

# Birch Bay Leisure Park presents

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# SEPTEMBER 2019

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#### **UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	BLAINE PAC	10:00 AM SEPT 1
CAESAR SUNDAY	ELM	1:00 PM - SEPT 1
CIRCLE REPS MEETING	BRIER	10:00 AM - SEPT 15

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## Birch Bay Leisure Park

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#### **BIRCH BAY LEISURE PARK**





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2019	DATE	FUNCTION	PLACE	TIME	CONTACT
JANUARY	12	BOARD MEETING			
FEB	23	BOARD MEETING			
MARCH	30	BOARD MEETING			
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	27	BOARD MEETING			
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	2	CIRCLE REPS MEETING	ELM	10:00 AM	KIRK PICKERING
	29	PANCAKE BREAKFAST	ELM	8:30 AM	
	30	YARD SALE	PARK-WIDE	10:00 AM	GLASSTETTER
	30	CIRCLE REPS MEETING	BRIER	10:00 AM	KIRK PICKERING
JULY	14	BOARD MEETING			
	20	KIDS SPORTS DAY	CIRCLE 17		PACHECO
	21	BEANBAG BASEBALL (21+)	ELM	2:30 PM	SHORE
	27	KIDS DAY AT THE POOL	POOL	10:30 AM	WEST
	27	HAMBURGER NIGHT	ELM	6:00 PM	BOARD
	28	CIRCLE REPS MEETING	BRIER	10:00 AM	KIRK PICKERING
AUGUST	3	BINGO	ELM	7:30 PM	VELTHUIJZEN
	10	WACKY WHEELS PARADE		11:00 AM	MATICK-JONES
	17	VOLUNTEER APPRTN	BRIER	11:00A -1:00P	ROBINSON
	18	BOARD MEETING			
	24	MARINERS/BLUE JAYS BASEBALL			SANDERS
	25	CIRCLE REPS MEETING	BRIER	10:00 AM	KIRK PICKERING
	31	PANCAKE BREAKFAST	ELM	8:30 AM	
	31	BINGO	ELM	7:30PM	VELTHUIJZEN
SEPTEMBER	1	AGM	BLAINE PAC	10:00 AM	
	1	CAESAR SUNDAY	ELM	2:00 PM	
	15	CIRCLE REPS MEETING	BRIER	10:00 AM	KIRK PICKERING
OCTOBER					
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Subject to change without notice. Please contact the Birch Bay Leisure Park Administration Office for updates

## Park Directory & Informational Phone Numbers

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018-2019**

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

President	Bill Grant
VP/Rules & Regs/By-Laws	Syd Hughes
Secretary	Richard Shore
Treasurer	Susan Stuart
Grounds & Maintenance	Karilee Green
Entertainment & Recreation	Rhonda Robinson
Public Relations/Communications	Dave McRae

**TELEPHONE NUMBERS** 

7 days/wk

9am to 5pm

911

7 days/wk 10am to 4pm

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

**Transfer Secretary Sharon Ingham Recording Secretary** Jan Faulkner Nominating Committee Chair Jan Faulkner Nominating Committee Vice-Chair

#### Leisure Park Administration Center 360-371-7122 360-332-8661 U.S. Douglas Border U.S. Peace Arch Border 360-332-6318 Canadian Border 800-461-9999 Peace Arch Hospital (White Rock) 604-531-5512 St. Joseph's Hospital (Bellingham) 800-541-7209 Red Tide Hotline 800-562-5632

Fire/Aid/Police\*

May 15th - Sept 10th

Sept 11th - May 14th

\*B.C. Cell Phones Call 360-676-6711 NOT 911

#### **CIRCLE REPRESENTATIVES**

Circle Rep Chair Kirk Pickering

#### Leisure Park Email: birchbayleisurepark@comcast.net **LEISURE PARK STAFF**

**Acting General Manager Shelly Pettit** 

360-961-3243

Office Staff Jennifer Timmreck

**Betty Troup** 

PT Maintenance Tech Ken Perrin Steven Powers Maintenance Tech Maintenance Tech Ruth Brown PT Maintenance Tech **Brad Benard** Seasonal Staff Tristen Alexander **Compliance Staff** Vernon Billing

Matt Koker George O'mara **Chris Flores** 

360-961-5424 After Hours Security Cell #

Leisure Park Website: www.birchbayleisurepark.com

#### **POOL HOURS**

**POOL OPENS:** May 17th - Friday thru Sunday

(Holiday Mondays)

POOL OPENS DAILY: June - 8:00 am to 10:00 pm

**POOL LAPPERS:** 8:00 am to 9:00 am AQUASIZE: 9:00 am to 10:00 am ALL SWIM: 10:00 am to Noon 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

ADULT SWIM: Noon to 1:00 pm

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

9:00 pm to 10:00 pm **TEEN SWIM:** 

Pool attendants are not lifeguards.

