



BIRCH BAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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Undeterred by cloudy skies, 42 determined golfers teed off on March 28, 2026, launching the 2026 season with energy and excitement in the year's opening tournament.

ASSOCIATION

News and Information

Committee Meetings are held via ZOOM
or in the Maintenance Conference

Room:

Meeting ID: 88586569122

Password: 8055

Phone In: 1-253-215-8782

APRIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 6 - Lakes, Ponds & Drainage 5 PM
- 7 - ACC 10AM
- 10 - 64.90 Task Force 10 AM
- 13 - Safety & Security 3 PM
- 14 - Golf 1 PM
- 22 - Finance 1 PM (ZOOM ONLY)
- 28 - Marina 2 PM

APRIL BOARD MEETING

(via Zoom & in Clubhouse)

Board Meeting - April 23 at 2 PM

BBVCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Email: bbvboard@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| David Wilbrecht, President | Dan Nedved, Treasurer |
| Mathue Totten, Vice President | Randy Ambuehl |
| Bob Whale, Secretary | Dave Owen |

ACC APPLICATIONS



PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR THE
TUES., MAY 5, 2026 MEETING
MUST BE SUBMITTED BY **9 AM ON**
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL (ACC)

email: ACC@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Michael Stringam, Chair | Rich Santi |
| Lisa Guthrie | Patrick Ryan |
| Kevin Ryan | Robert Whale |
| Lyle Sieg | |

ELECTION

Current Members:

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|--------------|---------------|
| Laura Bailey | Michael Sipes |
| Beth Seils | Tim Wilde |
| Rob Simonds | |

SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTION 03-19-2026 (REGULAR MEETING)

- Agenda approved as approved.
- Approved consent agenda with the removal of item C, which required further discussion.
 - a. Approval of February 19, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
 - b. ACC- Minutes of February 3, 2026
 - c. Safety & Security – Minutes of February 9, 2026 **Removed from consent agenda**
 - d. Golf Committee – No Minutes
 - e. Finance Committee – Minutes of February 25, 2026
 - f. Marina Committee – Minutes of February 24, 2026
 - g. Lakes and Drainage – Minutes of February 2, 2026
 - h. Operations Report Review
 - i. Action Item List Review
- Approved modifying the golf cart policy to require one visible sticker on the back of carts whether they have a winter cover or not.
- Approved a \$4500 budget for the Volunteer Dinner.
- Approved temporary fishing rules for 2026 with a change to allow only single barbless hooks.
- Approved all recommended members to fill the vacant positions in Safety & Security, Election, Marina, Lakes, Ponds & Drainage Committees.
 - Safety & Security Committee: Michelle Ihlan & Jason McElyea
 - Election Committee: Tim Wilde
 - Marina Committee: Wade Church (voting member) & Ted Wiegert (Ad-hoc Advisory)
 - Lakes & Drainage Committee: Eddie Wood
- Approved policy change to allow Pro Shop Manager more autonomy in accepting new memberships for the Neighbor Member Sponsored Golf Program.
- Approved community survey regarding golf.
- Approved marina rule revision regarding beam width variances on a boat.
- Approved the transfer of \$35,039.25 from operating to Marina Reserves and \$8,3540.40 from Roads and Drainage to Operating Reserves to balance interfund transfers for the month of December 2025.
- Approved motion to move into executive session at 4:50 PM to discuss personnel matters, possible violations of governing documents and possible legal issues.
- The board moved out of executive session at 5:36 PM. Approved motion to appoint Bev Franklin to fill the vacant position on the Board of Directors until the new Board members are appointed in June 2026.
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 PM.

MARCH COMPLIANCE REPORT

| Compliance Letters Issued | | | |
|---------------------------|----|------------------|----|
| Speeding | 19 | Illegal Parking | 2 |
| Lawn | 1 | Profane Language | 1 |
| Too many cars | 2 | Failure to Stop | 10 |

INCIDENT REPORTING ONLINE

GOLF COURSE INCIDENTS:

<https://bbvcc.com/submit-a-golf-course-incident-report/>

VILLAGE INCIDENTS: <https://bbvcc.com/submit-a-village-incident-report/>

| Speed Data | | | | | | |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| MPH | 5397 Salish | 8211 Skeena | 8226 Sehome | 8250 Quinault | Totals | % |
| 0-20 | 1436 | 3024 | 3024 | 7530 | 13836 | 77.28% |
| 21-25 | 341 | 767 | 767 | 2518 | 3892 | 21.73% |
| 26-30 | 20 | 26 | 26 | 109 | 161 | .899% |
| 31-35 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 12 | .067% |
| 36+ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .011% |

