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A message from the General Manager

by Wesley Shryock
MBA, CMCA
BVSA General Manager

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that the long-time publishers of the *Bear Tracks*, Ron and Sheree Fishgold, were innocent victims of a tragic car accident on Highway 58 on June 6. Sheree was killed and Ron is in critical condition at the time of this writing. Ron and Sheree have been

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pillars in Tehachapi and have served the Bear Valley Springs community through publication of the *Bear Tracks* for many years. They were also just some of the kindest and most professional people you will meet. Each month, they captured the beauty of Bear Valley Springs, helped disseminate information to members, and connected residents to service providers.

Please join me in expressing our deepest condolences to the Fishgold family and their many friends and in lifting prayers for Ron's recovery.

Condolences can be sent to their business office at 20437 Brian Way, Ste. F, Tehachapi, CA 93561. For those interested in helping the family out with a donation, a Venmo account is available and the QR code for donation is included alongside this article.

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Election results from the BVSA

At the annual meeting and election held on Saturday, June 12, the BVSA membership elected two Board Directors to fill the two open seats. Ervin "Butch" Reyburn received the most votes at 735. Adam Tiefenthaler received the second highest votes at 703 and Dain Hurst received 700 votes. Congratulations to Butch Reyburn and Adam Tiefenthaler for winning this year's election. Thank you to the membership for returning your ballots and helping us to achieve quorum. They will be serving a two-year term for 2021-2023 and will join current Directors, Peggy Bergman-Smith and Todd Lander.

We hope you will join us in showing our gratitude and appreciation to outgoing BVSA Treasurer, Guy Munday, and Monique Herbst, who recently relocated, for their service to Bear Valley Springs!

At the June Board Meeting, the Board appointed Dain Hurst to the Board of Directors to fill the vacant seat for the remainder of Monique Herbst's term.

BVSA officers were appointed and committee assignments are as follows:

President – Butch Reyburn
Vice-President – Todd Lander
Treasurer – Adam Tiefenthaler
Director – Peggy Bergman-Smith
Director – Dain Hurst
Secretary – Anita Bauer
Parliamentarian – Wesley Shryock
Compliance Officer – Peggy Bergman-Smith

Committee Assignments

Equestrian Advisory Committee (EAC) – Peggy Bergman-Smith

Food Service Advisory Committee (FSAC) – Dain Hurst

Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) – Adam Tiefenthaler

Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) – Todd Lander

Lake Quality Advisory Committee (LQAC) – Butch Reyburn

Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC) – Adam Tiefenthaler

Environmental Control Committee (ECC) – Dain Hurst

Here is a recap of items approved by the Board of Directors at the June regular session Board Meeting. At the Mulligan Room, a replacement refrigerated salad prep table and a replacement refrigerator were approved using reserve funds. Reserve funds were also approved for the BVSA maintenance staff to begin replacing the concrete on the golf course cart path and to replace the tents/canopy that were destroyed by winds near the Mulligan Room.

The next regular monthly Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 20, at 6 p.m. at the Oak Tree Country Club. 🐾

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#9982689
EQUESTRIAN DREAM! 2921 sq. ft., 3 BDRM/4 BA custom home on 19.78 acres with spectacular views. Equestrian facilities include a 70'x100' covered arena with a 20' uncovered extension, an MD breezeway barn with six 12'x12' standard stalls, two 12'x16' oversized stalls, an oversized tack room, 16' paddock, secure saddle storage, an 18' x 37' covered patio, plus an eleven stall MD inline barn with an oversized tack room and a 176 x 37' patio cover, plus a 145' diameter round pen with sand base, and a smaller round pen. The home features a spacious great room with wood flooring, vaulted ceiling, floor-to ceiling rock fireplace with wood burning insert, a wood mantel and raised hearth, floor electric outlets, a horn chandelier, an informal dining nook, and a window wall offering spectacular views. There is a large room adjacent to the great room and the kitchen which could be used for formal dining, as an office or as a multi-purpose room. It features a spectacular window wall. The spacious master suite has two large closets, double coffered ceiling, pellet stove with light colored brick surround, recessed lighting, a large pendant light, a window wall, and a door to the covered patio. The master bathroom has dual vanities, a large jet tub, and a spacious shower. The other two bedrooms feature a unique jack-and-jill bathroom between them--each bedroom has a half-bathroom with large vanities. There is a tub shower room between the two half bathrooms which is accessible directly from each of the half bathrooms. The kitchen features a dishwasher, a microwave oven, a large oven, glass cooktop, a trash compactor, floor to ceiling cabinets, some pull outs, one walk-in pantry and one cabinet pantry, quartz countertops, cherry wood islands, two sinks with prep areas, counter to cabinet tile backsplashes, separate ovens and microwave, recessed and decorative lighting. The laundry room has a broom closet, storage cabinets, and a pull down ironing board, and a half bathroom. The home features high ceilings throughout, wood, tile, and carpet floor coverings, quartz counter tops, covered patio, a fenced backyard and concrete tile roof. The property has perimeter fencing. The attached garage has 1,336 sq. ft. of space, two double roll up doors, a single roll up door and a high ceiling--plenty of room for cars, a workshop, and motorized equipment. **Home is like new. The Owners occupied the home only four nights in four years. \$980,000**

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983419
GUEST QUARTERS, RV PARKING One of a kind house offers an open concept kitchen with a breakfast bar, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances and room to entertain. Large dining area has a wood burning fireplace, wood beams and amazing views of the mountains.
\$499,000

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983082
SPECTACULAR PRIVATE MOUNTAIN RETREAT! Gorgeous Home Offering Unobstructed Panoramic Views. This gorgeous home is perfectly situated high on a beautiful 5 acre hillside lot to maximize the amazing views.
\$525,000

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983623
NEW LISTING
OUTSTANDING LOCATION ON THE VALLEY FLOOR and just a short walk to 4 island lake and the golf course. 3 BDRM/ 2 1/2 BA custom built home has an office/den that could be used as a bedroom. Expansive great room with vaulted ceilings. Open kitchen with large island and breakfast nook. Newer luxury vinyl plank flooring. High Speed Race Communication Fiber Optic installed. RV parking. Rear fenced backyard.
\$489,900

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983260
MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN RETREAT! Commanding views and peaceful surroundings! Charming and cozy 3-BDRM, 2-BA Country Cottage style home. This home is perfect for a weekend getaway or full time resident who wants a little privacy. Spacious living room. Farmhouse style kitchen. Charming master bedroom and beautiful upper level bedroom.
\$305,000

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983418
STUNNING CUSTOM DESIGNED HOME. A perfect blend of rustic luxe, nature, technology, and privacy. Perfectly Situated on 7+ acres of native oak and pine woodlands offering magnificent unobstructed Valley and lake views. Superior in quality and design, this gorgeous home was recently remodeled inside and out with no expense spared!
\$630,000

STALLION SPRINGS

#9983362
WARM AND INVITING 4 BDRM/ 2 BA upgraded home located in the wonderful community of Stallion Springs. This home offers curb appeal with a beautifully landscaped front yard, decorative brick and custom shutters. Arch entry way into a spacious and open living room with crown molding, vaulted ceilings and a stunning fireplace.
\$367,000

STALLION SPRINGS

#9983415
40 ACRES! INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY. This property has it all, impressive rock outcroppings, mature oak trees, incredible views, privacy, a round pen and a pad to build the home of your dreams. The property is very usable, with some sloping to create many options, a small vineyard, an orchard, equestrian center, livestock or just an amazing playground complete with wildlife!
\$199,900

GOLDEN HILLS EAST

#9983272
BEAUTIFUL 3 BDRM 2 BA with office / bonus room, RV parking, hot tub and a NEW ROOF! Newly remodeled kitchen with shaker style cabinets, subway tiles, new counter tops, windows and garden views of your front yard. This amazing kitchen opens up into an open concept dining room with shiplap and charm.
\$355,000