**DOG OWNERS** PLEASE NOTE

"Doggie Walks" are provided on Mainline & Meadow Roads. Dogs must be on a leash at all times when off your site. The fine for failing to clean up after your pet is \$50.00 USD



Rec Tags, bath house key and showers are required for entry to pool.

Adults must accompany children under 13 years of age into the pool to ensure their safety.



#### Bill Grant - President, BBLP Board of Directors

It is hard to believe that another summer has come and gone. I am pleased to see and hear that members have and are enjoying the Park and the many activities that are provided for people of all ages. We do try to accommodate the young and the more mature.

For myself and the Board, it has been a year of change. I have heard and read a few times that "This is a leisure park, so why all the formality in managing this place, let us come down and enjoy our little piece of paradise."

Well, for everyone to enjoy their piece of paradise you have to have the infrastructure in place to enjoy. The Board is responsible to make sure that this is in place and working so all you have to do is show up and enjoy. There is a lot of work and effort going on in the background to make this happen.

We have had to make decisions that are difficult and not always popular but always with the intention that you will have your special place to come to and enjoy.

We have done the following to improve the management and operations of the Park and to help prepare and plan for the future:

Implemented a Park management system to ensure jobs are done when needed. We found out that we were operating on a more reactive basis and not a proactive one. This is the most costly form of operations both in dollars for looking after the Park and in the inconvenience to members not being able to use Park facilities because they are down for repairs. This new software will support a proactive approach and will include regular scheduled maintenance programs that up till now have been missing. This includes the staff use of mobile tablets in the field to better report on work completed to support the budgeting and operations planning.

Staff interviews to obtain their input into how the Park is being operated and managed. Often times staff know the details and by getting their input we are recognizing their experience and knowledge of the Park and taking advantage of that knowledge to move forward in a positive way.

Added more administrative responsibilities to the Office Manager, thus creating the Assistant General Manager – Administration position, to allow the General Manager to concentrate more on the day to day operations of the Park and working on long range plans to ensure money is spent where and when needed to ensure we have a Park to enjoy.

Upgraded our technology infrastructure (computers) and entered into an IT support contract with a company to bring us into a more modern position that will improve our capabilities to meet the demands of today's information requirements (accounting, reporting, adhering to federal, state and local laws, etc).

The Board takes its role of stewardship seriously and decisions are made with very detailed discussion and debate. All factors are discussed so that decisions take into account the impact on the Park and its members. We are not compensated in any way for being on the Board. We are here to volunteer our life, work and Park experience to keep our "little piece of paradise" for all of us to enjoy and ensuring our children and grandchildren will be able to do the same thing.

#### Richard Shore - Secretary, BBLP Board of Directors

Thanks to our talented Park Office staff preparations for the Annual General Meeting were easy for me as Secretary.



With the Bylaw change adopted last year allowing for email of AGM notification and materials we estimate the Park has again saved over \$1500 in printing and mailing expenses. It has also considerably reduced staff administrative time. Our Recording Secretary/ Nominating Committee Chair and his Committee also assisted greatly in preparations for the AGM.

I will be meeting with the Human Resources Committee in the fall to review Park staff wages for 2020 and to review the Employee Handbook and other policies and procedures affecting staff.

Board members will be assisting the Acting General Manager in the recruitment of a full time Maintenance Supervisor and a full time Maintenance Worker.

Have a great winter. Richard Shore Secretary, HR and Appeals Committees

Rhonda Robinson - Recreation and Entertainment, BBLP Board of Directors

**Greetings Members** 

It's hard to believe that fall is almost upon us! I hope you have all had a summer full of fun and happy memories!

I would like to thank August volunteer's, Arno and Jennifer Velthuijzen and their crew for putting on the bingo session, Bob Matick for taking on Whacky Wheels and Marilyn Sanders for organizing and coordinating the bus trip to the Mariner/Blue Jays game!

