



ACBC Newsletter May 2022

ACBC Board Members as of January, 2022:

Dustin Frederick, President

Jack Burchard, Vice-President

Dennis Egan, Treasurer

Marty Lull, Secretary

Jim Kunz, Mark Valencia, Ben Robinett,
and Sharon Savereaux, Members-at-large

Greetings to our rain soaked and windswept ACBC members! Now it looks like we might finally get a bit of more normal spring weather. And more good news: After a two-year hiatus, we welcome back the Memorial Day potluck/bbq and free swim day – see Pool section for details! Here is what your ACBC board and committees have been up to:

Note: Beginning in June, ACBC Board Meetings will be in-person only (no Zoom at this time) at The Shelter. The meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, beginning at 6:30 p.m. June's meeting is June 16th and all members are welcome.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Spring is here and a new swim season is just a few weeks away! The energy and enthusiasm of the new Board members has been a great addition and bodes very well for the future. I was recently informed that the Whidbey Camano Land Trust has purchased the property adjacent to the community area which means there will never be any development and our beach area will be bordered by another preserved area. This is fantastic for the future of the Cove and will ultimately increase our collective property values. Enjoy your summer, the beach, the pool and the other amenities are calling.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: I have been very busy getting to know the Board and my new duties as Vice President. The Board and Officers have been generous with their time and encouragement as have our bookkeeper and attorney. It's a real challenge to manage such a big organization with volunteers. ACBC includes over 600 properties. I hope to work on resolving the challenge of collecting unpaid dues and assessments. I would like to reduce expensive litigation and will be looking for solutions.

Thank you for the privilege of serving on your Board of Directors as Vice President. I encourage you to attend our Board Meetings and to give me your thoughts and suggestions.

Jack Burchard 509-429-8796 pbandjburchard@gmail.com

SECRETARY'S REPORT: We are working on improving bandwidth strength at ACBC.

COMMITTEES:

BUDGET AND FINANCE: Budget is approved for 2022 and we will work on the 2023 budget in the fall.

TELLERS COMMITTEE: *"Responsible for counting of the ballots in any matter voted upon by the Club Membership."*

The Tellers Committee is on standby ready to tally any forthcoming ballots through the year. We will ensure the accuracy, integrity and by-laws compliance of the tally and subsequent results. The committee welcomes new members at any time, however, on tally day feel free to drop on by and help, committee membership is not required. Please contact the chair or member if you have any questions or to join the committee. Thank you, have a great and safe summer!

POOL COMMITTEE:

We are looking forward to the summer 2022 swim season. Hopefully the weather will warm up. Most of the lifeguards from last year are returning along with a few new ones. We are offering swim lessons again this year with some financial support from the Coupeville Lions Club. **Free Swim Days** will coincide with our ACBC BBQs on 29 May, 4 July and 4 September.

Pool will be open from May 28th – September 5th for the 2022 Season

Pool: 360-678-5001

Summer 2022 Pool Hours:

MAY 28th – JUNE 19th

(WEEKENDS)

11AM-12PM Adult Lap Swim

NOON-7PM OPEN SWIM

7-8PM LAP SWIM

MAY 31st – JUNE 17th

(WEEKDAYS)

10AM-12PM ADULT LAP SWIM

JUNE 20th – SEPT 5th

9-11AM SWIM LESSONS (WEEKDAYS ONLY)

11AM-12PM ADULT LAP SWIM

NOON-7PM OPEN SWIM

7-8PM LAP SWIM

Summer 2022 Swim Fees:

Family Season Pass \$150.00

Individual Season Pass \$75.00

10 Swim Punch Card \$40.00

5 Swim Punch Card \$20.00

Single Day Pass \$5.00

Associate Membership: \$384.00

Swim Lessons

Admirals Cove Beach Club will be offering swim lessons this summer. A lesson is 45-minutes long, Monday thru Friday for two weeks. The cost is \$25.00 for members per lesson. \$50.00 for non-members per lesson. You can sign up for multiple lessons. If you are interested, pick a lesson date(s) and time(s): **Call Branch Services 360-678-7543 to register for swim lessons.**

June 20 – July 1

July 4 – 15

July 18 – 29

August 1 – 12

August 15 – 26

9:00 – 9:45AM or 10:00 – 10:45AM

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Good News!!!! We will be having our annual barbecue at the Admirals Cove Shelter in celebration of Memorial Day on SUNDAY, MAY 29TH from 1 to 3 p.m. The Club will provide hamburgers, fried chicken, hot dogs/brats, plus condiments, buns, paper plates and utensils. Dennis will be making his famous homemade ice cream and homemade root beer. Join us at the Shelter and please bring your favorite side dish to share with others.

