Whitmore Park Community Association

2023-2024 Annual Report

(For the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2024)

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Report based on information provided by the Executive Members and Program Providers

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1. WPCA AGM Meeting Minutes – November 15th, 2023

Whitmore Park Community Association Annual General Meeting
Campbell Collegiate staff room & via skype
November 15th, 2023

Attendance:

- Directors Attending: Harald McArthur, Barbara Cabrera, Brian Black, Ralph Doke, Jackie Harle, Maria Cardona, Tracy Sanden
- Director Regrets:
- Quorum: Yes
- Board Members Attending:
- City of Regina Attendees: Cheryl Stadnichuk, Loreen Anderson
- City of Regina Regrets:
- Public Attending: Jaclyn Johnston
- Public Regrets:

AGENDA

a) Welcome:

- Harald welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

b) Review and approve agenda:

- Brian made the motion to accept the agenda for November 15th, 2023, Ralph seconded the motion, all approved, carried.

c) Review/approve Minutes:

- Ralph made the motion to accept the meeting minutes of November 16th, 2022, Tracy seconded the motion, all approved, carried.

d) Reports from Directors and program coordinators:

1. President's report:

- Harald highlighted our first community clean-up sponsored by the city of Regina. However, Brian noted that he has coordinated clean-ups in the past along with Hillsdale (this was without city funding). The other new city-funded program is that of snow angels whereby current residents can help out their vulnerable and elderly neighbours by shoveling their walkways this winter after every snowfall.

2. Vice President's report:

- Brian mentioned his continued coordination of the supervisors at the Mike Badham Park ice shelter, the organization of the family skate as well as weekly free skates for both Whitmore Park and Hillsdale community members. He noted that he has attended meetings for Hillsdale community association and for the city's neighbourhood land-use planning (NLUP)

3. Treasurer's report:
- Ralph noted an overall loss due to couple factors. First, was the reduced revenue from t-ball due to the cost of the new t-shirts and the reduced enrollment. Second, was the because the South Regina Community Soccer (SRCS) has not yet provided us the revenue from registration and membership fees for the 2023 season.

4. Communication report:
- Harald brought back the newsletter as a social media, digital only format, having put out 2 issues this year.
- Maria reported that she is always reposting information from the city on our platforms in order to keep the community well informed. Engagement on our Facebook page is fairly active but on our Instagram engagement is pretty slow.

5. Community Garage Sale Day:
- Maria reported that our 9th annual sale was well received by all.

6. Community Issues:
- This position remains vacant. It was suggested that at some point we restructure some of the director positions to something more general instead of so specific.

7. Neighbourhood Watch:
- This position also remains vacant though Ralph provided a description of the role.

8. Community Sign:
- Ralph stated that the number of paid days was 64 which was more than double the previous year. He also noted that the approved 2018-2019 sign maintenance was not initiated this year so will need to be done the spring of 2024.

9. Forever In Motion (FIM):
- Ralph provided some information on the program and its purpose. Barbara noted that Marisol, the lead for the program in the Regina area is on leave until September of 2024. Marisol, forwarded Barbara's contact information to the person covering her leave. Tracy will follow up since Barbara still hasn't heard from anyone.

10. Membership:
- Ralph reported that membership is down this year compared to last year but that may be in part to the SRCS still not having provided the results from the season.

11. Outdoor Ice Rink Supervision:
- Brian reported that both the Mike Badham Park and Elsie Dorsey Park have outdoor rinks that are flooded and maintained by the city. He contacted our City Councillor as well as the City in 2022 to request that a new, larger shelter be built. We are currently near the top of the priority list. He followed up this year about the shelter and the issues with dog waste but has yet to receive an answer.

12. Recreational Hockey:

- Ralph reported on behalf of Jim Appleby that the players were able to complete a full season for 2022-2023.

13. Program Coordinator:
- This position was vacant but will now be held by Maria. Ralph noted that we lost our home alone and babysitting instructor because Sherri decided to retire. He also provided a program profitability breakdown.

14. South Regina Community Soccer (SRCS):
- Though this position is vacant Ralph mentioned that the 2023 season was busy but the results from the season are not available at this time.

15. T-Ball/Softball:
- Natalie Arendt reported that some of the issues that came up this season such as uniform costs, decrease in enrolment, and lack of available ball diamonds. She also mentioned that registrations will increase by $5 for the 2024 season.

16. WPCA 2022-2023 special events:
- The WPCA and City of Regina sponsor various events throughout the year, some of which are Theatre in the Park, Community Clean-up, and Free family skates.

Tracy made the motion to accept the report as presented, Ralph seconded the motion, all approved, carried.

e) Call for volunteers/board members:
- Vice President- Brian completed his term and chose not to put his name in again, however he will remain as a director. Barbara nominated Jackie for the role. Nominations closed. Jackie became the Vice President through acclimation.

- Treasurer- Ralph let his name stand, no other nominations, Ralph stayed on for another term as Treasurer through acclimation.

- Maria will continue with the communication role and will take on the program coordinator role as well, as a formal board member through acclimation.

The Whitmore Park Community Association Board now consists of:
- President- Harald McArthur
- Past President- Tracy Sanden
- Vice-President: Jackie Harle
- Treasurer: Ralph Doke
- Secretary: Barbara Cabrera
- Director: Maria Cardona
- Director: Brian Black

- It was mentioned that some bylaws need to be changed.
- It was noted that all resolutions need to be presented prior to the AGM.

- Due to some expressed concerns, it was recommended that better financial program policies be implemented such as excess of non-budget money of over $5000 will require a vote by the board.

