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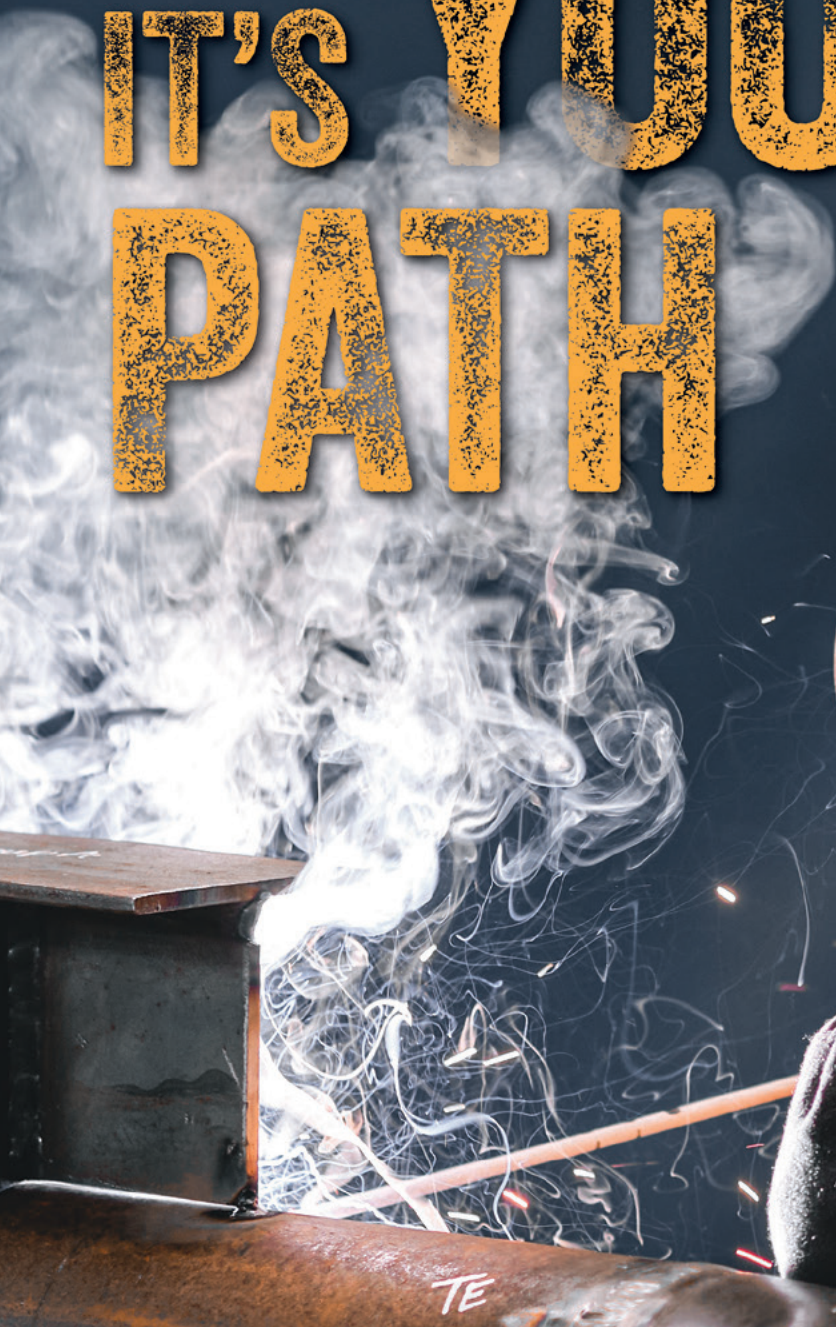
SPRING/SUMMER 2026

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“Spring is the time of plans and projects.”

– Leo Tolstoy, Anna Karenina

Spring is the time to imagine the upcoming warmer months and create plans for projects. Or perhaps, like me, it is the time to pull out plans for last year and finally get started. Either way, it is a time for optimism and renewal, despite the gravity of current world events.

For Bellingham Parks & Recreation, this spring brought the completion of several long-term projects and planning efforts. Three major projects were delivered to the community in February and March: Storybrook Park in the Birchwood neighborhood, Sunset Pond Trail connecting Irongate, King Mountain and Barkley neighborhoods, and the new beach at Boulevard Park.



Photo by Patrick Ulinski

Storybrook Park is a unique, whimsical place that includes a log scramble and slide, swings, music and a forest loop trail complete with hidden gnomes, as well as improved pedestrian access. It is the final project of our recently retired landscape architect, Jonathan Schilk. Over his 27-year career in Bellingham, Jonathan managed the design and construction of many parks and trails including Squalicum Creek, Cordata, Harriet Spanel, as well as numerous playgrounds throughout the city. His imagination, design aesthetic and attention to detail are one of the reasons our parks are so fabulous. We will miss him!

As far as planning projects go, the Civic Athletic Complex Master Plan is being finalized by City Council in March, setting the stage for priorities, investment, improvements and future expansion within the complex.

The major update to the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan is also nearing completion. This plan includes core goals and policies, priority projects, updated trail connections and financing plans for the growth of Bellingham's park system over the next 20 years.

Lastly, Salish Landing Park, located at the south end of Cornwall Avenue along the water, is finally under construction. After years of complex, agency-led remediation and clean up design, phase one of the park will be constructed in conjunction with the clean up of a former municipal landfill and adjacent industrial site. This project is anticipated to be complete within three years, resulting in a new 17-acre park on Bellingham Bay.

Welcome to the springtime, and good luck with your plans and projects!

Nicole C. Oliver

Director



Cover photo by Lauren Woodmansee

We acknowledge that we gather on territory that has been the traditional and ancestral homeland to the Lhaq'temish (the Lummi people), Noxws'áʔaq (the Nooksack people), and other Coast Salish tribes of this region Since Time Immemorial.

We honor our shared responsibility to this land and these waters, we commit to learning from Indigenous wisdom, and we strive to repair and deepen our relationships as neighbors and friends.

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How to Sign Up for a Bellingham Parks & Recreation Activity



You will need an ActiveNet account to register for programs with the City of Bellingham. Scan this QR code or visit:

cob.org/ezreg to get started.

1. Enter your email address.

This email address will be what you use to login to ActiveNet.

2. Fill out the form.

Then, click, "Next".

3. Fill out the personal information form.

Then, click, "Next".

4. Verify your account.

Check for an email from ActiveNet.

Click the link in the email to verify your account.

5. Register for programs.

You're all set! Now you can register for programs on our ActiveNet site.

Questions?

Give us a call Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm at (360) 778-7000.

Registration opens:

Wednesday, April 1 at 8:30 am

Important Updates and Information

Bellingham Parks & Recreation has moved! Our new office is located at **2221 Pacific Street**. Our phone number and email address remain the same.

Refunds

To be eligible for a Recreation Program refund, minus the \$20 administrative fee, participants must notify the Parks Department office at least five (business) days prior to the beginning of the program, including programs that include a series of dates. Refund requests must be received in writing (email preferred).

To be eligible for an Aquatic Center Program refund, minus the \$5 administrative fee, participants must notify the Aquatic Center office at least 3 days prior to beginning of the program.

Taxes

Due to recent Washington State legislative actions, certain Parks & Recreation programs are now subject to an additional retail sales tax. Beginning April 1, 2026, the retail sales tax will be added to certain recreation activities that meet the retail sales tax requirements.

For those customers needing verification for filling 2025 tax documents, the City's Tax ID is:
EIN: 91-6001229

Questions? Give us a call at (360) 778-7000

Bellingham Parks & Recreation Program Locations

- **Arne Hanna Aquatic Center**, 1114 Potter Street
- **Bellingham City Hall**, 210 Lottie Street
- **Bloedel Donovan Park**, 2214 Electric Avenue
- **Boulevard Park**, 470 Bayview Drive
- **Civic Sports Complex & Skate Park**, 1355 Civic Field Way
- **Cordata Park**, 4510 Cordata Parkway
- **Cornwall Memorial Park**, 3424 Meridian Street
- **Depot Market Square**, 1100 Railroad Avenue
- **Elizabeth Park**, 2205 Elizabeth Street
- **Fairhaven Library Auditorium**, 1117 12th Street
- **Fairhaven Park**, 107 N. Chuckanut Drive
- **Fairhaven Village Green**, 1207 10th Street
- **Lake Padden Park/Golf Course**, 4882 Samish Way
- **Maritime Heritage Park**, 514 W. Holly Street
- **Pacific Street Operations Center**, 2221 Pacific Street
- **Squalicum Creek Park**, 1001 Squalicum Way
- **Waypoint Park**, 1145 Granary Avenue
- **Whatcom Falls Park**, 1401 Electric Avenue
- **Woodstock Farm**, 1200 Chuckanut Drive




GangBall

GangBall is a fast-paced adaptive sport where players use specially designed wheelchairs to score by carrying a ball across the opponent's goal line. Combining elements of rugby, basketball, and handball, the sport emphasizes strategy and teamwork. Open to all abilities – all bodies welcome and wheelchairs are provided!

DAY/DATES: Mondays / April 13 - June 1 (no May 25)

TIME: 4:00–6:00 pm

AGES: 12 years and older

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 

COST: FREE / Liability waiver must be signed at door

COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger



SPIN Dance Ice Cream Social

Let's end summer with ice cream! Please pre-register for this special Spin Dance! Bellingham Parks & Recreation and the Max Higbee Center will host an Ice Cream Social at Depot Market Square for individuals with disabilities. Everyone 14 and older is invited to dance with us to music provided by Glitt3r Lyfe's Aireekah!

SPIN Dance

Dance with us every third Monday of the month! Bellingham Parks & Recreation and the Max Higbee Center will host SPIN Dances for individuals with disabilities. Everyone 14 years and older is invited to dance with us to music provided by Glitt3r Lyfe's Aireekah!



DAY/DATES: Mondays / April 20, May 18, July 20

TIME: 6:00–8:00 pm

AGES: 14 years and older

LOCATION: Bellingham Senior Center, 315 Halleck St. 

COST: FREE

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell / Max Higbee Center



DAY/DATE: Monday / August 17

TIME: 6:00–8:00 pm

AGES: 14 years and older

LOCATION: Depot Market Square 

COST: FREE (please pre-register)

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell / Max Higbee Center

MAX: 60 (includes personal care assistants)

CAMP T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Achieves More)

An outrageously fun experience for teens and adults with disabilities, Camp TEAM will be hosted at Bloedel Park again this year! Participants can register for one or both days. We will play games, do arts and crafts, and explore outdoor adaptive sports ending with karaoke on Friday afternoon!



Western Washington University Recreation Program students will be your energetic co-campers. If you require individual assistance during Camp TEAM, personal care assistants attend for free. A link to this year's Camp TEAM packet is on your registration receipt. All participants are required to fill out a Participant Information form which can be found online or in the Camp TEAM packet. PLEASE NOTE: Registration and Participant Information must be completed by April 24th!

This program is not eligible for a refund. Registration closes Friday, April 24th.

Camp TEAM is sponsored by Western Washington University and Bellingham Parks & Recreation. For more information, call Rosa at Bellingham Parks & Recreation, (360) 778-7000, or email arcaldwell@cob.org.



DAYS/DATES/TIME: Thursday / May 7

9:00 am-1:00 pm: Adaptive Kayaking with the Community Boating Center & activities led by WWU Recreation students

1:00-2:00pm: Lunch (bring your own lunch)

2:00-4:00pm: Activities led by WWU Rec students

Friday / May 8


9:00 am-12:00 pm: Activities led by WWU Rec students


12:00-1:00 pm: Lunch (bring your own lunch)

1:00-2:00 pm: Songs & games

2:00-4:00 pm: Karaoke with DJ Aireekah of Glitt3r Lyfe

AGES: 16 years and older

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Park 

COST: \$10 per day 







COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell / WWU

MIN: 20 / **MAX:** 40

(does not include personal care assistants)

The City conforms to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in City programs, services or activities and need an accommodation should call us at: **(360) 778-7000**. Terrain conditions vary based on program locations.

Refer to these icons:



-  Mostly flat, simple maneuverability.
-  Some uneven surfaces, may need some assistance.
-  Uneven or steep terrain, not easily accessible.
-  Conditions include snow and/or ice.
-  Program includes water activity, uneven entry points.
-  This program is eligible for a reduced fee waiver/scholarship.

Preschool Open Gym

Join us for the perfect dry place for your preschooler to have some fun. Bring a scooter or favorite active toy, no bicycles please. We provide balls, hoops, mats, and music for everyone's enjoyment. Socialize with other parents while your preschooler plays with other children! Program is staffed; however adult supervision is required at all times.



Photo by Gail Northey

DAYS/DATES: Tuesdays & Thursdays / April 2-June 11 (closed April 7, 9, and May 7)
TIME: 9:00 am-12:00 pm
AGES: 5 years old & younger, accompanied by an adult
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$20 April or May, \$10 June 
COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

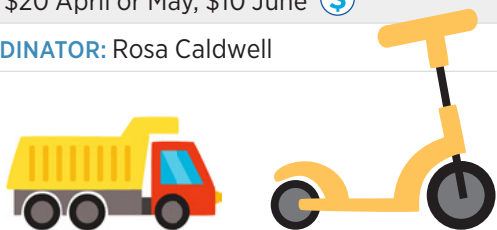



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Mini Ballers



Join us for a positive introduction to team sports! Children and adults play together while coaches lead activities, drills, and mini games helping to build teamwork and basic sport skills. Each week focusing on a different sport. Featured sports include soccer, baseball, and football. Pre-registration required.

DAY/DATES: Saturdays / April 11, 18, 25
TIME: 10:00-11:15 am
AGES: 4-6 years and accompanied by an adult
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$45
COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger
MIN: 6 pairs / MAX: 12 pairs

Spring Break Camp

A week off from school? Yes please! Let's play games, make fun things, and be silly all week at camp! Hurry...deadline to register is Thursday, April 2!



DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday / April 6-10
TIME: 9:00 am-3:00 pm
AGES: 7-12 years
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$220 
COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell
MIN: 10 / MAX: 20



Camp Things to Remember:

- Wear good walking/hiking shoes (sturdy tennis shoes are great), no Crocs or flip flops.
- Bring a full water bottle, lunch, snacks and a rain/wind jacket (dress for weather)
- Allergen Notice: We are a nut-free camp.
- A positive and fun attitude!
- If a camper has special needs please call (360) 595-3728 to discuss adaptation arrangements.

Youth Trip-Full STEAM Ahead!

Learning is fun, kids! Really! We're headed to Skagit Children's Museum to splash on the water table, get behind the wheel of a big rig, get dramatic on the stage, hop aboard the tug boat, and stretch our imaginations. If you can dream it, you can play it at the museum. After exploring the interactive exhibits we'll head back to Bellingham for a dip in the pool at the Arne Hanna Aquatic Center. Join us for a fun day of exploration!