We do need a volunteer or two to barbecue the meats for us. Please let Dennis Egan or Mary Saurer know if you can give us a helping hand which would be very much appreciated. We can always use help with setting up and cleaning up, too. Social Committee Chairperson, Mary Saurer Email: saupow@hotmail.com Dennis Egan E-mail: dennis_egan@hotmail.com

GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE:

Numerous signs have been ordered and posted after reports of people camping/vandalizing. New windows have been ordered for the shelter building; they will be installed soon.

The lawn service has started their mowing schedule along lower Byrd. All of the club's equipment has been serviced. A call for volunteers! I'm looking for help with several projects:

1. Some folks to "adopt" the flowerbeds around the shelter and pool building.
2. It would be nice to pressure wash and paint the shelter building this summer.
3. Pressure washing the basketball court and restripe. Stripe for pickle ball.
4. Replace boards on the "merry-go-round". I'm also looking for input for the playground area.
5. Removal of scotch broom over the drain field.
6. More to come... Contact: Marty Lull 206-724-3266.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE:

We need some new members of the committee. Please contact me if you are willing to serve so we can talk it over.

We will be considering suggestions about our Newsletter and communications, the status of associate membership and whether the Bylaws should allow the club to collect attorney fees and court costs from members not in good standing if the Club must resort to legal action to collect past due assessments and dues after all other avenues have been exhausted.

All comments and suggestions are welcome regarding these and any other proposals.

Jack Burchard, Chair pbandjburchard@gmail.com 509-429-8796

LAKE COMMITTEE: Admirals Lake provided plenty of wildlife and waterfowl viewing opportunities over the winter and spring migration. The mallards now have their puffball hatchlings hiding and feeding in the relative safety of the emergent shoreline bulrushes, and the killdeer are faking broken wings to draw your attention away from their chicks (fuzzy golf balls on skinny high-speed legs). And the otters continue to show off at the tide gate.

Meanwhile, the Lake Committee is recommending that the Board proceed with a minimal assessment to treat the lake with bentonite, which will tie up the phosphorous the algae needs in order to bloom and flourish. The first stage will be permitting during the summer, followed by treatment next spring. The phosphorous enters the lake from all our septic systems, both on the hillside and around the lake. So, keeping your septic system doing its job will help. Over the summer the Committee will be putting in an informational kiosk addressing the lake, kind of like the ones around the Crockett marsh.

Finally, given interest in docks, we remind the lakeshore owners that Admirals Lake is pretty much all owned by ACBC, so you cannot put in a dock without ACBC approval. In addition, you would also need Island County approval because, as part of the Crockett ecosystem, our lake (Admirals Lake) is part of a "designated wildlife conservation area." That actually is a pretty cool thing--wildlife not only have their home protected, but we get to enjoy them as neighbors and friends.

WELCOME COMMITTEE:

Welcome to our new residents. We hope you're enjoying Admirals Cove. Warm weather is approaching and with that the opening of the swimming pool. A welcoming packet has been delivered to the 11 new residents that moved to ACBC between January 1st and May 1st. We send out packets about once a month. If you have any questions or concerns for the welcoming committee please email Jim Kunz at jkunz@acbc-whidbey.org

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: Your Communications Committee spends a lot of time putting together Newsletters such as this one. We also produce emailed Bulletins when there is important information to relay to members in between Newsletters. We could use more help, so if you are interested, email us at comms@acbc-whidbey.org
We are working to go to 2 Newsletters a year and email only. One Newsletter in April and one Oct/Nov. Bulletins as needed, email only.

AD HOC COMMITTEE: Shore Armoring

Shore Armoring site visit from MSA & CGS, April 20, 2022: Jack Burchard & Ed Delahanty met with marine biologists from Marine Surveys and Assessment and a coastal geologist and a civil engineer from Coastal Geologic Surveys, all there to jointly review the ACBC beach area to gain a better understanding of the existing conditions develop proposals for protecting ACBC facilities – especially the pool - from severe windstorms when combined with high tides. Working with the MSA team to understand biological and permitting concerns, in the next 4 to 6 weeks the CGS team will develop 2 -3 armoring proposals for our consideration, with associated costs and benefits.