This coming long weekend is going to be a busy wrap up to the season. We have pancake breakfast Saturday morning, bingo on Saturday night, The AGM on Sunday morning, followed by Caesar Sunday. James Walker is the new coordinator for Caesar Sunday and I think James and his crew will do a great job.

Thank you to all of the volunteer's that have helped throughout the season! None of the events could take place if it wasn't for people like you.

I'd like to wish you all a safe and happy winter.

Best regards, Rhonda Robinson





The end of summer must be here as the 2019 Newsletter submission deadline has arrived!

Each year there is turnover in membership so newer members may not be aware of historical information regarding the funds set aside for funding various future replacement projects. The past 6 months the Finance Committee (re)confirmed the balances in what we refer to as the "Infrastructure" fund and the "Long Range Planning (LRP)" fund.

The Infrastructure fund is currently capped at \$1,500,000 and is what we consider an emergency restricted fund where the definition of an emergency (as specified by the Board in May 2011) being: Failure of an existing major infrastructure item (eg. sewer, roads, water) or BBWARM compliance whereby the situation poses an immediate risk to health or property requiring urgent intervention to prevent a worsening situation. Thankfully to date we have not had such an occurrence but as our Park continues to age the probability of something occurring increases unless we proactively manage our Park. Therefore, as a report was not otherwise being compiled internally, we had an independent company assess our infrastructures, facilities, and equipment and in mid-May 2019 we were provided with the Asset Review Report (ARR). We were given a 30 day window of opportunity to ask for revisions but they were not subsequently contacted. Once the ARR is properly vetted by the various staff and committees, the Finance Committee will be in a position to make recommendations on whether or not there needs to be a change in the fund balance and how it will be further funded (e.g. allocation of interest, depreciation, and/or additional assessments, etc.). Please note: the fund amount has not changed for ~ 5 years so it has not kept up with inflation and therefor is very likely underfunded.

As for the LRP funds, you may have noted in the Aug 2019 Board minutes that the Board did adopt a motion, as recommended by the Finance Committee, to set the LRP fund balance at \$100,000 as at Dec 31, 2018. It was further noted that the year end fund balance will remain at \$100,000 until the LRP Committee provides a planning document, the ARR will be the starting point, so we can better understand future anticipated costs. One might think that since we have the ARR it shouldn't be too difficult to navigate through things but there are some challenges already identified.

It was originally noted that some items were obviously missing from the report. Costs on the report range from \$3,500 to \$380,000 based on current pricing and it doesn't include what replacing our sewer/water system would cost. The report has items with remaining useful life ranging from 0 to 45 years which was expected, but what we were not expecting was to find that one of the items (Elm Bathroom replacement) indicated a replacement cost of \$62,500 and yet the quote received in July indicated it would be a project costing well over \$200K (when the Board pressed for clarification regarding the quote the price dropped down to ~\$150K which is still about 2.5 times more than expected).

So one of the off season project will be for the Board, LRP and Finance Committees to understand and reconcile what is in the 129 page report as well as what isn't so we can continue to move forward in a fiscally responsible way when managing our current Park amenities, facilities, infrastructure, and equipment.

#### Outstanding Balances reminder:

One last quick reminder, during the busy season it is common for members to have smaller amounts owing for various purchases (e.g. propane, gravel, gate passes, etc.). We ask that if you have purchased anything in the past few months that you confirm with the office that your account is paid up – these smaller purchases can be paid directly at the office. If you are unsure if you have a balance owing, please contact the office as they are more than happy to let you know and we don't want to see your ability to vote at the AGM be in jeopardized as By-law 1f) states:

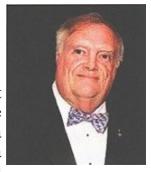
Only members in good standing shall be eligible to hold office or entitled to vote at any general or special meeting. Members who have assessments or charges that have remained unpaid for 60 days shall not be considered to be in good standing unless such charges are under appeal and the appeal has been delivered in writing to the Board of Directors at least 30 days before an election, special meeting, or general meeting.

Thank you for your time and I'm sure we will see many of you at the AGM on Sept 1<sup>st</sup>.

Susan Stuart, 39 – 10 BBLP Treasurer

#### Syd Hughes - Rules & Regulations, BBLP Board of Directors

Thanks to all the members who have complied with the Rules throughout this season. You are making the job of the park security/compliance officers much easier. Please remember that if at anytime you have a question about a rule you can contact me through the park office for a clarification. Having said that I wish to address some of the inconsistencies



in the comments on Facebook regarding the Rules and Bylaws of the Park and their enforcement. In fact, some of the comments are not only inconsistencies but outright lies. Perhaps this is because people don't read the minutes of the Board or just don't understand the process.