AGM Adjourned at 8:03pm

2. Financial Summary – 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year

The following tables summarize the financial status of the Whitmore Park Community Association as of August 31, 2024:

WPCA 2023 / 2024 Bank Reconciliation - August 2024	*Updated Sept. 3, 2024*
Bank Account Balance as of July 31, 2024	**$35,647.79**
August Deposits	$1317.45
August Debits	-2692.95
Uncashed Cheques	-$40.00
Balance on Books (bank account method) as of August 31, 2024	**$34,232.29**
Change in Cash Flow	
Balance as of August 31, 2023 fiscal year-end	$25,145.3
Add Net Income Change in 2023 / 2024 Year to Date	***$12,536.14***
Add Accounts / Receivable Total collected since 2023 / 2024 Year End	**$0.00**
Balance on Books (cash flow method) as of August 31, 2024	**$37,681.52**
Accounts Receivable Outstanding as of August 31, 2024	
TOTAL Outstanding Accounts Receivable	**$0.00**
Toronto Dominion Bank GIC Investments	
GIC Investment (August 29, 2024 to December 7, 2024 @ 4.00%)	$11,773.59
TOTAL Toronto Dominion Bank GIC Investments	**$11,773.59**
Balance on Books (cash flow method) as of August 31, 2024	**$37,681.52**
Total Accounts Receivable	**$0.00**
Total Toronto Dominion Bank GIC Investments	**$11,772.59**
WPCA GRAND TOTAL Funds as of August 31, 2024	**$49,455.11**

The next table is the income statement for 2023-2024 with comparisons to the previous three years.

Income Categories	**2023/2024 YTD Total**	**2022/2023 YTD Total**	**2021/2022 YTD Total**	**2020/2021 YTD Total**
ADMINISTRATION				
CITY of REGINA C.A. INVEST. PROG.	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00
COMMUNITY SIGN	570.00	640.00	300.00	430.00
GIC INVESTMENT REVENUE (net)	506.33	354.26	13.48	36.67
DONATIONS	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MEMBERSHIP REVENUE	1550.00	1320.00	2025.00	150.00
NEWSLETTER REVENUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total ADMINISTRATION REVENUE	**3876.33**	**3514.26**	**3538.48**	**1916.67**
PROGRAM REVENUE				
Babysitting	0.00	440.00	810.00	0.00
Dance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yoga	0.00	1971.00		
Fitness	0.00	1174.00	0.00	0.00
Outdoor Soccer	5861.70	0.00	5280.83	0.00
Recreational Hockey	5400.00	5090.00	2657.00	3958.00
Deferred Revenue for unused ice times	0.00	0.00	2520.00	-2520.00
T-Ball / Softball	15470.00	12605.00	36445.00	
Grant Road School Ice Supervision	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Neighborhood Watch Signs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Home Alone	0.00	1035.00	875.00	350.00
City of Regina Ice Supervision Grant	0.00	1196.00	0.00	-560.00
Total PROGRAM REVENUE	**26731.70**	**23511.00**	**48587.83**	**1228.00**
SPECIAL EVENTS				
Grant Road SCC Mural Contribution			500.00	
Snow Angels – City Grant	4967.50			
Craft Sale / Holiday Market	1180.00			
Used Book Sale	2328.00			
Plants, Pots, Accessories Market	415.00			
Community Clean-up – City Grant	2000.00	1000.00	0	0
Total SPECIAL EVENTS	**10890.50**	**1000.00**	**500.00**	**0**
Total Income Categories	**41498.53**	**28025.26**	**52126.31**	**3044.67**
Expense Categories	**2023/2024 Total YTD**	**2022/2023 Total YTD**	**2021/2022 Total YTD**	**2020/2021 Total YTD**
ADMINISTRATION				
Bank Fees	0.00	25.00	19.80	59.40
Meeting Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Information Services Corp. Fees	25.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Web Hosting	43.03	0.00	510.66	20.99
Registration Forms	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage / PO Box Rent	263.25	295.89	276.57	252.00
Administration Supplies	150.06	0.00	73.90	0.00
Capital Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Board Special Events/Get Togethers	0.00	304.13	0.00	0.00
Total ADMINISTRATION	**481.34**	**646.02**	**901.93**	**353.39**
OTHER EXPENDITURES				
COMMUNITY SIGN	35.00	0.00	205.00	200.00
GIC INVESTMENT PURCHASE (net)	506.33	354.26	13.48	36.67
DONATIONS Expenses	0.00	500.00	200.00	500.00
Total OTHER EXPENDITURES	**541.33**	**854.26**	**418.48**	**736.67**
NEWSLETTER				

Distribution	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Printing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total NEWSLETTER	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
PROGRAM EXPENSES				
Babysitting	0.00	337.00	200.00	0.00
Dance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yoga	0.00	1450.00		
Fitness	0.00	1200.00	0.00	0.00
Outdoor Soccer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recreational Hockey	4278.46	4195.04	1192.46	3397.54
Deferred Expenses 14 Cancelled Ice Times	0.00	0.00	2359.61	-2359.61
T-Ball / Softball	11537.89	20906.49	20423.01	
Grant Road School Ice Supervision	1033.53	1196.00	0.00	0.00
Neighborhood Watch Signs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Home Alone	0.00	562.25	856.15	80.00
Fitness in Motion	100.00			
Total PROGRAM EXPENSES	**16949.88**	**29846.78**	**25031.23**	**1117.93**
SPECIAL EVENTS				
Garage Sale	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Skate	0.00	0.00	47.64	0.00
Special Event – Theatre in the Park	762.50	600.00	600.00	600.00
Community Clean-up	900.47	728.17		
Movie Theatre Membership Drive	104.22			
Used Book Sale	275.00			
Snow Angels	4967.50			
Plants and Pots Sale	400.00			
Craft Sale	720.00			
Summer Bash Movie Night	1312.50			
Murals on Grant Road Ice Shack (Balance Total)	0.00	0.00	3680.00	4740.00
Total SPECIAL EVENTS	**9442.19**	**1328.17**	**4327.64**	**5340.00**
VOLUNTEER REC. / Honorarium	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expense Categories	**27414.74**	**32675.23**	**30679.28**	**7547.99**
Net Income	**14083.79**	**-4649.97**	**21447.03**	**-4503.32**

Points to note for the 2023-2024 financial statements are:

- Outdoor soccer took place in the Spring of 2023 and South Regina Community Soccer (SRCS) at that time was not able to provide WPCA with the financial results for the 2023 season. The revenue from registration and membership fees for 2022-2023 was $3,218.37 and is recorded in 2023-2024, it has therefore over reported the income for 2023-2024
- Total income in all programs can be compared to previous years by referring to the Program Profitability Report in Section 14.
- The income from the various Special Events for 2023-2024 are listed in Section 18.

