

the Cardinal Creek **TRIBUNE** de Cardinal Creek



Presented by the Cardinal Creek Community Association

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Parks are top priority

Our community continues to grow and your association is making progress on a number of fronts. We have recently updated our website to better communicate with you quickly and efficiently on issues such as park play structures and providing feedback to city staff. We continue to enhance the website and encourage you to bookmark www.cardinalcreek.org, subscribe to the new RSS feed or join our mailing list so we can deliver important information and reminders to you at the speed of the information age.

At our March meeting, the Cardinal Creek Community Association's 2007 priorities were established by a public, open vote to be the following:

1. Parks and Rec Facilities/Bicycle Paths
2. OC Transpo/Transportation
3. Traffic Issues
4. Environmental Issues
5. Neighbourhood Watch
6. New Home Builder Issues

It was determined that the number one issue facing our community is the lack of active parks for our kids to play safely. Residents raised issues such as the tardy development of Valin Park, the slow progress on Park 18-B preliminary work, and the need for City of Ottawa Kids Summer Program(s) for Cassia, Frenette and other parks as being top priorities in this rapidly growing area. This issue is probably the most difficult one to make progress on due to the joint responsibilities of the developer and the City of Ottawa. However, Councillor Bob Monette and Mayor Larry O'Brien are aware of our Association's concerns and are working on resolving these issues.

OC Transpo express bus frequency, increased connectivity to Trim Road Park & Ride and lack of adequate bus coverage is the second highest priority for 2007. Councillor Monette's office was instrumental in setting up a public meeting with OC Transpo in April. (Read more on page 3) **(President's Message continued on Page 2)**



Priorité aux parcs


Notre communauté est en pleine croissance et les dossiers de votre association progressent. Notre site Internet a été récemment mis à jour, pour vous informer rapidement des enjeux tels que les structures de jeux dans les parcs, et procurer aux employés de la ville un feedback sur les dossiers. Nous améliorons continuellement le site que nous vous encourageons à inscrire à votre marque-pages: www.cardinalcreek.org. Inscrivez-vous au flux RSS, ou joignez la liste de distribution afin de recevoir rapidement les communications de l'association.

À la rencontre du mois de mars de l'association, les priorités pour l'année 2007 furent établies dans l'ordre suivant, par un vote ouvert:


1. Parcs, équipements de loisir, et pistes cyclables
2. OC Transpo et transports
3. Circulation routière
4. Enjeux environnementaux
5. Surveillance de quartier
6. Enjeux reliés aux constructeurs de maison

Les résidents ont fait remarquer le retard dans le développement du parc Valin, le progrès insuffisant des travaux préliminaires au parc 18-B, ainsi que la nécessité pour la ville d'établir des programmes récréatifs pour enfants dans les parcs Cassia, Frenette et les autres parcs de notre secteur en croissance rapide. Le développement des parcs est une responsabilité conjointe entre les développeurs et la ville d'Ottawa, ce qui rend plus difficile l'avancement des travaux. Le conseiller Bob Monette et le maire Larry O'Brien sont aux faits de ces problèmes et travaillent à les résoudre.

La fréquence de passage des autobus express d'OC Transpo, le niveau de service au Parc-o-bus Trim, et l'insuffisance de circuits d'autobus dans le secteur, est en seconde place dans la liste des priorités pour 2007. Une rencontre avait été organisée avec OC Transpo en avril grâce au personnel du bureau du conseiller Bob Monette (voir article en page 3). **(Suite à page 2)**



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Traffic issues and environmental concerns were identified as the third and fourth highest priorities. Under traffic, proper completion of roadways, traffic light timing and final surfacing of neighbourhood streets were the top issues. For the environment, rehabilitating public properties, protecting the natural beauty of Cardinal Creek and its tributaries, enhancing tree planting programs, implementing a green box program and advancing community environmental initiatives were top priorities. (See page 3 for more info on these initiatives.)

If you are interested in helping advance these community priorities, we encourage you to participate in our meetings. The next CCCA meeting will be held June 7 at the South Fallingbrook Community Centre, 998 Valin at 7 p.m.

On a final note, I encourage you to take part in the 2nd Annual Cardinal Creek Community Garage Sale on Saturday, June 2. Wishing you all a safe and happy summer,

Sean Crossan, CCCA President

About the Cardinal Creek Community Association

The CCCA represents the interests of all residents in the neighbourhoods along the Trim Rd corridor. We are a not-for-profit organization of community volunteers who are interested in making our growing community a better place to live. Some activities of our association include:

- Educating and informing residents about local issues,
- Organizing community events and activities,
- Lobbying on areas of common concern, and
- Providing a forum for discussion between residents and local elected officials and candidates.

For more information, please visit www.cardinalcreek.org.

Au sujet de l'Association communautaire de Cardinal Creek

L'ACCC représente les intérêts des résidents des quartiers longeant le chemin Trim. L'association, à but non lucratif, est constitué de bénévoles qui ont l'objectif commun d'améliorer la qualité de vie dans leur communauté en:

- Instruisant et informant les résidents sur les enjeux locaux,
- Organisant des événements et des activités communautaires,
- Faisant du lobbying pour des enjeux communs,
- Fournissant un forum de discussion entre les résidents, les élus et les candidats.

Pour plus de renseignements, visitez le www.cardinalcreek.org.

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(Suite du mot du président de la page 1)

Les problèmes de circulation routière et les préoccupations environnementales sont en troisième et quatrième place dans la liste des priorités. L'achèvement des routes, la synchronisation des feux de circulation et l'asphaltage final des rues de quartier sont les priorités du secteur en matière de voirie. Du côté environnemental, la réhabilitation des lieux publics, la protection de la beauté naturelle du ruisseau Cardinal et de ses affluents, l'augmentation du nombre d'arbres transplantés, le programme de boîtes vertes et les initiatives communautaires sont au sommet des priorités (voir article en page 3).

