your DRCA Membership

For just \$25 per household, your Discovery Ridge Community Association membership makes a big impact.

For just \$25 per household, your Discovery Ridge Community Association membership directly supports the programs, services, and advocacy that keep our neighbourhood vibrant, safe, and connected. Membership revenue helps fund popular community events, maintain our recreation facilities, support our ability to advocate on key municipal and provincial issues, participate in critical casino fundraising, and so much more.

Simply put—your membership is one of the most powerful ways to show your support for Discovery Ridge and ensure our voice remains strong.

In October 2025, our amazing volunteers hand-delivered membership invitations to homes across the community, and we've already seen a terrific response.

As of this newsletter, 389 households have purchased their 2025/2026 DRCA membership—thank you!

But with 1,630 households in Discovery Ridge, we know we can do even better. If you haven't renewed yet, please consider joining today. Every membership strengthens our community, amplifies our advocacy efforts, and helps keep Discovery Ridge an exceptional place to live.

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/membership/ to purchase our \$25 membership or see the membership form on this page.

Thank you for your support!



DRCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal Membership

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Homeowners' Association (NDHA) News

It is now full summer, and our community's landscaping is displaying its full beauty. We suffered through a challenging spring but now hopefully we can bask in warm sunny days with the occasional night time drizzle to keep our gardens green. Thanks go out to ULS and Pixie Gardens for keeping our medians, green spaces, and planters looking their best. Often on summer days you will see ULS staff working to maintain our green spaces and medians. The NDHA requires our contractors to adhere to all Occupational Health and Safety protocols, including appropriate safety barriers, pylons, and signage when crews are working in roadway areas. Even with these precautions, working in the medians with cars whizzing by is stressful and dangerous. Please go slow and give the crews a friendly wave as you pass by.

Landscaping

Earlier this summer, the City undertook a major tree planting program in Discovery Ridge, in both medians and green spaces. This program was to replace trees that had died and some that had previously been removed. The NDHA, with the help of our ULS crews,

will keep a careful eye on these trees to be sure they get enough water to thrive. We are also working to get approval to add some new planters to medians beyond those around the waterfall. We receive a lot of positive feedback about the colourful flowers in the planters, and we would like to see this carried out in other areas of the community. One final project we have ongoing should provide us with a lovely surprise next spring, but we are not going to spill the beans just yet.

As a reminder, in summer you may see portions of our green spaces that do not seem to be getting the attention you expect. Sometimes, rain makes the ground too soft for the heavy mowers to work on safely and without creating damage. On the other hand, if extremely dry conditions exist, the turf can become yellow and the soil powdery dry. In either of these circumstances, ULS may postpone scheduled mowing and trimming, only working in those areas on an as necessary basis. You will probably also notice mowing crews out less frequently in late summer as the grass slows down growth in August. If you do see an area that you think needs extra care or have any questions about the landscaping work going on in the community, please reach out by phone, through our web site, or by email at Landscape@ndha.ca.

City of Calgary Projects

In May, the City of Calgary held an online public engagement showing options for replacement of the pond behind the Discovery Ridge Dam. The City has decided to remove this dam for safety reasons and is now designing what will replace it. There is a "What We Heard" report posted on the City's web site (engage.calgary.ca/discoveryridgedam) that breaks down the comments provided to them about this project. We have also heard that the City will do some landscape cleanup activities (weed control, removal of dead shrubs, etc.) in the area this summer. This is a positive step in managing this overgrown area that does not reflect the high quality of landscape management we expect in Discovery Ridge.

The City has also reached out to NDHA and DRCA on a project they are undertaking at the east edge of Griffiths Woods Park. They will be replacing the wastewater lift station building there and making some changes to the driveway. Based on the information the City has provided so far, it looks like this project will not impact the NDHA's responsibilities at all. However, in reaching

out to us, the City may be demonstrating a new more open style of engagement with our community on projects and this is much appreciated.

Outstanding Fees

The 2026 NDHA fee of \$325 was due on June 29. We would like to thank members who have paid their fees already. We ask that anyone who has not paid their annual fee to please remit them right away. If you are unsure of your payment status, please access your membership portal on our website. If you have questions or concerns, you may contact the NDHA Treasurer at Accounts@ndha.ca or our Membership Director at membership@ndha.ca. Please reference your property address.

NDHA is exceptionally proud that Discovery Ridge continues to be one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in our city. A neighbourhood to span a lifetime. If you happen to notice an area that might need attention such a bed being missed or damage incurred due to storms or other factors, please let the NDHA know. We are always happy to hear from our members; please access our website at www.ndha.ca to send an email or call us at 403-237-9595.



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I have appreciated meeting many constituents and Albertans over the past month at outdoor festivals. It is gratifying to participate in numerous events where I met many happy, optimistic Albertans. The 'Can Do' spirit remains alive and well!

As an MLA and Cabinet Minister, the summer months remain as activity filled as the other months of the year. Ministerial responsibilities and constituency related matters include addressing emergent matters, meeting with stakeholders and constituents, addressing their concerns, and sourcing solutions. Representing the provincial government while attending and addressing attendees at public events also forms a large part of my responsibilities.

Families and communities across Alberta continue to experience the harms associated illegal drugs. Fentanyl, carfentanil, and other deadly substances take lives, fuel addiction, and leave lasting scars on families who have lost loved ones far too soon.

On International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, we acknowledged the human cost of drug abuse and our shared responsibility to confront it. Alberta's government is acting on multiple fronts to protect Albertans.

As we honoured the families who have lost loved ones, we commended those working toward recovery. We recognized the dedicated law enforcement officers, first responders, and community partners who work every day to protect Albertans.

Through investments in police services and specialized enforcement teams, including ALERT and the Alberta Sheriffs Interdiction Patrol Team, we are equipping law enforcement with the tools needed to disrupt trafficking operations and remove dangerous drugs from our streets.

Through the Alberta Recovery Model, we are increasing access to bed-based addiction treatment, expanding virtual access to addiction medicine care, and building eleven world-class recovery communities across the province, five of which are open and supporting clients. We will continue to invest in treatment capacity and community-based supports throughout Alberta to support Albertans finding a path to recovery.

Together, we're working to save lives and build stronger, healthier communities for generations to come.

Mike Ellis

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