Compliance & Speed Data Gathered from March 1-30, 2026

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE 04-07-2026 MEETING AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) 8175 Sehome Rd – Tree Removal
- B) 8224 Skeena Way – Tree Removal
- C) 5776 Nakat Way – Tree – Hedge Removal
- D) 5511 Sehome Ct – Pergolas
- E) 8237 Cowichan Rd – Landscaping/hardscaping/lighting



ADDITIONAL ITEMS DISCUSSION:

- ACC Workshop

FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ARCHITECTURAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

At its meeting of March 3, 2026, the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) recommended **eliminating Section 5.9.7.c.** of the Architectural Rules and Regulations (AR&R's) as shown below because it seems to have caused several conflicts between neighbors. This clause currently limits the height of trees and other vegetation to no more than four (4) feet along the waterways and the golf course in Birch Bay Village. The ACC recommended approval by the Board of Directors subject to reasonable notice to Village members. The recommendation will be considered by the Board at its regular meeting on April 23rd at 2:00 pm.

5.9.7 REQUIREMENTS FOR LOTS ADJACENT TO MARINA, LAKES, GOLF COURSE, PONDS AND STREAMS

This section applies to any structure or planting on lots in which the rear property line abuts or runs parallel to the BBVCC marina, Kwann and Thunderbird Lakes, the golf course or the Beaver Pond and its upper feeder creek to Salish Road. Lots contiguous to the above defined landforms are subject to additional restrictions, as follows:

- A) Structures, such as bulkheads, must also receive approvals as required by all relevant regulatory authorities and government agencies and are the sole responsibility of the lot owner.
- B) Structures exceeding 3 feet above final average lot grade must be set back a minimum of 35 feet from the rear property line, except part of a home such as a small cantilevered room, bay window, chimney, stairway or roof overhang may extend up to 2 feet into the 35 foot setback area.
- ~~C) Within the 35 foot setback in section 5.9.7b, no trees, plants, shrubs, bushes or other vegetative matter may extend above 4 feet from natural ground level and must be maintained at or below that level, unless relevant regulatory authorities require specific landscaping to meet stringent environmental requirements as a condition of approval for a building permit.~~
- D) In addition to the AR&R, government agencies may require more stringent setback requirements near environmentally sensitive areas such as Birch Bay, the Beaver Pond and BBVCC lakes.

FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

NOMINATIONS CLOSED MARCH 15TH FOR THE 2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION WITH THREE CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE BOARD

There are three (3) open positions for the Birch Bay Village Board of Directors to be filled at the Annual General Membership Meeting held on June 5, 2026. Board of Directors positions are elected to a 3-year term.

As of the closing deadline for director candidate applications, only three members submitted their completed applications and statements.

Annual General Meeting Continued on Page 3...

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FINANCE

Current Members:

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| Bev Franklin | Mary Santi |
| Sue Garrigan | David Towle |
| Dan Nedved | Bonnie White |
| Erin Ryan | |

GOLF

email: krista@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Laura Bailey, Chair | Patty Nitta |
| Darrell Cowan | Dave Schwab |
| Steve Franklin | Don Shank |
| Craig McCallum | |

LAKES & DRAINAGE

email: lakes@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| David Carpenter, Co- Chair | Bill Reilly |
| Jonathan Hall, Co- Chair | David Scheirman |
| Jack Dyrland | Betsy Just (Ad-hoc) |
| Gwynne Fowler Briggs | Lowell Lorenz (Ad- hoc) |

MARINA

email: marinacommittee@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Charlie Hall, Chair | John Stone |
| Kevin Anthony | Scott Tobiason |
| Wade Church | Bryan VanderYacht |
| Mike Moriarty | Ted Wiegert (Ad-hoc) |

SAFETY & SECURITY

email: Safety@bbvcc.com

Current Members:

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| David Scheirman, Chair | Jason McElyea |
| Ron Bendschneider | Mike Lubow |
| Billy Brown | Maureen Server |
| Michelle Ihlan | |

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS WANTED

If you are interested in volunteering for a committee, please submit a Committee Member Application which can be found on the BBV Website at:

<https://bbvcc.com/applications-forms/>
and email to justine@bbvcc.com

FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING *Continued on from page 2...*

According to the Birch Bay Village Community Club By-Laws (5.4.1(k))

In the event that the number of candidates verified by the Election Committee as qualified to stand for office is less than or equal to the number of positions open for election, the Board of Directors may declare said candidate(s) elected, in which case the balloting procedures provided for in the Article shall be dispensed with. In such a case the notice for the June meeting shall inform the members of this action and shall provide a copy of the candidates' profiles submitted pursuant to subsection (b) hereof.