DAY/DATE: Friday / April 10

TIME: 9:00 am-3:30 pm

AGES: 7-12 years

LOCATION: Depart/return Bloedel Donovan Community Building

COST: \$65

COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 10

Minecraft™ Amusement Park

Join us for a 3-hour Minecraft Amusement Park Workshop inspired by our popular school-year Minecraft camp! Participants will explore and play in our custom Minecraft Amusement Park World, build and program amusement-park-style creations using micro: bits, and finish the day by making a sweet carnival treat. A perfect mix of creativity, coding, and hands-on fun! Pack a snack & water bottle.



Photo by Robin Smiley

DAY/DATE: Sunday / May 17

TIME: 1:00-4:00 pm

AGES: 7-10 years

LOCATION: Bellingham Coding and Robotics Club (3230 Meridian St., Next to Cornwall Memorial Park)

COST: \$30; pre-registration required

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell / Robin Smiley

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 12



Photo by Robin Smiley

May the 4th Be With You

A super fun, hands-on Star Wars™ workshop! Use green screen magic to transport yourself to a galaxy far, far away, and bring your favorite scenes to life with stop-motion animation. Make spaceships zoom, droids dance, and lightsaber duels. Perfect for kids who love Star Wars™ and making movies. Costumes encouraged.

DAY/DATE: Sunday / May 3

TIME: 2:00-4:00 pm

AGES: 7-10 years

LOCATION: Bellingham Coding and Robotics Club (3230 Meridian St., Next to Cornwall Memorial Park)

COST: \$30

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell / Robin Smiley

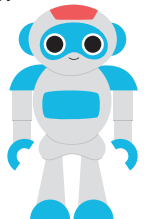
MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 12



Squalicum Storm Co-ed Youth VEX Robotics Engineering Camp

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics)

Students will get hands-on experience with VEX Robotics building for VEX IQ and VEX V5 robots. This is geared towards ALL AGES. We will focus on the new games for 2026/2027 which will be introduced in April 2026.



DAYS/DATES: Wednesday-Friday / August 19-21

TIME: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

AGES: Entering 1st-12th

LOCATION: Squalicum HS (Portable A2)

COST: \$90

COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Riley Liddle

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 30

Bellingham Parks & Recreation is offering several distinct day camps this summer! And, we have two ways for you to save!

Apply for our \$200 annual fee waiver, if you meet income eligibility requirements.

Use Coupon Code **CAMPFIFTY** to receive \$50 off any additional child's registration attending in the same week. Open to all multi-child families, or those eligible for park fee waivers, limit of 2 coupon uses per child throughout the summer. Can be used in addition to fee waiver if applicable. This savings only applies to Bellingcamp Acorns or Oaks, Camp Cordata, or VolunTeens.

Find more info at cob.org/parks-scholarship, or call (360) 778-7000.

BellingCamp Acorns

BellingCamp Acorns & Oaks will stretch their imaginations, play silly games, learn new skills, build friendships, and make lasting memories all in a safe environment this summer! Each day includes a variety of activities: swimming, arts and crafts, snacks, games and more! Space is limited. Sign up today and get ready to have fun!

See **Camp Things to Remember** on page 9.



DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday / June 22-August 21

TIME: 8:00 am-5:30 pm

AGES: 6-8 years old



LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building

COST: \$335 per week (Week 2 is \$268)

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 20 per week

Week 1: Game Shows

June 22-June 26

Are you ready to become a game show contestant? Spin the wheel, push the button, guess the letter, answer the trivia question and win BIG!!

Week 2: Visiting Bikini Bottom

June 29-July 2 (No camp July 3)

Who lives in a pineapple under the sea? YOU! What shenanigans will you get into with your undersea friends on this episode of summer camp?

Week 3: Treasure Hunters

July 6-10

Are the tales of buried treasure around Lake Whatcom true? Come help us find out!

Week 4: Mysterious Mayhem

July 13-17

Things are getting tricky at camp this week while campers figure out who is causing the mysterious mayhem. Sneaky games and lots of suspicion!

Week 5: I Wanna Be Famous

July 20-24

We'll play fun improv games, and will also cast, costume, and stage our own production to perform on Friday at Cordata Park's stage. Cirque Cadia joins us M-Th to juggle and learn to use flow toys. All skills and comfort levels welcome!

Week 6: Games Galore

July 27-31

This week we will play and make our own games!

Week 7: Survivor

August 3-7

Acorns & Oaks join forces this week! Obstacle courses, capture the flag, food eating competitions, water balloon fights, crafts, games, and more!

Week 8: Minions

August 10-14

Are you small, yellow, and loyal? Are you ready for henchman training?

Week 9: Classic Summer Camp

August 17-21

Say so long to summer with songs, s'mores, silly stories, and swimming!


BellingCamp Oaks




DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday / June 22-August 21

TIME: 8:00 am-5:30 pm

AGES: 9-12 years old

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Pavilion  

COST: \$335 per week (Week 2 \$268) 

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

MIN: 5 / **MAX:** 15

Camp Things to Remember:

- Fill out Camper Information form (link to form on registration receipt)
- Wear good walking/hiking shoes (sturdy tennis shoes will be great), no Crocs, open-toed sandals or flip flops except for swimming and water play
- Rain/wind jacket and sun hat (dress for weather)
- Filled water bottle
- Lunch and snacks (Allergen Notice: we are a nut-free camp; we recommend sunbutter & jam sandwiches instead of PB&Js)
- Swimsuit, towel, and water shoes for water play
- Sunscreen spray
- A positive and fun attitude!

Week 1: Game Shows

June 22-June 26

Are you ready to become a game show contestant? Spin the wheel, push the button, guess the letter, answer the trivia question and win BIG!!

Week 2: In a Galaxy Far, Far Away...

June 29-July 2 (No camp July 3)

A week full of spaceships, lightsabers, robes, pod racers, alien languages, and jedi's.

Week 3: Hogwarts

July 6-10

Potions class, magical treats, and test your quidditch skills at Hogwarts this week.

Week 4: Bloedel Monsters & Cryptids

July 13-17

Legend has it that monsters haunt Bloedel and Whatcom Falls in the summer! If you're lucky, you might catch glimpses of these elusive creatures.

Week 5: I Wanna Be Famous

July 20-24

We'll play fun improv games, and will also cast, costume, and stage our own production to perform on Friday at Cordata Park's stage. Cirque Cadia joins us M-Th to juggle and learn to use flow toys. All skills and comfort levels welcome!

Week 6: Games Galore

July 27-31

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Week 7: Survivor

August 3-7

Acorns & Oaks join forces this week! Obstacle courses, capture the flag, food eating competitions, water balloon fights, crafts, games, and more!

Week 8: Villains

August 10-14

This week our campers get powers and become villains! Need some henchmen? Find a minion or two at the Acorns camp next door.

Week 9: Classic Summer Camp

August 17-21




Say so long to summer with songs, s'mores, silly stories, and swimming!



Camp Cordata

Camp Cordata campers will get to enjoy all of the things we love about our day camps at our community's newest park pavilion! We will play games, hike, make crafts, and three out of the four weeks of camp we will take a field trip on Friday to Bloedel Donovan to swim!

See **Camp Things to Remember** on page 9.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday / 4 separate intermittent weeks between June 22-August 7
TIME: 8:00 am-5:30 pm
AGES: 7-12 years old
LOCATION: Cordata Park Pavilion  
COST: \$335 per week 
COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell
MIN: 10 / MAX: 18 per week

Week 1: Cooking Up A Storm

June 22-26

We'll be cooking up a storm all week at camp. Expect cooking challenges and eating competitions too!

Week 2: Mad Scientists

July 6-10

Throw on your lab coat and safety goggles! Campers will transform into mad scientists. On Thursday we will take the bus to visit the Spark Museum!

Week 3: I Wanna Be Famous

July 20-24

Join us for a week of fame! We will play fun improv games, and we will also cast, costume, and stage our own production. Cirque Cadia will also join us Monday-Thursday to juggle and learn to use flow toys. All skills and comfort levels are welcome in this warm, inclusive, and non-pressure environment. On Friday we will perform at the Cordata stage in lieu of swimming this week.







Week 4: Summerween

August 3-7

Wear a costume, it's Summerween at Cordata this week! We'll tell spooky stories, make creepy crafts and carve watermelon jack-o-lanterns!

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Terrain conditions vary based on program locations. **Refer to the icons, opposite.**

-  Mostly flat, simple maneuverability.
-  Some uneven surfaces, may need assistance.
-  Uneven/steep terrain, not easily accessible.
-  Conditions include snow and/or ice.
-  Includes water activity, uneven entry points.
-  This program is eligible for a reduced fee waiver/scholarship.

Adventure Day Camp

Travel around Whatcom and Skagit Counties with our camp counselors! In addition to scheduled events, we will visit a variety of community parks and swimming areas. Weekly itineraries subject to change due to unforeseen (weather) conditions. Registration includes admission fees. Participants should bring additional money on certain days for extra games, rides, food etc.

Inclusion Note: Campers with special needs require a personal care assistant. Assistant attends for free.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Thursday / June 22-August 13

TIME: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

AGES: 10-14 years old



LOCATION: Depart/return Squalicum Creek Park Shelter

COST: \$260

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

MIN: 6 / **MAX:** 12

VolunTeens

Join us in strengthening leadership skills, enhancing our green spaces, fostering meaningful relationships, and collaborating with diverse organizations — to create a lasting, positive difference. Each week features a variety of service opportunities and destinations (such as: Parks Volunteer Program, Common Threads Farms, NW Therapeutic Riding Center, local humane societies, and more). Some days end with a trip to Bloedel Donovan Park for a quick dip in the lake and fun in the sun. Participants receive certificates for their volunteer work. Weekly itineraries online.



DAYS/DATES: Session 1: Monday-Thursday / July 6-9

Session 2: Monday-Thursday / July 13-16

Session 3: Monday-Thursday / July 20-23

Session 4: Monday-Thursday / July 27-30

Session 5: Monday-Thursday / August 3-6

TIME: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

AGES: 13-16 years old

LOCATION: Depart/return Squalicum Creek Park



COST: \$170 per session

COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 10

Adventure Day Camp

KEY:
Recommended:
 \$= up to \$20
 \$\$= up to \$50

ITINERARY 1: June 22-25

M: Locust Beach and Bloedel Donovan (swim)

T: Clear Lake Beach, Skagit County

W: Arroyo Park hike

Th: Vital Climbing Gym

ITINERARY 2: June 29-July 2

M: Larrabee State Park

T: Padilla Bay Tour & Learning Sessions at Breazeale Interpretive Center & Aquarium

W: Clear Lake Beach & Skagit Skate

Th: Ice Skating & Arne Hanna Aquatic Center

ITINERARY 3: July 6-9

M: Samish Crest hike

T: Storvik Spray Park & Whistle Lake in Anacortes

W: Birch Bay State Park & Edaleen ice cream

Th: Station 49 Mini Golf (\$)

ITINERARY 4: July 13-16

M: Boating & swimming at Bloedel Donovan

T: Arboretum hike & Elizabeth Park

W: Cirque Cadia Circus Fun & Fairhaven Park

Th: Summit Trampoline

ITINERARY 5: July 20-23

M: 100 Acre Wood hike & Bloedel Donovan (swim)

T: Marine Life Center & Portal Putt mini golf

W: Birch Bay State Park

Th: Park Bowl (\$)

ITINERARY 6: July 27-30

M: Little Mountain Park, Skagit County

T: Hovander Homestead Park

W: Marine Park in Fairhaven & Sudden Valley

Th: Makerspace & Ruckus Room Arcade (\$)

ITINERARY 7: August 3-6

M: Hertz Trail hike & Lake Whatcom (swim)

T: Samish Overlook hike

W: Lake Padden (swim)

Th: Skagit County Fair (\$\$)

ITINERARY 8: August 10-13

M: Woodstock Farm and Marine Park

T: Stimpson Family Nature Reserve

W: Silver Lake Park (swim)

Th: Rosario Beach & Deception Pass mini golf



Skate Camp

Grab a helmet and pads and skateboard with local expert Zac Garza and our skate camp counselors! Practice basics, learn new tricks, and play games throughout each week. Four different sessions to choose from in an amazing location!

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday

Session 1: July 13-17

Session 2: July 27-31

Session 3: August 10-14

Session 4: August 17-21



TIME: 10:00 am-1:00 pm

AGES: 7-15 years old

LOCATION: Metalworks Skate Park (Star Park North Shelter for rainy days) (Ferndale) 🌍

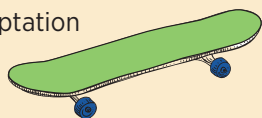
COST: \$140

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Unknown Board Shop/City of Ferndale

MIN: 6 / **MAX:** 14

Important Skate Camp Notes

- Campers must bring their own helmet, pads (elbow, knees, and wrist), skateboard and full water bottle. Snacks and lunch optional.
- Campers must wear closed-toed shoes. No Crocs or flip flops. Sturdy tennis shoes are best.
- If camper has special needs, please call (360) 595-3728 to discuss adaptation arrangements.
- A positive and fun attitude!



Smart Trips Adventure Camps

Adventure, exercise, confidence, and independence... Kids ages 12-14 can get these (and more!) by learning to bike, walk and ride the bus for local trips. An urban hike teaches map reading and navigating on foot. Our day on the bus teaches trip planning and many places you can go using the WTA bus system. Camp concludes with a super fun scavenger hunt all around town by bus! Bring a bike to ride on Monday and Wednesday. Loaner bikes can be arranged with advance notice. Co-sponsored by Smart Trips and Bellingham Parks & Recreation.



Photo by Smart Trips

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday

Session 1: July 6-10

Session 2: July 20-24

Session 3: August 10-14

TIME: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

AGES: 12-14 years old

LOCATION: Mon-Wed: Cornwall Park Large Shelter; Thurs-Fri: 314 E. Champion Street 🌍

COST: \$120 per session

COORDINATORS: Lance Romo/Libby Chenault

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 16

SUMMER YOUTH TRIPS!

Join staff for a day of adventure, friendship, and fun! Participants should bring a lunch and filled water bottle, dress accordingly and bring money for any extra purchases throughout each trip. A detailed itinerary will be sent to all registrants.

Inclusion Note: Campers with special needs require a personal care assistant. Assistants attend for free with prior arrangement.

AGES: 8-12 years old

LOCATION: Depart/return Squilicum Creek Park (destinations vary in terrain and surfaces)

COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 9

Bays, Bridges & Sweet Treats

Explore, discover, and treat yourself on this action-packed day trip! We'll start the morning at Padilla Bay Nature



Preserve, where kids will get hands-on with tide pools, marine life, and the wonders of the Salish Sea. Next, we'll head to Deception Pass State Park, home to breathtaking views, sandy beaches, and fun trails to explore. To top it all off, we'll stop by the Lopez Island Creamery Factory Store in Anacortes for a delicious scoop of locally made ice cream. It's the perfect mix of nature, adventure, and a sweet reward!

