



# Bear Valley Springs Bear Tracks



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# Introducing 'Coffee with a Bear'

*A unique opportunity to connect with Bear Valley's finest*

We are excited to announce the launch of an exciting new program that promises to bring our community closer together: "Coffee with a Bear." This initiative, spearheaded by the Bear Valley Police Department, invites you to join us for coffee and a casual chat with your local officers.

At the heart of "Coffee with a Bear" are the dedicated men and women of the Bear Valley Police Department, who collectively have over 190 years of invaluable law enforcement experience. Seasoned veterans with decades of service are committed to serving and protecting the residents of

Bear Valley with professionalism, integrity, and compassion.

The premise of "Coffee with a Bear" is simple, yet profound. Once a month, residents are invited to join us for an informal gathering at various locations or community centers. These meetings provide a relaxed and welcoming environment for residents to interact with officers, ask questions, share concerns, or simply get to know the faces behind the badges.

The benefits of "Coffee with a Bear" are manifold. By providing a platform for open dialogue and interaction be-

tween police and residents, the program helps to humanize officers and break down barriers, fostering a sense of mutual respect and trust. Residents can voice their concerns, seek advice, or simply share a friendly conversation with the officers committed to keeping our community safe.

Moreover, "Coffee with a Bear" is a forum for proactive community engagement and crime prevention. Officers not only listen to the concerns and feedback of residents, but also share valuable insights, resources, and crime prevention tips. Together, residents and officers can work hand-in-hand to address local issues, enhance public safety, and build a stronger, more resilient community.

As the Bear Valley Police Department launches the

"Coffee with a Bear" program, we invite all residents to join us for an upcoming meeting. Whether you're a long-time resident or a newcomer to Bear Valley, everyone is welcome to pull up a chair, grab a cup of coffee, and engage in meaningful dialogue with the officers who are dedicated to serving and protecting our community.

So, mark your calendars for May 8, 11 a.m., and plan to attend the next "Coffee with a Bear" at the Todd Landers Pavilion (Mulligan Room patio). Together, let's build bridges, foster connections, and create a safer, more united Bear Valley for generations to come. We look forward to seeing you there!

— **The Bear Valley Police Department**

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Submitted by  
**Bear Valley  
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background, as Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon thundered from the speakers. What a wonderful time. You can still enjoy the star talk experience at the SAGE Planetarium, part of Palmdale school district, which is not too far from us in Bear Valley Springs. They provide public shows three times a month.

Thanks to the wonders of modern cell phones, we no longer need to go any farther than our own back yard to get the original tour of the night sky experience. You can download one of many planetarium apps to your phone and make looking at the night sky educational, as well as spectacular. Two popular apps that are available are Sky Safari and Stellarium mobile. They are available on your phone's app store and have free versions.



Once you have loaded one of these on your phone, go outside, fire up the app and hold it up to the sky. The apps use your phone's hardware to show what is in the sky, wherever you point it. You can find an object in the sky, hold the phone up near it, select the item on the screen and learn all about it. Or you can search for something, say Jupiter, and it will point the way to where it is. The apps will outline the constellations or provide artistic line drawings of the constellations, if you desire. Those

line drawings look like the ones shown at the planetarium those many years ago. In any event, the app will help with understanding what you are seeing and add to the wonder of the night sky that we can see from BVS.

If you are interested in learning more about using your planetarium app, come on out to the astronomy club's next public start party at Cub Lake. Bring your phone with a preloaded planetarium app and let's explore the night sky together. 🐾

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# You're invited to a BioBlitz!

Bear Valley Springs is a truly unique rural community. We are extremely fortunate as we live in a stunningly beautiful natural environment, surrounded by, and living in close proximity to, a diverse range of native plants, wildflowers, and wildlife.

The BVS Wildlife Coalition (WLC) is hosting a "BioBlitz" community event on Saturday, June 1, in BVS, with the aim of encouraging residents' participation to foster an appreciation

for nature, understand more about BVS's unique ecosystem, encourage community involvement in protecting our natural environment and, hopefully, inspire the next generation of scientists, community volunteers, and naturalists!

A BioBlitz event is a volunteer-based biological inventory in a given area. Residents, local scientists, professional naturalists, and amateur enthusiasts gather with the goal of identifying

as many species as possible within a specific time frame. This gives a "snapshot" of the biodiversity present.

A BioBlitz is great way to get everyone involved in a fun outdoor educational activity. You'll learn more about the natural wonders of the area in which we live, as well as the importance of biodiversity and conservation.

The WLC would like to invite all BVS residents to take part in our BioBlitz event. Participation is free and everyone is welcome. No special prior knowledge or experience is necessary. A great activity for the whole family!

Starting at Cub Lake, groups of residents will be taken on scheduled, guided walks led by experts, during which participants will examine and learn how to identify different species of animals and plants, and then record what kinds of animals and plants they see.

In addition to the BioBlitz itself, there will be a whole range of fun and educational activities, centered on wildlife, at Cub Lake. Everyone is invited to come along and take part. Amongst other attractions will be: animal and plant identification, demonstration on how to build a nest box for native songbirds, living bee hive (sealed!), plein air painting, animal coloring pictures and the WLC Photograph Competition.

Details about the BioBlitz and the individual Guided Groups, early registration, and information about the associated fun activities at Cub Lake will soon be available on the Wildlife Coalition website. Look for more information in eBuzz coming in May.

Visit [bvsWildlifeCoalition.org](http://bvsWildlifeCoalition.org) for additional information.

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Hello All,

I hope your spring is shaping up to be a beautiful and fun one! We are all excited for warmer weather and green hills. One thing we are also excited about is our Townhall event. This one will be slightly different from the ones in the past. Instead of an audience speaker format, we will be hosting departments and outside entities for you to ask specific questions. This allows the maximum amount of information sharing, and at the end of the event, every participant will have the opportunity to fill out a card for things they want to see change in the district, as well as comment on things they like in the district. This will give us the chance to have tangible feedback for forward progress. This is an important event for our valley, and we are excited to see you there. Below is our tentative itinerary.