With only three open positions and three candidates meeting requirements by the March 15th deadline, the Board has the option to declare the three candidates elected by acclamation. That board action has not taken place but, it is allowed by the bylaws and would save the community the time and money it takes to run an election.

The candidates and presumed board members are:

Randy Ambuehl (Currently serving on the Board)

Scotty Diamond

Caprice Pine

With only three candidates and three open positions, the Elections Committee has decided to cancel the Candidates Forum scheduled for Sunday April 5th, 2026.

Thank you to Randy, Scotty and Caprice for your willingness to serve your community.

2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

There are still reasons to have an election and an Annual General Meeting (AGM). Perhaps the biggest reason is to save money on taxes the Village pays to Uncle Sam.

You may have seen the ballot measure asking the members to vote in favor of an IRS elective tax code # 70-604. The 70-604 election offers several benefits for homeowners associations (HOAs) when filing taxes:

Tax Avoidance: The election allows the HOA to avoid paying federal income tax on excess membership income, which can be a significant tax liability for the association (Last year we saved approximately \$12,000 because the members voted in favor of this ballot measure).

Transparency and Accountability: The election formalizes the process of handling surpluses, ensuring transparency and accountability within the association.

Compliance Clarity: Auditors and tax preparers prefer a clear member vote for the election, which helps in compliance with IRS requirements. As a matter of fact, our tax accountant will not file the 1120 for us without the election.

Flexibility: The election provides flexibility in managing surplus funds, allowing the HOA to decide how to handle the excess income. Any excess funds are transferred to reserves which allow us to bring down forecast dues increases in the future.

By making the 70-604 election, members of the Village can ensure that their surplus funds and reserve interest benefit the community rather than the IRS.

APPROVE MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

In addition to saving money on our taxes, the members will be asked to approve the last membership meeting minutes

REQUIREMENT OF STATE LAW

RCW 64.38 and 64.90 require every HOA, POA and condo association in the state to hold an Annual General Meeting whether directors need to be elected or not. The meeting is not a board meeting but a membership meeting, where reports are presented and any business properly brought before the membership can be discussed and acted upon.

Members will receive notice of the meeting at the end of April and this year's AGM will be held on Friday June 5th, 2026 at 7:30pm at the Clubhouse.

FROM THE OFFICE



CALL FOR VILLAGE HISTORY BUFFS

Birch Bay Village does not have a document capturing the history of the property from its early days before the development to where we are today. I have spoken to some of the community's earliest members, and it seems that we are coming to a point where we are at risk of losing those early collective memories if we don't make an effort to capture them soon. If you are interested in the Village's history, from its Native American roots, through its development, to what it is today and have a way with words or graphic design or publishing, or you just like local history, we could use a volunteer group to put a Birch Bay Village History together before we lose portions of it.

If you would be interested in helping to form a group of volunteers to develop a Birch Bay Village History, please contact General Manager David Franklin at david@bbvcc.com.

MARCH 12 - COMMUNITY PLAN TOWN HALL RECAP

Birch Bay Village held a town hall meeting on March 12 to review a draft report of from Kimley-Horn's Nick Chen regarding their progress in the Birch Bay Village Community Planning Process. Roughly 30 members attend the meeting in the Clubhouse and another 23 joined online. The report presented summarizes the data collected and analyzed during the planning process, including trends related to the community's demographics, economics, land use, and governance. These findings helped the consultants identify possible options for the Village's future.

Before going through the draft, it is important to understand the origins of some of the recommendations, because they are going to be somewhat controversial. This consulting team usually advises counties, municipalities, and special purpose district on how they should make long range plans for the future based on the data they collect. They are not considering the political practicalities of options they are suggesting. They are just following the data and best practices in the planning and development disciplines.

For instance, they are suggesting progressive alternatives to a flat assessment regime based on the economic diversity in the Village and sustainability principals and not whether the idea will be popular or not. They recognize that increased assessments are a greater economic burden to the lower valued lots than those at the upper end of the value spectrum and they are providing alternatives to the status quo.

The same goes for expanding housing types allowed in the Village to include duplexes, townhomes and senior living. These are traditionally lower cost of ownership options that are currently not available in the Village but could be in the future and would help seniors and those on fixed income to afford to live in the Village in the future.

As an aside both of these issues would need a covenant change to be allowed, and it is why some of this work needs to be done before the conversion to 64.90.