"they are making new rules all the time. That's not right either. They need to back off a bit."

This is totally untrue. Since the last AGM there have been three rule clarifications and one new rule. The new rule was to deal with Vandalism in the park and I don't know of any members that would say that it was a bad rule addition.

"No go look back at some of the new Bylaws they wrote a few months ago they seem to come up with new ones all the time and now they're writing a new Bylaw for compliance issues so isn't that proof enough "

Under By-Law XIII al Bylaw changes can only be made by an extraordinary resolution of the Association.

This extraordinary resolution must be made at an AGM or Special meeting called for that purpose and requires a 2/3rds vote of the members in attendance. Thirty days notice of such a resolution is required for any and all such Bylaw motions.

I am not sure where the suggestion that a new Bylaw for compliance issues is being written comes from as no such notice was given with the AGM documents and therefore no such Bylaw could be brought before the meeting even if such a Bylaw was being given consideration.

For clarification there have been no Bylaw changes since the 2017 AGM. In the period beginning with the 2012 AGM up to and including the 2017 AGM there were six changes to the Bylaws. Five of these were simple wording clarifications to the Bylaws and one defined the process by which the board of directors can implement changes to the Rules. Hopefully the above will help members to better understand the process.

*Syd Hughes* Director



# Dave McRae - Public Relations & Communications, BBLP Board of Directors

#### "Fake news"

This was not a term many people used four years ago, but it is now seen as one of the greatest threats to democracy, free debate and the Western order.

As well as being a favorite term of current United States President <u>Donald Trump</u>, it was also named 2017's <u>word of the year</u>, raising tensions between nations, communities, neighbors and even friends.

It is also raising issues between members here in Birch Bay Leisure Park.

Fake news is nothing new. But what is new is how easy it's become to share information – both true and false – on a massive scale without accountability.

#### What is Fake News?

Lots of things you read online especially in your social media feeds may appear to be true, **sometimes are not**. Fake news is information, stories or hoaxes created to deliberately misinform or deceive readers. Usually, the information is created to; influence people's views, push a political agenda or cause confusion. These stories **are created to** deliberately mislead audiences and promote a biased point of view.

Many people are drawn to news or stories that confirm their own beliefs or biases.

Fake information easily preys on these biases

#### Where Does Fake News Come From?

While the presence of fake news is not new, the internet and social media changed the ways it's created and spread. The goal is to capitalize on social media to get as much attention to an issue as possible. Social media platforms like Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn allow almost anyone to publish their thoughts or share stories to the world.

The trouble is that most people don't check the source of the material that they view online or try to confirm the truth of the information passed around within their sphere of friends or acquaintances before they to share it, which can lead to fake news spreading quickly or even "going viral."

As mentioned above, not all fake news stories are found online. Members can spread "Fake News" during Park activities, meetings or just over a social drink with their friends and then go print information or share it verbally without checking the facts. You can be guilty of spreading misinformation, even if inadvertently.

Dangerously, some people might start to believe that they no longer need facts to back up their arguments.

Others start to mistrust information all together. They stop listening and disengage entirely. Ultimately, this can damage an organization's culture.

Fake news can affect behavior, too. It encourages people to invent excuses, to dismiss others' ideas, to exaggerate the truth, and to spread rumor. This can create divided, anxious members where people are cynical and unsure of who to trust.

They might even begin to mistrust everyone in leadership if they believe that authority figures have lied to them, or that the information that they are working with is suspect. This can sap people of the curiosity, enthusiasm and ambition that we need to be a successful park.

Misinformation and fake news can and does harm our organization and our reputation as a community.

So what can we do?

#### 1. Develop a Critical Mindset

One of the main reasons fake news is such a big issue is that it is often believable, which means it's easy to get caught up in it. Many fake news stories are also written to create "shock" value.

This means it's essential that you keep your emotional response to such stories in check.

Instead, approach what you see and hear rationally and critically.

Ask yourself, "Why has this statement been written or spoken? Is it to persuade me of a certain view-point?

#### 2. Check the Source

If you come across a story from a source that you know or maybe never heard of before, either way do some digging! Find out a bit more about the issue for yourself.

