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Eagle Bay Community Association

2060 Members!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1671529733082218>

Eagle Bay Community Association - Spring into Action

submitted by Cathy Wolf on behalf of the Eagle Bay Community Association

Over the past few years many ideas and suggestions have come forward from our residents and visitors regarding activities at the hall and what would be of interest.

Let me recall a few:

<i>Games Night</i>	<i>Potluck Dinners</i>
<i>Movie Nights for Teens</i>	<i>Afternoon Matinees</i>
<i>Friday Night Poker</i>	<i>Cooking Lessons</i>
<i>A Teen Club</i>	<i>Gardening Classes</i>
<i>Christmas Decoration</i>	<i>A Book Club</i>
<i>Junior Entrepreneurs Club - with Junior (Teen) Market</i>	
<i>Pickleball Lessons</i>	<i>Monthly Community Lunches</i>
<i>Dance Classes - Square Dancing, Line Dancing, Ballroom Dancing</i>	
<i>Upholstery Classes</i>	<i>An Antique Car Club</i>
<i>Theatre group for adults/teens</i>	<i>Multi-media classes for teens</i>
<i>Cake Decorating</i>	<i>Spanish Language Classes</i>
<i>White Elephant Sale</i>	<i>(Potluck) Dinners and a Movie</i>

It speaks to something important. People want to gather, learn, and spend time together.

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EXECUTIVE

President: Cathy Wolf
Vice President: Margaret McCormick
Treasurer: Linda Lemon
Secretary: Don Loerke

DIRECTORS

Wanda Parker, Wendy Crawford, Paul Wolf, Brian Howley
Robert Kunka, Geneva Whynot, Connie Hudseth

Spring into Action con't

Throughout the year the hall is home to well loved events including holiday breakfasts, Music Cafes, Bingos, seasonal markets, fitness classes, quilting and family programming. With recent upgrades to the stage, kitchen and park, we are in a better position than ever to build on that momentum.

So what is the next step?

Turning ideas into reality takes someone to lead them. Not forever, not alone, and not without support. Just someone willing to say, "I'll get this started"

That might look like:

- hosting a monthly games night
- running a short series of cooking classes
- organizing a teen movie night once a season
- starting a small club or workshop

The Association can help with promotion, space, and coordination. What we need are community members who are interested in taking the lead on something that excites them.

If you've ever thought "that would be fun to do," this is your moment.

Reach out to Cathy Wolf at 250 675 2498 cathyfaber15@gmail.com or speak with any Director. Even a simple conversation is a great place to start.

Spring is a time to get things moving. Let's see what we can create together in Eagle Bay.

See you at on Spring Vendor Market on April 11, 10:00am – 2:00pm. We have the hall packed with great vendors, lunch and coffee/soft drinks. You won't want to miss it, Memberships will also be available.



EAGLE BAY ACTIVITIES

HALL ACTIVITIES

Quilting

Mon 10-2ish
Inez 250 675-4531

Crafts

Combined with Quilting until further notice

Eagle Bay Explorers

Tuesdays starting at 10:30
Kat 778-549-8111



Fitness

9:00 am
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Wanda 250 675-5098

Eagle Bay Music Café

4th Saturday (except July)
May, June
July Aug, Sept
5:30-9pm

Pickleball is Back!

Spring has arrived in Eagle Bay, and with it comes the return of pickleball at the community park. The nets are officially up, and it's a welcome sign that the season is shifting and outdoor activity is back on the agenda.

The courts are open for everyone to enjoy on a first come, first serve basis. There is no formal schedule or organized play, making it easy for neighbours and visitors alike to drop in, rally, and enjoy a game at their own pace.

The Eagle Bay Community Park, including the pickleball courts, is operated by the CSRD. The Eagle Bay Community Association is pleased to partner in supporting the park's development and is excited to see this space being enjoyed by the community.

Whether you are a seasoned player or just curious to give it a try, it is a great way to get outside, connect with others, and make the most of the longer days ahead.





EAGLE BAY MUSIC CAFÉ RETURNS FOR ANOTHER GREAT SEASON!

These evenings have become something pretty special in our community. Great live music, a relaxed dinner, a cash bar, and the kind of atmosphere where you can settle in for the night or, if the weather cooperates, take things outside and enjoy the park setting. It is simple, welcoming, and always a good time.