11 a.m. – Welcome

11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Open house

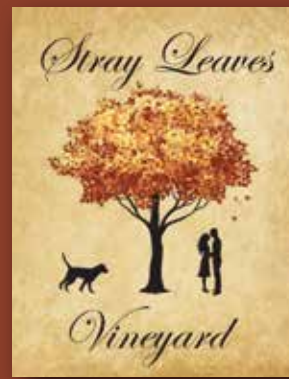
1 to 1:30 p.m – Tehachapi Cummings County Water District presentation

1:30 to 3 p.m. – Open House

3 p.m. – Last call for comment cards

Cards will be publicly available a week before for residents who want to drop off ahead of time, as well as at the event. The event will be held at the Whiting Center.

– Wes Shryock,  
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# Four Island Lake summer usage updates

Submitted by  
**Fred Hicks**  
Lake Quality Advisory  
Committee (LQAC)

As we enter the summer season, the LQAC will be implementing several major changes that we would like to make the Bear Valley Membership aware of. These changes are necessary to improve the health and safety of our lakes as they pertain to water quality and recreational use.

Water quality: For the 2024 summer season, the LQAC wants to inform the community that Bear Valley Springs Association has continued its contract with a professional licensed aquatic applicator who will be treating the lakes every two weeks from April through October 2024. These treatments will help to con-

trol algae, Cyanobacteria, and vegetation. They will also be applying a lake dye as needed to reduce sunlight penetration and will add bacteria/enzymes to digest organic matter (bottom muck). The treatments will be every two weeks. During these times, the lakes will be closed for recreational use until 12:00 noon. The treatment schedule will be posted on the BVSA website, in the Whiting Center, on the bulletin boards located by the lakes, and is listed below:

- Wednesday, April 3
- Wednesday, April 17
- Wednesday, May 1
- Wednesday, May 15
- Wednesday, May 29
- Wednesday, June 12
- Wednesday, June 26
- Wednesday, July 10

- Wednesday, July 24
- Wednesday, Aug. 7
- Wednesday, Aug. 21
- Wednesday, Sept. 4
- Wednesday, Sept. 18
- Wednesday, Oct. 2
- Wednesday, Oct. 16
- Wednesday, Oct. 30

Cyanobacteria (Blue green algae) update: Four Island Lake is monitored throughout the year and is sampled for cyanobacteria as necessary during the summer months. A lake dashboard is posted every two weeks during May through October on the bulletin boards located at both access points of Four Island Lake. Cyanobacteria information is reported to the state as changes occur. For up to date cyanobacteria status, please visit the California Water Boards' Harmful



Algal Blooms (HAB) Reports Map page and look up Four Island lake by either scanning the accompanying QR code or visiting the following link: [https://mywaterquality.ca.gov/habs/where/freshwater\\_events.html](https://mywaterquality.ca.gov/habs/where/freshwater_events.html)

If Four Island Lake is not listed on the California water Boards' HAB website this means that there has not been a cyanobacteria bloom listed and the lake is not currently under an advisory tier for cyanobacteria blooms. 🐾



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# Spring Trash Pickup needs participants!

A Spring Trash Pickup will be on Friday, May 17, and is sponsored by the Bear Valley Springs Horsemen's Association.

Join us picking up trash on roadsides, in gulleys and on trails that need it. We will be meeting at the Equestrian Center at 9 a.m. Please bring picker uppers if you have them (we have some) and gloves, bags will be provided.

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- **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 (February-October) @ Equestrian Center lounge. Dues are \$10.00. Contact Tammy Reich - bvsagardenclub@gmail.com.
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• **OAK TREE WOMEN'S GOLF** - Open play - Monday at 10:00; 9-hole playday - Wednesday at 10:00; 18-hole playday - Friday at 9:30. Those interested in playing or joining, contact the Pro Shop at 821-5144 or Joy Webber at 661-300-1536 or email: joyw2121@icloud.com.

• **PICKLE BALL** - Promote Pickle Ball Play. Contact Rhonda Arbolante, 661-428-7461, rhondaarbolante@gmail.com.

• **PONY CLUB** - The Bear Valley Springs Pony Club works with young riders, both English and Western, to develop their horsemanship and horse management skills. Contact Jena D'Cruz (661) 817-2173 or Jennifer Bankston (661) 204-1274.

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• **SWING DANCE CLUB** - Learn to swing dance Fridays in OTTC Banquet Room. R New dancers from 7:00 PM to 7:30, and intermediate dancers from 7:30 to 8:30 PM. Contact Brian at SwingDanceClub. BVS@gmail.com or 818-961-4622. Facebook BVS Swing Dance Club.

• **TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB** - Contact Tailwaggers President, Pam Miller, 661-203-5725.

• **TENNIS CLUB** - Contact Julian Leon at weedyleon@gmail.com.

## BVS SPECIAL INTERESTS AND ORGANIZATIONS

• **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings are held at Bear Valley Community Church, Rm. B, Monday, 5:30pm (Literature) - Tuesday, 5:30pm (Men's Stag), Tuesday 4:00 PM, (Wom-en's group), Thursday, 5:30pm (Participation). For More Information, please call: 661-202-8553.

