

THE YARROW POINT SUMMER NEWSLETTER TO THE POINT



THE YARROW POINT 4TH OF JULY

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

The Town of Yarrow Point acknowledges the Reopening of the State of Washington as approved and outlined by Governor Jay Inslee on June 29 and 30, 2021.

The Town held a Special Council meeting last night to review the Reopening and 4th of July Committee events. I want to thank our Council for their thoughtful consideration, their approval of events and the change of location to Town Hall. I also want to thank the efforts of the 4th of July Committee in spearheading these events that mean so much to our residents.

The Town continues to follow CDC and State covid guidelines. While facial coverings are not required for vaccinated individuals in outdoor settings and events, the Council wishes to emphasize again its concern for the safety of all the Town's residents and the importance for them to take prudent safety measures even during the Reopening. Unvaccinated individuals are strongly recommended to wear facial coverings if participating in these events.

Thank you and have a Happy and Safe 4th.
Mayor Dicker Cahill



Dear Points Residents –

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER AGAIN!

The Points July 4th festivities are an integral part of what makes our community so special.

Last year was the first and only interruption of this 40+ year time-honored tradition. This year we are bringing the festivities back!

Our events are 100% funded on donations. Please visit www.points4th.org/donations or mail/drop off a check at Yarrow Point Town Hall, payable to *Yarrow Point Community Association*, Attn: Points July 4th.

Thank you for your support – we could not continue this wonderful tradition without it! We can't wait to celebrate with you all.

Your Points 4th Committee,

Julie Lynch, Dana Gribble, Andrea Perry, Jayme Freeborn, Carrie Montague & Paige Green

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2021 Points July 4th Celebration *Schedule of Events* **WE'RE BACK!**

JULY 1-3

PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Pickleball Tournament first round games will begin July 1st and will continue through July 3rd with the semis and finals on the 3rd at Center Court (Yarrow Point Town Hall). To enter your team, please email names, ages, phone # and email to: pickleball4thourney@outlook.com by midnight on Friday, June 25th. If you have a pickleball court that you would like to offer for use during the tournament, please let us know!

JULY 2nd

7:00–9:30AM FISHING DERBY

Yarrow Point Beach End Dock

Our 14th Annual Fishing Derby event is a great way for kids and parents to have an enjoyable morning fishing together on the lake. Come early for a chance at the First Fish prize or go for the Most Fish prize. This event is designed for new and experienced anglers alike. Adult supervision required for children 12 and under.

JULY 3rd

11:00AM–12:30PM PET PARADE

Hunts Point Park

Calling all pets to participate in this year's Pet Parade theme of **Aloha Summer**. All of you longing for Hawaii, this is your chance to transport you and your pet to this tropical paradise! Be creative and bring your pets (and yourselves) dressed in theme just before 11am. Please have all pets leashed or contained.

5:00–9:00PM STREET DANCE

Yarrow Point Town Hall

Kids, decorate your trikes and bikes and head to Yarrow Point Town Hall for an event the whole family can enjoy! DJ, line dancing and games. Bring your own beverages. A food truck will be available on a first come/first serve basis. **No ticket sales this year.**

RESIDENTS PLAN TO CELEBRATE THE 4TH OF JULY

Unfortunately, due to COVID, this year the town of Yarrow Point will only be having a select few 4th of July activities (cancelled events include the parade on 92nd and the fireworks show). However, the hope is that the fun will continue with other activities and mini celebrations without officially being sponsored by the Town. Residents Tom and Jennifer Odle plan to enjoy classic strawberry shortcake (usually served at the end of the parade) on the 4th this year. After last year's cancellation, they searched "for Tom's mother's strawberry shortcake recipe; and, after contacting 3 relatives, [were] able to get it."

In addition, resident Carl Hellings is planning to drive his "antique Army truck down 92nd ... like [he's] been doing for years" for the 4th of July. The truck, Carl Hellings, and his family are usual participants in the parade, so it will be special to continue the tradition for them.



Carl Hellings in his Antique Army Truck

A MESSAGE FROM RESIDENT DAVID BERGEY REGARDING THE WETHERILL NATURE PRESERVE

Friends of Wetherill-

Wetherill Nature Preserve board is announcing a call to Yarrow Point and Hunts Point residents to join our Friends of Wetherill team for ongoing maintenance projects in the preserve. Work parties are planned for the first and third-of-month Saturday mornings through the Summer and Autumn months ahead. Individual level of participation will, of course, be on an open and as-available basis.

Team coordinator David Bergey will conduct an indoctrination meeting and work party, in preserve, on Saturday, July 10, at 9:00 a.m..

Interested participants are requested to respond by email to David at dmbergey@msn.com.

Thanks in advance for visiting and helping our nature preserve.

David Bergey

PUBLIC LAKE ACCESS ANNOUNCEMENT

The NE 42nd St. lake access location is the designated dog swimming location. The public lake access at the end of NE 47th St. is for people to use and enjoy. If you are bringing your dogs to the NE 47th St. beach, please keep your dogs on a leash out of respect for swimmers and people enjoying the lake.

WOOD FROM WETHERILL NATURE PRESERVE

Cords of wood from the dead trees in Wetherill Nature Preserve (WNP) are going to be available for purchase soon as the dry wood needs to be removed. This will be a fundraiser with funds going to support the WNP. Summer interns for the town will be delivering the wood, so be on the lookout for an official notice of this.



Public Lake Access on NE 42nd St.



Wood in Wetherill Nature Preserve for Fundraiser



Yarrow Point Heron Utility Box Wrappings

THANK YOU YARROW POINT!

A special thank you to everyone who donated to the Bellevue Lifespring Food Drive and the Humane Society Drive. And remember to keep donating your empty egg cartons to the box in front of town hall to help the U District Food Bank!

UTILITY BOX WRAPPING

On Friday, June 11th, the utility boxes located on the right hand side of 92nd as you enter the Point were wrapped with a special graphic, as seen in the picture on the left. The 3 boxes are owned by CenturyLink and the Town got approval from the company to decorate the boxes in this way. The Park Board designed the graphic (Members: John McGlenn- Park Board Chairman, Kathy Smith, Doug Waddell, Carolyn Whittlesey, Trevor Dash, and Krista Fleming) and this was the final stage of the 2020 Park Board town entry landscaping improvement project. A special thank you to Krista Fleming who designed the graphic proofs for the boxes. The heron pictured reinforces the Town of Yarrow Point's logo, and helps to show our respect for the nature around us.

LIST OF UPDATES

Below is a list of updates projected into mid-July. A more in-depth schedule can be found on the Town website however it may be subject to change after three-weeks out.

Week of June 29, 2021:

- 6/28 – 7/2 PGH will continue installing the 24” storm main on NE 42nd Street and minor stormwater work on 91st Ave NE (ie. Catch basin replacements and trench drain across 4215 91st)
- 7/1 Town meeting w/ PGH to discuss clean up prior to July 4th activities
- 7/1 Town meeting w/ Gray & Osborne to discuss site and property restoration

Week of July 6, 2021:

- 7/6 – 7/9 PGH will continue minor stormwater work on 91st Ave NE (ie. Catch basin replacements and trench drain across 4215 91st)
- 7/6 Meeting w/ Town, Gray & Osborne, and PGH to discuss site and property restoration
- 7/10 – Saturday: Comcast minor service interruptions

Week of July 13 2021:

- 7/12 – 7/16 PGH will begin property restoration including concrete, roadway asphalt prep, timber edging and gravel shoulders on 91st Ave NE
- 7/13 – 7/14 – PSE on-site for pole removal

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