

## MALMO SAFETY UPDATE

From Trent Charles, President, Malmo Community League

### *Your Safety Statistics are Needed!*

It's been amazing connecting with so many Malmo residents over the last few months! There is so much warmth and dedication from our gem of a community. In my conversations with community members, the #1 issue is safety. We've been getting the ball rolling, and recently I met with the Chief of Staff (Yonathan Sumamo) for Minister of the Public Safety and Emergency Services (Mike Ellis). To spur action, they want us to provide a formal letter with as much data as possible. We will be sending a joint letter with Southgate Mall. Your statistics will greatly help us strengthen our letter!

Have you experienced crime or a lack of safety in Malmo? **Please send an email to** [president@malmoplains.com](mailto:president@malmoplains.com) (There will not be any personal information disclosed in the letter, we will be providing totals).

If possible, we would like to know:

- Date/Time
- Type of incident
- Dollar value involved
- Personal injuries?
- Police called
- Outcome

For Malmo Hall, we were broken into twice over the past 3 months. First, our main door handle was broken through. A few weeks later, the deadbolt of our garage door was cut through with an angle grinder. In total, our repairs cost \$2,651.10. Thankfully Malmo resident Mike R. witnessed the second break-in and called police, who were able to recover the stolen belongings and apprehend the suspects.



Trent walked with the City of Edmonton Horticulture Department along the 46 Ave Whitemud Alley to discuss shrub management to improve sightlines and safety. Trimming will start in East Malmo and move to the West while their resources allow.



Trent (President) and Stephanie (Treasurer) met up with Police Chief Dale McFee to discuss Malmo safety in late August

### *An Open Dialogue with EPS*

**Saturday November 25th 2pm-4pm at Southgate Baptist Church**

Our second quarterly Safety Meeting is an Open Dialogue with Edmonton Police Service Saturday November 25th 2pm-4pm at Southgate Baptist Church (11107 51 Ave). As frontline workers, EPS shoulder a lot of public criticism and blame. In my meeting with Police Chief Dale McFee, I learned that EPS is working hard to enforce safety, and they shared that they can be limited by external factors such as government policies. They are excited to share the initiatives they have in motion, tips to keep our neighbourhood safer, as well as answer any questions from residents.

In my meetings with different stakeholders, one crucial element that seems to be missing are lines of communications—whether it is between the city and province, between the city and the community, or the province and community. Our goal with the Open Dialogue is to start the flow of communication, starting with the community and EPS. We all need each other to create a successful outcome!

\*To ensure your questions are answered during Q&A, **please submit them to** [president@malmoplains.com](mailto:president@malmoplains.com) beforehand.



## A warm welcome to Malmö Community League's new Webmaster, Greg Gazin!

*Greg has lived on the East side of Malmö for over 30 years. He has done tech, business & lifestyle writing for Troy Media, Edmonton Sun and many other publications, and also co-hosts the Toastmasters International podcast. Greg has researched Radon in depth, and has important news to share. For any questions, Greg can be reached at [webmaster@malmoplains.com](mailto:webmaster@malmoplains.com)*

### November is National Radon Action Month

Radon is a silent killer potentially lurking in Malmö homes, but because its effects are not instantly fatal like from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning or smoke inhalation from fumes from a raging fire, Radon doesn't seem to be given the attention it deserves.

Radon is everywhere. According to Health Canada, it's a naturally occurring radioactive gas created as uranium found in soil and rock decays. Like CO, it's also odourless and tasteless. In Canada, Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer, next to smoking, and the number one cause of cancer in non-smokers. In fact, according to StatsCan, deaths from Radon were almost 10x that of CO.

Now living in Malmö, you might think - I don't have a Radon problem, otherwise I would have heard about it. In fact, the Canadian Prairies has the 2nd highest levels of Radon in the world next to Poland.

Yes, Radon in Malmö.

### My Radon was discovered by accident

I was testing a gadget called the Airthings Wave for review for a magazine article. Airthings designs at-home Radon and Air Quality measurement devices. Over a period of a year, I discovered that **Radon levels in my Malmö home were on average almost double the recommended levels.**

This was obviously a concern that needed to be addressed and thus began my investigation and research. It included speaking with experts, scientists, remediators, lung associations, government officials, and even people who had lung cancer despite never having smoked.