Ralph Doke - Treasurer

3. President's Report

Hello everybody, as we wrap up another fiscal year, I would like to thank all volunteers and our executive for donating their valuable time and effort to organize events and programs for Whitmore Park. Keeping our association operating and relevant is no small undertaking for all of us, and I applaud everyone's efforts in keeping us going. As we move forward into the future, the WPCA will be reaching out to our membership to organize a vision for our community and take steps towards what we want to achieve in the short and long term.

To that end, in 2023-2024 the City of Regina provided funding of $2000.00 for a Community Clean Up event held this summer and a further $4,967.50 to the inclusion of the Snow Angels program in 2023-2024 to help some of our vulnerable neighbours with the struggles associated with the Saskatchewan Winters. Some of our Highlights from 2023-2024 fiscal year include:

- Indoor and Outdoor Community Skates
- Community Garage Sale
- Theatre in the Park
- Summer Bash
- Christmas Movie at the Moonlight
- T-ball and Softball Programs
- Recreational Hockey
- Whitmore Park Community Clean Up
- Snow Angels

As we close out this fiscal year, I would like to say that the more coordinators and volunteers we have in our community and directors in our executive, the more we will be able to continue to make Whitmore Park the best neighbourhood in the city to live in. So please, if you can find the time to lend a helping hand for a program, or if you'd like to make suggestions on programs you'd like to see, or comment on how we can improve, we would love to hear from you.

We hope you've had a great year and we look forward to serving the community for years to come!

Harald McArthur BBA, RSE
President
Whitmore Park Community Association

4. Vice-President's Report

Despite our small and mighty team, we had a successful and busy year. In addition to the events, programs, and initiatives noted in Harald's President's Report, we also hosted a holiday market, book sale, and a plants and pots sale. All-in-all, it's been a blast, and thank you to all volunteers for making this magic happen.

For resources and operations within our board, we continued to have several vacant positions. Our current slate of passionate and dedicated volunteers has gone above and beyond in filling in the necessary gaps that would otherwise be left wide open by these vacancies. However, as Harald also implied, filling in a few of these vacancies going forward would allow us as a board to take on more programming for our community.

Our long-term t-ball, softball, and recreational hockey programs have continued to be successful within our organization. Thank you to those volunteers that keep it going year after year and for the City of Regina for the use of the neighbourhood parks, ball diamonds, and Balfour Arena.

Our outdoor rink time, our weekly free skating times, New Years Eve family skate time, and February Family Day skate time all continue to be enjoyed by numerous skaters throughout the neighbourhood. Thank you to our outdoor rink supervisors for opening the skating shack at the outdoor rink, and the City of Regina for the usage of both the outdoor rink space and Balfour Arena.

For the first time, we've also hosted our holiday market, book sale, and Plants and Pots sale. Thank you to St. Martin de Porres Parish, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, and Immanuel Anglican Church for allowing us to use your space for these events. We also had some dedicated, passionate, and reliable volunteers to help make these events. Huge shout out to all of you for making some firsts happen for our association over the past year.

Also, for the first time ever, both Hillsdale Community Association and Whitmore Park Community Association joined forces to bring a Summer Bash outdoor movie to Elsie Dorsey Park. Thank you to both the Summer Bash crew and the City of Regina for coordinating the event and for allowing us to enjoy a movie night at the park.

We will continue to explore new and exciting options with various sport, culture, and recreational groups over the course of the next year.

Thank you to the members of the Whitmore Park Community Association board of directors and all of our volunteers dedicating your time to make the community of Whitmore Park the best that it could be this past year. I'm looking forward to seeing how your efforts will continue to make Whitmore Park an awesome place to call home over the next year.

Jackie Harle, Vice-President
Whitmore Park Community Association

5. Director, Communications Report

Whitmore Whistler

The Whitmore Whistler was re-born as a social-media, digital only format for 2023 and saw two issues for Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter. It contained information regarding upcoming WPCA programs and events and editorials by the president. City of Regina information for our neighbourhood will be included in following issues and more content will be added over time as the publication evolves.

Look for the new issue at the start of Spring!

Harald McArthur *B. Admin, RSE*
President, Whitmore Park Community Association

Website and Social Media:

Our Facebook, Instagram, and website continue to post community association programs, events, and initiatives, as well as sharing some events and information from throughout the city.