DAY/DATE: Friday / June 26



TIME: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

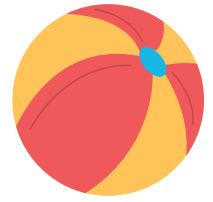
COST: \$65

Soaring at Summit

Come fly with us! We'll kick off the day with kites at Birch Bay State Park. After a beach lunch and playground time, we will head to Summit Trampoline Park. Bring your energy and enthusiasm!

Beach Bingo

Nothing says summer like a day of Beach Bingo at Birch Bay State Park! Join us as we search for critters, splash in the surf, and build sandcastles. After a morning of activities at the beach, we'll stop for a sweet treat at The C Shop candy store. After that we're heading to Million Smiles Park in Lynden where we'll swing on the jungle gym and explore the 35 ft treehouse!



DAY/DATE: Friday / July 10



TIME: 9:00 am-3:30 pm

COST: \$60

Berries & Beach Day

Pick and play all in one day! We'll start the morning in Bow where we'll enjoy hand-picking fresh, juicy berries. After filling our baskets (and tummies!), we'll head to Larrabee State Park for plenty of fun in the sun. It's the perfect mix of farm-to-fun and beach exploration-don't miss out on this sweet summer day!



DAY/DATE: Friday / August 7



TIME: 9:00 am-3:30 pm

COST: \$65

Fair Day Fun!

Popcorn, prizes, and piglets - oh my! We're heading to the NW Washington Fair in search of food and fun. Join us as we munch sweet treats, say hello to farm animals, play games, and maybe even hop on the Ferris wheel. Trip price includes limited fair attractions/tickets. Extra spending cash recommended. Cotton candy here we come!



DAY/DATE: Wednesday / August 19



TIME: 9:00 am-3:30 pm

COST: \$75

DAY/DATE: Friday / August 28



TIME: 9:00 am-3:30 pm

COST: \$70



Planting and Care for Dahlias

Join us this evening for a fun and informative class led by internationally renowned Dahlia experts Steve and Sandy Boley. Throughout tonight's discussion and presentation, you will learn everything needed to grow healthy, happy and vibrant plants including when to plant, what types of soil and settings are best, which varieties thrive in our climate, and so much more. And, don't forget... the annual Dahlia Tuber sale is Saturday, April 4 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at the Bloedel Donovan Community Building. This class is perfectly timed to ask all your planting questions! Pre-registration required.

DAY/DATE: Wednesday / April 8

TIME: 7:00-8:30 pm

AGES: 10 years and older

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Pavilion 

COST: \$10

COORDINATORS: Lauren Woodmansee/Whatcom County Dahlia Society

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 40

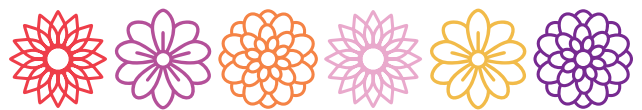


Photo by Gabriel's Art Kids



Procession of the Species Craft Day!

Bring your creativity and get ready for the Procession of the Species at these free Community Craft Days! Hosted by Gabriel's Art Kids, these hands-on workshops at Maritime Heritage Park Pavilion will provide all the materials and guidance you need to make costumes, masks, and parade props. All ages can join the fun and bring their artistic visions to life.



DAY/DATES: Sunday / April 12 & 26

TIME: 1:00-4:00 pm

AGES: All ages (under 18 accompanied by an adult)

LOCATION: Maritime Heritage Park Pavilion 

COST: FREE!

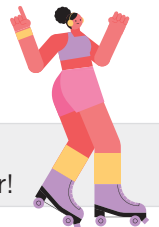
COORDINATORS: Jim Pettinger/Anna Beth Harman

MAX: 25 at a time per date

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Procession of the Species Parade! Saturday, May 2. See page 22.

Open Roller Skate

Throw on your roller skates or roller blades and free skate with us the third Friday of the month! Bring your own skates; helmets and pads (elbow, knee, and wrist) recommended.



DAY/DATES: Friday / April 17 & May 15
Break for summer, then back in September!

TIME: 6:00-8:00 pm

AGES: All ages (under 18 accompanied by an adult)

LOCATION: Depot Market Square 

COST: FREE!

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell






Scottish Country Dancing

This is the social dancing of Scotland, and one of the root influences of US folk dance. In this 7-week session you will learn basic steps and figures that build into fun group dances. Recommended footwear: soft soled shoes or slippers. On April 29 we host a special open Dance Social with live music — no registration required. Best for those with some SCD experience, but newcomers are welcome to observe. Visit bellingshamscd.org for more information.

DAY/DATES: Wednesday / April 8-May 27 (no class 4/29)

TIME: 7:00-8:30 pm

AGES: 12 years and older

LOCATION: Fairhaven Library Auditorium 
(enter through back door)

COST: \$70 (7 weeks)

COORDINATORS: Lauren Woodmansee/
Bellingham Scottish Country Dancers

MIN: 16 / **MAX:** 32

Puzzle Hustle

Join us for a night of fun where teams of up to four will have 1 hour and 30 minutes to complete the same 500-piece jigsaw puzzle — the three fastest teams win prizes! Pre-registration is required.



DAY/DATE: Friday / May 29

TIME: 6:00-7:30 pm

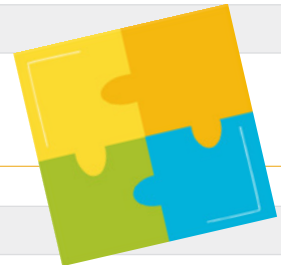
AGES: All ages

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 

COST: \$30 per team (maximum 4 people per team, only 1 member registers for the team)

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 20 teams



Puzzle Hustle: No Peeking!

Join us for a night of fun where teams of up to four people will have 1 hour and 30 minutes to complete the same 300-piece jigsaw puzzle — the three fastest teams win prizes! The twist? Teams have to put the puzzle together without peeking at the image! Pre-registration is required.



DAY/DATE: Friday / May 1

TIME: 6:00-7:30 pm

AGES: All ages

LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 

COST: \$30 per team (maximum 4 people per team, only 1 member registers for the team)

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 20 teams of 4




Photo by Lance Romo

Let's Make Mozzarella and String Cheese!

This is an all-ages, hands-on class where we will make mozzarella from scratch and leave knowing more about cheese making while making new friends. Light appetizers will be provided.



DAY/DATES: Thursday / June 4 or 11
TIME: 6:00-7:30 pm
AGES: All ages (under 18 accompanied by an adult)
LOCATION: Cordata Park Pavilion 
COST: \$45 per date
COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Marisa Papetti
MIN: 10 / MAX: 20


Ukulele Jams!

Have you always wanted to learn to play the ukulele but don't know where to start? Want to learn classics like *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*, *Song of Old Hawaii*, or *Let it Be*? In this class, you will learn essential chords and strumming patterns to play the songs you love. No past ukulele experience is necessary!

This class is being taught by Bo Bestvina, music teacher at Gifts of Music NW.









Photo by Bo Bestvina

DAY/DATES: Wednesdays Session 1: July 1, 8, 15, 22 Session 2: July 29, Aug. 5, 19, 26 (no class Aug. 12)
TIME: 5:30-6:30 pm
AGES: 10 years and older
LOCATION: Fairhaven Park Pavilion
COST: \$120 per session 
COORDINATORS: Lance Romo/ Bo Bestvina
MIN: 4 / MAX: 20

The City conforms to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Individuals with disabilities or financial hardships who wish to participate in City programs, services or activities and need an accommodation should call us at: **(360) 778-7000**.

Terrain conditions vary based on program locations. **Refer to the icons, opposite.**

-  Mostly flat, simple maneuverability.
-  Some uneven surfaces, may need assistance.
-  Uneven/steep terrain, not easily accessible.
-  Conditions include snow and/or ice.
-  Includes water activity, uneven entry points.
-  This program is eligible for a reduced fee waiver/scholarship.

Qigong and Meditation

Qigong is moving meditation. The benefits of Qigong include physical, mental and emotional well-being. Qigong reduces stress, strengthens the immune system, creates flexibility, speeds healing from injury, promotes restful sleep, relieves anxiety and depression and much more. Instructor Caryn Boyd Diel has been teaching internationally for over 30 years. She will guide you through simple warmups, Qigong forms, and a brief sitting meditation. No experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothes. Pre-registration required.



DAY/DATES: Tuesdays / July 7-August 4

TIME: 6:30-7:30 pm

AGES: 16 years and older

LOCATION: Fairhaven Park Pavilion 

COST: \$75 (5 weeks)

COORDINATORS: Jim Pettinger / Caryn Boyd Diel

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 20

MELT

The MELT Method® is an innovative self-treatment program that is taught in some of the most prestigious health, yoga and fitness centers world-wide. You will learn how the connective tissue in your hands and feet get dehydrated and the common aches and pains it can cause. You'll learn how to rehydrate this essential system for vibrant health and pain-free movement and treatments that you'll be able to replicate at home. Instructor Caryn Boyd Diel has been teaching this program throughout the US for over 10 years.



Photo by Caryn Boyd Diel

DAY/DATES: Thursdays / July 9-August 6

TIME: 6:30-7:30 pm

AGES: 16 years and older

LOCATION: Fairhaven Park Pavilion 

COST: \$75 (5 weeks)

COORDINATORS: Jim Pettinger / Caryn Boyd Diel

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 25

Tai Chi Flow Nourish your nervous system and awaken your vitality! Experience a gentle, empowering practice that activates your body's natural capacity to heal while nourishing the nervous system. Through movement, breath, and intention, Tai Chi Flow supports you in finding balance from within. Rooted in the graceful Yang-style 24 forms, this class also incorporates joyful group play, partner work, and guided exploration to help you move from your own inner wisdom. Whether you're new to Tai Chi or returning to the path, this practice offers a steady foundation for cultivating grounded peace, vitality, and ease --in both body and spirit. Spring Chun Cheng is the co-founder of Dancing Tao Tai Chi School and has been practicing Tai Chi for three decades.

DAY/DATES: Thursdays

Session 1: April 9-May 14

Session 2: May 21-June 25

Session 3: July 9-August 13

TIME: 9:00-10:15 am

AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

LOCATION: Fairhaven Park Pavilion 

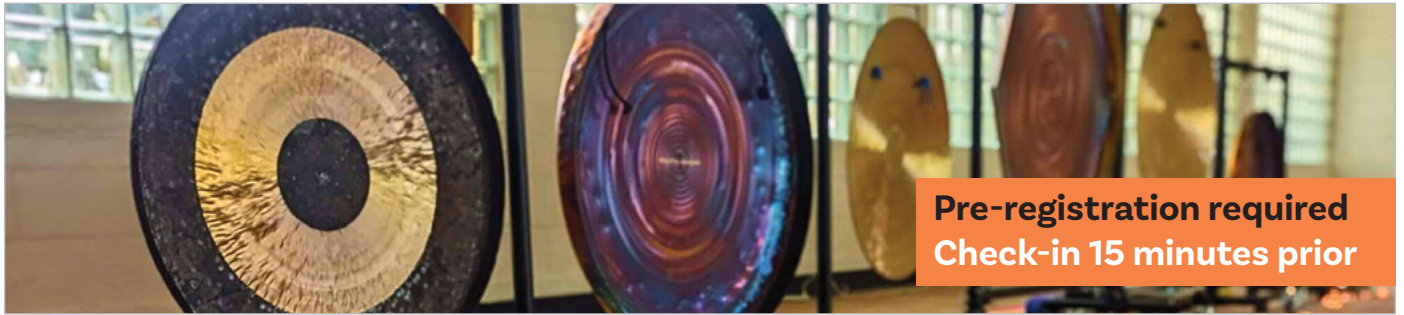
COST: \$90 per session (6 weeks)

COORDINATORS: Jim Pettinger/Spring Chun Cheng

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 24 per session




Photo by Joe Shirley




Sound Therapy

Bring a blanket and yoga mat and enjoy soothing sound vibrations of Himalayan singing bowls, gongs, and bells for deep relaxation. Sessions are hosted by either Everitt Allen of Sound Therapy of the Pacific Northwest, Kristi Moseley of Mystic Heart, or Ruby Koa of Inspire Studio.

DAY/TIME/DATE/INSTRUCTOR: Friday / 5:30-6:30 pm Session 1: April 10 with Ruby Session 2: May 15 with Everitt Session 3: June 5 with Kristi No July Session Session 4: August 28 with Everitt
AGES: All ages (recommended 7 years and older)
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$15 each session
COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell
MIN: 10 / MAX: 60


Nurturing Your Inner Garden

Gentle movement, breathing practices, journaling, and guided relaxation with Ruby will help prepare you for a 60-70 minute sound journey with gongs, bowls, chimes, and more. Bring a cozy blanket, yoga mat & small pillow.

DAY/DATE: Sunday / April 19
TIME: 6:30-8:00 pm
AGES: 7 years and older
LOCATION: Fairhaven Library Auditorium 
COST: \$36
COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Ruby Koa
MIN: 10 / MAX: 45


New Moon Sound Bath

Unwind, let go and renew with Kristi in a deeply relaxing soundscape during the new moon energy. Receive the gentle sound waves and vibrations and allow yourself to be carried into deep restorative relaxation. Rise feeling rejuvenated, grounded, and profoundly refreshed. Bring a cozy blanket, plenty of floor padding and a small pillow.

DAY/DATE: Friday / April 17
TIME: 6:00-7:00 pm
AGES: All (recommended 13 years and older)
LOCATION: Cordata Park Pavilion 
COST: \$28
COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Kristi Moseley
MIN: 10 / MAX: 24

Breath & Gong Bath

Reset with simple, accessible breathing to settle your nervous system as you rest and let go in a gentle and restorative soundscape provided by Kristi. Allow yourself to be carried into deep rejuvenation and renewal and then rise feeling grounded, centered and refreshed. Bring a cozy blanket, plenty of floor padding and a small pillow.

DAY/DATE: Friday / April 24
TIME: 5:30-6:30 pm
AGES: All (recommended 13 years and older)
LOCATION: Woodstock Farm Barn  Limited parking. Carpooling highly suggested.
COST: \$28
COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Kristi Moseley
MIN: 10 / MAX: 24



Pre-registration required
Check-in 15 minutes prior


Full Super Moon Sound Bath

Experience the depths of relaxation in a soothing and nourishing soundscape under the light and energy of the full moon. Be carried into states of deep relaxation and renewal. Rise feeling fully rejuvenated, transformed and centered in your mind, body and spirit. Bring a cozy blanket, plenty of floor padding and a small pillow.

DAY/DATE: Sunday / May 31

TIME: 5:00-6:00 pm

AGES: All ages (recommended 13 years and older)

LOCATION: Woodstock Farm Barn 
Limited parking available; carpooling suggested.

COST: \$28

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Kristi Moseley

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 18

Sunset & Sound at Woodstock Farm

While the sun sets over the Salish Sea and San Juan Islands, enjoy guided breath exercises to soothe and settle your nervous system with a soundscape created through gong play to nourish, balance and recalibrate your body, mind and spirit. Bring a yoga mat or blanket and a small cloth to cover your eyes. Dress prepared for varied weather, limited parking, carpooling suggested.