ALPINE FOREST

#9983454
MOUNTAIN HOME 3 Car + Workshop Detached Garage, shed with loft, covered front porch and private well. 4 Bdrm/3 1/2 BA on 2 level acres filled with oak trees and views! Main level family room with a wood burning stove, a formal living room, kitchen and dining room, a bedroom & full bath, an oversized laundry room, and a mud room w/ a 1/2 bath. Upstairs are 2 guest rooms, a full bath and master bedroom with a bonus retreat room.
\$425,000

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS

#9983148
SITTING ON A DOUBLE LOT! (plus only one HOA fee) Close to the golf course and 4 Island lake. 2352 square feet of living space with 4 bedrooms plus an office and 3 bathrooms. Fully fenced backyard and side yard, beautiful new stamped concrete patio and plenty of room for RV parking. Home has many upgrades including fresh exterior paint, new roof, new windows, new HVAC system, owned solar, on demand hot water heater, whole house water filter, water softener, and many more!
\$465,000

STALLION SPRINGS

#9983194
COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS BEST. Country charmer has 3 Bdrms with a cozy kitchen and breakfast knock. Newer appliances and updated cabinets. Then Family Room is spacious and has oak wood flooring which complements the other updated flooring though out the house. Central vac system and central heating and air there is little more to desire. Step out the back door and enjoy a spacious back yard that has room on either side of the house for RV parking.
\$263,000

TEHACHAPI CITY

#9983322
LOCATION! LOCATION! Beautiful home located in desirable Heritage Oaks West. 4 Bdrm 2.5 BA features the master bedroom downstairs & includes a master bath w/double sinks, Jacuzzi jetted tub & separate shower, and a walk in closet. Living room w/vaulted ceilings, brick fireplace, and it's wired for surround sound; open kitchen w/lots of oak cabinets & tile counters; dining area w/bay window & a French door to the backyard; indoor laundry room w/cabinets; front porch; covered rear patio; shed in backyard, lots of storage & more!
\$412,000

Guest use of amenities FAQ's

Submitted by
**BVSA Administration
Office**

As the summer approaches and our state begins to open up, members may be anticipating the arrival of long-awaited guests. You may want to take your guests to visit our many amenities. Here are some answers to frequently asked questions about guest use of the amenities.

When do I need a guest pass?

Guest passes are NOT required if an adult member (18 and over) will be accompanying your guest(s) to an amenity. Make sure that you have your amenity card with you - a photo of your card on your phone is also acceptable. Therefore, guest passes are only necessary if your guest will be using an amenity without a member. Note: Guest passes for amenities are NOT the same as the Road Use Pass to gain entry

through the gate.

Where can I pick up a guest pass?

Guest passes may be requested at the following locations during their business hours:

- Association Office
- Whiting Center
- Oak Tree Country Club Office

You will need to present your amenity card and sign that you are responsible for your guest(s). If you are unable to pick up passes in person, guest passes can be requested from our website, www.bvsa.org under Amenities and Amenity Use. Guest passes cannot be requested by phone.

How many guest passes can I receive?

A maximum of four guest passes per property can be outstanding at any given time and are available for up to two weeks at a time.

Will my guest have to pay a fee?

Guest use fees will apply

at some amenities (swimming pool, golf course, Whiting Center, tennis/pickleball courts, fishing, campgrounds, equestrian riding on trails, and shooting range). Most guest fees are less if you accompany your guest (in which no guest pass is necessary) than if they are unaccompanied by a member. Additionally, if your guest will be riding horses on the horse trails, you and your guest must visit the Equestrian Center to pay the daily trail fee and complete a liability form prior to riding. If you will be accompanying a guest to the shooting range, you will need to bring them to the Whiting Center prior to use of the range to complete a short quiz, sign the release of liability form and other acknowledgment forms as well as pay the applicable guest fees. Fishing permits are required for anyone over 15 years of age and may be purchased at the Whiting Center. A complete list of guest fees is available on our website, bvsa.org, under Amenities and Amenities Fee Schedule or a copy can be picked up at the Association Office.

What is a grandchild pass?

The BVSA realizes that many of our senior members only utilize the amenities when their grandchildren come to visit. Grandchild passes are available only at the Association Office for up to four immediate

family grandchildren who are between the ages of 6-17. The Grandchild pass permits free guest entry to the pool, Whiting Center, and Tennis Courts. A two-week Grandchild Pass may be renewed once for a total of four weeks (28 days) per grandchild per calendar year. After this time period, regular guest fees will apply.

Last year the pool required a resident to accompany a guest and there was a limit as to the number of guests. What is happening this year?

In order to limit overcrowding at the pool again this summer, guests at the pool will be required to be accompanied by an amenity card holder. Additionally, guests ages 13 and older will be limited to three guests per tract/lot. There is no limit to guests who are children ages 12 and under. Guest passes without an accompanied amenity card holder will NOT be honored at the pool in the 2021 season.

Guest fees for the pool:

- 13 & older - \$5/day
- Children 5-12 - \$3/day
- 4 & under - Free

What if I have more questions?

Should you have any further questions about Guest Passes, feel free to contact the staff at the Association Office at 661-821-5537 X222 or X211. 🐾

Summer guide to BVS parks, lakes and amenities

Submitted by
**Joe Horswell
Asst. Recreation Manager**

BVS Amenities and Rules

Most BVS residents know something about our amenities and BVSA rules; however, even the most seasoned "long-timers" often don't about all of our amenities, let alone everything contained in the official BVSA rules governing how each amenity is to be used.

Amenity Cards

If you own a home in BVS, then you have likely already received a copy of the official BVS rules at the close of your escrow. That being said, most of us (myself included) generally don't read every single word of our HOA rules, or commit to memory all of its contents. For renters, our amenities and the subsequent rules for each, may be even less obvious because renters often don't receive much in the way of instruction or enlightenment from their landlords on the topic of amenity use, rules, and amenity cards.

BVSA amenity use privileges are tied to each tract/lot. Homeowners in good standing, who are current with their HOA fees, have amenity rights and can obtain amenity cards for family members who live with them. Homeowners who rent out or lease their properties may give their amenity privileges to the renter or lessee if they wish, but renters and landlords cannot possess amenity privileges at the same time. Amenity cards may be obtained at the BVSA main administrative office, which is located at 29541 Rollingoak Dr., just due west of the golf driving range in the center of the Mulligan Room/Oak Tree Country Club building complex.

Members are required to have their amenity card on their person whenever they are using any BVS amenity, and may be asked by BVSA staff to present their amenity card prior to using any amenity.

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Guest Usage and Temporary Amenity Cards

Member guests may use our amenities if they are accompanied by their host member; or members may obtain temporary amenity use passes for their guests if they will not be accompanying their guests at the amenities. Members may obtain temporary amenity passes that are good for up to two weeks, for up to four guests

at a time. Temp amenity passes are available at the BVSA main administrative office (see above) and also at the Whiting Center, which is located at 26940 Bear Valley Rd. Please bear in mind that some amenities require guests to pay a fee and that such fees increase if the guest will be utilizing the amenity without a sponsor present. (Some amenities, such as the pool and the gun range require the sponsoring member to be present in order for the guest to use the amenity.) For more information on amenities and fee schedules, please refer to the official BVSA website: <http://www.bvsa.org>.

Guest Gate Passes

Please be aware that gate passes only allow the pass-holder access through the main BVS entry gate to use the roads, and to park their vehicle. Gate passes are separate and apart from amenity or temporary amenity passes. Gate passes do not afford the holder any amenity privileges, whatsoever. Many members are unaware that simply calling in a gate pass for a guest does not entitle the guest to use our parks, lakes, ballfield, restaurants, and other amenities. As previously mentioned, members must either accompany their guests at the amenities, or provide them with temporary amenity passes if they will not be attending the amenities with their guests. (Guest fees will apply for certain activities at some of the amenities.)

Amenities Without Fees

Most of our amenities are available to BVS amenity card holders to enjoy at no cost. Here are a few examples:

- * Using the facilities or fishing at Cub Lake and at 4-Island Lake.
- * The Beaubian Ball Fields.
- * The Nature Walking/Bicycle Path (located near the Beaubian Ball Fields).
- * The Pinedale Equestrian/ Hiking Nature Trail, (located at the west end of Pinedale Drive).
- * The R/C Flying Field, R/C car track, and Jack's Hole for R/C boats.
- * The BVS Tennis and Pickleball courts.