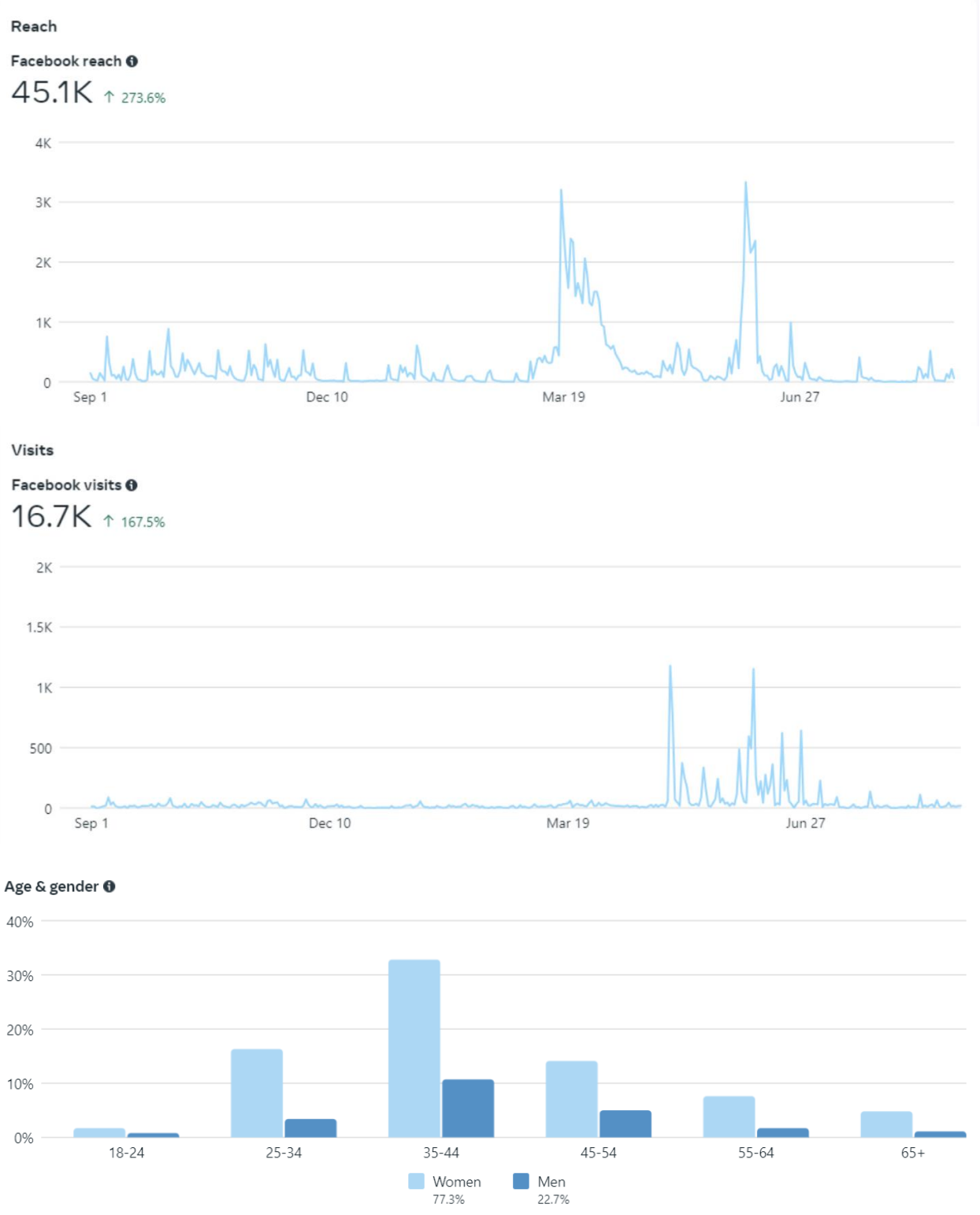
For Facebook, most visits seemed to happen around the start of our ball season as well as around the time of our community clean-up day and garage sale. For Instagram, spikes and lulls happened throughout the year.

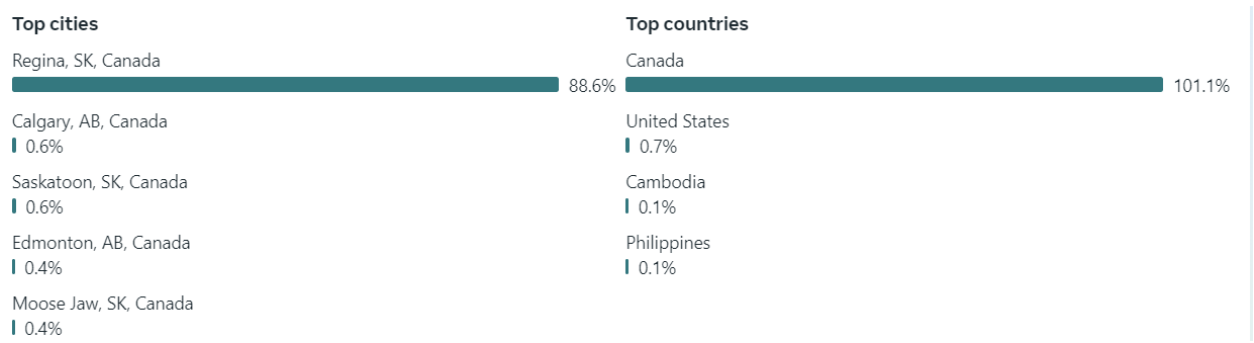
In terms of demographics, our typical social media audience is pretty similar to last year, where it's mainly Regina residents, and those that identify as women between 35 to 55 years of age.

Most of our website hits happened in May and June, around ball season startup, the community clean-up, and our garage sale day. Most of our website audience originates from Canada, but residents from other countries viewed our site as well.

It was noted last year that our website was due for an overhaul or overall update. With the turnover in our webmaster role, that task remains on our to-do list, but perhaps further down on the prioritization list. It is still a goal to continuously go through the site and update information as needed.

Facebook stats:





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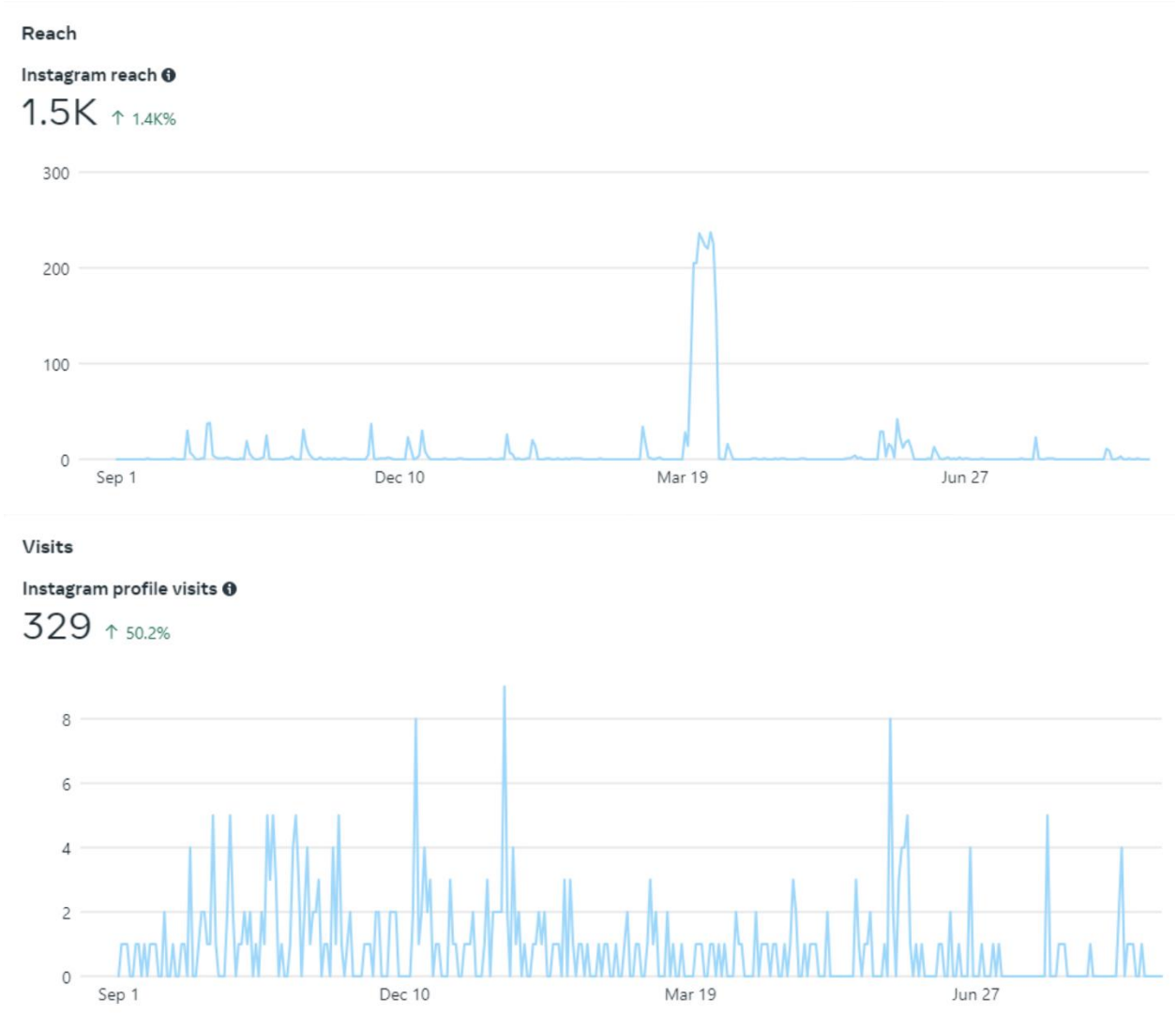

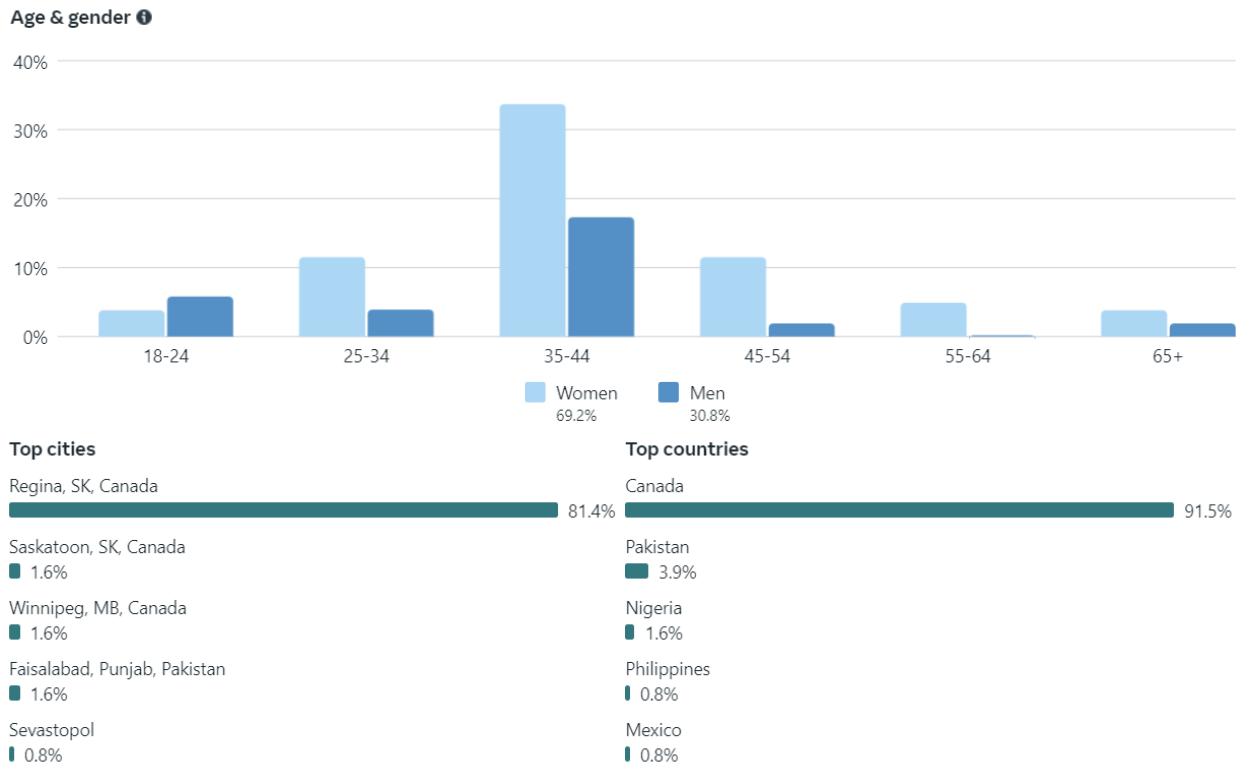

Website stats:

Month:	Number of unique visits:
September 2023	1863
October 2023	2120
November 2023	1422
December 2023	1380
January 2024	1761
February 2024	1468
March 2024	2137
April 2024	2035
May 2024	2954
June 2024	3376
July 2024	1688

Month:	Number of unique visits:
August 2024	1268

Whitmorepark.ca page hits via country

Country	Page Hits
Canada	204296
United States	19905
Russia	3256
Germany	1234
China	2209
Netherlands	785
Singapore	389
France	1523
Finland	531
India	106
Ukraine	144
Sweden	107
Ireland	558
United Kingdom	677
Nigeria	33
Korea	101
Vietnam	72

6. Director, Community Issues Report

This directorship was vacant for 2023-2024 and no report is available.