The consultants also identified the golf course as an underutilized asset by the membership which could be left as is, shared by other user groups, or repurposed altogether into a large open space park. One option they missed in their presentation was allowing for people outside the Village to pay to play the course which would help maximize utilization of the space and provide income other than by dues.

There are many potential futures for Birch Bay Village. The direction we take will ultimately depend on what is both possible and desirable based on the priorities of the membership as a whole and the overall economics.

There are still many steps left in the process including additional surveys and public meetings to gather more member feedback and input before the board adopts an actionable plan.

We have set up a new email address at communityplan@bbvcc.com specifically to receive member comments, feedback, and ideas regarding the community plan.

To review the Community Plan Draft Report, click [HERE](#).

OFFICE

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Phone: (360)371-7744

Hours: 9 AM - 4 PM (Monday - Friday)

David Franklin, General Manager
david@bbvcc.com

Justine Brooks, Assistant General Manager
justine@bbvcc.com

Patrick Heavside, Harbormaster
patrick@bbvcc.com

Brad Stolzenberg, Compliance Officer
brad@bbvcc.com

Ron Rehon, Compliance Officer
ron@bbvcc.com

Karie Totten, Office Administration
karie@bbvcc.com

GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE

Email: bob@bbvcc.com

Phone: (360)371-7744, option 6

Steve Brand, Golf Superintendent

Ryan Alexander, Assistant Greenskeeper

MAINTENANCE STAFF

Email: bob@bbvcc.com

Phone: (360)371-7744, option 6

Bobby Hoffer, Maintenance Supervisor
Bob@bbvcc.com

Brian Nelson, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor

Robert Cota, Maintenance Staff

Ray Heinzen, Maintenance Staff

PRO SHOP

Email: golf@bbvcc.com

Phone: (360)371-7744, option 5

Hours: 9 AM - 4 PM DAILY

Krista Templeton, Recreation Supervisor
krista@bbvcc.com

Ryan Turnberg, Pro Shop Attendant

Barb VanSwearingen, Pro Shop Attendant

SECURITY

Email: security@bbvcc.com

Phone: (360)371-7744, option 2 (front gate), option 99 (patrol)

FROM THE SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE



Important Documents



After a major disaster, you may need financial assistance and will want to document any property loss for insurance and income tax purposes. Having ready access to the documents necessary for completing application forms, as well as those which could be difficult to replace, will help reduce delay and frustration. Use a scanner or your cell phone's camera to take pictures of these important items and then put them on an encrypted flash drive. Password protection is important because you don't want private information to fall into someone's hands by accident.

QUICK TIP: Strengthen your financial preparedness for disasters and emergencies by downloading FEMA's Emergency Financial First Aid Kit at <http://bit.ly/EFFAK1>

1. Gather property insurance papers (home, renter's, auto, boat, etc.) and make copies.
2. Gather health insurance papers (medical provider, dental provider, life, extended disability, etc.) and make copies.
3. Gather financial papers (bank, investment, retirement, etc.) and make copies.
4. Gather wills, powers of attorney, and estate papers and make copies.
5. Take photos or videos of all valuables as documentation for insurance claims.

If you have physical copies, store these copies and photos in a safe deposit box, fire proof box or in a zipper storage bag in your freezer.

Checklist of important documents:

- Household (anything to help identify people in your household, children, pets): marriage/birth/death certificates, passport, social security cards, driver's licenses, green card, pet microchip information.
- Financial (anything to help you request insurance and disaster assistance after a disaster): lease/home ownership, vehicle registration, title, loan, utility bills, proof of address, banking accounts, retirement/investment accounts, insurance policies — home, auto, renter's, life, flood, sources of income-paystubs, proof of employer.
- Medical: health/dental insurance, medicare, medicaid, Veteran's benefits, lists of medications, doctor office phone numbers, medical power of attorney, disabilities documentation.
- Emergency contact info: doctor office, dental office, pediatricians, pet vets, employer, supervisor, schools.
- Valuables: photos of valuables, copies of family photos, photos of home.

Remember to Share the Road
Walk on the left Bike on the right

WALKERS:

- MAKE SURE DRIVERS SEE YOU.
- Focus on walking and always LISTEN FOR VEHICLES.
- STAY ON THE SIDEWALK. If no sidewalk, walk on the far left off the side of the road, facing traffic.
- Cross the street ONLY at corners or CROSSWALKS.
- Wear bright clothing and use a flashlight at night.

20 MPH Speed Limit

Radar Enforced

SHARE THE ROAD

Citations issued for Non-Compliance

The higher the speed, the higher the fine!