DAY/DATES/TIMES:

Session 1: Friday / June 26, 7:00-8:00 pm

Session 2: Friday / July 31, 6:45-7:45 pm

Session 3: Friday / August, 14 6:30-7:30 pm

AGES: All ages (recommended 11 years and older)

LOCATION: Woodstock Farm 

COST: \$30

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Kristi Moseley

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 18

Cacao, Yoga + Sound Journey

Nourish your spirit with a four-hour immersion at the resonant Fairhaven Auditorium. Join Ruby for a heart-opening cacao ceremony, gentle yoga, and two distinct sound bath experiences. This mini-retreat includes a community tea/snack break, Yoga Nidra, and an extended 75-90 minute sound journey designed for deep relaxation and inner harmony. Bring a yoga mat, extra floor padding (like a sleeping bag or second mat), two blankets, and a pillow.

DAY/DATE: Sunday / June 7

TIME: 1:00-5:00 pm

AGES: All ages (recommended 7 years and older)

LOCATION: Fairhaven Library Auditorium 

COST: \$70

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Ruby Koa

MIN: 15 / **MAX:** 30

Walking Meditation + Sound Bath


Join Ruby to celebrate the solstice and new moon with at least 15 minutes of walking meditation followed by an hour-long sound bath. Bring a yoga mat, blanket or sleeping bag, and dress appropriately!

DAY/DATES/TIMES:

Session 1: Solstice Saturday / June 20, 4:00-5:30 pm

Session 2: New Moon Tuesday / July 14, 6:00-7:30 pm

AGES: All ages (recommended 7 years and older)

LOCATION: Fairhaven Park's Labyrinth (near the upper shelter parking lot) 

COST: \$30

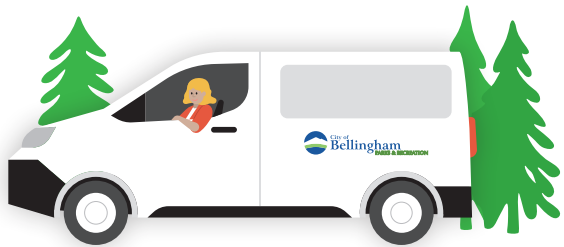
COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Ruby Koa

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 20 (40 with favorable weather)

TRIPS Get Inspired ~ Get Connected ~ Get Active

JOIN US!

Join us for unique adventures each month! Registration fees include transportation, admissions and guide. Participants should bring money for food and purchases unless otherwise noted and wear comfortable, weather appropriate clothing and shoes. Transportation will be provided in a 12-passenger van. Pre-registration is required. All trips to British Columbia require a valid passport, WA enhanced driver's license or NEXUS card.



LOCATION: Depart/return Civic Stadium; park near the west ticket booth
COORDINATOR: Lauren Woodmansee
MIN: 8 / MAX: 10

Georgetown Steam Plant and Olympic Sculpture Park

Travel in time today as we visit one of Seattle's National Historic Landmarks and then fast-forward to an outdoor contemporary sculpture collection. Our day begins with a docent-led tour at the steam plant highlighting the important role it played beginning in 1906. We'll break for a no-host lunch before venturing up to the modern-day Olympic Sculpture Park.


Please note: Both locations include steps and uneven surfaces and require walking and standing for a long period of time.



DAY/DATE: Saturday / April 11
TIME: 9:30 am-5:30 pm
AGES: 10 years and older (under 18 with an adult)
COST: \$60


Volunteer Park Conservatory and Washington Park Arboretum

Earth Day is the perfect day to visit both the historic Conservatory nestled in the beautifully designed Olmsted Brothers' park, and the Arboretum — enjoying a docent-led tour. In between, we'll enjoy a no-host lunch.

DAY/DATE: Wednesday / April 22	
TIME: 9:30 am-5:30 pm	
AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with adult)	
COST: \$70	


Jesus Christ Superstar at the 5th Avenue Theatre

The ultimate rock opera! *Jesus Christ Superstar* is a global phenomenon that has wowed audiences for decades. A collaboration between theatrical powerhouses Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, this iconic production is a high-energy musical. Don't miss the performance that changed the stage forever and set a whole new bar for musical theater! Prior to the show, you'll have time for a no-host dinner. Fee includes Middle Orchestra seats.

DAY/DATE: Wednesday / May 13	
TIME: 3:30-11:00 pm	
AGES: 16 years and older (under 18 with an adult)	
COST: \$90	

Exquisite Creatures – The Artwork of Christopher Marley

This renowned traveling exhibition combines the best of art, nature and science! Featuring 3D works of art made from real, preserved mineral, plant and insect specimens. After visiting this uniquely beautiful exhibit, you'll have time to explore the amazing new Seattle Waterfront.

DAY/DATE: Tuesday / May 26	
TIME: 9:00 am-5:00 pm	
AGES: 14 years and older (under 18 with an adult)	
COST: \$85	

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Sorticulture and the Everett Waterfront

Today you are in for a treat! First stop: Sorticulture, one of the PNW's premier festivals for garden art, plants and flowers, and unique outdoor products. Explore over 120 booths before taking a break for a no-host lunch. Next up: the fully revamped Everett Waterfront complete with trails, art and more. And, on the way home we'll make one more special stop!



DAY/DATE: Friday / June 5

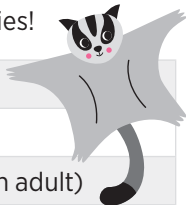
TIME: 9:30 am-4:00 pm

AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$50

Do the Zoo and a Slice of Pie Too!

Lions and Tigers and Bears Oh My! Join us as we visit the award-winning Woodland Park Zoo today. In addition, we will explore the beautiful and fragrant Rose Garden and top off the day with a stop at A La Mode Pies!



DAY/DATE: Tuesday / June 16

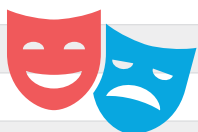
TIME: 9:00 am-5:00 pm

AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$80

Bard on the Beach

Enjoy Shakespeare like never before with this amazing outdoor production nestled in beautiful Vanier Park. Today's performance, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, is one of Shakespeare's most beloved, laugh-out-loud comedies. The classic farce set in modern-day Vancouver includes lively musical numbers woven throughout guaranteeing an afternoon of laughter, mischief and merriment. Prior to the show we will visit Granville Island. **Please note:** a valid passport, WA state enhanced driver's license or NEXUS is required to cross the border.



DAY/DATE: Saturday / July 11

TIME: 10:00 am-6:30 pm

AGES: 12 and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$90

The Peak of Vancouver

Join us on this unforgettable adventure! Grouse Mountain sits above Vancouver and boasts magnificent views, interpretive nature programs, lumberjack shows and so much more! And best of all, an amazing gondola ride that ascends over 3,700 feet! **Please note:** a valid passport, WA state enhanced driver's license or NEXUS is required to cross the border.



DAY/DATE: Saturday / July 18

TIME: 9:00 am-5:00 pm

AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$90

62nd Annual Coupeville Arts & Crafts Show and Fort Casey

Back by popular request...we'll venture to South Whidbey for an amazing day of art, history and views galore. We'll check out one of the PNW's most famous summer festivals before heading over to Fort Casey. Once there we'll step back-in-time and visit its historic lighthouse, bunkers and bluff trails.



DAY/DATE: Saturday / August 8

TIME: 9:00 am-5:00 pm

AGES: 8 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$60

North Cascades and Diablo Lake Adventure



All aboard! Join us as we travel up the North Cascades Highway and enjoy a Diablo Lake and Lunch tour complete with delicious food, breath-taking views and narrated boat tour. On the way home we will stop for a no-host special treat. Don't forget your camera!

DAY/DATE: Thursday / August 20

TIME: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 with an adult)

COST: \$80

Community Special Events

Procession of the Species

Mark your calendars — Whatcom County’s favorite celebration of art, nature, and community is back! We’re teaming up with Gabriel’s Art Kids again, on the Procession of the Species parade and festival bringing color, creativity, and fun to downtown Bellingham. Families, friends, and neighbors are invited to dress as their favorite animals, create dazzling costumes, and join the fun. After the parade, stick around for live music, interactive performances, face painting, and hands-on art activities. Procession of the Species also coincides with the 2026 Children’s Art Walk beginning on May 1, making for a fantastic weekend of creativity and community! See page 14 to learn more about Procession Craft Days — make your own masks, costumes and more.



Photo by Sarah Joy Fields

DAY/DATE: Saturday / May 2
TIME: 2:00-6:00 pm
AGES: All ages!
LOCATION: Parade begins in Bellingham High School and ends in Maritime Heritage Park
COST: FREE!
COORDINATORS: Jim Pettinger / Anna Beth Harman

Mother’s Day at Big Rock Garden Park

The Friends of Big Rock Garden invite you to celebrate Mother’s Day with the whole family. Explore this beautiful garden with its meandering paths and wonderful sculptures while enjoying light refreshments, live music, lawn games, and children’s activities. To learn more go to: cob.org/mothers-day-at-big-rock-garden-park



Photo by Douglas Huddle

Bellingham Kids’ Fishing Derby

The Bellingham Kids’ Fishing Derby is here! Obtain a free ticket on derby morning to compete in this long running youth fishing contest and have opportunities to win prizes plus learn about local fish and habitats. Parking is limited. Additional parking is available at Bloedel-Donovan Park. Brought to you by Northwest Washington Steelheaders, Bellingham Parks & Recreation, Bellingham Technical College, Yeager’s Sporting Goods and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

DAY/DATE: Saturday / May 9
TIME: Yeager’s led instruction begins at 8:00 am; Fishing: Ages 5-9 from 9:00-10:00 am; Ages 10-14 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm
AGES: Two age groups: 5-9 years & 10-14 years
LOCATION: Whatcom Falls Park – Derby Pond
COST: FREE!
COORDINATORS: Lance Romo/Doug Huddle

DAY/DATE: Sunday / May 10
TIME: 1:00-4:00 pm
AGES: All ages
LOCATION: Big Rock Garden Park (2900 Sylvan St.) Street parking available.
COST: FREE
COORDINATORS: Freya Fradenburgh/Ryan Robie/ Friends of Big Rock Garden

2026 ELIZABETH PARK CONCERT SERIES



The 2026 Elizabeth Park Summer Concert series will feature some of the best local, fan-favorite musicians and bands for your listening, dancing and viewing pleasure. Thanks to the continued partnership of The Eldridge Society for History and Preservation and Bellingham Parks & Recreation, along with support from Whatcom Educational Credit Union who sponsor the sound staff, this concert series is now in its 32nd year. Community members are invited to join us for these live, family-friendly music concerts. Picnicking is encouraged; vendors will be on-site with dinner and dessert items. Thank you all in advance for recycling, composting, and being all-around good park stewards.

June 18: 4Tens Band, Rock

June 25: The Sweet Goodbyes, Pop/Folk

July 2: Charmed Life, Classic Rock & Folk

July 9: Jansen Jazz, Jazz

July 16: Bilongo, Latin

July 23: The Unknowns, Harmonies

July 30: bandZandt, Rock

August 6: Brie Mueller Band, Rock/Soul

August 13: JP Falcon Band, Blues

August 20: GrooveBot, Funk

Thursdays, 6:00-8:00 pm;

Alcohol, smoking and vaping NOT PERMITTED in city parks; Animals must be leashed at all times.



Photo by Marla Bronstein

BOULEVARD PARK CONCERTS

Stop by Boulevard Park for an evening of sensational sounds and sunsets on the fourth Friday of June, July and August. These free, family friendly concerts are sponsored by Coldwell Banker Bain and Bellingham Parks & Recreation and feature some of the best local musicians and bands in the PNW!

Friday evenings, 6:00-8:00 pm

June 26: Veronica North

Local singer/songwriter bringing pop star energy to every stage!

July 24: The Brie Mueller Band

Powerhouse line up delivering a high-energy mix of Top 40, pop, rock, blues, and soul that'll keep you singing and dancing!

August 28: Living Rumors

All-star show band with an eclectic, energetic set list of songs that cross over many genres and decades of music.



Alcohol, smoking and vaping not permitted in city parks; Animals must be leashed.



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LUNCHTIME AT MARITIME BRAND NEW CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES

It's Friday and that means it's time to have FUN in the SUN! Join us for one (or all three!) of our entertaining and interactive performances at Maritime Heritage Park Amphitheatre. Pack your picnic lunch, sunglasses and sunscreen, grab a blanket and be ready to dance, sing, juggle, twirl and hoop it up!

Fridays, 12:00-1:00 pm



August 7: Wren the Juggler

Juggling, comedy and elements of circus all in one!

August 14: Hoop Hoop Hurray with Natale Luma

Get creative, have fun and explore the magic of hoops today!

August 21: Special Guest Performer

Get ready to sing, dance, wiggle and giggle.




Shakespeare in the Park: *Much Ado About Nothing* by BAAY

Bellingham Arts Academy for Youth (BAAY) presents *Much Ado About Nothing*, performed by students ages 15-18. This witty Shakespearean comedy of manners centers on two romantic pairs. A wicked plot to ruin the young Hero's reputation causes dramatic, false accusations, while witty, sparring lovers Beatrice and Benedick are tricked into falling in love. Grab a seat, pack a snack, and enjoy the show!

DAY/DATE: Saturday / July 11

TIME: Two shows! 1:00 & 3:00 pm

AGES: All ages

LOCATION: Boulevard Park Stage 
*Back up rain location: BAAY Theatre

COST: FREE!

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/BAAY



Photo by BAAY

Community Special Events



Swing Connection and Bellingham Youth Jazz Band on Village Green

Join Swing Connection, Bellingham's Big Band, for a sunny afternoon of music with classics from the golden era of Swing, along with a foot-tapping selection of more contemporary arrangements. Leading off the day will be the energetic Bellingham Youth Jazz Band.



DAY/DATE: Sunday / August 2

TIME: 12:00-3:00 pm

AGES: All ages, family friendly

LOCATION: Fairhaven Village Green

COST: FREE!

COORDINATORS: Lance Romo / Tim Buckley

Kids Fest



Bellingham Parks & Recreation and WestEdge Credit Union invite you and your family to Kids Fest, a favorite event on our summer calendar! Immerse yourself in engaging activities tailored for children and families. Exciting games, entertainment, creative workshops, there's something for everyone! This event showcases children's programs and services from all around Whatcom County. Be sure to visit our sensory-friendly station under the Bellingham Parks & Recreation canopy! Does your organization offer recreational, educational, or health related activities for Whatcom County children? Can you provide an activity and prizes at the event? Apply today for free booth space! For more information email jmpettinger@cob.org

DAY/DATE: Saturday / August 1

TIME: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

AGES: All ages!

LOCATION: Civic Stadium

COST: FREE!

COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger

Big Band Bonanza

Swing Connection, Bellingham's Big Band, will be joined again this summer by Skagit Swings from Mount Vernon and A'Town Band from Anacortes for a sizzling afternoon of classics from the golden era of Swing, along with a selection of more contemporary swing arrangements. Get ready to get up and dance or kick back and soak up some of the world-renowned Village Green sunshine.