If the information is something that you've been told by another person, consider the intent or purpose behind why the issue is being raised. Is there an exaggeration of the truth?

#### 3. See who else has information in regard to the issue

If the information you have isn't from a well-known and balanced source, there's a chance that it could be fake.

However, you need to be careful even here. People who spread fake news and "alternative facts" sometimes create supposed statements or supposed actions to support their bias.

#### 4. Examine the Evidence

A credible story will include plenty of facts. If the facts are missing or the source is an unknown person or even a "friend," question it!

Does the evidence prove that something definitely happened? Or, have the facts been "twisted" to back up a particular viewpoint?

#### 5. Check That It "Sounds Right"

Finally, use your common sense! If a story sounds unbelievable, it probably is. Bear in mind that fake news is designed to "feed" your biases or fears. And, remember, just because a story sounds "right" and true, doesn't mean that it is.

For example, it's unlikely that your favorite designer brand is giving away a million free dresses to people who turn up to its stores. Equally, just because you hear that employees have been subject to a \$2.00 an hour pay cut doesn't mean it's true.

#### 6. Check your biases

Are your own views or beliefs affecting your judgement?

#### **Key Points**

Fake news refers to deliberate untruths or stories that contain some truth, but which aren't completely accurate. Some people also claim that truthful stories are "fake news," just because they don't agree with them.

Fake news can have a negative impact on behavior in our Park.

For example, it is damaging our BBLP culture, and causing rumor and mistrust to spread. So, it's vital to know how to separate the real from the fake. You can do this by following these six steps:

- 1. Develop a critical mindset.
- 2. Check the source.
- 3. See who else is repeating the story.
- 4. Examine the evidence.
- Check that it "sounds right."
- 6. Check your biases

#### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT:

How does "Fake News" affect our community conversations and civic engagement? How do we balance the benefits of free speech against the burden of propaganda?

# SIRCH BYLL

#### Shelly Pettit—Acting Interim General Manager

Hello Members,

The summer season is coming to an end and Labor Day is right around the corner, which marks the return of kids to their schools and the end of their summer vacation. Here at the Administration Office we would like to thank you all for another great season. There is

still some more warm weather left and we hope you get to enjoy it.

August, as all months in the summer, was equally busy but by the end of the day the staff have put in their time and energy to make the park look and run beautifully. So, I would like to send out a big thank you to all park staff. We couldn't do it without you.

As for some of the ongoing projects happening in the park, we are currently working on finishing the sink hole project out at the front of the park. We are hoping to have this complete within the next few weeks. Also, the embankment erosion on Fern Road is being examined. We have been meeting with contractors for possible solutions and hope to move forward with a plan very soon. There are many more projects around the park that need to be finished and we will continue to work diligently on them.

I would like to send out a friendly reminder to everyone enjoying crab or seafood this season; please, please, double or triple bag your seafood refuse. Our trash bins are collected weekly, the weather is warm, and the smell of crab leftovers is pungent. Your neighbors will thank you.

As always, the summer speed limit in the park is 5MPH until the end of September. This is for your safety and the safety of others. We don't want any accidents that could occur from speeding.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the summer.

Warmest Regards AGM Shelly Pettit

#### **Board Committees 2018/2019**

For convenience of members, below is a list of the standing committees and members serving on the committees.

- (a) <u>Appeals Committee</u>. Director Richard Shore. Coleen Hunter, John Unsworth and Jim Miller.
- (b) Bylaws Committee. Director Syd Hughes. Rick Lightheart.
- (c) <u>Entertainment Committee</u>. Director Rhonda Robinson. Wes & Carol Gmur, Joanne Glasstetter, Janet Hastings, Roz McRae, Jen Tindale, Joanne Ste Croix, and Daryl Vyse.
- (d) *Finance Committee*. Director Susan Stuart, Ken Forcier, Bill Symons, Don Hincks, Rick Lightheart, and Shelly Pettit.
- (e) <u>Human Resources and Compensation Committee</u>. Director Richard Shore. Susan Stuart, Ana Lopez and Jim Miller.
- (f) <u>Long Range Planning</u>. Director Bill Grant, Doug Hunter, Michael Trites, Tom Collins. *Financial Advisor to Long Range Planning* Bill Symons
- (g) <u>Communications/Public Relations</u>. Director Dave McRae and Jennifer Timmreck.
- (h) Nominating Committee. Jan Faulkner, Coleen Hunter and Rick Lightheart.
- (i) Rules and Regulations. Director Syd Hughes. Mike Murrell and Diane Smith.