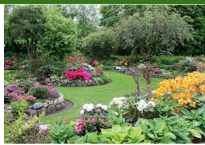
The BBVCC Safety & Security Committee is pleased to welcome two new members. **Michelle Ihlan** and **Jason McElyea**. The committee congratulates them and looks forward to their contributions.



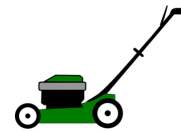
Gate Key Visitor Entry Program Class
Sat. May 9th 10am - at the Clubhouse
RSVP: safety@bbvcc.com

**New to the Village & not sure how to admit guests/deliveries?
Need help using the app on your phone, iPad or computer?**

At the session, you will discover how to:
Enter visitors using GateKey quickly and easily.
Create a party list for your events.
Setup a personal PIN for identification via phone or in person



Getting to Know BBVCC Rules



8. EXTERIOR APPEARANCE OF STRUCTURES AND LOTS

- 8.1 Refuse & Debris - Debris, trash, rubbish, vehicles of any kind shall not be dumped, placed or permitted to accumulate on any lot, tract, or parcel or any portion thereof.
- 8.2 Home/Structure Exteriors - The exteriors of all structures must be maintained in a neat and orderly condition. Any other unsightly condition or exterior appearance that detracts from the overall appearance of BBV is not allowed.
- 8.3 Landscape/Lawn Maintenance – Lawns & landscape areas are expected to be maintained in a trim/clean/weed-free manner, including parking strips in front of property.
- 8.4 Nothing can be done to any portion of a lot, tract or parcel or any portion thereof that is unsanitary, unsightly, offensive, or detrimental to persons using or occupying any other portions of BBVCC. Any disorderly, unsightly, or unkempt conditions that would cause embarrassment, discomfort, annoyance or nuisance to occupants of other portions of BBVCC or would be in violation of any law or governmental code or regulation is not allowed.
- 8.5 Outside Storage not allowed - No other articles/equipment can be stored in front of the dwelling visible from the roadway. Items include, but are not limited to; barbeque grills, swinging benches, playground sets, chairs, , garden tools, bicycles, freezers, and other exterior or interior oriented items. Members may be cited per “unsightly conditions” if articles/items can be seen by the general public. Items/articles must be stored in a screened storage area so as not to be visible from the roadways.
- 8.6 Vacant Lot Maintenance – Vacant lot owners are expected to make arrangements to have their lots maintained.

ASSOCIATION

News and Information

FROM THE LAKES, PONDS & DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Fishing in BBV Lakes?

The Birch Bay Village Community Club Association has not allowed fishing in its lakes and ponds for nearly twenty years. This rule was introduced to help protect an original 2007 investment made in fish species that were intended to help control nuisance insects and to eradicate unwanted pondweeds. Noxious aquatic plants including Hydrilla, Sago Pondweed and Eurasian Watermilfoil were proliferating, and these mats of vegetative material supported large numbers of insect larvae, leading to a midge-fly infestation.

Today BBV lakes and ponds are virtually free of insect pests. The original fish populations introduced about two decades ago have survived and thrived. BBV Bylaws describe the community's common areas (including "lakes [and] ponds", and are stated to exist to "promote the "...well-being and enjoyment of its Members". In many communities and locations, an enjoyment of water bodies includes fishing as an authorized activity. Fishing in BBV during the warmer months, especially by youth, has been a frequent topic of interest for the past few years.

Requests in summer 2025 from members to consider allowing fishing were first reviewed by this committee at its August meeting. Of primary concern for the Lakes, Ponds & Drainage Committee was the state of the fish population in our water bodies, and the condition of the lakes and ponds in relation to the original intent for establishing fish populations. The issue was then tested with a community-wide survey, which validated widespread support for the idea. At its March 2026 meeting, the BBVCC Board of Directors voted to approve a temporary fishing program applicable to Kwann Lake and Thunderbird Lake only. That new policy can be viewed using this active link: [2026-Temporary-Rule-17-Fishing.pdf](#)

What Kinds of Fish are found in our Lakes?

Previous professional biological studies of BBV water bodies have noted the presence of stickleback (a small, naturally-occurring fish). Fish species intentionally introduced by BBV for insect larvae control during 2007-2008 included bluegill and bass. In addition, numerous imported Asian grass carp were inserted (2008-2020) for control of unwanted pondweeds.



Bluegill sunfish (typical) –introduced in 2007



Smallmouth bass (typical) - introduced in 2008



Asian Grass Carp (typical) – first introduced in 2008; insertions stopped in 2020

The grass carp, which can often be seen schooling in groups near the shorelines during summer months, can grow to be over 36" long and weigh up to 40 lbs.