- * Dry camping at Town Center and Water Canyon Campgrounds, and the Equestrian Center Campgrounds (reservations required).
- * High Country Park.
- * The BVS Dog Park (free for members to use, but all dogs must have a valid BVSA Dog Park permit tag in order to use the facility.

Permits are available at the Whiting Center).

- * The Kawaiisu Historic Preserve.
- * Golfing (if you have your own clubs, balls, cart, etc.).
- * The Oaks Restaurant (food and beverages cost extra).
- * The Oak Branch Saloon (food and beverages cost extra).
- * The Mulligan Room (food and beverages cost extra).
- * The Bear Valley Pool (food and beverages cost extra).
- * The Equestrian Center trails, arenas, and round pens (boarding and other services cost extra).
- * The Bear Valley Pool during summer hours (winter hours by special arrangement).
- * The Gun Range (competitions and shooting clays cost extra).

Amenity Fees for Certain Activities

There are, however, additional fees involved with using some of the afore-mentioned amenities if:

- * You are a guest of a BVS resident.
- * You are camping in one of our hookup campsites.
- * You are renting golf equipment or a golf cart.
- * You sign up for certain exercise classes at the Whiting Center (some are offered for free).
- * You plan on reserving one of the group activity areas at one of our parks or lakes.
- * You plan on boarding your horse at the Equestrian center, or you wish to participate in an organized competition, or work with cattle sorting and roping.
- * You wish to enter an official shooting competition, or shoot clays at the gun range.
- * You wish to sign your child up for one of our sports leagues.
- * You wish to take swim lessons, water aerobics, or join the swim team.

- * You wish to purchase or rent tennis or Pickleball equipment.
- * You wish to use a boat on 4-Island Lake, (a permit is required).
- * You wish to compete in a canine event at the Dog Park, or participate in a dog-training clinic.

Four-Island Lake / Boats

Four-Island Lake is the only lake in BVS where boats are allowed and the maximum length allowed is 14 feet. No boats are allowed on Cub Lake and only R/C boats are allowed on Jack's Hole. Boat permits are required for all boats that will be using 4-Island Lake. These can be obtained

at the Whiting Center. Please note that only current amenity card holders in good standing may register boats. Non-BVS residents may not obtain BVS boat permits. Boats may not be left on the sand where they block beach access for other users and boats may not be left at the lake overnight. All members using boats must wear or have a PFD onboard for each adult. Additionally, all children under 13 years of age must wear PFD's while boating.

Fishing Permits/Fish Take

Fishing at Cub Lake and 4-Island Lake is offered free of charge to all BVS members in good standing who possess an amenity card. Members' guests must possess a valid fishing permit and be accompanied by their host member in order to fish. Guests fishing without the company of their BVS host member must possess both a valid BVS fishing permit, as well as a temporary amenity pass. Both of these may be obtained at the Whiting Center.

Fish species that can presently be found in our lakes are: Mosquitofish and Golden Shiners (both baitfish), Crappie, Bluegill, Large-mouth Bass, Channel Catfish, and Bullheads (a small variety of catfish). Fish take rules tend to change periodically depending upon the season, water quality, and fish counts. Presently, all fish are catch-and-release only, with the exception of Catfish and Bullheads. At this time, we are requesting that fishermen not return any Catfish or Bullheads back into the lake due to their excessively large numbers. Bins for fish disposal are available at the lakes, should you happen to catch one of these two species and not wish to keep it.

Campsites, Group Reserved Areas and Sports Leagues

Campsites and special use group areas may only be reserved by BVS members possessing a valid amenity card and only BVS members in good standing may sign their kids up for BVS youth sports. Non-BVS residents who wish to reserve campsites, special use group areas, or sign their children up for BVS youth sports, must be sponsored by a BVS member host.

BVS sponsors must be present at the time these sign-ups are completed. Campsite reservations, sports league sign-ups, and special group area reservations may all be obtained at the Whiting Center.

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A few reminders from the Environmental Control Committee

The ECC wishes to welcome our many new neighbors to Bear Valley Springs! We thought it would be helpful to let new residents know, and remind those who have been here a while, about some rules of our community that you may not be aware, especially if you are coming from the suburbs or "city life."

Tarps – No white, blue, shiny or reflective silver or any other brightly colored tarps are allowed for exterior use. Tarps used to cover wood piles, yard furniture or fixtures, etc. must be black, brown, tan, or dark green in color.

Trash – All garbage, trash and debris must be kept in appropriate covered containers. Those containers are not to be visible from neighboring lots or the streets. Please note that

wildlife will go through your trash if you leave it outside. Please protect our wildlife by keeping your trash indoors whenever possible.

Lighting – All exterior lighting must be extinguished by 10:30 p.m., with the exception of low-wattage (1/47 watt or less) solar. Lighting controlled by motion detectors is limited to a maximum of 15 minutes per cycle.

Paint – Exterior paint colors must be submitted to the ECC and approved prior to painting. Colors must be subtle, earth-toned colors, with a Light Reflective Value (LRV) of 60 or less. White, blue, gray colors with blue undertones, yellow, some reds and greens, or red-wood colors featuring intense reds and orange, will not be approved. Additionally, all acces-

sory structures must be painted and roofed to match the primary residence.

Fencing – All fencing must be approved prior to installation. Post and rail fencing is the preferred fencing so as not to obstruct our beautiful views. Privacy fencing is approved on a very limited basis, generally in the immediate areas around jacuzzis or hot tubs, or when it is demonstrated that no other type of fencing will serve the intended purpose.

Landscaping – The ECC has no limitations on what you plant on your lot – plant to your heart's content (or to the wildlife's appetites) with the exception of oak trees. The oak trees on residential lots must ultimately be cared for by the individual property owners. Homeowners are encouraged

to protect native oaks during construction or landscaping. Grading, cutting, or trenching around oak trees is often detrimental because the shallow feeder roots can be cut or damaged by machinery or by scraping topsoil. A great rule of thumb is to protect the oak's "drip line," which is the outermost edge of the tree's foliage on the ground. Frequent irrigation in the drip line can cause the root crown to decay, so grass, ground covers, or other ornamental vegetation should be avoided or kept well away from the trunk.

The ECC must approve prior to trimming of major branches or removal of any oak tree.

Animals – Farm animals are limited to lots of one acre or more and must be kept 50 feet from any residence, including

your neighbors. On lots of one acre or more, residents are allowed: Poultry – up to 10 per acre and are not allowed to roam or fly outside their enclosures; Rabbits – up to 10; Goats/sheep/alpacas/horses/mules/donkeys – limited to four per acre in any combination, but not to exceed a total aggregate of four animals per acre; Potbellied pig – limited to one per lot; Cattle – limited to parcels 10 acres or larger and are limited to one animal per two acres of usable pastureland (this includes miniature cattle).

Nuisance Animals – No pet or other animal may be kept in BVS that is obnoxious or unreasonably annoying to other persons or creates a nuisance. The Bear Valley Police Department is solely responsible for responding to all complaints regarding animal nuisances.

Storage of Recreational Vehicles – Recreational vehicles are defined as Class A, B, and C motorhomes, campers, camper shells, horse trailers, cargo trailers, utility trailers, 5th wheels, recreational trailers and car haulers. Also included are dune buggies and watercraft, which includes but is not limited to boats, jet skis, and associated trailers. Lots of one acre or

more may park or store up to three of the above Recreational Vehicles, but may not have more than one of the same kind of vehicle. Lots of less than one acre may park or store no more than two, but may not have two of the same type of Recreational vehicle. RVs must be parked or stored in the least conspicuous location on the member's lot. RVs may not be used for camping, as a residence, or as a rental unit. Members and guests are encouraged to utilize the BVSA campgrounds when needing to camp in an RV.

Off Road Vehicles/Quads/Dune Buggies/Motorized Cycles – All vehicles designed to be used primarily for off-road use are prohibited from recreational operation on any property in Bear Valley Springs.