DAY/DATE: Sunday / August 23

TIME: 12:00-5:30 pm

AGES: All ages, family friendly

LOCATION: Fairhaven Village Green

COST: FREE!

COORDINATORS: Lance Romo / Tim Buckley

EARTH DAY COMMUNITY WORK PARTY



Join more than one billion people worldwide to celebrate Earth Day by helping the City of Bellingham and partners with our annual Earth Day Work Party. Together, we will restore habitat in and around Squalicum Creek

Re-route, an important ecological restoration project that was constructed in 2021 to improve habitat and water quality in Squalicum Creek benefiting salmon and other native species.

Join us at:

Squalicum Creek Re-route

Near the intersection of Birchwood Avenue and Squalicum Parkway.

**Saturday, April 25th
from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

We will remove invasive species and help care for newly planted native trees and shrubs near Squalicum Creek. Encouraging the growth of native plants is an important way to adapt to climate change, since native plants absorb carbon dioxide and other pollutants, preserve biodiversity, and protect streams from rising temperatures.

All ages and abilities welcome. No previous volunteer experience necessary. Tools, gloves, instructions, snacks, bike valet, Tony's coffee, and pizza provided.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring shelf-stable food donations for Birchwood Food Desert Fighters to this work party. Please register in advance for this free event. To get directions and learn more, visit cob.org/earthday2026.



Wrap up your Earth Day celebration with a guided tour of the new Padden Creek Fish Passage project at 2:00 pm. Find more info at: cob.org/padden-fish-tour



Stewardship in Your Backyard

If you can't join our work party, you can still help us protect the planet this Earth Day by creating wildlife habitats in your own backyard or neighborhood. Encouraging biodiversity through ecological restoration attracts birds, butterflies, and other pollinators, improves air and water quality, and beautifies our neighborhoods which benefits everyone in our community.

Visit our Backyard Habitat Restoration and Manage Weeds Naturally webpages for tips and ideas on how you can safely remove invasive species, plant native trees and shrubs, and improve soil and water quality, all while having fun with your family and neighbors. These resources were compiled by City biologists and weed management experts to help your backyard stewardship efforts succeed.

cob.org/backyard-habitat and cob.org/weeds



COMMUNITY WORK PARTIES

“Now I see the secret of making the best person: it is to grow in the open air and to eat and sleep with the earth.” – Walt Whitman

Scan this QR code to learn more and get registered today!



Get outside and give back this spring and summer at one of our volunteer work parties. We will restore wildlife habitat, maintain trails, pick up litter, plant native shrubs and trees, remove invasive species, make new friends, learn new skills, and (of course) have fun! We provide tools, gloves, instructions and free Woods Coffee. Be sure to wear sturdy shoes, layers appropriate for the weather, and bring a full water bottle and snack.

All ages and abilities welcome. Pre-registration required. More info/registration: www.volunteerbellingham.org/need

APRIL

9 am to noon

4 – Forest and Cedar Park

Join forces with WWU L.E.A.D. and Western Washington student volunteers to combat pesky invasive weeds and plant new native shrubs and trees in this wonderful park.

11 – Samish Crest Trail

Spend the morning enhancing the natural beauty of Samish Crest Open Space with us!

18 – Happy Valley Park

Steward serene trailside habitat with us at this small park as we remove invasive vegetation and spread mulch.

25 – Earth Day at Squalicum Park Re-Route

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Celebrate Earth Day with the City, NSEA, and friends as we restore habitat at the Squalicum Creek Re-route restoration project.

MAY

9 am to noon

2 – Big Rock Garden Park

Join us and the Friends of Big Rock Garden for some spring cleanup on National Garden Meditation Day!

9 – Memorial Park

Volunteer alongside the Bellingham Rotary Club to clean up the memorials and park grounds for Memorial Day weekend.

16 – Rock Hill Park

This hidden park in the York Neighborhood needs some love. We'll be removing invasive vegetation and beautifying the butterfly garden!

23 – Memorial Day weekend

No City Parks work party. Enjoy Ski to Sea and the Memorial Day Parade!

MAY...continued

9 am to noon

30 – Sehome Hill Arboretum

Help us restore trailside habitat near the southern entrance to the Arb as we celebrate Arboretum Day with the WWU Ecological Restoration Club and other friends!

JUNE

9 am to noon

6 – Lower Padden Creek Trail

Join us and our friends from NSEA for National Trails Day as we work to protect Padden Creek by removing trailside invasive English Ivy.

13 – Cordata Park

Team up with us and NSEA volunteers to weed and mulch near Bear Creek, enhancing this important riparian habitat!

20 – Juneteenth weekend

No City Parks work party. Learn more about this significant day at cob.org/juneteenth

27 – Cornwall Rose Garden

We'll weed and mulch (and stop to smell the roses!) during peak bloom!




Visit cob.org/parkvolunteer



Photo by Brandon Hudson

Badminton Open Play


Looking for a way to get moving this spring? Stop by the Bloedel Donovan Community Building and join us for casual badminton! We will have two indoor courts set up and provide racquets and birdies. Each court will be dedicated to fun, open play. Individual playing time will depend on total participants and rotate using the racquet rotation queue. Sign up before this popular sport fills! Pre-registration required.

DAY/DATES: Tuesday / April 14-May 5
TIME: 6:00-8:00 pm
AGES: 12 years and older (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult)
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$25
COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger
MAX: 20 participants

Badminton Blitz

Looking for a new, fast-paced indoor activity? Try Badminton Blitz – a fun twist on tournament play! Players rotate courts and play up to 4 games per week. For each game participants are paired up with a new member. Scores are tallied per player per game. At the end of the mini season a single champion will be crowned! All abilities are welcome. Two divisions to choose from! Pre-registration required.



DAY/DATES: Wednesday / May 13-27
TIME: 6:00-9:00 pm
AGES: 14 years & older (under 18 with an adult)
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Community Building 
COST: \$30
COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger
MIN: 6 / MAX: 8



Spring Mini Fastbreak League

Fastbreak league returns with a 6-game season.


DAYS/DATES: Tuesday / Lower Division: April 14-May 19 Thursday / Upper Division: April 16-May 21
TIME: 6:30 & 7:45 pm
AGES: 18 years and older, under 18 with an adult
LOCATION: Cordata Elementary School 
COST: \$425
COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski
MAX: 4 teams per division



Photo by Rob Blowers

Spring Co-ed Slow Pitch League

Co-ed slow pitch softball will be offered on Thursdays, Fridays & Sundays this spring and summer! Leagues will be limited to 18 teams on Thursdays, 12 teams on Fridays and 24 teams on Sundays. Registration will be open until mid-April (or until filled) and taken on a first paid basis. Required coaches/captains meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 15 prior to the beginning of the season. At the meeting teams will have a chance to reserve two practice times prior to the start of league play.

DAYS/DATES-TENTATIVE:

Thursdays / May 7-July 23 Fridays / May 8-July 31 (no games May 22, June 19, July 3); Sundays / May 10-Aug. 2 (no games May 24, July 5)

TIMES: Thursdays & Fridays: 6:15, 7:20, 8:25 pm
Sundays: 3:30, 4:40, 5:50, 7:00 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Frank Geri Fields 

COST: \$750 per team (10 games)

COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski

MIN: 6 teams / **MAX:** Thursday: 18 teams;
Friday: 7 teams; Sunday: 24 teams

Fall Co-ed Slow Pitch League

Fall ball is a shorter 6-game season which is a great way to cap off your summer and transition into the fall.


Registration will be open June 29-July 31 (or until filled). Pre-registration required!



DAYS/DATES: Thursdays / August 13-Sept. 24
Sundays: August 16-Oct. 4 (no games Sept. 6)

TIMES: Thursdays: 6:15, 7:20, 8:25 pm
Sundays: 3:30, 4:40, 5:50, 7:00 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Frank Geri Fields 

COST: \$500 per team (6 games)

COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski

MIN: 7 teams / **MAX:** Thursday: 21 teams;
Sunday: 24 teams

Full Day Intro to Kayaking

Designed for complete beginners or those looking for a refresher, this class covers the fundamentals of kayaking. The morning is spent learning essential strokes and maneuvers necessary to move the kayak. Following a break for lunch (bring your own), we spend the afternoon practicing self and assisted rescues. This course will prepare you to paddle in calm, near-shore environments, and is a great precursor to joining a local paddling club or taking longer trips on your own. Small group size maximizes learning opportunities, and all equipment, including kayaks and wetsuits, is included in the cost. Instructor Josh White is a ACA Level 3 Coastal Kayak Instructor.

DAY/DATES: Saturday / May 23, May 30, June 6, June 13, July 11 or August 8

TIMES: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Lake Padden Park

COST: \$195 per date

COORDINATORS: Lance Romo / Josh White

MIN: 2 / **MAX:** 4 per date





All Comers Track and Field

All Comers is a Bellingham tradition where generations of participants, from first-time competitors to seasoned athletes, come together to race, jump, and throw! Whether you're sprinting the 100 meters, launching a shot put, or soaring in the high jump, there's an event for everyone. Open to all ages and skill levels, this welcoming series is all about fun, friendly competition, and community spirit. Lace up your sneakers, bring your friends, and join us on the track! For the full event schedule, course records, and more, visit cob.org/races. Pre-registration required. Thank you to Coldwell Banker Bain for their continued support.

DAY/DATES: Mondays / June 15-August 17 (10 meets)
TIMES: Check-in begins: 5:15 pm, First event: 6:00 pm
AGES: 2 years and older
LOCATION: Civic Field 🌿
COST: \$6 per person per meet, \$45 Individual Season (includes shirt!), \$125 Family Pass (up to 5 members same household, no t-shirt).
COORDINATOR: Jim Pettinger

Adult Sand Volleyball Leagues (Quads & Doubles)

Choose from three nights of sand volleyball! Join us for Women's Quads on Mondays, Co-ed Quads on Tuesdays and Co-ed Doubles on Wednesdays. Each team plays a 6-match season. Teams will be placed in either upper or lower divisions based upon their selection and/or the teams registered. Note: Teams will not be guaranteed their requested divisional placement. Though all efforts will be made to do so, placement is based on number of teams registered and divisional requests. Pre-registration required!



DAYS/DATES: Women's Quads: Mondays / June 22-August 3 Co-ed Quads: Tuesdays / June 23-August 4 Co-ed Doubles: Wednesdays / June 24-August 5
TIME: 6:15 & 7:30 pm
AGES: 16 years and older
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Sand Courts 🌿
COST: \$260 per team (includes 6 matches)
COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski
MIN: 4 / MAX: 8 teams per league

Lake Padden Triathlon

Kick off triathlon season with our legendary sprint and super sprint events! Whether you're a seasoned competitor or a first-time racer, we believe everyone deserves a shot at the finish line. Choose from a short course for an easier and fun challenge, a longer course to test your endurance, or team up with friends for a relay adventure. Don't wait-registration closes on June 17! Get all the details at cob.org/races.



DAY/DATE: Saturday / June 27
TIMES: Long Course: 8:30 am Short Course 1:00 pm
AGES: 8 years and older
LOCATION: Lake Padden West Entrance 🌿🌊
COST: Early bird expires March 31: \$80; Through June 17: \$100, Relay: +\$20, **NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION**
COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski
MAX: 325 per race



Adult Tennis 101 & 201

New to tennis or returning after a break? These summer programs designed to introduce the fundamentals of tennis in a fun, supportive, and no-pressure environment at select outdoor parks. Our experienced instructors focus on basic techniques, movement, and gameplay, helping players build confidence and enjoy the sport. No experience? No problem! We provide all the equipment — you just bring the energy.

DAYS/DATES: Mondays and Wednesdays:
 Adult 101 Session: July 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22
 Adult 201 Session: August 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19



TIMES: 6:00-7:30 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Elizabeth Park Tennis Courts 

COST: \$108 per session

COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski / RecTennis

MIN: 3 / **MAX:** 10 per session



Photo by RecTennis

Adult Red Ball (Tennis)

Adult Red Ball is a fun, fast-paced social tennis experience designed for adults of all levels. Played on smaller courts, this 60-minute coach-facilitated session keeps you moving, rallying, rotating, and laughing — connecting with others from start to finish. No pressure, no equipment needed- simply show up, play, and enjoy! It's tennis made easy, with a focus on fun, fitness, and community. Come rally with us and discover why tennis is the sport of a lifetime!

DAY/DATES: Wednesday / July 1 or July 29

TIMES: 6:30-7:30 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Elizabeth Park Tennis Courts 

COST: \$15 per date

COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski / RecTennis

MIN: 3 / **MAX:** 10 per date



Bellingham Youth Triathlon

Swim, bike and run! Whether yours is a young multi-sport athlete or simply looking to try their first multi-sport event, look no further! Kids can sign up as part of a relay team (performing one of three legs as part of a team of three) or as individuals performing all three legs. The event is timed to the nearest second, but results are posted in alpha/reverse alpha order. All finishers will receive grab bag prizes, T-shirts and a medal.

DAY/DATE: Sunday / July 26

TIMES: Division 1 (11-13): 9:00 am, Division 2 (9-10): 10:00 am, Division 3 (5-8): 11:00 am

AGES: 5-13 years old

LOCATION: Arne Hanna Aquatic Center  

COST: April-May 31: \$30; June 1-30: \$35; July 1-22: \$40; Relay teams: add \$5;
 NO DAY OF REGISTRATION

COORDINATOR: Nora Joslin

MIN: 10 per division / **MAX:** 50 per division





Stand Up Paddleboard Yoga

Fall in love with yoga while on a Stand-Up Paddleboard in a beautiful and natural floating classroom! Experience the challenge of balancing on the moving water while strengthening your core and leg muscles. After a brief intro to your yoga-specific paddle board, you will experience a dynamic and invigorating class using many basic yoga poses.

DAYS/DATES:

Sunday / July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16
Thursday / July 16, 23, 30, August 6

TIME: Sunday: 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Thursday: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

AGES: 18 years and older

LOCATION: Lake Padden West Entrance  

COST: \$45 per person per date
Pre-registration required

COORDINATORS: Rosa Caldwell/Melissa Longfellow

MIN: 6 / **MAX:** 8 per date

Co-ed Wednesday Night Kickball

We love kickball yes, we do! Come out and enjoy one of the most universally beloved sports there is! Each team consists of 10-16 players. Season includes 3 regular season games and championship series on final evening! Pre-registration required!



DAY/DATES: Wednesdays / August 5-26

TIME: 6:00 or 7:00 pm games

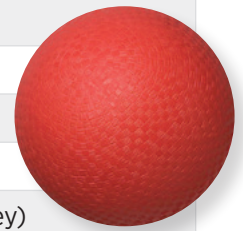
AGES: 16 years and older

LOCATION: Geri Fields 

COST: \$250 per team (3 games + tourney)

COORDINATOR: Patrick Ulinski

MIN: 4 / **MAX:** 4 teams



Muay Thai Kickboxing Workshop

Learn the sport of Muay Thai Kickboxing in this one-day workshop. Learn basic footwork, punching, kicking, and pad holding techniques.