• **BVS LAKE QUALITY GROUP** - Provides information on the quality of the Lakes in Bear Valley Springs. Please contact us at bvlqac@gmail.com

• **CERT** - Training BVS residents to be prepared and ready to serve in the event of a local disaster situ-ation. Contact David Shaw at tehachapicert@gmail.com, 661-609-8365, https://www.facebook.com/tehachapiCERT/

• **CO-ED SOFTBALL** - Come on out for a non-competitive pickup game of softball. It's perfect for any-one who can't run, throw, or catch but wants to get a little exercise and a lot of laughs. Ages 50+ Tues. and Thurs. 3:00 pm. All Ages Sundays at 3:00 pm. Contact Lisa Burt @ 821-0850 or the\_burt\_family@yahoo.com

• **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 Dan Mason @ (661) 203-8398

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# Summer Fishing Derby line up

Submitted by  
**Fred Hicks**  
Lake Quality Advisory  
Committee (LQAC)

For 2024, the LQAC is happy to announce a new derby to our summer fishing derby line up. In addition to the traditional holiday weekend's Bullhead Catfish derbies, the LQAC will be hosting a virtual tagged fish fishing derby from May 1 to Nov. 30. The tagged fish derby will help gather important data for the fish tagging study which the LQAC is currently conducting (April *Bear Tracks*). This should be a fun event which will provide the Bear Valley Springs community a chance to participate in an ongoing fisheries science project. The derby is being held with help from Copes Tackle and Rod in Bakersfield, Berkley, Abu Gar-

cia, Shakespeare, Plano, and Pflueger fishing companies. Winners will be notified via email, so please be sure to enter your email into the <https://fishtagger.com/> website when registering your catch. Prizes will be offered in the following categories:

- Most individual tagged fish caught of each tagged species: To qualify all entries must have a picture including the fish, registered at <https://fishtagger.com/>.
- The heaviest individual fish weighed of each tagged species: To qualify all entries must have a picture uploaded with the fish and its weight shown a scale, registered at <https://fishtagger.com/>.
- The heaviest combined catch of all tagged species: To qualify all entries must have a picture uploaded with the fish and its weight shown a scale

registered at <https://fishtagger.com/>.

• The most tagged fish caught of all species: This will be the grand prize. To qualify all entries must have a picture including the fish uploaded at <https://fishtagger.com/>.

Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day Bullhead Catfish derbies:

For the 2024 summer, the LQAC will again be conducting virtual Bullhead Catfish derbies over the summer holiday weekends. These derbies will run as follows:

- Memorial Day: May 24 through May 27
- July Fourth: July 4 through July 7
- Labor Day: Aug. 30 through Sept. 2

Fishing during this time will be free for all guests and residents. Prizes will be awarded to anglers under 16 years of



age. To enter, please email a photo with the angler's name and contact info to [BVLQAC@gmail.com](mailto:BVLQAC@gmail.com). Entry constitutes permission for BVSA to publish photos. 🐾

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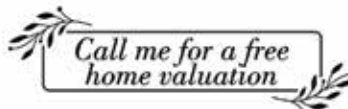
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**BETH HALL**

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# Veterans Memorial Day ceremony upcoming

The Bear Valley Springs Veterans Association will hold a Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 27, at the Cub Lake Veterans Memorial. It will begin at 2 p.m., sharp. Golf carts will be available for shuttles from the parking lot. Please arrive by 1:30 to secure a ride. Our Guest Speaker will be Greg Hahn, US Navy Veteran. We will be installing four Bear Valley Springs Veterans on the Columns of Honor."

Our monthly BINGO games at the Whiting Center, on the first Saturday of the month, continue to grow. We had 82 players at the April games. Our May 4 event will mark our 8th year anniversary and we will celebrate with a delicious sheet cake! Come on by for a fun afternoon. Doors open at 12:30 p.m., games begin at 1. 🐾

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**Lake Treatment**

**Closure 4-Island Lake for 2024**

Four Island Lake, beach, and docks will be closed during the dates below.

Swimming will be prohibited until noon, and the entire lake area will again be open for public use.

- Wednesday, April 17th
- Wednesday, May 1st
- Wednesday, May 15th
- Wednesday, May 29th
- Wednesday, June 12th
- Wednesday, June 26th
- Wednesday, July 10th
- Wednesday, July 24th
- Wednesday, August 7th
- Wednesday, August 21st
- Wednesday, September 4th
- Wednesday, September 18th
- Wednesday, October 2nd
- Wednesday, October 16th
- Wednesday, October 30th



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11:15 - 1:00 Open house

1:00- 1:30 TCCWD presentation

1:30- 3:00 Open house

3:00 Last call for comment cards

\*Comment cards will be publicly available a week before for residents who want to drop off ahead of time as well as at the event.

Send comments and suggestions to:  
townhall24@bvcsd.org \*this is a no reply email\*

\*Townhall will be held at the Whiting Center.



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# ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION



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see other flyer for Balloon information.

07-04-2024

## THURSDAY

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### BEAUBIEN FIELD

- 5:30 AM HOT AIR BALLOONS
- 6:30 AM PANCAKE BREAKFAST

### AT THE OTCC PARKING LOT

- 9 AM PARADE STAGING AREA
- 10 AM - INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE FEATURING GRAND MARSHALL  
US NAVY (RETIRED) JIM PETERSON
  - VETERANS MEMORIAL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE AT  
THE FLAG POLE CUB LAKE

### AT CUB LAKE

- 11:30 AM 4TH OF JULY FESTIVAL BEGIN -
- 11:30-12: "MOVE IT WITH MARGARET"
- 12 PM ALL ACTIVITIES, BOOTHS, EXHIBITS, BEER TRUCK, FOOD, AND  
BOUNCE HOUSES
  - 12 - 4 PM ON THE STAGE "OVERDRIVE"
  - 4:30 FESTIVITIES END FOR THE DAY

07-05-2024

## FRIDAY

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### BEAUBIEN FIELD

- 5:30 AM - HOT AIR BALLOONS
- 6:30 AM- PANCAKE BREAKFAST

### AT CUB LAKE

- 9 AM- 4:30 PM FESTIVAL
- ALL ACTIVITIES - BOOTHS, EXHIBITS, BEER TRUCK, (11 AM) FOOD &  
BOUNCE HOUSES



## FRIDAY CON'T)

### FOUR ISLAND LAKE

- 9:30 AM BOAT PARADE CHECK IN
- 10 AM BOAT PARADE BEGINS - BOAT RACES BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE

### CUB LAKE STAGE

- 12 PM TO 4:30 PM "GRIEVANCES"
- 4:30 PM FESTIVITIES FOR THE DAY END

06-06-2024

## SATURDAY

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### AT Beaubien field

- 5:30 AM HOT AIR BALLOONS
- 6:30 AM PANCAKE BREAKFAST

### AT CUB LAKE

- 6:30 AM 5K RUN CHECK-IN BEGINS
- 7:30 AM 5K RUN BEGINS
- 8:30 AM 1K RUN BEGINS AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE PARK
- 9 AM ALL ACTIVITIES BOOTHS, EXHIBITS, BEER TRUCK (11 AM) FOOD, AND BOUNCE HOUSES OPEN

### AT CSD PARKING LOT

- 9 AM CAR SHOW CHECK-IN
- 10 AM - 12 PM CAR SHOW
  - 12 PM JUDGING
- 1:30 AWARDS

### AT CUB LAKE

- 12 - 4 PM STAGE "DJ KNOTTHEAD"
- 4:30 PM END OF THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

07-07-2024

## SUNDAY

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### AT CUB LAKE

- NO 4TH OF JULY FESTIVITIES

**POOL IS OPEN THURS. FRI. SAT, AND SUN 10 AM- 7 PM**



# Bear Valley Pony Club

Submitted by  
**Jena D'Cruz**  
BVS Pony Club

There is a quote by Helen Thompson that I just love: "In riding a horse, we borrow freedom." I have the privilege to see this thought come vividly and beautifully to life each weekend when I watch the members of the Bear Valley Springs Pony Club warming up their horses and then working on new skills with their trainers. After lessons, some of our older riders go on little trail rides together with their friends. What could be more wonderful for these young people? Their lives are extra busy with school, homework, chores, extra-curricular activities, sports, and schedules. But riding on their horses, at least for an hour or



so, things are simple and free and glorious.

Our members have enjoyed plenty of riding and lots of learning this winter. Our trainers, Erika Underwood and Lauren Owen, ensure that weekly mounted lessons are fun and engaging and that each rider and their mount are growing and learning. In addition to our regular riding lessons, we have also been



working with local dressage trainer, Chemaine Hurtado, through a series of fabulous mini clinics to introduce our members to both classical and Western dressage. It's been so neat to see our members try new things and improve their connections with their horses!

We have also enjoyed some wonderful "unmounted" lessons, where we focus on learning about horse management, horsemanship, safety, and health. Most recently, we had a special guest bring real horse legs and hooves to examine and dissect. Certified Journeyman Farrier, Sean Lorenzana, led us all in an impressive and thorough lesson in anatomy that we will not soon forget! Anatomy lessons are so much more interesting and impactful in person than in a book.

As the days begin to grow longer and warmer, we are looking forward to plenty of time in the saddle, a busy show and play day season, and some super fun horse campouts. We also plan to have a week-long day camp this summer, which promises to be a great week of furthering horsemanship and lots of good times hanging out with our barn friends. Most of our activities, both mounted and unmounted, take place at our Equestrian Center. Our club is so grateful to be able to en-

joy these beautiful facilities and we so appreciate the professional and hard-working Equestrian Center staff.

Finally, we VERY excited to invite the community out to support our club at our first ever dinner fundraiser and equestrian fashion show at our own fabulous Oak Tree Country Club! Please consider joining us on June 14, from 6 to 9 p.m., for a delicious dinner, an exciting equestrian fashion show, and a wonderful silent auction and raffle. It will be so much fun and we can hardly wait! Tickets are \$100 per person and all proceeds from the evening will ensure that our club can continue to grow, thrive and serve the youth in this amazing community. We are seeking donations of new items and gift certificates for our silent auction and raffle. Additionally, we are offering Pony Club sponsorship opportunities at several levels. We cannot thank this community enough for your support of the Pony Club! Your generosity and your encouragement of this next generation of equestrians is one of the things that makes our community so special.

For more information and/or for tickets to the fundraiser, please contact Jena D'Cruz at 661-817-2173. 🐾

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## May 2024 Whiting Center Events

### SPORTS

- **T-ball/Rookie League** Sign-ups now through May 19th  
Late Fees May 11th - May 19th add \$15
- **Baseball Camp sign-ups**
  - Resident April 8th - June 15th \$95
  - Non-Resident April 22nd - June 15th \$120
  - Late Fees June 6th-June 15th Resident \$110
  - non-Resident \$150
- **Basketball League Sign-ups** Residents May 27th - Aug. 4th  
\$95 Non-Residence June 10- Aug. 4th \$120 Late Fees add \$15

### Events

- **4TH of July sign-ups** - register for 4th of July Parade, Car Show, 5k/1k, Vendor spaces, and boat races at [bvsa.recdesk.com](http://bvsa.recdesk.com)
- **BALLOON RIDE**- sign ups in person at the Whiting Center
  - June 8th 10-2 pm, June 10th 4-7pm, June 22nd 10-2pm if needed. \$50 registration fee see flyer for more info.
- **Vets Bingo**, Sat. May4th, doors open at 12:30 games start at 1 pm
- **Tailwaggers**- May 8th "Read to Dogs" 2:45-4 pm Game Room
- **CSD Townhall Meeting** - May 11th -4 pm Gymnasium for more details contact CSD at 661-821-4428
- **POOL OPENS** - May 25th see flyer for more details
- **Tehachapi Minimum Days 2-3:30**
  - May 8th - Dodgeball
  - May 22nd RC Modelers

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Recreation Director - Ashley Krempien  
Pool Supervisor - Jessica Bennett

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**LIMIT OF 3 GUESTS PER TRACK/LOT**

ALL MEMBERS & GUESTS MUST SIGN THE  
BVSA 2024 RELEASE OF LIABILITY WAIVER  
BEFORE ENTERING THE POOL AREA

Monday - Friday	FROM	TO
*Lap Swim*	6:00am	8:00am
Swim Team (fee required)	8:00am	9:30am
Aerobics (fee required)	9:45am	11:00am
Swim Lessons (fee required)	11:20 am	12:20pm
Open Swim	12:30pm	6:50pm
*Lap Swim*	7:00pm	8:00pm

\*NO evening lap swim Friday and Saturday evenings.