Currently, fish populations in BV water bodies appear to be thriving. In summer 2025, an increased number of ospreys, kingfishers and even cormorants were sighted by BBV birdwatchers diving for and retrieving smaller fish from the water.

Board-approved fishing on Kwann Lake and Thunderbird Lake, either from designated shoreline locations or from non-motorized personal watercraft, can begin on April 25th (fourth Saturday of April) in accordance with state fishing regulations. That schedule can be viewed using this active link: [Fishing regulations | Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife](#)

Algae Control Activities

As is typical in the springtime, the Committee and BBV Maintenance team have begun monitoring, and will soon be treating, the water bodies in Birch Bay Village. This includes periodic sampling to assess the levels of phosphorus in the water. Too much of this naturally-occurring chemical element provides nutrients that encourage the growth of algae and other unwanted aquatic plants.

Rather than work reactively to kill algae with toxic chemicals once it occurs, the Lakes Management Plan includes operational components to reduce phosphorus levels in our lakes and ponds. A minerals-compound phosphorus inactivator (lanthanum-modified bentonite, or LMB) is used to bind phosphorus released from sediment. This provides immediate water quality improvement. Additionally, a UV-blocking shading dye is introduced to help retard early-season appearance of unwanted algae and other pondweeds.



BBV Maintenance Boat dispersing mineral-based treatment on Kwann Lake

BBV Maintenance is equipped with specialized boat-mounted dispersion equipment including pumps, tanks and nozzles to properly apply these treatments. Pro-actively spreading this mineral-based compound as a spray, before the summer algae blooms get a chance to take hold, has been found to be effective. This is preferable to the previous, more reactive activities that required application of algacide chemicals to kill the algae.

The Lakes, Ponds & Drainage Committee meets on the first Monday of each month at 5:00PM in the Maintenance Building conference room. The next meeting takes place on 4/6/26. Interested community members are always encouraged to attend in person or online.

FROM THE MARINA COMMITTEE

SAVE THE DATE!
**BBV 2026 MARINA OPEN HOUSE
& FAMILY FUN DAY!**

SATURDAY - JUNE 6, 2026

Be our guests to kick off the best part of the year in Birch Bay!

Burrito King Food Truck

Kid's Activities

Swap Meet

And as usual, the Coast Guard Auxiliary will be available to do vessel safety inspections.

Stay tuned for more details!



Save the Date!

Are you a new Birch Bay Village resident wondering how to make new friends and connect with neighbors? Or perhaps a long-time community member who's now looking to find a special group that matches your interests? Wondering how to get more involved? Curious about how to join a committee when openings are announced? On Saturday May 30th many of the Birch Bay Village Clubs & Committees will have representatives on hand for a meet & greet opportunity in the Clubhouse located at 8181 Cowichan Rd.

Birch Bay Village has a wide range of groups to join and participate with. Some are membership-based; some are open to all; and each of the committees is made up of your own fellow BBV residents who volunteer their time and advise the board on key issues.

Clubs, recreational and special-interest groups:

- Boating Enthusiasts Group
- Bunco Group
- Card Group
- Chess Club
- Exercise Group
- Golf Club
- Kovid Kickers
- Pickleball Players
- Service & Social Club
- Tai Chi Group
- Wine Club

Established Board Advisory Committees and Workgroups:

- Architectural Control Committee
- Election Committee
- Finance Committee
- Golf Committee
- Lakes, Ponds & Drainage Committee
- Marina Committee
- Safety & Security Committee
- Washington State RCW 64.90 Task Force



Plan now to attend the Clubs & Committees Info Fair at the clubhouse. Get answers to your questions about these varied groups and their activities. A representative from the Birch Bay Village office staff will also be on hand to assist residents with any issues related to H.O.A. member accounts, policies and procedures, and general village information.

FRIDAY NIGHT FUN: 2026 SEASON STARTS FRIDAY MAY 1ST AT 4:30 PM

I hope everyone is looking forward to playing Friday Night Fun this year. It's starting to warm up, and the daylight is lasting a little bit longer so it's time to start thinking about Friday Night Fun.

As usual, our season will start on the 1st Friday in May, and run to the last Friday in September. Check in at the pro shop at 4:00 pm on Fridays and tee off at 4:30 pm.

Every Friday we play a team scramble with a special "Twist". The twist changes each week and can include almost anything such as a "free throw", a "free kick", "crazy putters" and much much more.

After 9 holes of fun golf, join us under the gazebos for food and beverages, prizes, and entertainment.

It's all about having fun.

Friday Night Fun is open to all members of the Birch Bay Village Golf Club and their guests. If you're not yet a member of the Golf Club or the Friday Night Fun league, come and try Friday Night Fun as our guest.

