

June 2023 NESA Relocation and Services Update

In March 2023 NESA learned that it would be temporarily closing its doors at the Northgate Lions Recreation facility so the building can undergo some infrastructural renovations starting July 2023. While the project end date is not confirmed, it has been estimated that NESA will not return to this location until sometime in the Spring of 2024.

Over the last few months NESA staff has been making arrangements to relocate its programs and services and while we don't have all of the answers to the questions you might have, here is an update with what we can confirm for you.

Northgate Building Closure

The last day of public access to the Northgate Lions Recreation facility will be Friday, June 30, 2023. Renovations are expected to start early July.

Summer 2023 Programs

NESA is pleased to confirm that it has secured space this summer to offer select fitness programs at the <u>Rundle Park / ACT Recreation Centre</u> (2909-113 Avenue). More details about specific program offerings and registration details will be released by the week of June 19, 2023. Summer program registration will be available online and at our current location until the end of June.

All remaining programs and club activities will *not* be scheduled for the Summer 2023 season but planning is underway for the Fall 2023 season.

Fall 2023 Season Programming and Relocation Details

More information about NESA's Fall 2023 offerings, registration details, and the venues selected for programming will be provided to members by mid-August 2023. Email communications will be sent out to members with an email address on file and hard copy letters to those on the mail-out list.

Over 15 locations have been considered and after extensive review, the venues that NESA has *tentatively* confirmed programming and administrative services at for the foreseeable future may include:

Rundle Park / ACT Recreation Centre (2909-113 Avenue)

McClure United Church (13708-74 Street)

Londonderry Community Hall (14224-74 Street)

The Fort Road Bingo Association (13403 Fort Road).

Please Note: These locations may be subject to change.



NESA 2023 Memberships

All current 2023 NESA Memberships will be transferrable to all temporary locations programming will be offered at for the remainder of the year.

Landry Leisure Pass (LLP) Memberships

All 2022/2023 LLP Memberships set to expire on June 30, 2023 will be <u>extended</u> to include the Summer 2023 season. If you currently have an active LLP membership, you are eligible to use this towards Summer 2023 programs. If you have already used all ten programs for the year, you will be eligible for up to three additional programs for the summer season.

Information about the 2023/2024 LLP application process will be provided to members by mid-August. Please do not submit any tax documentation for your LLP renewal process, NESA staff will contact you when this is required.

Outreach and Home Supports Update

In 2022, at the request of the Family and Community Support Services Program run by the City of Edmonton, Edmonton Seniors Coordinating Council convened a group of around 26 senior serving organizations to discuss how we could provide outreach services in a more coordinated fashion, including Home Support Services.

The new model has slightly altered the duties and as a result, Brittany, our Outreach Lead has decided to look for other opportunities, which we know she will excel at in whatever she takes on. While NESA was awarded an outreach position, our Outreach Worker Mariam recently resigned for a position with Alberta Health Services and therefore, NESA will no longer be providing Outreach services as of July 1, 2023.

All of the Home Supports staff, (including NESA's worker Amanda), across the City of Edmonton will now report to Jewish Family Services, still offering the same services, but at a new community-based location. As of July 1, please call them at 780-454-1194 and request assistance for home supports.

Over the years NESA's Outreach staff and Home Supports workers have helped thousands in the north part of the City, and we hope at a future point in time if there is a role in the new model for NESA, that we can be part of that. If you know of a senior that may need assistance, please contact 211 for referrals to an agency.



Fitness Centre Options

While NESA is not able to relocate its fitness equipment to the new temporary locations, we do have two relocation options available for you:

Option #1: Central Lions Fitness Centre (11113-113 Street)
The fitness centre amenities are available for NESA Members during regular business hours Monday to Friday 8:30am-3:00pm. For more information please contact 780-442-0949.

Requirements: Provide proof of 2023 NESA Membership (via email or hard copy receipt) and pay a \$5 Reciprocal Membership fee. Once completed, you will be eligible to access fitness centre services at Central Member fees. (Single, Monthly, and Annual pass options available).

Option #2: City of Edmonton Recreation Centres (All Edmonton locations). For details about hours of operations please contact 311.

Fitness centre amenities throughout all City of Edmonton recreation centres are available at a reduced rate through the Corporate Wellness Program.

Requirements: Provide proof of 2023 NESA Membership (via email or hard copy receipt) and a 20% reduction in admission fees will be applied to your account for multi-visit, monthly or annual passes.

Please stop by the NESA front desk before June 30, 2023 to pick up a copy of your membership receipt or call us at 780-496-6969 and we can email it to you. Alternatively you can access this membership receipt from within your online NESA account (look under 'Account' and select 'Memberships' tab to view your invoice online).

Fabric/Materials and Book Donations to NESA

We kindly ask that if you intend on donating your unused fabric or yarn, or books for NESA's next book sale that you do so before June 27, 2023.

NESA's Next Communications Update

Over the month of July we will be moving into our new spaces and will be establishing our new administrative office space(s). NESA will still be reachable via email at info@nesa1.ca or by calling the office line at 780-496-6969. You may need to leave us a message however as our office setup date has not yet been confirmed. We will endeavor to return your calls and emails in a timely manner. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we work through these new changes. We will provide our members with another communication update the week of July 17.

We thank you for your ongoing support!