Sat & Sun & Holidays	FROM	TO
*Lap Swim AM*	7:00am	9:30am
Private Swim Lessons - (Sat)	9:30am	10:00am
Open Swim - (Sat)	10:10am	8:00pm
Open Swim - (Sun)	10:10am	6:50pm
*Lap Swim PM* - (Sun)	7:00pm	8:00pm

\*Lap swimmers must meet the defined qualifications of the lap swim etiquette rules.\*

**Morning aerobics classes taught by  
Certified Instructor Marti Sprinkle -  
MEMBER fee is \$40/month, or \$5/class  
GUEST fee is \$100/month, or \$10/class**

**\*ALL SCHEDULED DATES, TIMES,  
& FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**

### SPECIAL EVENTS POOLSIDE:

- May 25th: Pool opens for Memorial Day weekend
- June 3-June 7 (Mon-Fri) pool is open for lap swimming and water aerobics class only...subject to change
- June 8 (Saturday): Pool is now open everyday!
- August 2nd (Friday) End of Summer Hurrah! Luca (PG) and Lite swim (10pm) - located poolside
- August 6th (Tuesday), last weekday the pool is open
- September 2nd (Monday) Labor Day - pool is open holiday hours
- The month of September pool will be open Saturday and Sunday only for open swim.
- September 29th (Sunday) Pool closes for the season
- September 30th (Monday) Pool will remain open for lap swim and water aerobics, but dates and times may vary

### Group Swim Lessons

First Child: \$50 Additional Children: \$45 Each  
Non-residents \$80 (sign-ups Friday only, after 12 pm)

**EACH CLASS IS 30 MINUTES LONG, AND ONLY EIGHT  
PARTICIPANTS PER CLASS**

Enrollment is on a 1st come 1st served basis - Registration starts at 8:00 am- 4:00 pm the week before the lessons start

\* Sign-up for your level at the pool \*

- **SESSION 1: June 17th - June 28th**  
Registration Starts at 8:00 am Monday, June 10th
- **SESSION 2: July 8th - July 19th**  
Registration Starts at 8:00 am Monday, July 1st
- **SESSION 3: July 22nd - Aug. 2nd**  
Registration Starts at 8:00 am Monday, July 15th  
All sessions are Monday-Friday morning

- Parent & Me: #1 11:20 - 11:50
- Seahorse: #1 11:20 - 11:50 #2 11:50 - 12:20
- Jellyfish: #1 11:20 - 11:50 #2 11:50 - 12:20
- Manta Ray: #1 11:20 - 11:50 #2 11:50 - 12:20
- Jr Lifeguard: #1 11:50 - 12:20

Private lessons with a Red Cross Certified lifeguard \$30 per 1/2 hour.  
Sign up for a lesson at the pool shack. Guest private lessons are offered for \$50 per 1/2 hour, only with a valid BVSA resident sponsor.

### 2024 BVSA POOL RULES

- THE POOL IS AN AMENITY THAT IS "USE AT YOUR OWN RISK"
- DO NOT USE THE POOL IF:
  - You are not in good general health
  - Have been sick within the last 48 hours
  - Have had diarrhea within the last 14 days
  - Have a cast on of any kind
- NO GLASS OF ANY KIND IS PERMITTED INSIDE THE POOL AREA
- NO SNORKELS OR FACE COVERINGS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED IN THE POOL.
- DO NOT move the patio furniture!
- Only authorized swimwear that is commercially sold will be allowed in the pool-no cut-off pants or shorts.
- Each member 9 or older must show their Amenity Card and have the 2024 release of liability sticker at the pool gate.
- Ice chests, coolers, and similar containers shall not be brought into the pool area. However, they can be left outside the gate. (BVSA Rule 1103)
- Bringing alcoholic beverages into the pool area is prohibited.
- **NO SMOKING IN THE POOL AREA: THIS INCLUDES VAPING.**
- NO running, horseplay, or roughhousing in the pool area is allowed.
- NO flips, twists, or jumping backwards into the pool is allowed.
- NO squirt guns, water balloons, hard balls, rafts, recreational type flotation devices, diving into the shallow end, sitting on shoulders, climbing on rocks, or running in the pool area.
- NO vulgar or profane language in the pool area.
- A responsible adult must accompany children 13 and under. If they are 14 or older, please bring your children to the gate to ensure they are admitted. (BVSA Rule 1102c).
- A maximum pool capacity of 93 in water will be in effect, with a deck capacity of 150.
- Guests will be charged a \$5 guest fee per day AND MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PROPERTY OWNER. There is a limit of 3 guests per Track/Lot 13 years old and older. There is a limit of 3 guests per Track/Lot 12 and under. Children 5-12 are \$3; children 4 and under are free. Amenity Passes (without the resident) will NOT be honored.
- All swimmers may be required to prove their ability to swim.
- Property Owners must be in good standing to enter the pool area.

**Health Breaks, which consists of a 10-minute rest period for children 13 and under, requires that they are completely out of the water. This includes the baby pool. These will be enforced every hour on the hour, and only patrons 14 and up can swim during these 10 minutes. These breaks may be more frequent if capacity is reached.**



# Recreation report

Submitted by  
**Ashley Krempien**  
BVS Recreation  
Director

It is crazy to think that we are already approaching the summer months and all things outdoors. I am beyond excited for the sun to shine, to hear the splashing in the pool, the sounds of moonlight movies at the lakes, the roar of the 4th of July festival and the everyday play noises that come from happy families and children from all over Bear Valley, making the best of our wonderful amenities.

Last year, we introduced a new family program to our summer, Cubs Campout. This summer, we are thrilled to be bringing this event back and to offer two different weekends

for family fun. Cubs Campout is designed for parent and child, parent and multiple children, grandparents and grandkids, or whole families, to campout on our beautiful shoreline of Cub Lake right here in Bear Valley. This campout is supervised by master fishing guide, Fred Hicks, who will be sharing his fishing expertise with the children. He will bring out bait, different rods, and will assist in all capacity of fishing with the group. If you do not have your own fishing gear, there will be gear available to rent. Fishing experts will be available to talk to the group about different aspects of fishing. Last year, we had an expert fly fisherman come out and it was a great lesson about technique, different flies and where the best places are to fly fish.