Ralph Doke for

Vacant Director, Community Issues

7. Director, Neighbourhood Watch Report

This directorship was vacant for 2023-2024.

"Neighborhood Watch" is a community-based initiative aimed at reducing crime. This initiative involves getting our community engaged, informed, educated, and involved in crime prevention. It involves observing & reporting suspicious activities, knowing one's neighbours, reporting crime to law enforcement, and sharing information about crime with neighbors. Working together, as a community, while watching over each other's property. Community Watch initiatives that are efficient at preventing crime can only be achieved by engaging the whole community. Crime cannot take hold in a tight knit and fully engaged community.

Ralph Doke for:

Vacant - Director, Neighbourhood Watch

8. Community Sign Report

All users of the Whitmore Park community sign must pay the $10 daily fee with a minimum of 4 days rental. The total number of paid days for 2023-2024 was 57 generating $570 in revenue. The number of days the sign was used by the Whitmore Park Community Association was 233. These messages were for upcoming meetings, registrations, news messages, city notices, etc. The remaining days of the year were seasonal messages initiated by the sign manager.

The sign maintenance approved in 2018-2019 was completed in 2023-2024. The maintenance of the sign consisted of cleaning the sign, painting the structure and the back of the sign. The clean up was carried out on our Community Cleanup Day.

Thanks to those volunteers who assisted in this cleanup.

Ralph Doke – Community Sign Coordinator

9. Forever...in *motion* Report (FIM)

According to the 2019 on Physical Activity for Adults ParticipAction Report Card on Physical Activity unfortunately gave adults living in Canada a grade of 'D' for Overall Physical Activity category. Simply put, they are not moving enough to reap the physical, mental, and social benefits that regular physical activity provides. The FIM program is meeting the requirement of the expectation of what a healthy aging adult is; "Stay mobile, independent and cognitively strong. Three of the biggest positive effects physical activity can have on Canadians' lives become extremely important as we enter our 60s, 70s and 80s: increased mobility, independence, and cognitive wellness".

Forever…in *motion* program has been growing within the Regina and surrounding areas.

We have 49 FIM active host sites in Regina, 13 of these sites are in the South Zone and 26 FIM active host sites in the surrounding areas.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the FIM leaders who have dedicated their time and energy to volunteer lead at Our Saviors' Lutheran Church; Anne Wilke and Joanne Laslo as well as the host site, Our Saviors' Lutheran for making the time and space for this program to succeed in the community. At the present time there are anywhere from15-25 participants attending Mondays at the1:00 pm Class.

I also want to welcome Kathy Park, Recreational Therapist who join the position last year while I was away. Her experience of 30+ years in the field will continue to strengthen, grow, and support FIM as we move forward.

Thank you for your support with FIM and I look forward to 2024-2025 and our continued partnership.

Edited by Ralph Doke for

Marisol Molina-Smith, Forever…in motion Lead for Regina and Area

10. Membership Report

Memberships for WPCA fluctuate from year to year due to the number of programs offered by the association and the participation of community members. The table below provides a comparison of recent years.

Please note that voluntary membership email addresses, from the membership cards, are maintained and may be used for community-wide notification of WPCA information or events.

2010 – 2011	174 Members	$ 870
2011 – 2012	222 Members	$ 1110
2012 – 2013	219 Members	$ 1095
2013 – 2014	274 Members	$ 1370
2014 – 2015	180 Members	$ 900
2015 - 2016	140 Members	$ 700
2016 - 2017	197 Members	$ 985
2017 - 2018	253 Members	$ 1265
2018 – 2019	123 Members	$ 615
2019 – 2020	281 Members	$ 1405
2020 – 2021	30 Members	$ 150
2021 – 2022	405 Members	$ 2025
2022 - 2023	264 Members*	$ 1320
2023- 2024	314 Members	$ 1550

* - Outdoor soccer membership numbers unavailable at this time.

Ralph Doke for,

Dominique Clincke - Membership Coordinator

11. Outdoor Ice Rink Supervision

This past outdoor skating season, our unusually mild winter temperatures and the extremely dry ground caused a big delay in the development of skating ice at the boarded and non-boarded rinks at Mike Badham Park, so we had to wait until early January to open up the warm-up shelter and commence supervision. I arranged to have contracted paid supervision of the boarded and non-boarded rinks and a warm-up shelter at the Park next to Grant Road School. The City maintenance workers flood and clean the ice about 3 times per week.

A formal contract arrangement was made with the City of Regina to ensure the warm-up shelter would be open for public use. The City provided our Association with funding of $13 per hour for compensating the rink supervisors, limited to 10 hours per week over the 10 week period. I arranged to have honorariums paid at the end of the season to the rink supervisors that I hired, trained, and supervised. I also did some supervision at the rink when they were unable to work. Weather permitting, the shelter was scheduled to be open Saturday and Sunday afternoons plus Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. There were over 70 hours logged and the 5 supervisors were all paid an honorarium after keys were returned. The City compensated our Association over $900 for the supervision of rinks after the log sheets were sent to them.

A rink shelter padlock key was lent to the local Grant Road School so they could use the shelter and rink for their physical education programs.

This fall, I contacted the City to ask why there are no longer any dog park control signs or other features to close off the boarded area from September 30 to May 1 as required in their Bylaw. A “no dogs allowed” sign was installed by the City near the rink entrance gate with the date limits. Some dog owner(s) decided they didn’t like the sign, so they covered it with a black garbage bag and secured it with a copious amount of duct tape. I removed the bag from the sign. Dog waste is often a problem at the rink and if it is not cleaned up adequately before the City starts flooding the area, it provides an ugly mess on the surface. This “temporary” dog park needs to be relocated to a more suitable site.

I enjoy coordinating the rink supervision. It is a very valuable, under-utilized recreational feature in our community that is often used for skating and hockey by other south City residents because their rinks do not have an open warm up shelter.

Brian Black, Outdoor Rink Coordinator

12. Indoor Recreational Skating - 2023-24 - Murray Balfour Ice Arena

Our Community Association has received permission from the City of Regina for our citizens to enjoy free indoor ice skating on Wednesday afternoons; 2-30 to 4:00 pm during the mid-October to mid-March time period.

