

Outdoor Soccer Coordinators Needed

The Briarwood Community Association (BCA) requires volunteers to act as coordinators for the 2017 Outdoor Soccer season, starting in February 2017. We need coordinators for both Kinder Soccer (ages 3-4) and Youth Soccer (ages 5-9). Individuals wishing to assist or co-coordinate with a friend are welcome. We have many children in our community who participate in this sport every spring however without new volunteers we will be unable to provide this program. This opportunity would appeal to people who want to use or enhance their communication and organizational skills. It does not involve any coaching requirements and training/assistance will be provided by the previous coordinator and BCA Board. Although new coordinators are welcome to join the BCA board it is not a requirement. Please consider this volunteer opportunity so we can continue to offer this popular programming. For more information contact us at briarwoodca@gmail.com.

Indoor Fitness Programs – Winter 2017

Whether you exercise as part of your ongoing fitness regime, or you resolve to be more active in the coming new year, BCA offers a variety of fitness programs to help you meet your fitness objectives. All classes are held in the Briarwood Community Centre, conveniently close to home, and run for ten sessions. Visit our site at www.briarwoodca.com click on online registration and browse a description of the programs that we offer, meet our experienced and qualified instructors, and register in your favorite program. Our online registration opens January 2 and closes on January 13. Payment by Visa or MasterCard is required at time of registration. Class size is limited, registration is first come, first registered, so sign up early to secure your place in class!

Available Board Positions

- Outdoor Soccer Coordinators
 - Vice President
 - President
 - Secretary
 - Director at Large
- email briarwoodca@gmail.com for details

Dates to Remember

- January 2, 2017:** online fitness registration opens
January 13, 2017: online fitness registration closes
January 17, 2017: fitness classes begin this week

Briarwood Contact Info

Website: Briarwoodca.com
Email: briarwoodca@gmail.com

Program	Age	Time	Day	Start Date	End Date	Cost
Beginner Yoga	14+	5:30–6:45 PM	Wednesday	Jan 18	March 22	\$60
Core Strength	14+	7:00–8:00 PM	Monday	Jan 16	March 20	\$60
Intermediate Yoga	14+	7:00–8:15 PM	Wednesday	Jan 18	March 22	\$60
Pilates - all levels	14+	5:30–6:30 PM	Monday	Jan 16	March 20	\$60
Sculpt and Cardio	14+	7:00–8:00 PM	Thursday	Jan 19	March 23	\$60
Zumba	16+	6:45–7:45 PM	Tuesday	Jan 17	March 21	\$60





Rocks and Rings comes to Briarwood

Calling all kids! Did you know that Curling is an Olympic sport, and Canada is one of the top curling nations? Did you ever want to try curling but didn't know where or how to do it? This winter BCA is offering you the opportunity to try curling in a fun environment right here in your own community. Sessions will be held after school on Jan 24 and Feb 7 for ages 5 - 13. See our website for details and to register online so we know how many to expect. The session is fun and FREE to families holding a current BCA membership. Come out and join in the fun!

“The Briarwood Kite Man”

The BCA board would like to express their condolences to the family of Bi Da Xu, who passed away October 3, 2016. He brought joy to the community of Briarwood by flying his beautiful kites daily in Donna Birkmaier Park. He will be sorely missed by all in the Briarwood Community.

Civic Matters

We would like to remind all residents and homeowners in the Briarwood Community about the following City of Saskatoon bylaws:

- **Sidewalk Clearing Bylaw #8463** requires owners or occupants of residential property to clear sidewalks of snow and ice **within 48 hours of snowfall**. Cleared snow must be placed on your property or removed and cannot be placed on the roadway. Sidewalks not cleared within 48 hours of a snowfall can be reported to the City of Saskatoon Public Works at [306-975-2476](tel:306-975-2476). If you are aware of someone who due to age or physical disability is unable to clear their snow, please be a “Snow Angel” and assist them with clearing.
- **Street Use Bylaw #2954** requires sump pump discharge to be a **minimum of three metres** from property lines including sidewalks. This is to prevent ice buildup in winter and slippery conditions throughout the year. We encourage residents to report violations of this bylaw to the City of Saskatoon at the Safety & Property Hotline number ([306-975-2828](tel:306-975-2828)) OR online at <https://www.saskatoon.ca/services-residents/community-standards>. Please keep our community safe for sidewalk use.
- **The Animal Control Bylaw #7860** covers all aspects of pet licensing and control. This bylaw prevents dogs and cats from being at large unless within a designated off-leash dog park. The bylaw also provides guidance on litter cleanup and excessive barking or howling by dogs that are left unattended within the owner's property and outlines fines and penalties that may be levied on owners not following these regulations. Please be a conscientious and considerate pet owner.