When you complete the application form to join the Golf Club, please remember to check the box next to Friday Night Fun to indicate that you want to receive email communication from the Friday Night Fun league.

The annual dues to play Friday Night Fun will be \$10 again this year. These dues are used to provide weekly prizes. Bring your dues to the 1st Friday Night Fun event you attend.

Bring your music, your friends and your family and come and join us for Friday Night Fun!



ADULT GOLF CLINICS - FREE

The Clinics begin in April on Wednesday the 8th, 3 PM to 5 PM.

Clinics start on the putting green with the fundamentals of setup, stance, posture, grip, ball position, alignment, back swing, forward swing, and distance control, for putting, chipping, and pitching. No prior experience required.

Attendees can bring their own clubs or borrow clubs from the Pro Shop. They also receive the booklet, Introduction to Golf at Birch Bay Village, which covers what BBVCC has to offer for beginners and seasoned golfers.

Golfers who attend clinics can play on our Short Course, (holes 4, 5, 8, 9) on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for a fee, starting at 5 PM.

Ernie Hutchins, Instructor



GOLF TOURNAMENTS



| DATE | TOURNAMENT | FORMAT | START TIME | ENTRY FEE |
|----------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| April 11 | Easter Shootout | 4-Person Scramble | 10 AM | \$5 |
| April 25 | Par 3 | Stroke Play | 10 AM | \$5 |

Tournaments are open to all BBV residents and their guests. Greens fees applicable for non-pass holders. Contact the Pro Shop at (360) 371-2026 for more info or to sign up

**Tournament Dates, start times and format are subject to change*

2026 JUNIOR GOLF CAMP - SAVE THE DATE!

We are excited to announce the return of the BBV Junior Golf Camp! For BBV families, Junior golf camp will be the week of July 6-10th for kids ages 8-11 (morning session) and kids ages 12-16 (afternoon session).

More information and registration forms will be provided in the MAY Bulletin.



SERVICE & SOCIAL CLUB

Monthly Meeting – April 13 - 12:30 PM

MEETING IN PERSON AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Masks may be worn if you feel more comfortable
Join Us To Serve Our Community

Chair, Heather Taylor 425-785-5771

Co-Chair, Caprice Pine 425-503-5770

Email: bbvsocialclub@gmail.com

Ongoing Community Projects:

Staffholt Good Samaritan Center: We provide birthday gifts for residents each month

Blaine Food Bank—Bin located at the Pro Shop and Clubhouse

Helping Hands - For BBV Residents—see article below

Welcome to New BBVCC Owners—contact info below

HELPING HANDS of Birch Bay Village

If you are sick, recovering from surgery or otherwise need a temporary helping hand, contact Leanne Keel at 360-739-5282 to arrange for equipment or a volunteer.

- Volunteers can provide meals, grocery shopping. Advance notice is needed.
- The Medical Equipment Locker offers short term loans of used manual or transfer wheelchairs, shower & tub transfer chairs, 2 & 4 wheel walkers, crutches, commodes & toilet risers, canes, a 4' ramp & more.
- Due to space limitations, donations of medical equipment will not be accepted at this time.
- Please return equipment sanitized.
- To become a Helping Hands Volunteer contact Leanne.

FIND THE RIGHT ASSISTANCE

Opportunity Council 360-734-5121 Care Coordinator
NW Regional Council 360-738-2500 Care Coordinator
Eden Health 360-734-5410 for home health, home care,
and Hospice care.

For transportation needs for Dr. visits or hospital:
Whatcom Transportation 360-733-1144 Must register first
Care E Me 360-755-3239

For questions or concerns call Leanne Keel
Helping Hands Coordinator 360-739-5282



The Service and Social Club would like to welcome all new residents to Birch Bay Village! Don't be alarmed if Karen Parry delivers you a welcome gift bag to your home. If you do not want a welcome gift or have any questions, feel free to call Karen at (509)993-2245 or email her at kparry05@yahoo.com

Community Breakfast

April 4, 2026 8 AM - 10 AM
in the BBV Clubhouse
\$7/PERSON—\$3/KIDS 10 AND UNDER
BRING EXACT CHANGE IF YOU CAN
ENJOY A FEAST
BISCUITS & GRAVY, HAM, PANCAKES,
SCRAMBLED EGGS, JUICE, FRUIT,
TASTY PASTRY

Masks not required—feel free to use one

Donations Always Needed for the Blaine Food Bank Our local community needs help providing food for their families!!