We also have 2 other permitted afternoon skate times for our community to enjoy; New Year's Eve, December 31 and Family Day, the 3rd Monday in February. This has become a tradition each year for individuals and families to enjoy this special event during their holidays.

Completed Indoor Arena Application Forms with our request for the 2:30 to 4 pm time slots are submitted between March 15 to 31 each year by our Rink Coordinator with our request to obtain City permits for these times to be provided free of charge for our community. It allows parents with preschool children, families, individuals, and seniors an opportunity to enjoy a warmer, temperature controlled, budget friendly, ice skating experience during the winter season.

Brian Black, Director
Indoor and Outdoor Ice Rink Co-ordinator

13. Recreational Hockey Report

The Recreational Hockey Program through WPCA is open to anyone aged 13 and above. The program is unique in that we have numerous family combinations on the ice at any one time. It provides an opportunity for Dads and/or Moms to play hockey with their sons and daughters in a fun, safe, atmosphere. Beginners to experienced players have fun in a supportive and encouraging camaraderie. The multi-generational composition of the dressing room makes for interesting dressing room banter.

The 2023-2024 year saw 30 registrant's sign-up for recreational no-hit hockey on Friday evenings at the Murray Balfour Hockey rink. If you are interested in joining, please feel free to contact WPCA through email via the WPCA website.

Jim Appleby - Recreational Hockey Coordinator

14. Program Coordinator Report

The past year we offered rec hockey, a drop-in skating program at Murray Balfour Arena, Forever in Motion, and ball. We are happy to have additional volunteers to help coordinate programs and look forward to additional programs returning in the fall.

The WPCA would like to thank our AMAZING and dedicated volunteers!

Ralph Doke for Vacant Program Coordinator

WPCA Program Profitability

Updated	2023/24				2022/23				2021/22		
2024.11.04	Inc.	Exp.	Profit		Inc.	Exp.	Profit		Inc.	Exp.	Profit
Baby Sitting					**440**	**337**	**103**		**810**	**200**	**610**
Instructors						225				200	
Misc.						112					
Yoga					**1971**	**1450**	**521**		**0**	**0**	**0**
Instructors						1450					
Misc.											
Fitness					**1174**	**1200**	**-26**		**0**	**0**	**0**
Instructors						1200					
Misc.											
T-Ball/Softball	**15470**	**11538**	**3932**		**12605**	**20906**	**-8301**		**36445**	**20423**	**16022**
Honorarium		3000				3000				3000	
Supplies		8538				17906				17423	
SZCA Payout									20000		
Rec. Hockey	**5400**	**4278**	**1122**		**5090**	**4195**	**895**		**5177**	**3552**	**1625**
Facilities		3828				3462				3220	
Misc.		450				733				332	
Soccer	**3288**		**3288**		**3218**		**3218**		**5281**	**0**	**5281**
Supplies		0									

Updated	2023/24			2022/23			2021/22		
2024.11.04	Inc.	Exp.	Profit	Inc.	Exp.	Profit	Inc.	Exp.	Profit
Home Alone				**1035**	**562**	**473**	**875**	**856**	**19**
Instructors				200			160		
Supplies				362			696		
Total	**24158**	**15816**	**8342**	**22315**	**28650**	**-6335**	**48588**	**25031**	**23557**

15. South Regina Community Soccer (SRCS) Report

It is great to see community associations and volunteers working together to run this great program. The 2024 season was a busy one for all participants and was ended with a family BBQ at the South Leisure Park that was well attended. Results for the 2023-2024 season indicate that the number of Whitmore Park memberships sold for outdoor soccer was 70, therefore there were at least that many participants (as memberships are for the family and multiple participants per family may play).

Feel free to email South Regina soccer if interested in volunteering www.srcs.ca .

Ralph Doke for Vacant – Whitmore Park Outdoor Soccer Representative

16. South Zone Recreation Board (SZRB) Report

The South Zone Recreation Board has remained somewhat stable throughout the past year. The board continues to function to provide additional programming to South Regina residents.

This board also extended an invite to each of the community associations that fall within its umbrella to the 2023 Volunteer Tribute Dinner, in which four Whitmore Park Community Association board members attended.

Thank you to the South Zone Recreation Board for the invite to the tribute dinner, and to the support to the community associations throughout the year.

Jackie Harle, WPCA South Zone Representative

17. 2023 T-Ball/Softball Report

Spring T-Ball / Softball

This was the third season that Spring T-Ball was hosted by the Whitmore Park Community Association. The cost of the new jerseys was $6,879.53 which was less than 2023 by approximately $4000. These are the jerseys for both the Spring and Summer seasons. The cost of the jerseys next season will be about the same as this season as we do not have enough full team jerseys left over to accommodate the teams in 2025. The other part of the uniform is the hats.

There were 175 players this Spring season, which was the same as last year and much less than a typical season would produce at the South Zone Recreation Board. We usually have about 300 players. We had to cancel Division 5 softball due to low registration. Division 5 is for players 14-18 years old. There has been a trend over the last several years that fewer and fewer teenage players are registering for our league. Our two t-ball leagues (Division 1 and Division 2) are always the biggest with 55 and 63 players this year respectively. We used our regular photographer, Angyl Ravyn Photography. The pictures turned out great.

Each coach received an equipment bag and a batting tee or bases set that they brought to each game and took home every night. At the end of the season they returned the equipment to the Coordinator (Natalie Arendt). The equipment is still being stored in a storage container at Big Steel Box.

For the 2025 season the registration fees will remain the same, currently $50 for registrations received by December 31, $55 for registrations received by March 31 and $65 for late registrations.

2023 Outdoor Summer T-Ball

This is the third year Outdoor Summer T-Ball was hosted by the Whitmore Park Community Association. We had two divisions. Division 1 for players ages 2 – 3 and they played on Wednesday evenings for 30 minutes. Division 2 was for players ages 4 -6 and they also played on Wednesday evenings for 45 minutes.

We had an increase in registrations this season, 98, up from 68 last season. This is still down compared to the 150 players we had in 2022.