This resulted in a series of three articles called the Dangers of Radon, published by Troy Media which can also be accessed from our website [MalmöPlains.com](http://MalmöPlains.com)

#### Articles Include:

- Radon: the silent killer lurking in your home
- The myths and misconceptions surrounding radon
- How I discovered radon in my home and mitigated it

I encourage you all to read the articles and take action on Radon. A simple inexpensive test might just give you peace of mind.

Greg Gazin

## BE A MALMO BOARD MEMBER

Would you like to join our Community League board to help make Malmö even more awesome? We are seeking help for two positions. Training provided, no experience necessary! Even if you are able to help out for just part of the duties, that would be greatly appreciated. Please email [president@malmoplains.com](mailto:president@malmoplains.com) if you are interested.

### Secretary

- attend monthly board meetings
- send out agenda and minutes
- take minutes

### Membership Director

- attend monthly board meetings
- sell memberships at events
- deliver memberships to households
- update membership spreadsheet

## Malmö Community Swim

Swimming at Confederation Leisure Centre (11204 43 Ave) is free with a Malmö Membership during:

- Saturdays 4pm-5:30pm
- Sundays 4pm-5:30pm

Malmö memberships also give 20% off for annual and ongoing monthly memberships at City of Edmonton recreational facilities

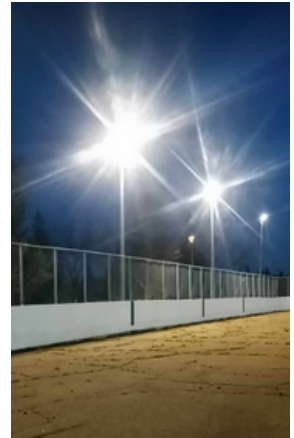
Memberships can be purchased at <https://www.malmoplains.com/store1>

The 2023-2024 budget for Malmo Community League was approved at our October board meeting:

General Account Assets (Aug 2023)	
General Account Balance	\$70,964.79
GIC #1 4.55% Maturity Date Jan 6, 2025	\$200,000
GIC #2 5.1% Maturity Date Aug 18, 2024	\$100,000
<b>General Account Net Assets Total (Aug 2023)</b>	<b>\$370,964.79</b>
Projected Income (next 12 months)	
City of Edmonton Grant	\$11,000
Volleyball	\$3,000
Membership Sales	\$2,500
Hall Rental	\$2,000
GIC Income	\$15,000
EPCOR Rink Payment	\$600
CLIP grant (cover 50% of improvement projects)	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$39,100</b>
Projected Expenses (next 12 months)	
Food For Monthly Meeting (\$300/month)	\$3,600
Community Swim Program	\$1,500
Monthly Social Events (\$900/month)	\$10,800
Classes/ Seminars/ Block Parties/ Soccer (\$600/month)	\$7,200
Spaghetti Dinner	\$1,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,600</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$14,500</b>
Projected General Account Balance (Aug 2024)	\$85,464.79
Projected General Account Net Assets (Aug 2024)	\$385,464.79

### Rink Refresh!

We made some upgrades to the hockey rink for the winter. Malmo resident and ice maker Tim W. volunteered his time to repaint the inside of the rink. And Malmo master electrician Eric F. replaced the rink lights with new energy efficient LED lights, brightening up our



whole rink. Not only did Eric volunteer his time, he also paid for the lights and man lift as well. We are so grateful to have such generous residents!



### No More Potholes!



One of the major expenses was fixing the parking lot. It had a lot of potholes that weren't very safe to drive or walk through. We were very lucky we were able to get these repairs done before winter.



### Current Casino Balance (Aug 2023)

Casino funds need to be spent within three years. In our current casino account, we have \$70,707.57 (as of Aug 18) which needs to be spent by November 2024. The funds from our latest casino should be deposited by January 2024

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 70,707.57</b>
Casino Expenses (next 12 months)	
Roof Repair	\$5,516.59
Newsletter	\$7,200.00
Parking Lot Repair	\$12,967.50
Internet	\$768.60
Utilities	\$7,800.00
Cleaning + Waste Disposal	\$4,306.92
Lawn Care + Snow Removal	\$2,160.00
Rink Maintenance	\$5,500.00
Website	\$450.00
Insurance	\$4,000.00
Social Media Marketing (\$100/month)	\$1,200.00
EFCL Dues + EFCL Supplies	\$1000.00
Rink Painting + Hockey nets	\$3000.00
Security System	\$1000.00
Repairs and Vandalism	\$5,000.00
Stationery and Miscellaneous Supplies	\$500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$62,369.61</b>
<b>Net Balance Aug 2024 (not including new funds)</b>	<b>\$8,337.96</b>