We are kicking things off in May with **Chris Stevens and Friends**. Chris was a huge hit last year, and this time he is bringing along some familiar faces, including his sister Brenda and the incredibly talented Sue Aylard, whose fiddle playing had the room buzzing. Expect a night that feels like a reunion, with a few surprises along the way.

In August, we turn things up with the **Dixie Fried Hep Katz**, known for their high energy blend of swing, jump blues, and rockabilly. This is the kind of band that makes it hard to stay in your seat.

Then in September, we are thrilled to welcome back our friends **Down Yonder**, bringing their signature sound and easy connection with the audience that always makes for a memorable night.

This year is all about bringing back favourites and introducing a few new soon to be favourites, with more announcements coming soon.
Stay **tuned** for the full line up and ticket information.

May 23, June 27, July 18, August 22, September 26



EXPLORERS REPORT



The Eagle Bay Explorers have had a fun month together! We enjoyed learning about spring birds in our area and got creative making bird feeders using recycled items. Another week, we had the special opportunity to learn some Irish dancing from one of our talented moms who used to compete. After a week off for Spring Break, the Explorers are ready for more learning and adventuring together in the weeks ahead.



NEW PROGRAM AT THE HALL!

Strength & Sculpt for Moms - The Unfinished Woman

Strength & Sculpt for Moms is a local fitness class designed for moms to work out in the middle of real life; kids included.

Hi, I'm Lindsee, a mom who got tired of waiting for the "perfect time" to feel strong again. Between kids, laundry, snacks, and the beautiful chaos of motherhood, I realized something; my kids are always watching. And the truth is, there aren't many places where moms can work out with their kids close by. Too often, it means choosing between your health and your family or squeezing it in alone at home, stepping over toys and spills, trying not to trip on Lego.



As a certified group fitness trainer, and a mom in the thick of it, I wanted something different.

Fitness matters to me because it helps me feel my best mentally and physically. It's not about bouncing back or chasing a number. It's about building a strong, capable body so my future self can show up healthy for me and my family.

That's why I created this space, The Unfinished Woman.

These workouts aren't about perfect bodies or quiet rooms. They're about showing up with hands full, kids nearby, and choosing progress anyway.

Because we're all still becoming.
Still building strength.
Still figuring it out.

Our kids don't need perfect moms.
They need moms who show up.

And moms...need moms who understand.
We're in this together, imperfect, moving,
growing.

JOIN US: local classes running at Eagle Bay Hall, Wednesday mornings.



EAGLE BAY STRENGTH & SCULPT
The Unfinished Woman- Steady5 With Lindsee
Mom's Group Fitness Classes; Lead by Certified Fitness Instructor
&
Kids Come Along & Play

Eagle Bay Hall
4326 Eagle Bay Rd, Eagle Bay
Wednesdays
09:15- 10:15 a.m.

5 Week Session
April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Pricing
Guaranteed Weekly Spot \$72.50
(\$14.50/class)
OR
Drop In \$18.50
(24Hr Notice Needed)

What You Bring
Yoga Mat
Water Bottle
Light Weights/Dumbbells
Kids Ready to Play



EAGLE BAY FIRE DEPARTMENT

The clocks have changed, for the last time, and the days are getting longer. Spring has arrived and we're hoping for a wet May and June to bring our moisture levels up.

Fire Safety

The season for clearing yards of brush and debris is upon us. It's great to see so many homeowners taking up the FireSmart initiatives. Remember to fully extinguish all fires before leaving them unattended. Please also remember that all Category 3 open fires (2m high x 3m wide or larger) require a Burn Registration Number from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources Operations. To obtain a burn registration number, please complete the <https://blog.gov.bc.ca/bcwildfire/online-form-now-available-for-burn-registration/>. This is the fastest way to obtain a burn registration number. You can also call direct to 1-888-797-1717. Ensure you confirm the venting index, each day, prior to igniting a burn. You can easily check the daily venting index at: <https://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/venting/>

Nigel Collett, Deputy Fire Chief - Eagle Bay Fire Department

Nigel Collett is the newly appointed Deputy Fire Chief with the Eagle Bay Fire Department, bringing a strong combination of operational experience, leadership, and commitment to community service.

Nigel joined the department in 2019 and has performed several roles, most recently as Captain, supporting firefighter training, mentoring members, and contributing to safe and effective operations at the hall. Nigel moved to Eagle Bay full time in 2018 and values being part of the community and the Shuswap lifestyle. When he's not at the hall, he enjoys staying active, working out, and spending time outdoors around and on the lake as well as travelling the world.