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main idea for the Cubs Campout, don't let that stop you if you are not the fishing type. If you want to just take in the night air, enjoy a campfire, and sleep under the stars, this is the place for you and your family. There will be camping games, food, telescopes and s'mores! This is a one-night campout, from 10 a.m., Saturday to 10 a.m., Sunday. The price is \$45

per person and will include lunch, dinner and s'mores on Saturday, as well as breakfast on Sunday morning. There will be juice, soda, water and snacks available, as well. Campers are asked to bring their own sleeping gear and tent. If you do not have a tent, no problem. We have a small amount for rent, if needed.

The dates for our first camp

out will be June 22-23. Registration will open May 1 and run until June 17, or until full. We are taking 15 kids per campout, with their accompanying adult. Our second campout will be July 27-28. Registration will open May 1 and close when full, or on July 22. To register, visit [bvsa.recdesk.com](http://bvsa.recdesk.com). Please register each person, child and adult, attending the campout.

If you have questions or need help registering, you can call the Whiting Center at 661-821-6641, or email [ashleyk@bvsa.org](mailto:ashleyk@bvsa.org).

The recreation department is thrilled to have this campout back this year and to be offering a second date! We hope you and your little ones come join us for a night of fishing and fun on our beautiful lake shore. 🐾



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# Carriage Club Member Spotlight on Julie Renfro

We would like to introduce one of our newest members, Julie Renfro, to the diverse equestrian community here in Bear Valley Springs.

In 2022, Julie and her husband Peter, were drawn to this community after being invited to come for a day of teaching. Soon after their first visit, they decided to move here. As soon as the boxes were unpacked, well most of them, Julie became engaged with many of the horse clubs that the BVS

community offers and brushed off the recipe books for all the potluck dinners!

Julie's equestrian background started in her early teens, as she was fortunate to have parents that recognized that she needed a horse to coax her out of shyness. It worked! She was involved in FFA shows and projects with her horse, competed in Hunter Jumper (fearless), Halter, English and Western Pleasure, and later competed successfully in Western Dres-




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Having had a variety of breeds and types of horses, and as her curiosity grew, Julie wanted to find and bring out the best in her horses' natural talents. In 2001, Julie had the opportunity to leave her law enforcement career in order to spend countless hours riding with professionals and equestrians that have inspired her continued goals. This resulted

in hundreds of hours participating in and at Horse Expos, seminars and demonstrations.

Subsequently, Julie was recognized as a "Parelli Professional" and then embarked on a 12-year journey around all things equine, including many levels of experience, such as colt starting, problem-horse skills and her favorite – horse/human interactions. Julie is a firm believer there should be

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a balance of ground skills, as well as riding, and a respect for leadership in the horse and human relationship.

To round out her equine skills, Julie became certified through Equinology as a horse body-worker and massage therapist and also has extensive experience in saddle-fitting in all disciplines. Becoming a carded USEF judge in Western Dressage helped Julie to teach

refinement in the balance and movement of horses and riders.

One of Julie's favorite horse activities is to connect with her horses through "liberty" work, where horse and handler interact through a bond of trust, without any physical equipment connecting them.

Julie thoroughly enjoys meeting more like-minded people in this beautiful valley we all get to call home. 🐾

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**TEXT OF ADOPTED CHANGES**  
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**ARTICLE 18**

**AMENITY SPECIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**USE BY INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS**

*(Adopted 7/9/88 & Amended 1/18/92;*  
*Repealed & Adopted new 6/10/08)*

**SECTION 1800. PURPOSE AND**  
**SCOPE**

(a) The purpose of this Article is to accommodate reasonable "Special Uses" and "Commercial Uses" of the facilities amenities and common areas by groups of individuals where that use does not unduly conflict with the ordinary and regular use of facilities and common areas by Association Members; to provide for "Service Providers" for Association Members and to establish uniform criteria for Special Uses, Commercial Uses and Service Providers.

(b) As used in this Article, the following words and terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Special Use" means any use of an facility amenity or common area by any individual or group of individuals that is in addition to or materially different than the regular and ordinary use of the facility amenity or common area to which Members are entitled under the Governing Documents.

(2) "Special Use" shall not include any of the following:

(A) Association employees who provide services for Association Members and their guests for a fee, pursuant to employment contracts or within the scope of their employment.

(B) Persons who qualify as Service Providers under the provisions of Section 1809.

(C) Activities sponsored by the Association.

(3) "Special User" means any individual or group of individuals who applies for and is granted permission to make a Special Use of an facility amenity or common area in accordance with this Article.

(4) "Commercial Use" means any use through which the Special User collects fees, charges, rents, payments, or any other compensation for the use or occupation of the facility amenity or common area.

(5) "Commercial User" means any user who applies for and is granted permission to make a Commercial Use of an facility amenity or common area in accordance with this Article.

(6) Service Providers include, but are not limited to, instructors, coaches, and trainers who provide services for Association Members for a fee at an facility amenity or common area, under the conditions set out in Section 1809.

(7) (A) "Recognized Club" means any nonprofit club, group, or other association of persons, whether incorporated or unincorporated,

recognized by the Association as making a significant and material contribution to the social, welfare, educational, or recreational activities or interests of Association Members, comprised of fifteen or more members, the members of which consist solely of Association Members and Bear Valley Springs resident tenants who are non-Association members who have been assigned Use Privilege Cards under Section 305(fg). *(Amended 3-10-10)*

i. Individuals who are not Bear Valley Springs property owners, and are Recognized Club participant guests, must be sponsored by a Recognized Club Member who is a Bear Valley Springs property owner in good standing, or, a Bear Valley Springs tenant who has been assigned amenity privileges. *(Added 8/10/11)*

(B) The organizational documents of Recognized Clubs shall not conflict with the Governing Documents or purposes of the Association.