Please go through your pantries and cupboards for non-perishable items to donate to the Blaine Food Bank. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the bin at the Rec Center anytime. Please do not bring food that has an expiration date prior to **APRIL 2026**. Monetary donations are welcome as well. Make the check out to the Blaine Food Bank and put it in the mail!
Thanks for your continued support!

Service and Social Club Membership

BBV Service and Social Club always welcomes new members. You can join at anytime. Membership dues are \$25 for the year. If you'd like to join, please fill out the form and include your check (made out to BBV Service and Social Club). Forms are located in the Pro Shop and then can be dropped off at the village office.

PLEASE HELP SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY!

SERVICE & SOCIAL CLUB

Community Events

Community Breakfast APRIL 4 | 8 AM - 10 AM

Join us for a Community Breakfast—enjoy good food, friendly faces, and great conversation!



Easter Egg Hunt APRIL 4 | 1 PM

A fun-filled Easter Egg Hunt with hidden treats, laughter, and excitement for ages 1-10. Starts promptly at 1 PM. Bring your own basket.



FREE Plant Exchange APRIL 18 | 1 PM - 3 PM

A free plant exchange - swap greenery, share tips, and grow your collection with fellow plant lovers! Outdoor and indoor plants welcome. No plants to share? No problem, there will be plenty to take home.



Community Potluck APRIL 18 | 6 PM

Join us for a Mexican-themed community potluck with street tacos, chips and salsa provided—bring a dish to complement and share in the fiesta! Doors open at 5:30 PM. Food Service at 6:00 PM.



Save the Date

BHS Spring Choral Concert MAY 14 | 7 PM - 9 PM

Save the Date! Join us this spring for a special BHS Choir Concert. The talented students are preparing an evening of beautiful music you won't want to miss. Gather your friends and family and mark your calendar—more details coming soon!



Village Garage Sale JULY 25 | 9 AM - 2 PM

Save the Date! Our Community-Wide Garage Sale is just around the corner. Start cleaning out your closets, organizing your items, and getting ready to join neighbors for a fun and rewarding event. More details are coming soon—get ready to participate and make it a day to remember!



BBV Service & Social Club

Club & Community Events

CHESS CLUB

The BBV Chess Club will meet Wednesday April 1, April 15 and 29th at 2:00 to 4:00 at the Clubhouse.

This is informal play, open to everyone; guys and gals, youngsters and oldsters, beginners and advanced players.

If you'd like more information, contact John Goldsbury at flatpick_guitar@yahoo.com BYOCB (bring your own chess board).



If you don't know how to play chess but would like to learn, contact John and we can work that in.



COMPASS
THE TAYLOR TEAM

FREE

4th Annual BBV
Shredding Event!
Sat., April 4, 2026
2 PM - 4 PM

POOL/CLUBHOUSE
PARKING LOT

Provided

By: Heather T. Taylor

Questions? Email:

Heathertaylor@compass.com

YOU ARE INVITED!
Free Mother's Day Event
at the clubhouse. Bring
your vase from home
and join us to make a
beautiful flower
arrangement to share
with a loved one or
enjoy yourself. Flowers
provided and a florist
for assistance!

**May 7th
4-6 pm**

Hosted by:
Heather Taylor
425.785.5771



THE TAYLOR TEAM

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April 5th, Easter Sunday

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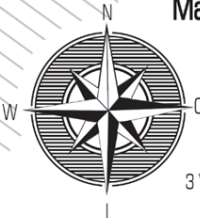
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| <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px;"> <p>Submissions for the MAY 2026 Bulletin must be received by 4 PM on April 21, 2026.</p> <p>Email submissions to Krista@bbvcc.com</p> </div> | | | <p>1</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM Chess Club 2 PM Kovid Kickers 5 PM</p>  | <p>2</p> <p>Morning Coffee 8 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM</p> | <p>4</p> <p> BBVSSC's Community Breakfast 8 AM - 10 AM Easter Egg Hunt 1 PM (Clubhouse Veranda) Community Shred 2-4 (Pool Parking lot)</p> |
| | | | <p>5</p> <p>HAPPY EASTER</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM Mah Jongg 1 PM Lakes Ponds & Drainage 5 PM</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Morning Coffee 8 AM ACC 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM</p>  | <p>8</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM Kovid Kickers 5 PM</p> |
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| <p>19</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM Mah Jongg 1 PM</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Morning Coffee 8 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM Marina 2 PM</p>  | <p>22</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM Kovid Kickers 5 PM Finance 1 PM</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Morning Coffee 8 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM Board of Directors 2 PM</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Exercise Group 9 AM</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Golf Tournament 10 AM (BBV Golf Course)</p>  |
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