ECC Approval and Submittals – Submittal forms are available on our website in the Document Library under ECC Forms or in the BVSA office. Submittals received by Friday will be reviewed by the ECC the following Wednesday.

Should you have any additional questions, feel free to call the BVSA office at 661-821-5537 x222 or x211. 🐾

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BVCSD Board explored outsourcing PD in 2016

Submitted by
BVS Community Services District

In August of 2016, the Bear Valley CSD requested a cost analysis from the Kern County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) for providing contracted police service to the community of Bear Valley Springs. That quote for service was \$207,241 above the 2016 Bear Valley Police Department (BVPD) budget. In the cover letter, the KCSO indicated that "there would be challenges associated with filling deputy sheriff positions."

The cost analysis suggests that the KCSO would be working out of the Golden Hills KCSO Substation rather than the BVPD building. There was no guarantee that an officer would always be in the valley.

The BVPD is funded through a Police Special Tax¹ and General Funds. In 1994 the Public

Safety Assessment was \$165 per parcel per year. During the 1995/96 Fiscal Year, that assessment was lowered to \$80 per parcel per year without an annual inflationary adjustment. The tax remains \$80 today, over two decades later, with the General Fund filling the gap between the \$289,600 police tax revenues and the \$1 million + BVPD budget.

Before 2016, the BVPD had a fully staffed Dispatch center, one Chief, one Sergeant, one Sr Officer, five full-time officers, and one Police Technician. Measure G – an increase to the Police Special Tax – was proposed as part of the June 2016 Primary election to improve the sustainability of the BVPD. The measure failed to reach the 2/3 supermajority required to pass. As a result, the dispatch center, Police Support Technician, and two full-time Police Officer positions were elimi-

	2016/17 BVPD Budget (excluding dispatch)	2016 KCSO Quote (excluding dispatch)
Chief of Police	1	0
Sergeant	1	1
Senior Officer/Deputy	1	1
Police Officer/Deputy	3	6
Technician (Admin staff)	1	0
Total Staff	7	8
	\$1,244,172	\$1,451,413

nated. The Board also directed staff to obtain the above cost analysis for outsourcing police coverage to the KCSO. As a result, they determined that outsourcing was not cost-effective. The BVPD currently provides 24/7 coverage, but officers do not respond to non-emergency calls overnight due to several vacant positions. Reliance upon KCSO would likely not resolve these staffing difficulties. The KCSO has struggled for years with dangerously low recruiting and retention rates. In 2019 Kern County Sheriff Donny Youngblood called the situation a "crisis."² In December 2020, the Kern Law Enforcement Association pointed to the lack of staffing as a cause for problems within the organization that resulted in a settlement with the California Department of Justice and an extensive list of required reforms.³

The BVPD is currently recruiting a Chief of Police, a

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The life you save may be your own

Submitted by
Megan Clark
BVCSD Communications Specialist

Yes, the following quotes and photo are disturbing, but they show a danger that we all face. One that grows as summer approaches and more people are on the roads.

July 2019 - "he tried to move left to give them room, but the horse suddenly bolted into the southbound lane. As a result, the horse ran directly into the right side of the pickup..." both horse and rider died.

April 2016 - "A horse was killed and its rider was seriously injured Friday when a motorist struck the animal near a trail... The street where this incident happened is lined with traffic signs that show it is a horse crossing area."

June 2009 - "Lucky to be

alive — those were the words repeated by emergency personnel Thursday night at the scene of a bizarre accident in Molino where a horse ripped a van apart, caused another vehicle to flip and damaged a third car."

Bear Valley Springs is an equestrian community with 50+ miles of trails, many of them running alongside or crossing roads. The fact that there have been no accidents doesn't mean there haven't been many close calls. Here are some comments from your neighbors about their experiences here at home:

"13 years ago people wanted to lower the speed limit on Cumberland and Bear Valley Road. I was opposed. Then I got my first horse. He spooked and ran into the road. I thought the car coming towards us would never be able to stop. God was watching over us that day." – Bear Valley Resident

"I was on a horse crossing the road in front of the equestrian center in Bear Valley. A van had stopped to let me go by. A motorcycle did not see me in front of the van and decided to pass the van! I guess I was lucky that day..." – Bear Valley Resident

"My mom and I were riding up bear valley road when two other riders went to cross to Martingale. A truck came, not wanting to wait for them to get across the road, kept coming towards them... One lady stopped her horse in the road and held up her hand signaling to stop but the truck kept coming at the riders, gunning his engine. The truck got so close that the lady could have touched it with her foot..." – Bear Valley Resident

Laws describe how drivers must behave, but knowing how horses think may help. Horses are prey animals who are sensitive to their environment. They have 350-degree visibility



and minimal color vision. They see a lot, but they don't see it very well and rely on detecting movement to identify a threat. When they see that action, their instincts scream RUN NOW! RUN FAST! Like rabbits, their instincts tell them to move in unpredictable ways. Sometimes that means toward the very thing that frightened them.

We cannot avoid horse-vehicle interactions, but we can make them safer. Apply this knowledge of horse psychology to the laws outlined in the California Vehicle Code (CVC):

Who must yield to whom?
Section 21759 of the CVC

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- **BEARLY LADIES BUNCO CLUB** - Provide an opportunity for good fellowship, comradery and sharing mutual interests in enjoying Bunco! Contact Mindi Pugh at bvsmin@sbcglobal.net
- **BUCKAROOS** - Promotes safe, fun western cowboy activities for kids and adults alike. All levels of riders welcome. President Jeff Kermode @ (661) 343-7503, 1st VP George McMackin @ (661) 400-1333, 2nd VP Erika Underwood @ (805) 705-1123, Treasurer Cheryl Akerly @ (661) 609-6113 & Secretary Debi Kermode @ (949) 291-0551
- **BVS SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB** - Social interaction and play. Call Ann Peyton @ 661-821-0926
- **BVS CYCLE CLUB** - Recreational and informative. Please contact Zack Crum at bvsclub@gmail.com
- **CARRIAGE DRIVING** - Meetings are the 2nd Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Equestrian Center Lounge. We promote safe driving, drive-and-ride outings and good horsemanship. Contact Debbie Mayer @ (661) 238-8444
- **CRAFTY LADIES** - Meet at the Equestrian Center Lounge every Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. Bring your own project and get acquainted! Contact Pat Kritlow @ 949-394-4524
- **CULTURAL ARTS ASSOCIATION (CAA)** - CAA provides performing arts programs to enhance our way of life. Contact Jeanette Royce @ jeanetteroyce@yahoo.com or 661-972-2344.
- **DRESSAGE** - Active in many equestrian dressage activities in the local area. Contact Tracy Donahue @ 310-291-5279.
- **ECCLECTIC BOOK CLUB** - Meets the first Monday of the month at noon at the Equestrian Center Lounge. Call Kay Klinker for more information at 821-1621.
- **GARDEN CLUB** - The Garden Club is a resource for all Bear Valley residents who would like to make the most of their garden. Bring your questions, lessons learned and gardening enthusiasm to our meetings, which take place every third Friday (March- October) @ Equestrian Center lounge. Dues are \$10.00. Contact Clare Scotti to learn more 661-238-3020.
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- **PICKLE BALL** - Promote Pickle Ball Play. Contact Julian Leon 661-599-0731 or weedyleon@gmail.com
- **PONY CLUB** - BVSPC is part of the United States Pony Club, an organization which promotes the development of the young English or Western rider (ages 8-25). The Horsemasters' branch focuses on enhancing adults' current knowl-

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- **RC MODELERS** - Anyone interested in RC Model Aviation or Model Cars are welcome to come join us in activities at our field and our meetings. Contact Dan Mason 661-203-8398.
- **SPORTSMAN'S CLUB** - The club coordinates a wide variety of social, sports and RV activities. Contact Will Handley at 661-414-6489.
- **TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB** - Contact Molley Mackin @ mollymail@rocket-mail.com
- **TENNIS CLUB** - Contact Rick Lund, Tennis Pro @ 747-0613
- **BVS VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION** - Commander Martin Hernandez 805-390-2077.
- **BVS WOMEN'S CLUB** - Provides an opportunity for good fellowship among the women of BVS. Contact Margie Underwood - 661-202-8553. Website: www.bvswomensclub.com.