In the second half of the day, you'll get a taste of a full Muay Thai class. No need to buy any gear—everything will be provided! Bring a water bottle and wear athletic clothes you can move freely in.



Photo by Dakota Alvey

DAY/DATE: Saturday / May 16

TIME: 11:00 am-1:00 pm

AGES: 16 years and older

LOCATION: West Coast Fight Club, 110 W Stuart Rd 

COST: \$20; pre-registration required

COORDINATOR: Rosa Caldwell/WCFC

MIN: 10 / **MAX:** 30





Photo by RecTennis

USTA RecTennis Youth Camps in your Neighborhood!

Keep your kids active and engaged this summer! Designed for ages 5-17, our tennis camps are held at local parks across 50+ locations in the Pacific Northwest. Participants engage in fun games, team-based activities, and movement exercises to develop their skills and build confidence on the court. Using age-appropriate equipment and grouping players by age and ability, our camps ensure everyone progresses at their own pace.

DAYS/DATES/LOCATIONS: Monday-Friday
 Session 1: June 29-July 2; Fairhaven Park
 Session 2: July 6-10; Whatcom Falls Park
 Session 3: July 13-17; Elizabeth Park
 Session 4: July 20-24; Fairhaven Park
 Session 5: July 27-31; Whatcom Falls Park
 Session 6: August 3-7; Elizabeth Park
 Session 7: August 10-14; Fairhaven Park
 Session 8: August 17-21; Whatcom Falls Park



TIME/AGES:
 AM Sessions: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; 5-10 years old
 PM Sessions: 1:00-4:00 pm; 11-17 years old

COST: \$180 (Exception - Session 1: \$144)

COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski / RecTennis

MIN: 5 / **MAX:** 40 per session

Youth Ultimate Camp



We're teaming up with Bellingham Youth Ultimate to offer a brand-new camp! Our summer Ultimate Camp introduces kids to Ultimate Frisbee—a fast-moving, non-contact team sport that combines the running of soccer, the cutting of basketball, and the teamwork of football. Campers learn how to throw and catch a flying disc, work together, and build confidence through fun drills and games designed for all skill levels. It's a welcoming, active environment where kids stay moving, make friends, and discover a sport they can play for life.



Photo by Bellingham Ultimate

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Friday / August 3-7

TIME:
 Half-Day Camp: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; 2nd-12th graders
 Full-Day Camp: 9:00 am-3:00 pm; 4th-12th graders

AGES: 2nd-12th Grade

LOCATION: Squalicum Creek Park - Field 3

COST: Full Day: \$330; Half Day: \$165

COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski / Trish Benson

MIN: 8 / **MAX:** 17 per camp



YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS

We are partnering with the Bellingham School District and their coaches to offer these great youth sports camps.

Baseball:

Sehome HS Co-ed Youth Grand Slam Baseball Camp: Grand Slam Baseball is celebrating 41 years! Join us for a classic summer baseball experience focused on teaching the fundamentals and building a positive attitude. Each day will include fielding, throwing, hitting, pitching, game play, and as always, super star competition.



DAYS/DATES: Tuesday-Thursday / July 7-9	COST: \$90
TIME/GRADES: Session 1: 8:30-11:30 am; Entering 1st-3rd Session 2: 12:00-3:00 pm; Entering 4th-6th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/ Coach Dane Siegfried
LOCATION: Sehome HS Baseball Field & Commons	MIN: 12 / MAX: 100 per session

Basketball:

Sehome HS Girls Youth Basketball Camp: Whether you are new to basketball or looking to grow your skills and fundamentals, all are welcome in our gym! Come join our enthusiastic coaching staff and current players for a fun week of basketball camp.



DAYS/DATES: Monday-Wednesday / June 15-17	COST: \$105
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm/Entering 4th-9th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/ Coach Kimberly Stensgar
LOCATION: Sehome HS Gym	MIN: 30 / MAX: 100

Bellingham Bayhawks Girls Youth Basketball Camp: The Bayhawks Girls' Basketball camp will teach the program's pillars through fun activities, drills, and games. Varsity players and coaches will work closely with the athletes towards skill development and fostering a love for the game.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Wednesday / July 13-15	COST: \$105
TIME/GRADES: 1:00-4:00 pm; Entering 2nd-8th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Drew McFall
LOCATION: Bellingham HS Gym	MIN: 15 / MAX: 75

Sehome HS Boys Youth Basketball Camp: This camp is designed to teach the fundamentals of the game through drills, competitions, and clinics. Each player will be assigned a team, and games will be played daily at camp as well.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Wednesday / June 15-17	COST: \$105
TIME/GRADES: 1:00-4:00 pm; Entering 5th-9th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Brad Jackson
LOCATION: Sehome HS Main & Aux Gyms	MIN: 30 / MAX: 60

Bellingham Bayhawks Boys Youth Basketball Camp: Calling all boys going into 3rd-8th grades... come work on your skills at the BHS basketball camp! We will work on fundamentals and players will get in game experience over the course of the camp.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Thursday / July 13-16	COST: \$130
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 3rd-8th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Brad McKay
LOCATION: Bellingham HS Gym	MIN: 20 / MAX: 150

Soccer:

Sehome HS Girls Youth Soccer Camp: Have fun while building your dribbling, passing, and shooting skills at the Sehome Girls Youth Soccer Camp-led by current Sehome soccer coaches and players!



DAYS/DATES: Tuesday-Thursday / June 16-18	COST: \$90
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 2nd-6th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Emily Webster
LOCATION: Sehome HS Upper Soccer Field 	MIN: 20 / MAX: 100

Bellingham Bayhawks Co-ed Youth Soccer Camp: Come out and play some soccer with the Bellingham high school coaches and players! Kids of all skill levels are welcome as we look to increase their soccer skills while also having a great time playing games, doing drills, and enjoying the great sport of soccer!

DAYS/DATES: Tuesday-Thursday / July 7-9	COST: \$90
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 4th-8th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Spencer Wolfe
LOCATION: Bellingham HS Soccer Field 	MIN: 30 / MAX: 75

Squalicum Storm Co-ed Youth Soccer Camp: Join our youth soccer camp for skill-building, friendly competitions, and summer fun. All levels welcome-come ready to play, learn and have fun!

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Wednesday / July 27-29	COST: \$90
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 3rd-6th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Jose Rodriguez
LOCATION: Squalicum HS Soccer & Softball Field 	MIN: 20 / MAX: 100

Football:

Sehome HS Co-ed Youth Football Camp: Youth football camp for boys and girls (tackle football and flag football players welcome)!



DAYS/DATES: Saturday / June 13	COST: \$60
TIME/GRADES: 11:00 am-1:00 pm; Entering 4th-8th Grade	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Brian Young
LOCATION: Sehome HS Football Field 	MIN: 24 / MAX: 150

Squalicum Storm Boys Youth Flag Football Camp: Learn the fundamentals of flag football including catching and throwing. Each session will culminate in games and competition.


DAYS/DATES: Tuesday / June 23	COST: \$60
TIME/GRADES: 6:00-8:00 pm; Entering 2nd-8th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Nick Lucy
LOCATION: Squalicum HS Soccer & Softball Field 	MIN: 24 / MAX: 200

Squalicum Storm Girls Youth Flag Football Camp: Come learn the fastest growing sport in the USA!

DAYS/DATES: Tuesday / June 23	COST: \$60
TIME/GRADES: 6:00-8:00 pm; Entering 2nd-8th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Reed Richardson
LOCATION: Squalicum HS Soccer & Softball Field 	MIN: 10 / MAX: 100

Running:

Squalicum Storm Co-ed Youth Running Camp: Squalicum Storm Cross Country will be hosting a running camp for any runners entering middle or in high school. Highlights include guest speakers on topics related to running and running lifestyle, games, ultimate frisbee, team games, relays, weight training, and daily runs. This is a great opportunity to make new friends before school starts!

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Thursday / July 27-30	COST: \$115
TIME/GRADES: 8:30-11:30 am; Entering 7th-12th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Erin Hoopes
LOCATION: Squalicum HS 	MIN: 40 / MAX: 120

Bellingham Bayhawks Co-ed Youth Cross Country Camp: For new AND experienced runners-come have fun and at the same time learn proper technique, training strategies, race tactics, and ways to improve speed, strength, and mental focus. Led by experienced coaches Eric Bachmeier, Bill McClement, and Kim Stensgar-along with Bellingham High School Cross Country team members.

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Thursday / July 20-23	COST: \$80
TIME/GRADES: 8:30-10:30 am; Entering 5th-8th 	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Eric Bachmeier
LOCATION: Bloedel Donovan Park (M-W); Lake Padden (Th)	MIN: 9 / MAX: 40

Wrestling:

Squalicum Storm Co-ed Youth Wrestling Camp: Join our Co-ed summer wrestling camp for middle to high school students looking to sharpen their technique, stay active, and level up their skills. Train with experienced coaches, make new friends, and enjoy high-energy sessions designed to challenge you and build confidence. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned wrestler, this camp is all about growth and having fun!

DAYS/DATES: Monday-Thursday / June 15-18	COST: \$115
TIME/GRADES: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 6th-12th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coach Gavin Stewart
LOCATION: Squalicum HS Mat Room 	MIN: 12 / MAX: 55

Volleyball:

Sehome-Squalicum HS Co-ed Youth Volleyball Camp

Sehome & Squalicum HS volleyball programs are excited to host a 3-day camp full of learning, drills, games, competition, and meeting new friends!



DAYS/DATES: Tuesday-Thursday / July 14-16	COST: \$90
TIME/GRADES: Session 1: 9:00 am-12:00 pm; Entering 6th-8th Session 2: 1:00-4:00 pm; Entering 9th	COORDINATORS: Patrick Ulinski/Coaches Sin & Morris
LOCATION: Sehome HS Gym 	MIN: 12 / MAX: 45 per session

GOLF CAMPS & PROGRAMS – at Lake Padden Golf Course

Contact: Philip Kohnken: pkohnken@premiergc.com

Pre-registration is required for all golf offerings. Please register online at:

lakepaddengolf.com/instruction



Junior Golf Camps

These 2-day camps are designed to get your golfer “course ready.” Focus will be on the fundamentals of the swing, etiquette and rules. Daily snack provided. Clubs provided for those in need. Four sessions to choose from!

DAYS/DATES: Wednesdays and Thursdays

Session 1: June 24-25

Session 2: July 8-9

Session 3: July 29-30

Session 4: August 26-27

TIME: 9:00 am–1:00 pm

AGES: 7-14 years old

LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course,
4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229

COST: \$135 per session

COORDINATOR: Philip Kohnken

Adult Instruction Programs

Get Golf Ready is designed to teach beginner adults everything you’ll need to golf in just a few lessons. PGA Professionals will lead you through classes that combine fun, fitness and friendship. Each of the four sessions will focus on a specific golf skill you will use while playing. In addition to learning the basic form of each skill you will also be guided onto the course to put your skills into action in a casual, friendly setting.

Week 1: Orientation, Putting (basic green reading, alignment, and posture) & Etiquette (on greens)

Week 2: Short Game (hinge and hold) & Etiquette (near greens)

Week 3: Full Swing (grip, posture, alignment, and body rotation) & Etiquette (off the tee)

Week 4: Full Swing (swing plane and ball flight laws relationship) & Etiquette (tee to green)



DAY/DATES: Class Meets Once a Week on Thursdays

Session 1: April 2, 9, 16, 23

Session 2: May 7, 14, 21, 28

Session 3: June 4, 11, 18, 25

Session 4: July 9, 16, 23, 30

Session 5: Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27

Session 6: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24

**GET
GOLF
READY**

TIMES: 5:30-7:00 pm

AGES: 18 years & older

LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course,
4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229

COST: \$250 per class

COORDINATOR: Philip Kohnken



LADIES GOLF CLINICS

Ladies Clinic 1

Ladies Clinic 1 is designed to help the beginner golfer develop the main skills in order to play the golf course comfortably. PGA Professionals will lead you through classes that combine fun, fitness, and friendship.



- Week 1:** Putting
- Week 2:** Short Game
- Week 3:** Full Swing
- Week 4:** 9-hole Playing Lesson

<p>DAY/DATES: Wednesdays</p> <p>Session 1: May 6, 13, 20, 27</p> <p>Session 2: June 3, 10, 17, 24</p> <p>Session 3: July 8, 15, 22, 29</p> <p>Session 4: Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26</p> <p>Session 5: Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23</p>
<p>TIME: Week 1-3: 3:00 – 4:00 pm; Week 4: 9 Hole Playing Lesson begins at 2:00 pm</p>
<p>LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course, 4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229</p>
<p>COST: \$250 per session (green fee not included)</p>

Ladies Clinic 1.5

Ladies Clinic 1.5 is designed to help the beginner golfer practice the main skills in order to play the golf course comfortably. PGA Professionals will lead you through classes that combine fun, fitness, and friendship.

- Week 1:** Putting, Short Game and Full Swing practice
- Week 2:** On-course practice

<p>DAY/DATES: Fridays</p> <p>Session 1: June 12 & 26</p> <p>Session 2: July 10 & 24</p> <p>Session 3: Aug. 7 & 21</p>
<p>TIME: 3:00-4:30 pm</p>
<p>LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course, 4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229</p>
<p>COST: \$200 per session</p>

Contact: Philip Kohnken: pkohnken@premiergc.com

Ladies Clinic 2

Designed to improve the skills of the beginner and intermediate golfer in order to play the golf course better. Please register for this class after taking Ladies Clinic 1 or if you have played before.

- Week 1:** Putting review and bunker shots
- Week 2:** Full Swing Irons & Fairway Woods
- Week 3:** Full Swing Driver
- Week 4:** 9-hole Playing Lesson

<p>DAY/DATES: Thursday</p> <p>Session 1: May 7, 14, 21, 28</p> <p>Session 2: June 4, 11, 18, 25</p> <p>Session 3: July 9, 16, 23, 30</p> <p>Session 4: Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27</p> <p>Session 5: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24</p>	
<p>TIME: Weeks 1 – 3: 3:00-4:00 pm Week 4: 9 Hole Playing Lesson at 2:00 pm</p>	
<p>LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course, 4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229</p>	
<p>COST: \$250 per session (green fee not included)</p>	

Ladies Clinic 3

Ladies Clinic 3 is designed for women who golf regularly and want to learn more on-course strategies, to play better and have more fun. Instructors will guide you on the golf course each week while focusing on a specific aspect of golf course management. This class is limited to 3 players per session.