# BIRCH BAY LEISURE PARK VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

#### Vision:

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#### Mission:

To build a responsive and viable community through collaborative and engaged membership at all levels. We agree to build positive relations and strengthen the brand that represents BBLP. We will focus on the development of a fun, respectful and responsible culture in BBLP.

Everything we do must feed into the Vision and Mission of BBLP.

Open dialogue • Engage members early • Communicate openly, honestly and proactively • Provide clear, relevant information • Keep members informed and provide notice of change in a timely manner • Be responsive and ensure follow up • Celebrate successes but be honest about our failures • Improve current channels of communication and ensure tools are user-friendly • Encourage democratic participation • Demonstrate that we are trying to find solutions

With the support of the Board, we are exploring new ways of working together internally to communicate effectively and efficiently throughout the park membership, membership committees and with staff, so that communication and member relations have a "continuous improvement plan".

Develop a mindset/culture of proactively seeking solutions.

Treat all members and staff with respect and acknowledge the value that each bring to the park.

Productive communication and following the agreed upon rules and regulations of the park is the responsibility of all members, staff and visitors to BBLP.

We need to build a strong visual presence, strengthen our branding of BBLP and explore the tools necessary to communicate effectively and efficiently, both internally and externally. We must embrace digital communication with an updated website; we also need to work to enhance the navigation of our online presence. We have members willing to collaborate to improve our social media presence.

Provide the membership committees with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the challenges, alternatives, opportunities and/or solution (These include the Circle Rep committee, the Entertainment committee, the HR committee, the Appeals committee, the Finance committee and the Long-Range Planning committee).

Work directly with the membership committees and the memberships appointed officers and directors throughout the process to ensure that membership concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.

Obtain membership committee feedback on analysis, alternative and/or decisions.

Partner with the membership committee representatives in each aspect of decision making, including the development of alternatives and identification of the preferred solution (These committees include the Circle Rep committee, the Entertainment committee, the HR committee, the Appeals committee, the Finance committee and the Long-Range Planning committee).

The park membership places the final decision making in the hands of the elected officers and directors. The Board will keep the membership informed through timely reports and updates. The Board will keep the membership committees informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how the membership committees input influenced the decision. The Board will work with the membership committees to ensure that concerns and aspirations of the members are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how membership input influenced the decision. The Board will look to the membership committees for advice, guidance and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporating advice and recommendation into the decisions to the maximum extent possible. The Board will implement with consideration of what the membership committees have provided in assisting the officers and directors of the park to decide what is best for the park.

The primary communication to members from the Park staff and the Board will remain as the Park Newsletter, meeting minutes, emails to all Park members when issues are critical or time sensitive and individual responses to members, as appropriate.

Should members have questions or concerns regarding bylaws, rules, compliance issues, staff or other members they should be directed to the Park Office either verbally or via email. The Park Office will direct them to the appropriate staff member or Board member, or the entire Board and the issues will be responded to.

Members are also urged to utilize appropriate forums such as the Circle Representatives, Town Hall meetings and the AGM to raise issues.

Urgent or Emergency issues are to be directed to security or the appropriate outside agency, for example: Fire, Police and Ambulance.

#### FROM THE ADMINISTRATION CENTER

#### **Propane Tanks**

We fill your small propane tank at the Admin Center. Located between the recycling bins and the dirt is the propane filling station. Tanks left on the "EMPTY" side by 4:00 PM will be ready for pick up by 4:30 PM and placed on the "FULL" side. Please be sure that your tank is clearly marked with your site number and last name for easy identification.

#### **Topsoil & Gravel**

We offer 4-way topsoil, crushed limestone or chipped rock for purchase at the Administration Office. You may purchase these commodities by 5 gallon bucket or wheelbarrow full (you fill). We keep a limited supply of these materials on hand, so if you need more than a yard or two we will be happy to put you in touch with a wholesale supplier.

#### **Brush Bins**

Each bath house has a fenced area for small loads of yard waste ONLY. All yard waste should be bagged or bundled for easy removal by park staff. Compost bags are available at the office, five for \$2.00.

#### Garbage

Please place bagged household garbage in the dumpsters located at the bath houses and at the front of the park. To dispose of larger items (carpet, mattresses,

furniture, etc.) stop by the office to purchase a \$20 dump permit.