(C) All Recognized Clubs shall maintain an official roster of club members (including Name, Lot and Tract Numbers of Association Members and Bear Valley Springs resident tenants who are non-Association members who have been assigned Use Privilege Cards under Section 305(fg). *(Amended 8/10/11)*

(D) It is the responsibility of the Club to keep its membership list up to date and make the list available to the Association upon request. Association recognized groups approved prior to the effective date of this Article, shall file a roster of its members within sixty days after the adoption of this Article. *(Amended 12/10/12)*

(E) Except for Association recognized groups approved prior to the effective date of this Article, applications for Recognized Club status, as set out in Section 1812, must be filed with the Association Secretary and approved by the Board at its regular monthly meeting in order to be given Recognized Club status. *(Amended 12/10/12)*

(F) The Board of Directors may remove Recognized Club status if a club fails to meet status requirements. To maintain Recognized Club eligibility and the afforded privileges therein, the Recognized Club must:

(i) Adhere to all BVSA policies, rules and governing documents,

(ii) Annually file Club By-Laws, membership lists, and insurance coverage (as needed) with the BVSA and maintain (at least), the minimum membership threshold with BVSA members in good standing. *(Amended 9/10/12)*

(iii) Continue to operate with community in mind. Recognized Club status requires that clubs and organizations operate as a nonprofit organization.

*(Added 03/10/10)*

**The following groups will be given**  
**priority for scheduling:**

- (i) **Association Members**
- (ii) **Recognized Clubs**
- (iii) **And groups consisting solely of Association Members and their Families will be given priority in scheduling dates of Special and/or Commercial Use.**

Association Members, Recognized Clubs and groups consisting solely of Association Members and their families will be given priority in scheduling dates of Special Uses and Commercial Uses.

(c) This Article is applicable to all persons who make or request a Special Use of an facility amenity or common area for either profit or non-profit activities not conducted or sponsored by the Association.

**SECTION 1801. SPECIAL USE**  
**REQUEST AND AGREEMENT**

All users of an facility amenity or common area subject to this Article must execute the Section 1811 Special Use Request and Agreement. If the request is approved by the Facility Amenity Manager it will be sent to the General Manager or Board of Directors for final approval or denial, as provided in Section 1807. Until a Special Use Request and Agreement has been finally approved as provided under this Article, no person or group shall have any right to make a Special Use of an facility amenity or common area. Special Use request forms are available at each amenity. *(Amended 06/01/19)*

**SECTION 1802. FEES AND**  
**DEPOSITS**

(a)(1) Except as expressly provided otherwise in this Article, all Special Users of a facility amenity or common area shall be charged a rental fee, in an amount to be established by the Board, for the purpose of at least partially reimbursing the Association for the estimated overhead and administrative costs incurred by the Association because of the Special Use of the facility amenity, including, but not limited to, utilities and payroll costs. A Special User and/or commercial user that is otherwise subject to the rental fee may receive an exemption from this fee for an event if a significant percentage of the gross net revenue derived from the event will be used in Bear Valley Springs to contribute to the social, welfare, educational or recreational activities or interests of Association Members. The request for exemption must be in written form, addressed to the General Manager and include the gross net revenue from the event and the amount and purpose of the revenue that will be used in Bear Valley Springs. Approval or denial of the request will be at the discretion of the General Manager and the Board of Directors, who will so indicate their decision on the original of the request, which will be returned to the Special User, and will file a A copy of the request and disposition will be filed with the Association Secretary.

(2) Recognized Clubs shall be permitted to make Special Use of amenities and common areas without paying a rental fee and receive an exemption from a rental and/or commercial fee for an event if a significant percentage of the net revenue derived from the event will be used in Bear Valley Springs to contribute to the social, welfare, educational or recreational activities or interests of Association Members without paying a rental fee. There will not be a fee charged to Recognized Clubs for use of BVSA Facilities and/or equipment that the Recognized Club has built or has paid to be built. A fee schedule, established by the General Manager (or Board of Directors) will be applied for use of BVSA equipment by Recognized Clubs that BVSA staff must erect or transport, including but not limited to: tables, chairs, BBQ's and tents. Outside vendors, when utilized, shall have all appropriate health department certificates, insurance that indemnifies BVSA and signed release of liability.

*(Amended 02-10-11)*

(b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this Article, all Special Users of an amenity must, at the time of submitting the required Special Use Request and Agreement, deposit with the Association a cleaning and repair deposit in a reasonable amount established by the Board. If the Special User leaves the amenity as clean and in the same condition and state of repair as existed prior to the Special Use, the deposit will be refunded. The deposit shall be forfeited to the Association if any cleaning or repair is required.

(2) Repetitive Special Users may elect to have monies remain on deposit during the term of their reservations, which may not exceed twelve months.

(3) Recognized Clubs will be exempt from the cleaning and repair deposit requirement so long as the Club leaves the amenity or common area in a clean and good condition.

(c) (1) All Commercial Users must pay, in addition to the (a) rental fee required under Section 1802(a), a fee not to exceed twenty ten percent (20%) 10% of the Commercial User's gross net revenue derived or attributable to the Commercial User's use of the facility amenity or common area. This fee shall be due and payable to the Association promptly (but no later than two business days) after the end of the Commercial User's use of the facility amenity or common area.

(2) The Association reserves the right to inspect and audit the books and records of any Commercial User at any reasonable time to verify the gross revenue and the amount of the fee to be paid.

(3) Recognized Clubs are exempt from this fee.



### SECTION 1803. UNUSUAL AMENITY HOUR

If a facility an amenity or common area is kept open for a Special Use during unusual hours, (hours when the facility amenity or common area is normally closed), the Special User must reimburse the Association for all additional operational costs incurred by the Association for keeping the facility amenity or common area open during the unusual hours.