We ordered uniforms with our Spring uniform order. We also provided plain black hats for each player as part of their uniform. Each division played 8 games. The Outdoor Summer T-Ball league did not have a tournament or a wind-up.

Players paid $55 to participate. This will remain the same for the 2025 season. They were also required to hold a valid Community Membership. There is also a late registration cost of $65 to match the Spring league.

Each coach received an equipment bag and a batting tee that they brought to each game and took home every night. At the end of the season, they returned the equipment bags and tees to the Coordinator (Natalie Arendt).

AngylRavyn Photography was our official photographer.

Natalie Arendt – Coordinator, T-Ball / Softball

18. WPCA 2023-2024 Special Events:

To fulfill its purpose, the WPCA and the City of Regina, sponsor various events and programs within the community throughout the year to encourage the involvement and support of Whitmore Park residents. These events include:

Garage sale:
The 10th annual Community Garage Sale Day was held on June 8, 2024. We had 38 households participating in hosting garage sales, all with numerous comments and discussions occurring on our own Facebook page as well as the Whitmore Park Neighbourhood page. Traffic within the neighbourhood was also higher than normal as numerous shoppers enjoyed their bargain hunting.

This continues to be a successful event year after year, and we look forward to future garage sale days in the future.

Theatre in the Park

For the fourth year in a row WPCA has sponsored a performance at Elsie Dorsey Park by Common Weal Community Arts of Saskatoon. This organization performs child friendly and child participatory plays for the public throughout the city. These performances are free to the public and enjoy excellent attendance for each performance. WPCA is proud to be a contributing sponsor to these performances. Thank you to all the performers and attendees for making the event a success!

Community Clean-up

Our Community Clean-Up program is a volunteer driven initiative that was developed by the City of Regina. The City of Regina provided us with a $2000 grant and equipment to make the program possible. Clean-up Day was on June 1st and we had volunteers come out to help keep the neighbourhood clean! We also provided residents with disposal bins to help them to free some space in their dwellings. We invited our neighbours in Hillsdale to use our bins as well. Turnout for the clean-up this year was much higher compared to last year (including our MLA Aleana Young who volunteered to help clean!) and we celebrated having a clean neighbourhood with a pizza party at the Murray Balfour Arena!

Thank you to everyone who turned out and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

Snow Angels

The Snow Angels program is a volunteer driven initiative that was developed by the City of Regina to address the needs of our disabled community members and our elders by helping them maintain clear walkways during the winter. This was the first year that the Snow Angels program was operating in Whitmore Park, and it was a hit! We received a City of Regina grant for $12,727.50,

with expenses totaling $4,967.50 and the remaining $7,760.00 being reimbursed back to the city. For this year we had 123 snow clearings performed by 5 very dedicated volunteers and nobody who requested assistance was left unattended. On behalf of our clients, the WPCA would like to extend its gratitude for our volunteers and their hard work.

The program is returning for 2024! Email: snowangels@whitmorepark.ca to register as a client or volunteer.

Christmas Movie Night at the Moonlight

The WPCA held a Christmas movie day at the Moonlight Theater on the afternoon of December 17th 2023. The movie booked was the newest release of *The Grinch who stole Christmas*. We paid for our members entry to the movie as our holiday gift to the community. Thank you to everybody who attended and thank you to the moonlight theater for allowing us to use your facility!

Book Sale:

For our first ever book sale, this was an incredibly successful event. Numerous people from across the city asked questions, donated books, and shopped at our book sale. Also, thank you to Centennial Books for letting their shoppers know about us as our book sale date drew near.

Left over materials were donated to the Regina Immigrant Women's Centre, Whitmore Park Child Care Cooperative, the Seniors' University Group Big Book Sale, and numerous neighbourhood Free Little Libraries.

This has proven to be a successful event. However, as it takes a bit more coordination than other first-time events this year, we will take a hiatus for the following year, with the hopes of bringing it back in the future.

Thank you to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church for allowing us to rent the space for this year's event, to numerous Regina and area residents that donated books, to all the shoppers, and to the volunteers that made this event happen.

Cost Breakdown:	
Gross Income:	$828
Expenses:	
- Room rental:	$225
- Moving costs:	$50
Net Income:	$553

2023 Holiday Market:

Our first Holiday Market in November 2023 was a huge success, with at least a couple hundred shoppers coming throughout the day. We had 24 vendors, with a total of 25 tables booked, and a wide array of items being sold. There's enough interest to hold this event again, and possibly make it a yearly event on a permanent basis.

Thank you to St. Martin de Porres for allowing us to rent the space, setting up and taking down tables, to the numerous Regina and area residents that took part as vendors and/or as shoppers, and to the volunteers that assisted with this event.

	Cost Breakdown:	
	Gross Income:	$1170
	Expenses:	
-	Room rental (which includes table set up and take down):	$720
	Net Income:	$450

Plants and Pots Sale:

Our first ever Plants and Pots Sale had a small, but mighty group of nine vendors with a wide selection of products to choose from.

Shoppers enjoyed attending and shopping for both indoor and outdoor events as well as home decor and fairy garden items.

Thank you to Immanuel Anglican Church for allowing us to rent the space, especially since the risk of spilling dirt can always happen with plant sales. Also, thank you to all the vendors and shoppers that took part, as well as to the volunteers that helped with set up, take down, cleaning, etc.

Even though it was a break-even, first-time event, we look forward to holding this event again in the future.

	Cost Breakdown:	
	Gross Income:	$415
	Expenses:	
-	Room rental:	$400
	Net Income:	$15

Summer Bash Movie:

Both Whitmore Park Community Association and Hillsdale Community Association joined forces to bring a Summer Bash Movie to Elsie Dorsey Park, which borders both neighbourhoods.

This event was well attended by at least a couple hundred people. Families quite enjoyed watching Wonka on the huge outdoor, inflatable screen, and we had wonderful weather for the event. If we have the opportunity to host this event again, it will continue to be well attended.

Cost Breakdown:	
Expenses:	
- Total cost of event:	$2625
- Amount reimbursed from Hillsdale Community Association	(-$1312.50)
- Whitmore Park Community Association-only cost:	$1312.50