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- **BOY SCOUT TROOP 135** - Age 11 to 18. Contact Scoutmaster Kirk Newman @ 821-7011
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- **CUB SCOUT TROOP 135** - Grades 1st through 5th grade. Contact Cub Master Jon Read 909-268-3297.
- **EMERGENCY AMATEUR RADIO TEAM** - This team is made up of licensed amateur radio operators in BVS who donate their services in times of an emergency. Weekly net check-in Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. 146.700Mhz(-) PL123.0. Contact John Dan Mason @ (661) 203-8398
- **FRIDAY NIGHT BRIDGE PARTY** - Relaxed atmosphere for couples and singles to enjoy social Bridge. Contact Carol Burdick @ 821-7213 or Elaine Williams @ 821-5768
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- **HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - Provides an opportunity for good fellowship and encourages the residents of Bear Valley to become interested in the preservation of this community's historical past. Contact Judy Reynolds @ 821-7035.
- **LADIES BUNCO NIGHT** - The dice start rolling at 3:00 PM and ends at 6:00 PM. We meet at the Whiting Center the second Sunday of every month. Contact the Whiting Center 821-6641
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FRIDAY EVENING JULY 2nd

6:00 – 6:15pm Special BVS 50th Anniversary Ceremony & Flag Raising (Re-do)

Main Stage

CSD General Manager- Bill Melanin & Association General Manager- Wes Shryrock

6:00-8:30pm Music by "DJ

Main Stage

" featuring country Western (social distance) line dancing and Retro 70's music for our 50th Anniversary.

8:30pm Moonlight Movies – " (TBD)" (PG-13)

Cub Lake

10:00pm Lake closes after the movie

SATURDAY JULY 3rd

6:30am	Hot Air Balloons – 12 balloons flying	Ball Diamond / Beaubien Field
	Field	
6:30 am	Pancake Breakfast	Ball Diamond / Beaubien Field
7:15am	5K registration	Cub Lake
7:45am	Firecracker 5K Run Starts	Cub Lake
9:00-2:00	Car Show by Code 3	Bear Valley Road between Cub Lake & the Beaubien Field
9:00-5:00	All Activities, Booths & Exhibits& Food	Cub Lake
10:00-4:00	Kiddie Land Petting Zoo and Pony Rides	North Side of Lake
11:00-4:00	Kids Games	Game Area
12:30-4:30	Music by " Miles to Go " featuring Variety	Main Stage
1:30pm	Boat Parade & Paddle races Sign-In & Staging	4-Island Lake
2:00pm	Boat Parade starts Followed Immediately by Paddle Races	4-Island Lake
4:30pm	Festivities End for the Day	

SUNDAY JULY 4th

6:30am	Hot Air Balloons – 12 balloons flying	Ball Diamond/Beaubien Field
6:30 am	Pancake Breakfast	Ball Diamond / Beaubien Field
8:00am-	Praise Music by BV Church & Sermon by the Lake by Local Pastor Kevin Bosler	Main Stage
9:00	Parade Staging	
	OTCC	
9:00-5:00	All Activities, Booths & Exhibits	Cub Lake
10:00	30 th Independence Day Parade	OTCC to Cub Lake
	Grand Marshall – Lewis Thornton, Korean War Veteran	
11:00-4:00	Kids Games	Game Area
10:00-4:00	Food,/Food Trucks	Food Court
10:00-4:00	Kiddie Land Petting Zoo and Pony Rides	North Side of Lake
12:00	The Raising of 'Old Glory' and National Anthem by band	Main
	Stage	
12:30-4:30	Music by "Miles 2 Go" featuring Variety	Main
	Stage	
3:00pm	Festivities End for the Day	

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	11:00 AM- 2:30 PM	PAINTING WORKSHOP (GREEN RM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
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	4:30 PM - 9:00 PM	PICK-UP HOCKEY	18+	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	COACHES
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	5:30 AM-9:00 AM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
THU	9:15 AM-11:20 AM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	11:25 AM-11:50 AM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	PICKLEBALL (GYMNASIUM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	JULIAN /DAVE
	4:30 PM - 8:00 PM	PICK-UP HOCKEY	AGE 5-17	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	COACHES
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FRI	5:30 AM-9:00 AM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	9:15 AM-11:30 AM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	PICKLEBALL (GYMNASIUM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	JULIAN /DAVE
	7:00 AM-8:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	9:00 AM- 11:00 AM	BV STEPPERS (GREEN RM)	ADULT	BV STEPPERS	LORA SCHROCK
SAT	2:00 PM-6:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	6:00 PM-8:00 PM	ADULT PICK-UP BASKETBALL	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	12:00 PM-6:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	FREE SKATING (HELMET REQUIRED) NO HOCKEY STICKS	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF/PARENTS
	2:00 PM-3:00 PM	MODEL AIRPLANES (GYMNASIUM)	TBA	2ND SUN OF MONTH	KEITH CHAMPLIN
SUN	3:05 PM-5:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	TRAVEL BASKETBALL PRACTICE	AGE 10-17	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	DANIEL ORLANDO
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Annual Catfish Derby and fishing report

Submitted by
Fred Hicks
Lake Quality Advisory
Committee (LQAC)

The Lake Quality Advisory Committee (LQAC) would like to invite all the valley residents and their guests to participate in the 2nd Annual July Fourth Catfish Derby. The derby will take place from Thursday, July 1 through Sunday, July 4. During this time, fishing passes will not be required for guests. We ask that you keep all the catfish you catch and to please place them in the labeled garbage cans located at the Four Island Lake Marina parking lot, Four Island Lake Fawn Way dock, and at the Cub Lake parking lot.

To submit your catch for prizes, please send photos to bvlqac@gmail.com. Some of the prizes will be on display at the LQAC booth at Cub Lake during the July 4th festivities.

So, while you're out and about, please stop by and visit with the LQAC to see some of the animals, plants, science, technology, and tools that are being used to manage our lakes. Prizes will be awarded partially based on creativity, so use your imagination and surprise us with your photo submissions. Winners will be notified via email and prizes can be picked up at the Whiting Center, where the winning pictures will also be on display. We hope that you will take this opportunity to spend time with family and friends while enjoying the beautiful lakes within our valley.

The current fishing forecast is very good in the valley lakes and should only get better with time. Our slow-but-steady approach to rebuilding the lakes is starting to pay dividends. Four Island Lake has been consistently producing Bullhead, and a few very nice Bluegills have been



caught in the lake as well. Annie Loken caught and released the very pregnant Bluegill that is pictured within this article. If you want to catch Crappie, head over to Cub Lake. The Crappie bite has been on fire using the techniques mentioned in the May 2021 *Bear Tracks*. At least two Crappies over 13" have been caught and released re-

cently. If you want to catch fish within the valley, all you currently need to do is just use a piece of a night crawler or worm on a size 6 hook two feet under a float. As a friendly reminder, please be sure to pick up all your tackle and dispose of any unwanted items appropriately - the goal is to catch fish, not humans or other animals! 🐾

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Everything is in bloom now. It is so

pretty, but our hills are parched and a fire risk for sure. Let's not forget to have a plan for fire evacuation and emergency summer supplies for you and your pets. Always be aware of your neighbors needs too. Maybe some are older and need help in preparing for or evacuating in the event of a disaster.

We are still under Covid restricted visits. Visitors can be outside with masks and distancing, or through a window, and only visits are allowed with your friend or family member. We are not allowing free visiting inside with other residents.

Is your skin feeling dry? Try this simple bath blend: 1 cup honey, 1 cup ground oatmeal, 1 cup baking soda, 1 cup milk, 20 drops of lavender oil. Add all to a warm bath and soak 30 minutes. Sip on some lavender or mint tea, warm is better, and diffuse some lavender or peppermint essential oil for a relaxing time.