#### Recycling

Please recycle. Aluminum cans (preferably crushed) go in the recycling shed. Newspapers, mixed paper, cans and jars go in bins in front of the shed at the front. Please flatten plastic jugs. Cardboard goes in the bin inside the recycling shed at the front. Please flatten. Additional recycling locations are: Bathhouse #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10 - Brier Center and Elm Center. Further details about recycling available at the Administration Office.

#### Laundry

Bathhouses 3, 4, 8, & 9 have coin operated washers and dryers. (\$2.00 US to wash and \$2.00 US to dry) Machines take U.S. QUARTERS ONLY.

#### **Utilities**

We respond to your water, power and sewer problems. If it's a park problem we fix it. If not, we can point you towards a solution. Please be aware of the delicate disposition of our sewer system. Sewage is pumped out of the park and our pumps choke on the smallest of things; a dish rag, that messy diaper (even a supposedly disposable diaper), a potted plant with its roots, a knife, etc. When these things reach the pump, it plugs. We then have to hire a contractor to go down into the

sewer tank to make repairs, costing the park time and money.

#### **Compressed Air**

Outside the Maintenance Shop door we provide compressed air for your tires.

# Construction / Maintenance Permits

All construction requires a permit. Permit applications are available at the Administration Center and only take a moment to fill out. Office staff are also on hand to assist with the process.

#### **Mail & Parcels**

Please stop by the Administration Center to pick up your mail and parcels to make room for more.

#### **Volunteers**

Birch Bay Leisure Park is always looking for volunteers to help out with our Park events. If you are interested in lending a hand, come by the Office and sign up!

The Administration Office would like to remind everyone to please check on your account balance the next time you are at the office.

Be safe. Have fun. Be kind to each other.

BBLP Administration
Shelly Pettit
Jennifer Timmreck
Betty Troup





#### Summer

Find and circle all of the summer words that are hidden in the grid.

The remaining letters spell an additional summer item.

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# GIGGLES AND GROAMERS

What kind of bean can't grow?

A jellybean.

How do you mend a broken jack o' lantern?

A pumpkin patch.

What do you call a baby with a drum?

A baby boomer.

Why couldn't the shoes go out to play?

They were all tied up.

How do you turn soup into gold?

Add 24 carrots.

Why couldn't the leopard go on vacation?

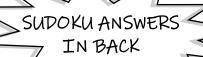
He couldn't find the right spot!

#### Sudoku #9 (Medium)

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#### Sudoku #10 (Medium)

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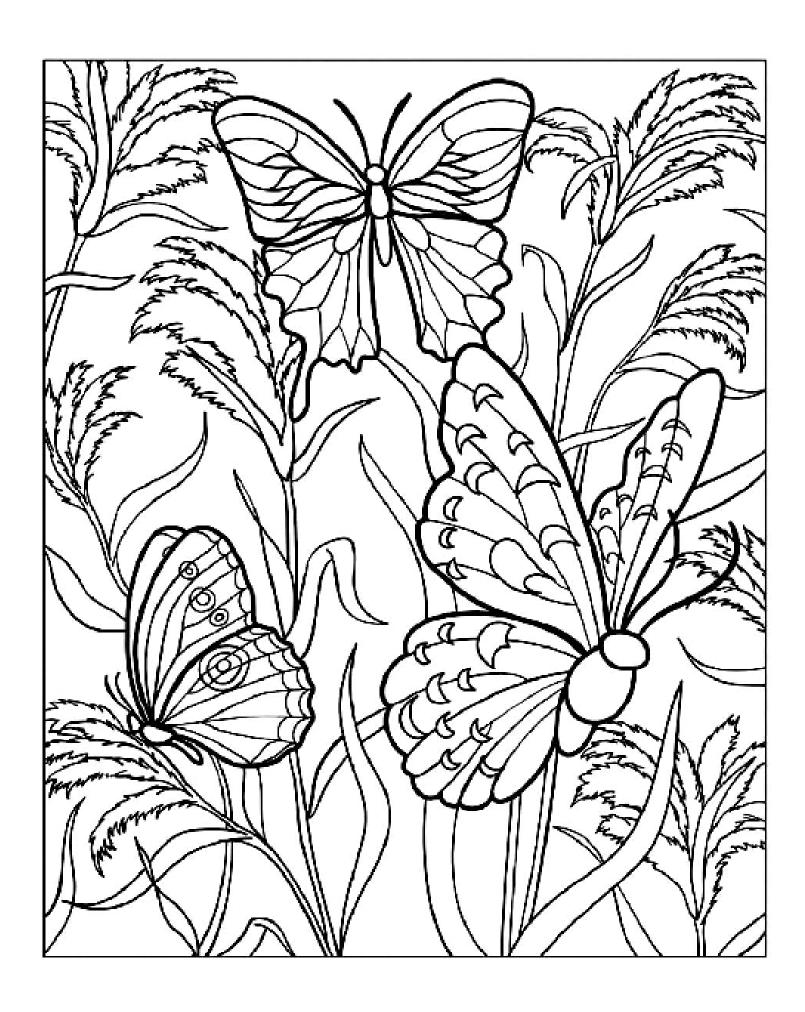
#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Birch Bay Leisure Park is on the look out for a Member Volunteer to take on the compilation of the BBLP Summer Newsletter and become our new Newsletter Editor.