Si vous désirez mettre la main à la pâte et faire avancer l'état des travaux sur ces dossiers, nous vous invitons à participer à nos réunions. La prochaine réunion sera le 7 juin au centre communautaire Fallingbrook sud, au 998 Valin à 19h.

N'oubliez pas de participer à la 2^e vente de garage annuelle de l'association, le samedi 2 juin. Passez un bel été en toute sécurité,

Sean Crossan, Président de l'ACCC

CCCA's 2nd Annual Community Garage Sale set for June 2

On Saturday June 2 join your neighbours and participate in the 2nd Annual Cardinal Creek Community Garage Sale (Rain Date: Sunday June 3).

Set up a table and sell your wares. Tour your community. Find that special treasure you've been searching for. Please donate the proceeds from one item to your Community Association so we can make this community a better place to live. Email us at garagesale@cardinalcreek.org or visit www.cardinalcreek.org for more information.

Kyle Templeton, CCCA Community Activities Director

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Environmental Responsibility Begins at Home

Thank you for making our community one of the most environmentally responsible in Ottawa. It is through your individual efforts that we have achieved great collective results. And it is by way of past successes that we can aim even higher.

Our 3rd Annual Community Clean Up on April 28 is a case in point. We had great turnout despite the rainy weather and picked up more garbage than ever. Congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated!

We are confident that our 2nd community tree planting project on Saturday, May 26 will be a similar success. Bring out the whole family to help plant more trees on the public lands along the Cardinal Creek path to strengthen the reforestation efforts we began last fall. Get involved by emailing environment@cardinalcreek.org.

The CCCA would like to thank the City of Ottawa for its support in making our community a greener place to live through this important initiative. Please let us know of other public areas where you would like to see trees planted in future or join us at our June 7 CCCA meeting where this will be a topic of discussion.

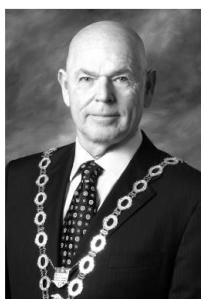
The CCCA would like you to consider the following ways you can help make our community even more sustainable:

1. Have a free smart thermostat installed by Hydro One to lower you're AC's consumption of electricity during peak summer hours;
2. Replace your outdoor porch lights with long-lasting, compact fluorescent bulbs. If this were done nationally it would be equivalent to taking 180,000 cars off the road;
3. Mulch your grass clippings. This will reduce the need for watering and save space in our landfills;
4. Recycle more, compost your organic waste and try to keep your weekly waste to one garbage bag; and
5. Install a rain barrel to reduce your water use and storm runoff, which pollutes our streams and rivers.

If you have ideas that can help make our community greener or if you would like to help advance local environmental initiatives, please email us at environment@cardinalcreek.org.

Bruce Hollands, CCCA Director of Environmental Affairs

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OC Transpo Service Changes

Pat Scrimgeour, Program Manager of Planning Service for OC Transpo, attended the April 5 CCCA meeting to provide residents with an update on recent and planned changes to bus service within the Cardinal Creek area. Of key note are the following changes planned for September/07:

- Route 22 –additional capacity will be added with larger buses and more frequent service.
- Route 94 –30 minute service in both directions during mid-day. 30 minute service downtown during pm peak period.
- Route 95 – increased peak period service with more trips to Trim Road Park and Ride.
- Route 135 – Sunday service to follow regular route.
- Route 136 – Sunday service every 30 minutes.

Final schedule and route details will be available starting July, 2007 at www.octranspo.com.

Dale Porter, CCCA Webmaster

Upcoming CCCA Events

- ✓ **Tree Planting Event** – May 26, 2007, in the Spring Ridge community.
- ✓ **CCCA Garage Sale** – June 2, 2007, throughout the Cardinal Creek community. Watch for signs!
- ✓ **Next CCCA Meeting** – June 7, 2007 at 7 pm, at the South Fallingbrook Community Center (998 Valin St).

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CCCA has Improved Website

In March the CCCA transferred its website to a new Web Hosting provider – Sibername.com. The CCCA would like to thank Sibername, an Ottawa-based Web Hosting provider, for the special discount and excellent services it has offered us.

The CCCA uses the website and its email distribution list to get information out to CCCA members quickly. Members may also subscribe to our new RSS feed to receive the latest news without filling up your email inbox.

The Association website can now be found at www.cardinalcreek.org. It offers a number of key features to the community, including:

- Important Notices displayed on the Home page
- About Us with contact info on association volunteers
- Latest News with current information of concern to

the local community

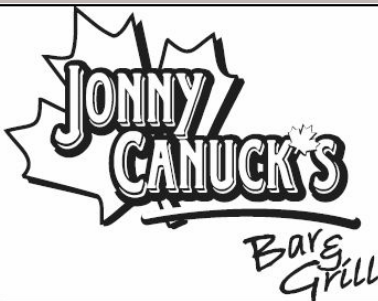
- Events Calendar for at-a-glance information on upcoming CCCA events

The site also has links to electronic copies of this newsletter, links to our partners and other important information regarding the CCCA community. The City of Ottawa uses our website regularly to inform residents on a variety of topics including zoning changes and upcoming public consultations.

You are encouraged to bookmark the CCCA website (www.cardinalcreek.org), create an RSS feed and subscribe to our email distribution list so we can get information to you quickly and efficiently! Please see the website for details on how to sign-up for our information broadcasts or to update your contact information with us.

Dale Porter, CCCA Webmaster

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