<p>DAY/DATES: Friday</p> <p>Session 1: June 19 & July 3</p> <p>Session 2: July 17 & July 31</p> <p>Session 3: Aug. 14 & 28</p>
<p>TIME: 3:00-5:00pm</p>
<p>LOCATION: Lake Padden Golf Course, 4882 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229</p>
<p>COST: \$250 per session</p>

Pre-registration is required for all golf offerings. Please register online at:
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Nate Hauer Park Technician – Stewardship

Nate has served on and led Washington Conservation Corps crews for the past three years in Northwest Washington. He is a graduate of Ohio State University and brings a diverse set of experience to habitat restoration and wetland mitigation efforts in our urban parks. He is dedicated to connecting communities to their natural world and continues to work toward making green space accessible to all. You may see him around town pulling weeds on the trail, planting trees, or hosting a Community Work Party.



Matt Hurst Park Technician – Grounds

Matt joined Parks & Recreation as a grounds technician in February. He was most recently leading Washington Conservation Corps crews doing trail work for the Department of Natural Resources. He is originally from Flagstaff Arizona but has learned to love PNW winters after living in Bellingham for the past 5 years. Matt enjoys kayaking, gardening, and hiking. He is eager to jump into his new role making our city parks beautiful and safe.



Sam Nelson Park Worker – Grounds

Sam was born in Alaska and started her career with the City as a Park Ambassador the summer of 2024. Her early work experience was in greenhouses, and she has been trying to find her place through her love of being outdoors. She enjoys wandering through the woods, crafting with things she finds on the sides of roads, and lifting heavy objects. She is excited to continue her career in Parks!



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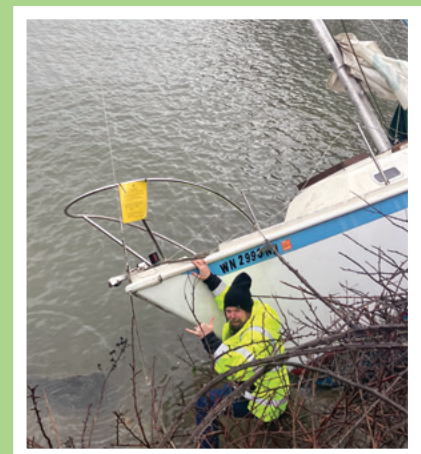


PARK OPERATIONS UPDATE

Park Operations staff have been working hard over the past few months. The dedicated members of our Grounds, Facilities, Structures & Utilities, Cemetery, Trails, Park Improvements, Urban Forestry, and Stewardship teams work in all kinds of weather conditions and are looking forward to the warmer and drier Spring & Summer months ahead!

Some recent notable accomplishments include:

- Repaired Little Squalicum Pier abutment
- Completed restoration of log structure at Van Wyck Park
- Replaced decking on Derby Pond bridge in Whatcom Falls Park
- Recovered and disposed of derelict boats from Taylor Dock and Boulevard Park
- Updated HVAC controls for increased efficiency at Fairhaven Park, Cordata Park, and Bloedel Donovan Park
- Completed full restoration of Salmon donation bench at Derby Pond
- Replaced and repaired boardwalk guardrails throughout parks system
- Inspected/assessed bridges and buildings throughout parks system
- Completed roadside pruning of trees and shrubs at Broadway and Highland Heights Parks to improve maintenance and traffic safety
- Removed invasive species such as Himalayan blackberry, English ivy and English holly from numerous parks during Parks Volunteer Program's Saturday Work Parties
- Pruned 150 Honey Locust and London Plane trees on Railroad Avenue to expose business signs, provide clearance of buildings, and remove deadwood and low branches over street parking
- Planted 115 new park trees to target low canopy cover areas of town, and to mitigate removals within critical habitat areas
- Responded to December weather events throughout the city's parks, open spaces and streets
- Completed Office Renovations at the Woburn Street Operations Center
- Demolished old septic tank, backfilled, and installed two new risers at Telegraph Road property
- Replaced electrical distribution and meter at Cornwall South restroom building
- Completed scanning of Bayview Cemetery burial records
- Pruned Oak trees at Civic Complex near Joe Martin Field to remove large deadwood and broken branches before the Bells Baseball season begins
- Re-keyed entire parks system with upgraded and more efficient lock system
- Installed new blinds at Maritime Heritage Park pavilion
- Completed stormwater system and catch basin inspections
- Repaired waterline at Woodstock Farm in partnership with archaeologists and Tribes
- Installed ridge cap with zinc at Squalicum Creek dog park restroom to minimize moss growth





PLAN YOUR NEXT PARTY!

Reserve Your Space Now

Bellingham Parks & Recreation offers several locations throughout the city for you to host celebrations, community and work-related meetings, or various athletic events.



- Outdoor facilities include picnic shelters at Whatcom Falls, Cornwall Memorial, Squalicum Creek, Fairhaven, Cordata and Lake Padden Park as well as the Elizabeth Park Gazebo and other special use locations.
- Indoor Pavilions are available for rent in Cordata, Bloedel Donovan, and Fairhaven Park. The Bloedel Donovan Community Building and other special use indoor facilities are also reservable throughout the year.
- Athletic Fields and sports facilities available to rent include softball and baseball fields, Civic Stadium, and tournament space for sand volleyball, basketball, pickleball, tennis and horseshoes.
- Picnic shelters and indoor pavilions can generally be reserved online by visiting our Park Facility Rentals website. Depending on your event (e.g. open to the public, runs and races, request to use trails or other event space), as well as special use facilities (e.g. Woodstock Farm), it may require a separate application process. Special Request Applications must be submitted at least 30 days in advance (60 days recommended).



Bellingham Parks & Recreation Program Locations

Arne Hanna Aquatic Center

1114 Potter Street

Bellingham City Hall

210 Lottie Street

Bloedel Donovan Park

2214 Electric Avenue

Boulevard Park

470 Bayview Drive

Civic Sports Complex & Skate Park,

1355 Civic Field Way

Cordata Park

4510 Cordata Parkway

Cornwall Memorial Park

3424 Meridian Street

Depot Market Square

1100 Railroad Avenue

Elizabeth Park

2205 Elizabeth Street

Fairhaven Library

1117 12th Street

Fairhaven Park

107 N. Chuckanut Drive

Fairhaven Village Green

1207 10th Street

Lake Padden Park/Golf Course

4882 Samish Way

Maritime Heritage Park

500 W. Holly Street

Squalicum Creek Park

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1145 Granary Avenue

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1200 Chuckanut Drive



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Typewriters 101: An Introduction to Operation & Maintenance

Thursdays, April 16, May 21, & June 18
1:30 - 4:30 pm
SkillShare Space, Central Library

Join us for a hands-on exploration of one of the most revolutionary machines in the literary world: Typewriters!



Smart Trips Workshop: Bike Maintenance

Thursdays, April 23, May 28, & June 25
4:00 - 5:45 pm
SkillShare Space, Central Library

Learn how to lube a chain, pump a tire or fix a flat, then take your new skills home to keep your bike rolling smoothly.

Friends of the Library May Book Sale

Wednesday, May 20 – Friday, May 22,
10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday, May 23, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Lecture Room, Central Library

Browse a huge selection of books, DVDs, and more. All items are half price on Friday, and \$5 per bag on Saturday. Proceeds benefit the Bellingham Public Library.



One Book, One Coast Meetup

Saturday, May 30, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
SkillShare Space, Central Library

Join us for an in-depth discussion of the graphic novel, *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei, the 2026 One Book, One Coast selection. For more information, please visit the Library's online events calendar.



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Bellingham Reads Book Group: America 250 Edition

Tuesday, June 23
In-Person 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Lecture Room, Central Library –OR–
Online 6:30 - 7:30 pm
(registration required)

Explore early American history with an America 250 themed book discussion. Visit the library's online events calendar for more information, registration for the online meetup, and reading suggestions.



SUMMER READING

Pick up your Summer Reading activity cards for all ages beginning June 1 at any BPL branch and return them by August 31 for prizes and Summer Reading Superstar yard and window signs.

Library Card Night at the Bellingham Bells

Thursday, June 25
5:30 pm gates open,
6:35 pm first pitch
Joe Martin Field

Show your library card at the Bellingham Bells gate on June 25 for a free general admission ticket to the home game that night. One ticket per library card.



Children's Library Programs

Little Storytime

Tuesdays, July 7 – August 4
10:05 – 10:35, 10:35 – 11:05, and 11:05 – 11:35 am
Dodson Room, Central Library

For children ages birth to 3 with an adult partner. Join us for simple stories, songs, fingerplays, and movement. Lots of fun!

Little Storytime, Bellis Fair Branch

Wednesdays, July 8 – August 5
10:05 – 10:35, 10:45 – 11:15, and 11:25 – 11:55 am
Early Learning Center, Bellis Fair Branch

For children ages birth to 3 with an adult partner. **Note:** If entering the mall before 11 am, use the entrance next to Target or the Food Court entrance.

Preschool Storytime, Bellis Fair Branch

Wednesdays, July 8 – August 5
12:05 – 12:35 pm
Early Learning Center, Bellis Fair Branch

For children ages 3 to 5 with an adult partner. Join us for fun and engaging stories, songs, fingerplays, and a simple craft.

Baby Time

Mondays, July 6 – August 10
10:30 – 11:30 am
Dodson Room, Central Library

For babies ages birth to 12 months with an adult partner. Songs, rhymes, bounces, movement, and stories! ****Pre-registration is required!**** Call (360) 778-7200 or email Bernice at: bchang@cob.org for registration information. **Note:** You are registering for all 6 weeks.

Library Explorers

Mondays, July 6 – August 3
11:00 – 11:45 am
Lecture Room, Central Library

For ages 6 to 10 with families welcome. Explore the world and wonders of the library through fun stories, experiments, crafts and more.

Stories and Play

Fridays, July 10 – August 7
(No Stories and Play on July 31)
10:05 – 11:05 am and 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Lecture Room, Central Library

For children ages 3 to 5. This is a storytime and facilitated play experience for young children and the adults who take care of them.

Cuentos al parque/Stories at the park

El jueves, el 11 de junio / Thursday, June 11
El jueves, el 9 de julio / Thursday, July 9
El jueves, el 6 de agosto / Thursday, August 6
3:00 – 3:45 pm
Cordata Park, 4510 Cordata Pkwy. Bellingham
Una hora de cuentos bilingües al aire libre para niños de todas las edades y sus cuidadores/familias. Acompáñenos a Cordata Park para cuentos y canciones divertidos en español y inglés—¡y burbujas! / A bilingual outdoor storytime for kids of all ages and their caregivers/families. Join us at Cordata Park for fun stories and songs in both Spanish and English—plus bubbles!

Summer Night Stories

Tuesday, June 30, July 14, August 4
5:15 – 5:45 pm
Lee Memorial Park, Central Library

For children ages 3 to 8 and their families. Delight in an evening of stories, songs, and games! Bring a blanket to sit on if you'd like.

Children's Craft Fairs

Lee Memorial Park at the Central Library
Friday, July 31
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Inside the Bellis Fair Mall
Friday, August 21
5:00 – 7:00 pm

Enjoy a wide array of handmade crafts and baked goods created by children 13 and under. All items are priced \$5 or less; cash only sales. Fun for all ages to browse!



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CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION

Preparation for Childbirth & Parenting: 8 Week **\$249**
T 4/14-6/2 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Slocum**
M 6/1-7/20 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Slocum**

Note: Course fees waived for those covered by Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.
 This 8-week course covers the full spectrum of pregnancy, labor and birth, newborn care, postpartum, and infant care for those who want to focus on pregnancy and parenting while building relationships with others.

Preparation for Childbirth & Parenting: 6 Week **\$199**
W 4/22-5/27 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Sulak**
Th 5/21-6/25 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Sheppard**

Note: Course fees waived for those covered by Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.
 This 6-week course covers pregnancy, labor and birth, comfort techniques, newborn care, postpartum, and infant care.

Prep. for Childbirth & Parenting: Weekend Condensed **\$199**
Sa/Su 5/16-17 **Sa 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. & Su 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.** **Sulak**
Saturday: BTC campus | Sunday: St. Luke's Community Health Education Center

Note: Course fees waived for those covered by Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.
 This 2-day weekend course covers pregnancy, labor and birth, comfort techniques, newborn care, postpartum, and infant care.

Comfort Techniques for Labor & Birth **\$50**
Th 4/2 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Slocum**
Th 5/7 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Slocum**
T 6/9 **6-8:30 p.m.** **Slocum**

This class is designed to provide pregnant women and their partners with more information about pain and coping, including: birthing techniques, labor positions, comfort measures, and options for back labor. Suggestions for partners providing labor support are presented.

Breastfeeding Basics & Beyond **\$50**
T 6/16 **6-8 p.m.** **Follet**

Breastfeeding offers a baby an optimal start in life and provides lifelong health benefits. You will learn about breastfeeding resources, role of the support person(s), preparation and getting started, responding to postpartum challenges including mother-baby separation and pumping, and answers to personal questions.

PARENTING EDUCATION

Gottman Institute® Bringing Baby Home **\$199**
Sa/Su 4/18-19 **9 a.m.-4 p.m.** **off-campus** **Eiford**

Note: This class is for expecting couples, and couples who are parenting a child up to 3 years old.
 Developed by renowned relationship and parenting experts, Drs. John and Julie Gottman, this workshop will teach you and your partner how to strengthen your friendship, increase intimacy and affection, work through conflict with greater ease, create positive baby interactions, and ensure quality involvement for both parents.

Baby 'N' Me (1-7 months) **\$179**
W 4/22-6/10 **2-4 p.m.** **Hosaka**

The early months of parenting are filled with extremes: from sheer joy to incredible sleep deprivation. This class offers a safe, inviting, relaxed atmosphere where you can meet other parents/caregivers, build relationships and find answers to your parenting questions.

Baby 'N' Me (8-12 months) **\$179**
Th 4/23-6/11 **12:30-2:30 p.m.** **Read**

As your children transition from infancy, the parenting issues you face change. This course provides a safe, inviting, relaxed atmosphere where you meet other parents, build relationships and find answers to your parenting questions. Babies explore in the same room and make new friends while you gain valuable support and current information on raising an older infant.

Exploring with Toddlers **\$179/\$199**
F 4/17-6/12 **9-11 a.m.** (age 12-18 months) **Hosaka**
M 4/13-6/8 **9-11:30 a.m.** (age 18-36 months) **Canares**

Form lasting relationships with other families while your child learns through play in a fun, safe, preschool-like environment. Share questions, concerns, and ideas with the parenting educator and one another. Younger siblings can attend with you and your toddler.

Exploring Together: Birth to 5 **\$225**
W 4/15-6/10 **9-11:30 a.m.** **Canares**
Th 4/16-6/11 **9-11:30 a.m.** **LaPlante**

Connect with other families while your children's curiosity and creativity soar. Parents/caregivers choose discussion topics such as sibling rivalry, balancing family needs, and positive discipline. This class is for families with multiple children (birth to 5) or those with a preschool-aged child without siblings.

Raising School-Age Kids **\$99**
T 4/21-5/19 **8:30-10 a.m.** **Mitchell**

Being an effective parent/caregiver can be challenging as well as rewarding. This course will provide a practical approach to improving adult/child relations for parents/caregivers of children ages 6-11 years. Topics cover normal child development, including: dealing with tweens; encouraging cooperation and responsibility; avoiding power struggles; and communicating with your child about drugs, alcohol, sexuality and media. Participants will also have the opportunity to engage in an online discussion board.