Our meal of the month was: Gumbo (not too hot) rice pilaf, corn

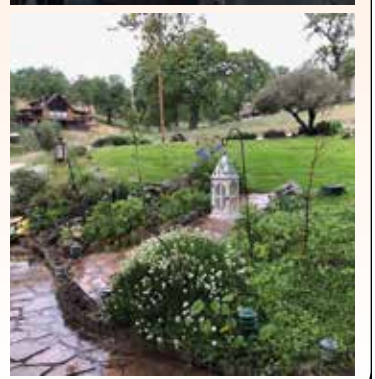


bread, radish, cuke, onion salad with a rice wine vinegar dressing and strawberry shortcake for a sweet treat.

The answer to the question of the month was Edelweiss.

Question of the month: One of the oldest hotels in California, it was a family home, hospital, veterans building, rest home, apartment, bed and breakfast and it is located in Humboldt County. What is its name?

If you are needing assistance in finding a home for your loved one, feel free to call Debby at 661-342-0258. I will try to assist you. We currently have no rooms available.



Drones in BVS: What are the threats? What are the rules?

Submitted by
Mark Pestana
BVS Radio Control
Model Club

When you hear the word “drone,” what do you imagine and think about? Recent incidents in BVS have prompted a lot of interest and concerns about this activity, with perceptions of potential threats to safety and privacy. Some of the concerns are real, while others can be attributed to misinformation about drones, how they operate, and how they are regulated.

Over a century of evolution in computing power, precision navigation, automation, and other technologies has brought us to today’s amazing capabilities to remotely fly missions as well or more efficiently and safer than with humans

on board. The technologies today enable manufactures to sell drones with autopilots and self-navigation to anyone. Unfortunately, the automation allows people to “fly” a drone without traditional training in skills and knowledge about flying any aircraft in compliance with regulations about privacy and safety.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is responsible for regulating and managing our nation’s air traffic system, including establishing rules and standards for manufacturing, operations, crew training, and safety. This includes the rapidly evolving world of “Unmanned Aircraft Systems” (UAS), or “Remotely Piloted Aircraft” (RPA), the official designations of the commonly used term, “drone”. Hobby type model aircraft are also part of the regulations



since these can also pose hazards if operated without regard to the public and other air traffic.

In our community, we have a great educational and recreational radio control (R/C) model club, with an airfield near the CSD, that follows strict guidance and rules on operating safely. Rules are established by the FAA and the BVSA. This is only a partial list of rules. For complete local rules, see BVSA Association Rules, Article 21. Links to FAA rules are at the end of this article.

Some basic rules governing the use of recreational drones and model aircraft are:

- Weight less than 55 lbs.
- Flown no higher than 400 feet above the ground.
- Always flown within direct visual line of sight (not using telescopic devices or onboard camera).

- Not flown over population or structures.

- Only flown within a bounded area designated for drone flights (In BVSA, fly within the boundary of the BVSA airfield noted in the diagram. Age 12 and under must have adult supervision).

- Registration in possession of the pilot and the vehicle number displayed on the drone (For drones over 250gm/ 0.55 lbs.).

- Disallowed from flying from or over any BVSA residential home, tract, lot, facilities, amenities, or common ground.

- Not flown within five miles from an airport.

If anyone knows of a violation of these rules, please report it to BVS Police Department or Kern County Sheriff. The FAA can also be contacted as a follow-up through their Flight Standards District Office in Fresno. It is important

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The Ron Samuels Model Field is located northwest of the CSD transfer station, next to Jack's Hole, also offers an electric radio control car track. When there is seasonal water in Jack's Hole, the pond can also be used to run radio controlled boats and float planes. The field area has picnic benches, a covered shade area, and two BBQ grills. The Bear Valley Springs RC Model club offers lessons and social activities throughout the year. In compliance with regulations, the flying area boundary avoids population. Hours range from 7 a.m. to sunset for electric motors and 9 a.m. to sunset for gas motors, seven days a week.

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Amenity Rules of Conduct

The official BVSA Rules state that members and their guests must adhere to the rules of good conduct at all times. This covers everything from not using profanity or fighting, to equitably sharing common spaces at the parks and lakes with others, and refraining from monopolizing the picnic tables in any given area. Pop-up tents are not allowed on the sand or shorelines at the lakes. These should be located on the nearby grass areas away from the shoreline.

Dog Park/Dog Permits

There is no “day use” fee for members to use the Dog Park; however, members must first obtain a Dog Park permit for their dog. These are available at the Whiting Center. The dog park has two separate areas: one for small dogs, and the other for larger dogs. Dogs are allowed to be off leash inside the confines of the dog park, but must be leashed when entering or upon leaving the facility. Please note that outside of the Dog Park all dogs must be kept on a leash at all times. This is in accordance with California State law, Kern County Law, as well as the BVSA rules.

Dogs Are Not Allowed at Certain Amenities

Please note that for safety reasons, dogs are not allowed at certain amenities:

- * The R/C Model Airfield.
- * The Beaubian Ball Fields.
- * The islands at 4-Island Lake (these are reserved for water fowl nesting).
- * The Gun range.
- * Inside the Equestrian Center arenas, cattle areas, round pens, and riding areas.
- * On the Golf course.

Equestrian/Hiking trails and Nature Walking Paths

Bear Valley Springs has an equestrian/hiking trail matrix amenity that consists of over 50 miles of maintained trails. These trails solely intended for use by equines (horses, minis, donkeys, mules, etc.) and hikers. Dogs on leash are allowed on these trails; however, bicycles, motorized vehicles of any sort, and animals other than equines and dogs are not allowed. Equestrian/Hiking Trail maps may be obtained at the Equestrian Center and at the Whiting Center.

There are actually two separate nature walking path amenities within the boundaries of Bear Valley Springs. The one most people are fa-

miliar with is located in the meadow on the west side of Bear Valley Road, between the CSD and the Beaubian Ball Fields. Pedestrians, bicycles, and dogs kept on leash are welcome on this walking path. The second nature walking path is located at the end of Pinedale Drive. Pedestrians, horses, and dogs kept on leash are welcome at this amenity; however, bicycles, motorized vehicles of any sort, and animals other than equines and dogs, are not allowed.

R/C Model Airfield and Car Track

Bear Valley Springs also has an R/C model and drone facility that boasts a 450’ model airstrip, an R/C car off-road track, and a pond (Jack’s Hole) for R/C boat enthusiasts to enjoy. During the wetter months, Jack’s Hole also serves as a seasonal amphibious R/C aircraft “runway” for taking off and landing on water. Only members in good standing, and their guests, may use the R/C model airfield, car track, and Jack’s Hole.

Gun Range

Members in good standing who possess a valid amenity card may use the BVS Gun Range after taking and passing the BVS gun safety proficiency test and completing a supplemental liability release form. Members may bring guests to the gun range; however, all guests must first take and pass the BVS gun range safety exam, and pay the \$10 per day guest fee. Guests must always be accompanied by their BVS resident sponsor while at the range. Guests unaccompanied by BVS members are not allowed at the gun range.

BVS Rangers/ Frequent Violations

You can expect to see Rangers patrolling at all of the BVS amenities this summer. Rangers perform many duties that help to preserve and protect our amenities and the local wildlife in our community. Please remember that the Rangers work for you, our BVS homeowners and residents! They work to protect your amenity dollars by ensuring that only authorized users and their guests are utilizing the limited space and resources at our amenities. Rangers also provide the service of rule compliance and may write violations for infractions. When dealing with first time rule violators, Rangers will always first seek to be friendly and to educate; however, for repeat offenders who dismiss the Rangers’ directives, written violations will be issued that carry harsher penalties,

as well as BVS Board intervention. Here is a short list of the most common rule infractions that Rangers encounter on a daily basis:

- 1) Members with dogs off leash.
- 2) Unauthorized guests at our parks, lakes, and other amenities.
- 3) Guests of members who show up at the lakes with only a road permit, no BVS sponsor present, and no temp amenity pass on their person.
- 4) Guests of members fishing without a fishing permit.
- 5) Unauthorized camping and campfires.
- 6) Motor vehicles or bicycles on the Equestrian/Hiking Trails.
- 7) Harassing or feeding of wildlife – failing to give a wide enough berth to allow natural habits and movement to take place.
- 8) Unauthorized vehicles left overnight or abandoned in our amenity parking lots and campgrounds.
- 9) Feeding wildlife – please don’t feed bread to ducks, doughnuts to the elk, or grain, water, or salt licks to deer.