All City of Saskatoon bylaws can be viewed at saskatoon.ca/city-hall/city-bylaws-policies/city-bylaws. Please ensure compliance with all bylaws. Your Community Association and neighbors will thank you!!

*BCA would like to extend Holiday Greetings to all residents of our community.
Have a safe, happy, and fun-filled holiday season.*

Briarwood BBQ

We would like to thank all residents who attended our annual Family Day BBQ which was held Sunday August 28th. Fortunately, the weather cooperated and all in attendance enjoyed a variety of music, dance and children's activities. Special thanks to all the volunteers who assisted with the event and contributed to its success. Finally, we would like to thank **Sask Lotteries** for providing financial assistance through their **Community Grant Program**. We look forward to seeing everyone again next year!



Pedestrian Safety

BCA has been working with the City of Saskatoon regarding pedestrian safety and have identified the need for a crosswalk at the corner of Beechmont Crescent South and Briarwood Road. This will improve safety at that intersection and for residents crossing Briarwood Road at the path between Briarwood Park and Donna Birkmaier Park. Please look for pavement markings and signage, **likely in the spring of 2017**.

Community Crime Prevention

As we approach the holiday and winter season, if you are planning to be away for an extended time please keep crime prevention in mind. The Saskatoon Police Service recommends having a trusted person regularly check your house, collect flyers, etc. from your mail box and remove snow from your driveway and sidewalks. For more information, see police.saskatoon.ca/pdf/brochures/home_security.pdf. If you see suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please report to the Saskatoon Police Service at 306-975-8300. If a crime is in progress, please call 9-1-1. Crime statistics for all Saskatoon neighborhoods including Briarwood are available at map.saskatoonpolice.ca

Board Members Needed

The BCA currently has the following vacancies on the Board of Directors:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Team Sports Coordinators
- Director at Large

These positions offer a great opportunity to utilize and enhance organizational and planning skills. Time commitment will vary from two to ten hours per month depending on the position and time of year. Volunteering is a great opportunity to represent and improve your neighborhood. Please visit our website at briarwoodca.com or email briarwoodca@gmail.com for more information.

Membership Drive

Thank you to all our new BCA members for purchasing a membership and supporting the community. A very special thank you goes to the volunteers who went door to door selling memberships. It was their hard work that made the membership drive a success. If we missed your home and you would like to purchase a membership, please e-mail Amy at foursturgeons@gmail.com. You may also purchase your membership online at www.briarwoodca.com.

St. Luke School Playground Project

Many Briarwood children go to St. Luke elementary school in Lakeridge. The city owned playground located in Crocus park, adjacent to St. Luke school, has seen better days. It's time for an upgrade! The Saint Luke Playground Project has been launched and help is needed! They are looking for:

- grant writers
- website designers
- event planners
- invested community members who want to ensure safe, accessible play spaces for our children

Contact Maria Cheke at mariacheke@yahoo.ca if you would like to get involved.



Advertising with us

If you are interested in advertising in the Briarwood Newsletter, please note the price below:

- Business Card Size \$45.00
- Half Page \$150.00
- Quarter Page \$80.00
- Full Page \$275.00

Ads must be submitted well in advance for publication, and we may limit the number of ads (first come first print) to match printing requirements. If interested in future newsletter advertising, e-mail: briarwoodca@gmail.com

Merry Christmas
Happy Hanukkah



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My wife Ann & I would like to wish you all a Happy Holiday Season



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