**Saturday Nov 18th**  
*Christmas Market*  
 10am-4pm  
 Holy Spirit Lutheran Church  
 11223 51 Ave

Get your Christmas shopping done early! Holy Spirit will have a bake sale table and cafe, and the Malmö Christmas Choir will be caroling. Raffle tickets will be sold for 4 incredible gift baskets. Interested vendors can book a table (780-434-4012 for more info).

**Tuesday Nov 21st**  
*Malmö Board Meeting*  
 7pm-8:30pm  
 Malmö Hall, 11525 48 Ave

Dinner provided\* and socializing at 7pm, and board meeting starts at 7:30pm. Open to all Malmö residents. Come join the discussion on Malmö Community League initiatives!

**Saturday Nov 25th**  
*Malmö Safety Meeting*  
 2pm-4pm  
 Southgate Baptist Church  
 11107 51 Ave

We will have community and local police come together to discuss strategies for a safer neighborhood. We will start with a presentation from our panel of special guests, followed by Q&A from the audience. To ensure your questions are answered, please submit them beforehand to [president@malmoplains.com](mailto:president@malmoplains.com). \*Location will be at **Southgate Baptist Church**

**Saturday Nov 25th**  
*Malmö Open Mic/Jam Night*  
 7pm-9pm  
 Holy Spirit Lutheran Church  
 11223 51 Ave

Come check out the musical talent in Malmö! If you would like to perform a song, please email [social@malmoplains.com](mailto:social@malmoplains.com) so our house band can prepare. You may also sign up on the day of, or bring your own instrument, or perform a solo. \*Location is at **Holy Spirit Lutheran Church**

**Monday Dec 11th**  
*Malmö Christmas Concert*  
 7pm-7:45pm  
 Holy Spirit Lutheran Church  
 11223 51 Ave

Malmö's choir has been practicing since October! Come experience your favorite Christmas music. With special guests on violin and flute, with reception to follow. \*Location is at **Holy Spirit Lutheran Church**

**Tuesday Dec 12th**  
*Social Committee Meeting*  
 7pm-8pm  
 Malmö Hall, 11525 48 Ave

Social Committee now meets second Tuesday of every month. All welcome to help us plan upcoming social events! We would love to hear your ideas and input for how we can make awesome Malmö events.

**Tuesday Dec 19th**  
*Malmö Board Meeting*  
 7pm-8:30pm  
 Malmö Hall, 11525 48 Ave

Dinner provided\* and socializing at 7pm, and board meeting starts at 7:30pm. Open to all Malmö residents. Come join the discussion on Malmö Community League initiatives!

\*While supplies last. Gluten-free and vegetarian options available.

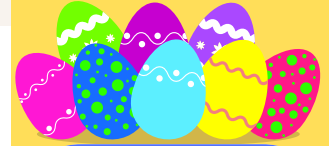
## WOULD YOU LIKE TO ORGANIZE A BLOCK PARTY?

City of Edmonton Grants open early 2024, and Malmö Community League can provide additional funding. Please email [treasurer@malmoplains.com](mailto:treasurer@malmoplains.com) if you are interested.



## HELP WANTED

*Malmö Community League is seeking:*



Lead organizer for a kid-friendly Easter Egg Hunt for Malmö! We can provide funds and volunteers

Paint Night Artist to guide Malmöans through a painting for our Wine & Paint event March 2024. Compensation negotiable.



Someone to mount our TV to the wall in the community hall. Compensation negotiable.

If interested in any of the above, please email [president@malmoplains.com](mailto:president@malmoplains.com)

**Chess Club:** Saturdays 10am-12pm, Drop-in free  
**Gentle Yoga:** Saturdays 1:30pm-2:30pm, Drop-in free, for adults and seniors  
**Sakalya Yoga:** Wednesdays 7pm-8pm, Drop-in \$10 for members \$15 non-members  
**Craft Club:** Dec 8, 7pm-9pm (second Friday of every month), Drop in free, bring your own projects :)