Our Rangers have developed a unique and cooperative partnership with the Bear Valley Police Dept., the Kern County Sheriff’s Dept., the Kern County Fire Dept., and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. BVS Rangers act as an extra set of eyes and ears on the ground, assisting these agencies with a number of tasks such as vehicle and suspect identification, wildlife poaching investigations, roadkill removal, and rescuing lost hikers, to name a few. BVS Rangers also provide community service and outreach by helping to educate our community about the local wildlife through lectures and day-to-day interactions; by mitigating wildlife road crossings, and by disposing of roadway trash and dead animals.

Rules of the Road: Equestrian Crossings

Horses are prey animals whose natural reflex action is to spook, turn, or bolt when frightened by loud vehicles or machinery, unfamiliar terrain or objects, and even other animals such as dogs, goats, etc. Due to the unpredictable behavior of horses, they have the right of way on trials over hikers, and they have the right of way over motor vehicles while crossing roadways. Section 21759 of the California Motor Vehicle Code provides that the driver of any vehicle approaching a horse-drawn vehicle or person on horseback must slow down or stop as appropriate under the circumstances to avoid frightening the horse or other-

wise endangering horse and rider.

It rarely happens, but on occasion I see drivers roaring past horses, yelling and honking; I can only imagine because they felt inconvenienced by having to slow down or briefly stop. These motorists are violating the law and endangering the horse, rider, and themselves, as well. In such a case, if a non-compliant driver were to cause an accident resulting in injuries to horse or rider, the driver of the car would be found to be at fault.

Wild Animal Crossings

You will find that deer, elk, bunnies, raccoons, bobcats, foxes, snakes, squirrels, lizards, and other wild animals will frequently cross the roadway in front of you while you are driving. Please try to remember to keep alert for wildlife in the roadway. Keep your head on a swivel and continuously check the sides of the road for animals that may be about to cross. Decreasing your speed will help greatly to prevent the needless loss of animal life, and will also spare you from incurring costly damage to your motor vehicle!

Liability Forms

A number of activities at our amenities require that our members fill out supplemental liability paperwork. For instance, members are required to fill out liability forms in order to use the weight room at the Whiting Center, the Gun Range, and to participate in the BVS July 4th parade. Likewise, members wishing to use any of the Equestrian facilities, (including the trail system), must also complete an equine liability form prior to using the facilities or trails. Member guests wishing to use the Equestrian Center or Equestrian/ Hiking trails must also complete an equine liability form prior to using the facilities or trails and must also pay a guest fee. Guests must also possess a temporary amenity pass if their sponsoring host member will not be present.

Conclusion:

As familiar as I am with our various amenities and rules, there are probably a few key points I may have missed. For more information and a complete set of BVS amenities and rules, you may visit the BVSA website located at <http://bvsa.org>, stop by the BVSA Main Office located at 29541 Rollingoak Dr., or visit the Whiting Center located at 26940 Bear Valley Road.

Until next time, stay safe out there, have fun, and enjoy our lovely Bear Valley Springs summer weather! 🐾

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Sportsman’s Club back in action with events planned

Submitted by
Will Handley
BVS Sportsman’s Club

After more than a year in suspended animation, the Sportsman’s Club is now coming back to life.

At first we all felt a little dazed and wondered what had hit us. Had we really “lost” a whole year? Had the world changed whilst we were locked down? Lastly, could we return to normality? The answer to all these questions is, fortunately, yes.

With our return to normality, we started our program of events with the Chili Cook Off and Golf Tournament in June, then made arrangements for our Hot Dog Stand at Cub Lake for the 4th of July festivities. For August, we are already making arrangements for our Annual Deep Pit BBQ, with a work party preparing the Deep Pit, which needed some maintenance before use this year.

We are also planning ahead for further events in August and September and will be announcing them as and when details and dates are finalized. We are also looking into opportunities for outings, as places to visit and events open up around the county and the state.

Over the past year, we have lost a number of members, as several have moved away to be closer to their families. We look forward to meeting the people who have moved into the valley during the past year and plan to organize activities that will appeal to our new residents.

If you want to know more about the Bear Valley Sportsman’s Club, please contact the Club Secretary, Will Handley
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(will.handley@live.com) or just come along to the Club’s monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month in the Garden Room at the Oak Tree Country Club. 🐾



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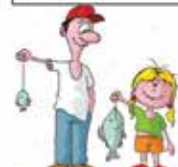
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to know that it's illegal to cause a drone to crash. Under federal law, it is a felony to willfully damage or destroy aircraft. 18 U.S.C. § 32.

Other rules and waivers are imposed for drone operators conducting commercial and government operations, like power line and building inspections, real estate overview, wildlife surveys, and wildfire location. These generally require a knowledge test, a license, and permission from local authorities.

Drone History

The history of remotely controlled, or radio-controlled (R/C), aircraft is as old as aviation itself. A hundred years ago, the first generation of these aircraft were equipped with simple autopilots to maintain a speed, altitude, and direction. These drones were mainly flown as targets for military gunnery training or equipped with a camera for

reconnaissance photography. In parallel to this aviation history, communities of hobby model builders have grown into R/C clubs around the world, which host competitive contests as well as training programs for youth. Our own Bear Valley Radio Control Club, with its airfield near Jack's Hole, also has a racecar track and uses the lake for R/C boats and float planes. Drones are flown at the airfield very infrequently, with most members flying winged aircraft models. This community of responsible hobby enthusiasts is traditionally self-governing, with strict adherence to self-imposed rules and those set by our community association as well as the FAA. Membership is also with the Academy of Model Aeronautics, which promotes youth education and regional and national competitions. The aviation world, always interested in accomplishing missions safer and more

cost-effective, is adapting to drone use for traditional roles like aerial surveys and inspections of real estate, pipelines, power lines, buildings, bridges, towers, wildlife, agricultural fields, atmospheric science, search and rescue, law enforcement, film industry, news reporting, and many more. My experience, as a NASA research pilot, includes flying wildfire location missions up to 20 hours long over the western U.S., while sitting in a ground control station at Edwards Air Force Base. We demonstrated various sensors, communications, computing processes, and procedures, ensuring air traffic safety clearance with the FAA, that enabled fire fighters to rapidly and precisely locate hot spots and fire lines obscured by smoke and rough terrain. Their accolades included this: "Lives and property saved thanks to NASA's drone". The FAA is coping with a very rapid evolution in drone

development and capabilities and regulating this is a time-consuming effort. The latest rules and status can be found on their website (source information is below).
Information sources:
BVS R/C Modelers Club: Dan Mason, 661-203-8398.
BVSA Radio Control Airfield: <https://www.bvsa.org/amenities/radio-controlled-model-drone-flying-field>
BVSA Association Rules (R/C Rules are Article 21): <https://www.bvsa.org/documents-library>
Academy of Model Aeronautics: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/>
Federal Aviation Administration: https://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational_fliers/
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Police Sergeant, and one full-time officer. When all vacant positions are filled, the BVPD will once again provide full 24/7 coverage with officers on duty around the clock. Despite the lack of staffing, the BVPD maintains an average response time of 3:48 minutes⁴ in addition to all other services provided. Two of our officers are BVS residents, and all are proud to serve this beautiful community.
⁴Prior to 1997 this was known as a Public Safety Assessment; it may ONLY be used for Police and Dispatch

salaries and benefits
²https://www.bakersfield.com/news/as-deputy-ranks-dwindle-kern-county-sheriffs-office-reaches-a-staffing-crisis/article_0d12e490-947d-11e9-b02a-ebb4f5ee2939.html
³https://www.bakersfield.com/news/settlement-between-kcso-and-justice-department-draws-mixed-reactions/article_51643c34-457f-11eb-b43f-630d25e79588.html
⁴As of April 2021. The average response time for each month and a year-to-date list is included in the Public Safety Staff Report in the Board Package each month.