Our Newsletter is assembled with Microsoft Publisher, using Excel, Word and PDF documents. Volunteer applicants must also be comfortable with JPG, GIF and PNG files and have reliable email service. The Newsletter editor must be able to meet deadlines and will be expected to work closely with Administration Staff and Park Board Members.

If you are interested in becoming Leisure Park's newest Newsletter Editor, please contact the Administration Office for further details.







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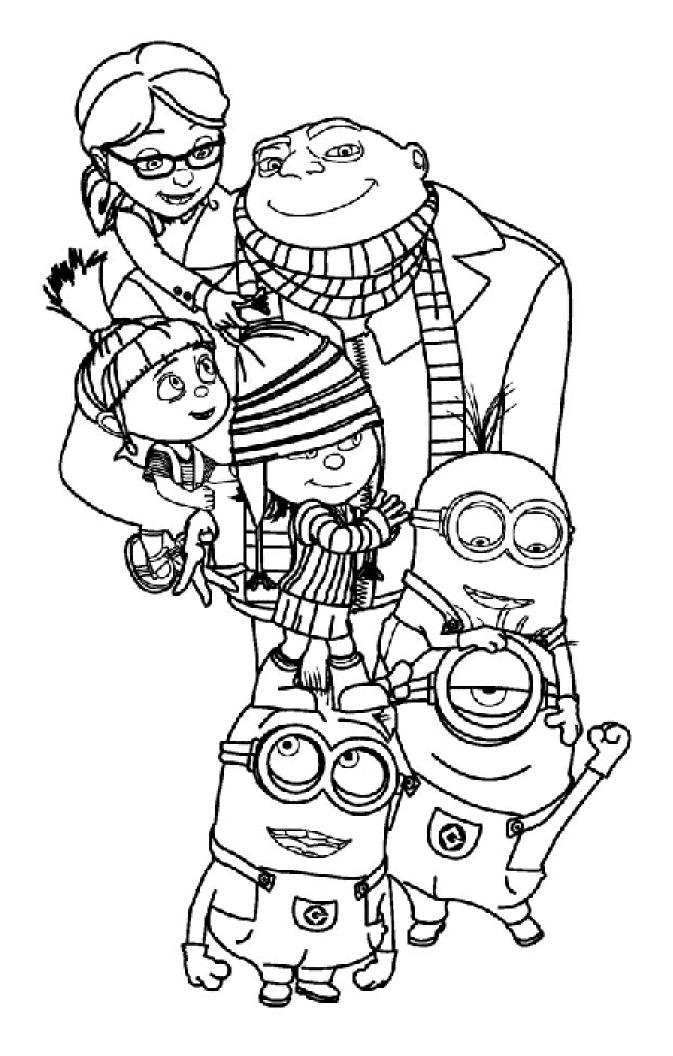
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#### Sudoku #10 (Medium)

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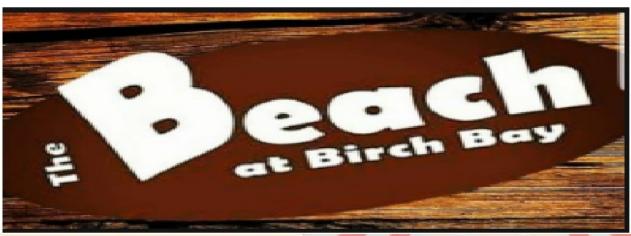


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3	Tue	9:15	8.2	9:15	9.4	3:05	1.6	3:03	2.8	6:30	7:50	(4)
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