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Eating Well Early

Th 4/16

6-8:30 p.m.

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This course is designed to help parents and caregivers learn how to support their young children to eat well. The primary goal is to develop a healthy and enjoyable relationship to food and the social aspects of eating. This course is based on Ellyn Satter's work, a leader in the field - who has set the gold standard in public health for how to feed children and develop competent eaters.

Neurodivergent Child Development

M 4/20-6/15

9:30-11 a.m.

online

\$119

McCarty

This course is an introduction into neurodivergent child development, through a neuro-affirming lens. Development is unique for each child due to biological and environmental features, each of these things contributing to how a child thinks, feels and relates to others. The information is rich with support for teachers, parents and caregivers, as well as information for individuals who are looking into a field working with children. This course emphasizes an inclusive approach; students will learn about the various neurodevelopmental conditions, their characteristics and the implications for learning and social interactions.

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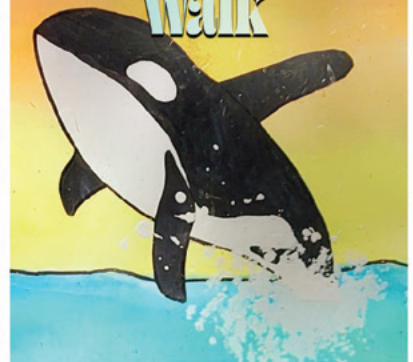
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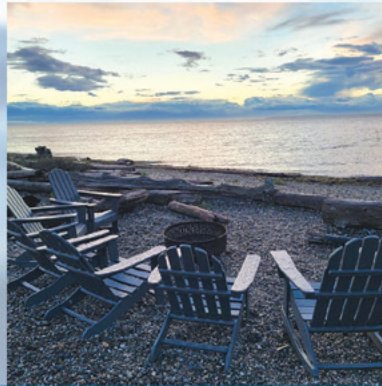
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Aug 3rd – Aug 6th 9:30am – 12:00pm

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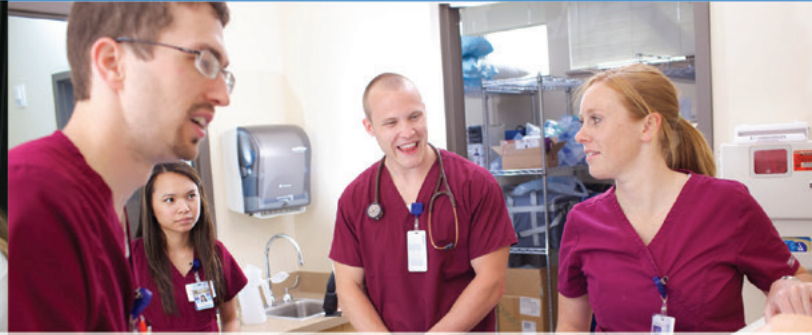
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A free weekly outdoor play event for children and their caregivers on the plaza, with a different activity or special guest each week.

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Four sessions, Monday – Friday for 2 weeks, totaling 10 lessons

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Classes for ages 2 and up,
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ARNE HANNA AQUATIC CENTER March 30 to June 14, 2026

All drop-in programs are first come, first served. Programs and information are subject to change.

(In.) = Instructional Pool (L) = Lap Pool
(D) = Diving Pool (A) = All Pools



Diving Board
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Waterslide
Open

Drop-in Swims	M-Th	Fri	Sat-Sun
(In.) Preschool Swim – Families can play, splash and practice swimming. *Instructional pool is shared with other programs.	6:00am – 1:30pm 3:00pm – 4:30pm 7:15pm – 9:00pm	6:00am – 1:30pm 3:00pm – 5:00pm 6:30pm – 9:00pm	–
(L) Lap Swim – Number of lanes will vary. Circle swimming required with more than 2 swimmers in one lane. *Lap pool shared with other programs.	6:00am – 5:00pm 7:15pm – 9:00pm		1:00pm – 6:00pm
(L) Water Walking – One lane is provided to do therapeutic exercises at your own pace. Max: 8 *Lap pool shared with other programs.	7:00am – 8:15am 11:15am – 1:30pm 7:45pm – 9:00pm	7:00am – 8:15am 11:15am – 1:30pm	1:00pm – 2:30pm
(D) Deep Water Running – Slide-in only; no diving or jumping during this time. *Dive tank is shared with other programs.	6:00am – 1:30pm (Except 7-8am T/Th) 3:00pm – 5:00pm 7:15pm – 9:00pm	6:00am – 1:30pm 3:00pm – 5:00pm	1:00pm – 2:30pm
(A) Family Swim – Play time in the pools. Diving board open. Waterslide closed.	1:30pm – 3:00pm		–
(A) Open Swim – Play time in the pools. Waterslide/diving board open.	–	6:45pm – 8:45pm	2:45pm – 4:15pm 4:30pm – 6:00pm
(L) Kayaking – Practice rolls and turns in warm water, with lifeguards for safety. Must provide your own kayak. Max 6 kayaks.	–	–	1:00pm – 2:30pm
Instructor-led Classes	M-Th	Fri	Sat-Sun
(L) Water Aerobics – Low impact fitness class for all ages and abilities. No registration required.	8:30am – 9:30am 10:00am – 11:00am		–
(D) Deep Water Aerobics – Zero-impact fitness class focusing on core strength and cardio. Flotation devices required and available. Max 16 participants, pregristration recommended.	TUESDAY/THURSDAY ONLY 7:00am – 8:00am		–

Closures: None | No Instructor-led Programs on May 25

Entry Fees	1 Visit	10 Visit	3 Month	Annual
Youth/Senior/Disabled	\$6	\$54	\$180	\$600
Adult	\$7	\$63	\$210	\$700
Family/Household	\$18	\$162	\$540	\$1,800

Single admission is valid for one activity only. 10-visit passes are valid for one year. Documentation must be provided for discounted rates.

Youth: Under 18

Senior: 62 & older

Family/Household: 3-6 members living in the same household.

SPRING SWIM LESSONS

Session 1

Weekday Lessons

11:00am-12:30pm & 5:15pm-7:15pm

Registration begins 3/21

Monday/Wednesday: 3/30-4/29/26
\$100.00 for 10 lessons

Tuesday/Thursday: 3/31-4/30/26
\$100.00 for 10 lessons

Weekend Lessons

1:00pm-2:30pm

Registration begins 4/4

Saturdays: 4/11-5/2/26
\$40.00 for 4 lessons

Sundays: 4/12-5/3/26
\$40.00 for 4 lessons

Session 2

Weekday Lessons

11:00am-12:30pm & 5:15pm-7:15pm

Registration begins 5/2

Monday/Wednesday: 5/11-6/10/26
(no lesson 5/25)
\$90.00 for 9 lessons

Tuesday/Thursday: 5/12-6/11/26
\$100.00 for 10 lessons

Weekend Lessons

1:00pm-2:30pm

Registration begins 5/9

Saturdays: 5/16-6/13/26 (no lesson 5/23)
\$40.00 for 4 lessons

Sundays: 5/17-6/14/26 (no lesson 5/24)
\$40.00 for 4 lessons

Register online at: cob.org/ezreg

Swim Lesson Registration

- **Registration opens at 10:00am on specified date.**
- To enroll in Preschool 2-5 or Youth 3-6:
 - Students must have passed the previous level within the last 6 months at Arne Hanna or completed a Placement Test.
 - Drop-in Placement Tests are free. Available during any lap swim.
- **Least busy times:** Weekends: 2:30pm-2:45pm or 4:15pm-4:30pm; Weekdays: 9:30-10:00am; 4:00-5:00pm; 7:15pm-9:00pm
- **Returning families:**
- Don't create a new account-prerequisites won't transfer.
- Contact the front desk for help.

Parent Child (PC): Parents are in the water with their 6 months to 36 months old child.

Preschool (PS): Swim lessons for children ages 3 to 5 years old.

Youth (YL): Swim lessons for children ages 6 to 12 years old.

Teen/Adult: More specialized lessons for individuals 13 years or older.

- **Refund/Transfer:** To be eligible (minus \$5 admin. fees) participants must notify the Aquatic Center 3 days prior to the beginning of the program. Programs will not be prorated for partial participation.



POOL RENTALS

Rentals are available:

Sat/Sun Evenings: 6:15 pm–7:15 pm

Sundays: 10:30 am–11:30 am; 11:45 am–12:45 pm

Longer times may be available upon request. No facility rentals can occur during regular facility hours.

Reservations must be booked and paid at least 2 weeks before the rental date. Cancellations must

be made more than thirty days before the rental date in order to receive a refund. There is a \$25 processing fee for all rental cancellations (30 day notice) or reschedules (5 day notice). Food in non-glass serve-ware may be served on the pool deck, but must be at least six feet away from the pools.

Whole Facility	\$262.50
Instructional Pool	\$105
Instructional Pool with Waterslide	\$157.50
Lap Lanes (min 5)	\$21/lane
Dive Tank	\$105

Showers are available for pool users only, this includes pass holders and those paying the daily admission fee for pool activities.

Facility Rules

- Children 6 and younger must be within arms reach of their caretaker while in the water.
- Children 7-12 years are required to have an adult in the facility at all times.
- Must be 16 or older to enter the hydrotherapy pool.
- Waterslide users must be at least 4 feet tall.
- Facility closes 15 minutes after final swim.

Lockers are day use only. Locks are available for a deposit of \$5 or a driver's license or other government ID.



Egg Hunt in the Pool!

Get ready to hop into the pool for a one-of-a-kind, in-water egg hunt! Come participate in on-deck activities, splash around in the pool, and search for colorful eggs filled with sweet treats and prizes!

Date: Saturday, April 4, 2026

Time: 4:30-6:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00

For Safety: Kids 6 and under must stay within arm's reach of their grown-up in the water.



TRAINING COURSES

Red Cross Lifeguard Training Course

Learn how to save lives and stay safe around water!

This course includes:

- Water rescue techniques
- CPR and First Aid
- AED use
- Emergency response planning
- Surveillance and safety skills

Training includes classroom lessons + hands-on practice. Earn a nationally recognized certification — valid for two years!

Prerequisites: 15 years or older and complete a swimming pretest at Arne Hanna.

Cost: \$250

First Session Dates: (Sundays) 4/19, 4/26, 5/03

Second Session Dates: (Mon-Wed) 6/15-6/17

Time: 8:00 am–5:30 pm

Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED

Be ready to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies for adults, children, and infants.

Course covers:

- First Aid basics
- CPR techniques
- AED operation

Receive a digital certificate valid for 2 years!

Cost: \$125

Date: Sunday, May 31

Time: 9:00 am–1:00 pm



Lifeguard Training Pretest: 150 yard swim, crawl or breast stroke, followed by two minutes of treading water with no hands, followed by another 50 yard swim, crawl or breast stroke.

20 yard swim using crawl or breast stroke, dive 7-10ft to retrieve a 10 lb. brick, return to surface and swim back to the starting point with both hands on the brick and face out of the water. (Time limit of 1 min. 40 sec.)

Dive to the bottom of the dive tank to retrieve a 10 lb. brick.

ADAPTED AQUATICS – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Adapted Aquatics program is for individuals, three years and older, with special needs. Participants get in the water and work one-on-one with a volunteer to improve swimming skills and flexibility, while exercising, socializing, and having fun!

Sign up to volunteer or participate at:

cob.org/adapted-aquatics

Participant Information

Registration begins 4/13

Wednesdays

Dates: 4/22 thru 5/27/26

Time: 4:30pm – 5:15pm

Cost: \$60 for 6 lessons

Fridays

Dates: 4/24 thru 5/29/26

Time: 5:15pm – 6:00pm

Cost: \$60 for 6 lessons



Volunteer Information

Register today!

Wednesdays

Dates: 4/8 thru 5/27/26 (no meeting 4/15)

Time: 4:15pm – 5:30pm

Fridays

Dates: 4/10 thru 5/29/26 (no meeting 4/17)

Time: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

SUMMER SWIM LESSONS

Session 1

Morning Lessons

11:00am-12:30pm

Registration begins 6/20

Monday-Thursday:

6/22-7/2/26

\$80.00 for 8 lessons

Evening Lessons

5:15 pm-7:15 pm

Registration begins 6/20

Monday/Wednesday:

6/22-7/8/26

\$60.00 for 6 lessons

Tuesday/Thursday:

6/23-7/9/26

\$60.00 for 6 lessons

Session 2

Morning Lessons

11:00am-12:30pm

Registration begins 7/3

Monday-Thursday:

7/6-7/16/26

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Registration begins 7/11

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7/13-7/29/26

\$60.00 for 6 lessons

Tuesday/Thursday:

7/14-7/30/26

\$60.00 for 6 lessons

Session 3

Morning Lessons

11:00am-12:30pm

Registration begins 7/18

Monday-Thursday:

7/20-7/30/26

\$80.00 for 8 lessons



Register online at: cob.org/ezreg

Join Our New Dive Class!

The Arne Hanna Aquatic Center is now offering a new Youth Diving Class. Divers will learn the basics of jumping safely off the diving board, utilizing pikes, tucks and approaches!



Register today!

Session 1

Dates: Wednesdays, 4/1-4/29/26

Time: 5:15pm-6:15pm

Cost: \$100 for 5 lessons

Session 2

Dates: Wednesdays, 5/13-6/10/26

Time: 5:15pm-6:15pm

Cost: \$100 for 5 lessons

Bloedel-Donovan Swimming Area

The Bellingham Parks and Recreation beach lifeguards will be on duty in the swimming area daily!

Tentative Dates

June 29th-August 30th

1:00pm - 6:00pm



Posted Park and Lake Rules
will be Enforced

New Friday Open Swim!

Join us on Fridays from 6:45pm-8:45pm for our new Friday Open Swim!

Enjoy the diving board and waterslide as well as free play space in the lap pool! Other play times listed on our program schedule.

Large Group?

Contact us in Advance!

If your group has 15 or more swimmers, please message us at least 2 days in advance so we have proper staffing.

You can email us at:

aquatics@cob.org

Thank you contacting us in advance, we look forward to seeing you at the pool!

ARNE HANNA AQUATIC CENTER June 15 to July 31, 2026

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Storybrook Park is now open!

Parks Design & Development Division



The City of Bellingham is excited to announce the opening of Storybrook Park, a new neighborhood park in the Birchwood neighborhood. This vibrant addition officially opened to the public on February 6th. The seven-acre park was built on an established open space site formerly known as Maplewood/Mcleod Park, which had functioned as a neighborhood park for many years but lacked amenities. The new park includes a nature-themed playground, improved trails, lighting, and more and was designed to limit impacts to the existing mature forest.

The park also features an art installation called Stand in Reflection. Designed by Polymetis Studio, it was funded by the [City's 1% for Art program](#). Stay tuned for information about an art dedication for the piece this summer. Future phases of park development to complete the [Master Plan](#) may include a picnic shelter, restrooms, and a food forest.



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