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– The driver of any vehicle approaching any horse-drawn vehicle, any ridden animal, or any livestock shall exercise proper control of his vehicle and shall reduce speed or stop as may appear necessary or as may be signaled or otherwise requested by any person driving, riding or in charge of the animal or livestock in order to avoid frightening and to safeguard the animal or livestock and to ensure the safety of any person driving or riding the animal or in charge of the livestock.

This section applies whether the rider is on a roadway or riding on a trail easement alongside the road. If a rider indicates to a driver that they need to stop, then the driver must respond. Think of a cat creeping up on a bird. Now imagine the car is the cat, and the horse is the bird. A slow, steady movement that swings wide to avoid the animal is less threatening than a fast charge or a creeping motion.

Equestrian Crossings
Section 21805 of the CVC – The driver of any vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to any horseback rider who is crossing the highway at any designated equestrian crossing, which is marked by signs as prescribed in subdivision (a). (c) Subdivision (b) does not relieve any horseback rider from the duty of using due care for his or her own safety. No horseback rider

shall leave a curb or other place of safety and proceed suddenly into the path of a vehicle which is close enough to constitute an immediate hazard.
Some of our crossings are on curves or hilly sections where equestrians may not see cars coming. Drivers must be aware and ready if someone is in the intersection as they round the bend or crest the hill. When stopping, it is best to stop well before the lines demarcating the crossings – at least 10 or 15 feet. Don't creep once you have stopped – creeping is a predatory movement that threatens the horse.

Riding on a Road
Section 21050 of the CVC – Every person riding or driving an animal upon the road has all of the rights and duties of a vehicle driver. This means that equestrians are expected to obey traffic laws, including riding with traffic and signaling turns.
Equestrians also have responsibilities in this relationship. We need to prepare our horses, follow the laws and help drivers know what to expect from us. Remember those hand signals we all learned for our drivers' tests years ago? This is where we put them into real-world use! Be safe and be considerate of your neighbors whether they're on horseback or in a vehicle. Take time to take care of each other and avoid a tragedy.



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ADOPTED CHANGES TO BVSA RULES

TEXT OF ADOPTED CHANGES to BVSA Rules

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Article 17

SECTION 1702. ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES WITH NOTICE AND HEARING

3) **Enforcement:** The Board has the power and authority to take one or more of the following actions: *(Amended 6/10/13)*

A. Levy a Special Assessment to cover the cost of the enforcement as provided in the C&Rs.

B. Levy up to the following fines in addition to or in lieu of the Special Assessment, to be effective 30 days following the Board’s action:

LACK OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE APPROVAL FOR:	
VIOLATION	FINE UP TO
<u>Unapproved Grading Sec. 105.B.1 and Sec. 110</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
Construction of any building including but not limited to houses, guesthouses, garages, barns, carports, sheds, or any other building Sec. 200.C, E, 201, 202	\$ 5,000.00 <u>\$20,000</u>
Construction of any temporary accessory tarp-like structures, fences, corrals, solar panels, horse/animal shelters, chicken coops Sec. 202.B, and 202.L	\$500.00
Oak Tree removal Sec. 106.B.	\$5,000.00
Oak Tree trims Sec. 106.A	\$3,000.00
Exterior colors Sec. 101.A.	\$1,500.00
Roofing Sec. 500	\$1,500.00
Failure to call for, obtain and complete a foundation (footing) form inspection by ECC Sec. 304	\$1,000.00
Unauthorized signs Sec. 115	\$500.00
Doing business without permit, including Occupation Permit or Yard Sale permit Sec. 103	\$150.00 <u>\$500.00</u>

VIOLATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE RULES OR BVSA RULES	
VIOLATION	FINE UP TO
Incomplete Construction Sec.300.A and 301	\$5,000.00
Abandoned, inoperable or junked vehicles Sec. 107A.	\$2,000.00
Recreational Vehicles BVSA Rules Article 16	\$2,000.00
Primary residence siding in need of paint or maintenance Sec. 102.B. Primary residence trim, fascia, doors/garage doors, in need of paint Accessory structure or propane tank screen in need of paint	\$2,000.00 \$750.00 \$500.00
Materials, equipment, trash/storage matter visible to the public Sec. 112 and 114	\$2,000.00
Nuisance/Noxious Activity Sec. 117	\$2,000.00
Commercial vehicle parked or stored on lot Sec. 107B.	\$1,000.00
Roof on primary residence in disrepair Sec. 102 Roof on accessory structure in disrepair	\$1,000.00 \$500.00
Animal violations, including but not limited to, excessive number, possession of animal not permitted under the Association Rules, no leash, excessive noise/barking; aggressive animal behavior. BVSA Rules Article 19	\$1,000.00
Absence of trash bin/chemical toilet at construction site Sec. 217 A and B	\$1,000.00
Weeds/Dead Trees/Fire Hazard Sec. 102.E and 118	\$1,000.00
Fence in disrepair Sec. 102.C. and 120	\$750.00
Signs Sec. 115	\$500.00
Lighting Sec. 113 and Sec. 114.A.5	\$500.00
Unscreened/improperly screened propane tank or propane tank screen in need of repair Sec. 102.B. and 120.C.1	\$250.00 <u>\$500.00</u>
Tarp-Unapproved color Sec. 109	\$250.00 <u>\$500.00</u>
Other violations: Any other violation not expressly stated	\$5,000.00 <u>\$20,000</u>

(Amended 10/21/06; 4/10/08)

Purpose and Effect of Proposed Changes:

To increase fines for unapproved grading, running businesses without an occupation permit, or other violations.

ADOPTED ECC Rule Change

TEXT OF ADOPTED CHANGES

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SECTION 601. BVSA Board Enforcement

When the ECC informs the BVSA Board of Directors that compliance with these ECC Rules and/or the C&Rs has not been achieved despite the ECC’s efforts, the BVSA Board will proceed in accordance with the applicable administrative procedure adopted by the Board and appended to the Association Rules and incorporated by reference in Section 1702 of the Association Rules, as those Rules may be amended from time to time. Failure of the Board of Directors or the ECC to enforce the C&Rs, Bylaws, Association Rules, and/or these ECC Rules shall not constitute a waiver of the right to enforce any or all of them at a later time. The remedies set forth in these ECC Rules and the other Governing Documents of the Association are cumulative and none is exclusive.

A. ECC to enforce BVSA Rules in Article 17, as written.

(Amended effective 2-10-08)

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The RC model car track is up and running again!

Submitted by
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RC Modelers Club Member

For the last few years, we have had visitors come to the RC flying field, which is behind the transfer station and next to Jack's Hole. They would see what we were doing and ask us some questions about our RC planes. But come to find out, what they really wanted to know is when was the RC car track going to be refurbished. Well, thanks to some members of our RC Modelers Club and the support of the BVSA, the RC car track is refurbished and ready to run. The track sits a few hundred feet behind the Flying Field runway and adjacent to Jack's Hole. The track consists of an oval and a more intricate inside loop with several jumps and turns. Running and racing these cars is great fun for everyone and is a great way for parents and grandparents to bond with their kids and grandkids!

As a club, we are happy for this new addition and would



love for you to come and join us for some RC fun. We meet as a group to fly our airplanes on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 8 a.m. Some of us will stick around and race our cars starting at about 10 a.m.

Many people are not aware of this great amenity that we have here in Bear Valley Springs. We love this amenity and want to get more people involved. We are planning an open house event so that more people can come and enjoy the fun. Our Open House will be on Saturday, July 17, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. We will provide a hot dog lunch starting at 11 a.m.

For me, personally, I love this amenity and look forward to meeting with my new friends every Wednesday and Saturday. When my wife and

I moved here almost three years, I was not sure what I was going to do to keep busy. I figured I would play some golf, but then someone introduced me to RC flying and I got hooked. There is something about watching a plane float beautifully in the air that is hard to explain. Now I am getting into RC cars and can't wait to see what is next!

I hope that you can all come join in the fun!

Management Note: The model car track is not meant or designed for bikes. We are getting the word out to the kids and parents; please do not use this track for your bike and ruin all the hard work the club has done to bring this amenity back to life! 🐾

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