

# WISTERIA PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



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## All residents encouraged to attend community's annual meeting, Apr. 25

Getting involved in our small neighbourhood has been a rewarding experience, says Amin Amin, the current president of the Wisteria Park Community Association (WPCA).

"It certainly wasn't something I had envisioned for myself," he reflects. "But I came to one of the first founding meetings and found myself on the board. A few years later, I became president."

While he has enjoyed getting to know other members in the neighbourhood better and being part of events that have brought our community together, like the annual fall BBQ in the park and the community-wide garage sale,

new blood is needed to keep the association going.

"It isn't a lot of work, but we've had some members move out of the community, and we haven't had new people step up."

The board has dwindled to just five people: Olivia Leung, Stephen Long, Bob Andrews, Sylvia Bakker and Amin.

The next annual general meeting will be at the **Hunt Club-Riverside Community Centre (3320 Paul Anka Dr.) on Wednesday, Apr. 25 at 7 p.m.**

Everyone is welcome to attend, Amin says, whether you want to be a member of the board or you



are just interested in observing the meeting to see what the association is all about.

For more information, [WisteriaParkCommunity@hotmail.com](mailto:WisteriaParkCommunity@hotmail.com)

## Rink volunteers needed

Did you or your child enjoy a skate on the puddle winter in the park this winter?

Why not consider volunteering for next season's rink? We desperately need more volunteers to shovel snow and flood the rink to keep this great initiative going.

Thanks to this year's crew: Don Paice, Marc Diggins, Andy Yee, Steve Long, Joey Richardson!



## Spring cleanup, Apr. 22

Spring has arrived and with that comes spring cleaning.

Along with residents cleaning and raking their own properties,

we are hoping to get a turnout for our annual community cleanup of common areas on **Sunday, Apr. 22, from 2 to 3 p.m.** — the more the merrier!

## What does the community association do? Have your say!

Did you and your family enjoy the bouncy castle and the giant water gun fight at last fall's free BBQ?

Did you notice the number of parking tickets issued for street parking have lessened?

Has snow clearing improved on your street? Did you enjoy a skate this winter?

These are just some of the ways the WPCA is working to make our community a better place to live! We are now applying for grants to improve our park. How would you like to improve our park? **Have your say through our online survey:**

[wisteriaparkcommunityassociation.weebly.com/park-survey.html](http://wisteriaparkcommunityassociation.weebly.com/park-survey.html)

## Busy intersection cause for concern



CARS, CARS, CARS!

You may have noticed that the **intersections between Wisteria, Paul Anka and Hunt Club** just get busier and busier.

Recently two members of the association met with city staff and

Councillor Diane Deans to discuss the issue.

It's also noteworthy to point out that half of the 10 worst intersections in Ottawa are along Hunt Club Road, two of which are just down the road from us: Hunt Club and Riverside; and Hunt Club

and Prince of Wales.

We would love to hear your views on traffic issues and traffic calming in our 'hood.

Email: [WisteriaParkCommunity@hotmail.com](mailto:WisteriaParkCommunity@hotmail.com) or comment on our Facebook Page.

## Weekly soccer, ultimate frisbee in the park?

**"Wouldn't it be great to walk down the street and play soccer for an hour or so with some of your neighbours?"**

If there is an interest in bringing children (and adults) together in friendly soccer and/or ultimate Frisbee games this summer, let us know.

It wouldn't be an official, city-sanctioned event, but a drop-in type game – just for fun!

"We've got this great green space in the middle of our community that really isn't being used to its full potential," says

WPCA member Steve Long, on how he came up with the idea.

"I thought: wouldn't it be great to walk down the street and play soccer or ultimate frisbee or whatever for an hour or so with some of your neighbours?"

Steve would love to see regular times set up for kids and other times set up for adults to meet up at the park for soccer and

ultimate frisbee.

"It's a great way to get some physical activity, get to know your neighbours better, and the bonus: you never have to get into your car."

Please contact Steve Long [stephenandrewlong@gmail.com](mailto:stephenandrewlong@gmail.com) if you have an interest and/or could help out.

### Don't forget:

- **AGM Apr. 25 @ 7 p.m.**
- **Spring cleanup Apr. 22, 2-3 p.m.**
- **Fill in the survey on our website**
- **Like us on Facebook**
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