### SECTION 1804. CLOSURE OF FACILITIES

(a) Any request to close an facility amenity or common area entirely or partially, to general use by all Association Members in order to accommodate a Special Use, will require approval of the Facility Amenity Manager and the General Manager and must be stated in the Special Use Request and Agreement Form.

(b) In order to be considered for approval, the form must be executed by an Association Member and be submitted to the Association not less than 30 days in advance of the requested date of closure.

### SECTION 1805. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

(a) All Special Users and recognized clubs shall agree, by their use of Association facilities amenity or common area to indemnify and hold the Association free and harmless from all claims arising out of, or related to, the use of an facility amenity or common area.

(b) In addition, if the use of an amenity or common area includes activities or events that, in the sole discretion of the Facility Manager, General Manager or Board, involve a degree of risk or injury to or death of persons or damage to property, the Special User shall obtain at its sole expense, and maintain at all times during the Special Use, a policy of general liability insurance with policy limits satisfactory to the Association and naming the Association as an additional insured. If this insurance is required, the Special User must provide a certificate of insurance evidencing the policy to the Association at least five working days prior to the Special Use of the facility amenity or common area.

### SECTION 1806 ADVERTISING

(a) Any proposed advertising, solicitation, news items, or invitations to the general public (persons who are not Association Members or District residents) relating to Special Users must first be approved by the General Manager before publication, distribution or other dissemination.

(b) —The Association is not responsible in any manner whatsoever for the results of any unauthorized advertisement or solicitation. Any members of the general public responding **Bear Tracks**

to advertisements, solicitations or other similar materials not so approved, may be denied access to Special Use of the Community Facilities Amenities and Common Areas at the sole discretion of the General Manager.

(c) Any advertising, news items or invitations to the public relating to Special Uses permitted under this Article must include instructions describing the procedures for obtaining a road or guest pass required for public access into Bear Valley Springs and the Community Facility amenity or Common Area.

(d) It is the responsibility of the Special User to ensure that these instructions are included in any advertising, news items, or invitations, and the Association shall not be responsible for the instructions or a denial of access to members of the public that may result if the instructions are not given.

### SECTION 1807. SPECIAL USE REQUEST AND AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

(a) All Special Use Requests and Agreements must contain all terms of the Special Use.

(b) All Special Use Requests and Agreements must be signed by an authorized representative of the Special User and by an authorized representative of the Association, which may be the Facility Amenity Manager, the General Manager, or the Board President or designee, depending on the circumstances and as prescribed in subdivisions (c), (d) and (e).

(c) All requests for Special Use of facilities amenities or common areas by a Recognized Club must be approved by the Facility Amenity Manager unless the use will, to any substantial degree, preclude the use of the facility amenity or common area by other Association Members, in which case the request must also be approved by the General Manager.

(d) All requests for non-commercial Special Use of facilities amenities or common areas by any person or persons, must be approved by the Facility Amenity Manager and the General Manager.

(e) Except for Recognized Clubs, all requests for Commercial Use of facilities amenities or common areas must be approved by the General Manager and or the Board and the Special Use Request and Agreement must be signed by the Board President or his or her designated representative at least thirty (30) days before the requested use is to begin.

(f) In the event a Recognized Club needs to be displaced due to unforeseen circumstances, the Amenity Manager will attempt to give a two week notification to the Club and if available, provide an alternative location for the Club's use.

### SECTION 1808. TIME LIMITS

(a) Approvals or denials of Special Use requests will be made not less than seven (7) business days after receipt of the Special Use Request and Agreement by the Association representative responsible for approving or denying the request.

(b) Any Special Use for a period longer than eight (8) hours in any single day or for more than one day must be approved by the General Manager and or the Board.

(c) Special Use of amenities and common areas by Recognized Clubs on a regular, periodic basis, as for example, once per week, once per month, twice per month, quarterly, may be approved by the General Manager and or the Board, so long as a Special Use Request and Agreement is in effect covering those periods of time.

(d) Cancellations of approved Special Uses must be made by the Special User not less than ~~ten (10)~~ **three (3) days** prior to the first day of the requested Use.

### SECTION 1809. SERVICE PROVIDERS

(a) Service Providers (Providers) must meet all of the following conditions in order to maintain their status as Service Providers:

(1) Annually register with the Facility Amenity Manager and the Association and pay an annual administrative fee established by the Board. This registration process will include a registration card.

(2) Obtain at their sole expense, and maintain at all times during their services, a policy of general liability insurance with policy limits satisfactory to the Association and naming the Association as an additional insured. The Provider must provide a certificate of insurance evidencing the policy to the Association at least five working days prior to their use of the facility amenity or common area and indemnify and hold the Association and the District free and harmless from all claims arising out of, or related to, the use of the facility amenity or common area.

(3) Register any persons using their services with the Facility Amenity Manager and the Association. This must

include names and lots and tracts of Association Members and names and addresses of Bear Valley Springs resident tenants who are non- Association members who have been assigned Use Privilege Cards under Section 305(fg). In addition, Association Liability Release Forms for Adults and Minors, must be filed with the Association, and signed by any and all persons using their services, that indemnify and hold the Association and the District free and harmless from all claims arising out of, A related to, the use of an facility amenity or common area.

(4) May only provide services for Association Members and Bear Valley Springs residents who have been assigned Use Privileges Cards under Section 305(fg).

~~(5) May not, in the course of their services, partially or exclusively close an facility amenity or common area, or prohibit any other Association Members from the enjoyment of the facility amenity or common area due to the number of participants or extent of the usage.~~

(b) Providers that do not adhere to all portions of this subdivision will be deemed Commercial Users and are subject to all the provisions of this article applicable to them.

(c) Service Providers must check in at each service occurrence with Amenity Management/staff prior to providing any services and apprise staff of service length and clients served.

(d) Providers who are not Association Members will require a road pass furnished by the Association Member using their services, and be accompanied at all times by said Association Member.

### PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE

The purpose of this revision is clarification and update for special use of amenities by Special Users and Commercial Users of facilities/amenities and common areas

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