Outside of the firehall, Nigel has had a long career in leadership roles across multiple sectors in both London, UK and on the coast, from Insurance to Oil and Gas, Tourism and Transportation. Nigel is proud to serve the Eagle Bay community and is committed to supporting the department's members, maintaining high standards of safety and training, and ensuring the fire department continues to meet the needs of a growing community.

Fire Dept. Stats & Call Outs Total Call Outs 2026 = 1 Fire Department Personnel = 23

We've had one Call this year for mutual aid support to Shuswap FD in late January where we sent a Tender to help supply water.

Recruitment

EBFD is actively seeking new members to join the Fire Department. We currently have space for four new members before we go back to a waitlist scenario. If you would like to be part of the Team in protecting a great community, give us a call and we will explain what's involved in joining. Call Stephen at: 250-209-2450 for more information.



John Edry - Fire Chief

Cell: 250-515-4790 Email: eaglebayVFD@csrd.bc.ca

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EagleBayFireDepartment

SENIOR COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

THE EAGLE BAY FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION FROM THE CSRD ABOUT SENIOR COMMUNITY CONNECTORS AND CHIEF EDRY PASSED IT ON FOR OUR COMMUNITY INFORMATION (edited for relevance)

The Seniors Community Connector helps older adults stay connected to services, activities, and support within their community. The role focuses on improving seniors' well-being, independence, and social inclusion.

To bridge the gap between seniors and community resources, ensuring older adults can access the help, opportunities, and connections they need to live safely and independently.

If you ever come across a senior who may benefit from additional support, please visit our website using the link below and complete our online referral form. It is quick and easy to fill out and helps connect the individual with the appropriate community resources and services.

Anyone—including firefighters, service providers, family members, neighbors, or concerned citizens—can make a referral if they believe a senior may need support.

<https://eaglevalleysupport.ca/community-connector/>

Amal Galbraith

Eagle Valley Community Support Society

Seniors Community Connector - Salmon Arm and Sicamous

250-253-7893

Who is Social Prescribing for?

Older adults who are self motivated, but could use help connecting with community resources.

What is it?

Much like a doctor prescribes medical solutions to a patient, a Community Connector prescribes non-medical social solutions.

Social Prescriptions might include:

- Joining a social group
- Signing up for a fitness class
- Connecting with local nutrition/food programs
- Attending support groups
- Referrals to community agencies to help with transportation, finances, housekeeping, home support etc.

Contact your local Community Connector

Salmon Arm, Sicamous, Malakwa
Tel: 250.253.7893
connector.sa_sic@eaglevalleysupport.ca

Enderby
Tel: 250.253.8759
connector.enderby@eaglevalleysupport.ca

South Shuswap
Tel: 250.253.7508
connector.ss@eaglevalleysupport.ca

North Shuswap, Chase
Tel: 250.253.2865
connector.n.chase@eaglevalleysupport.ca



Shuswap Community Connector

A free service that connects older adults to activities, programs, and resources, to support and enhance overall health and well-being

Eagle Valley Community Support Society
1214 Shuswap Ave,
Sicamous, BC
Tel: 250.836.3440
Email: info@eaglevalleysupport.ca
www.eaglevalleysupport.ca

Partially funded by the Government of BC and managed by United Way British Columbia

Why would I want Social Prescribing?

It can help to improve your overall well-being and independence.

If you are experiencing:

- Social isolation or loneliness
- Worries about food security
- Sadness that stops you from getting out
- Life changing events such as retirement, bereavement, changes in health status and independence
- Trouble making healthy lifestyle choices
- Caregiver fatigue



How does Social Prescribing work?

Step 1 - Referral & Assessment:
The Community Connector receives and reviews the referral. An assessment is conducted to explore what could improve well-being.

Step 2 - Wellness Plan
Once the participant's goals and strategies have been determined, a personalized wellness plan will be developed.

Step 3 - Connection
The Community Connector will link the participant with local activities and services that support the wellness plan.

Step 4 - Follow Up
The Community Connector will check in to see how things are going with the plan and make adjustments if necessary.

Step 5 - Looking Ahead
Ideally, the participant will no longer need the support of the Community Connector, but can reach out if desired.

How do I access this service?

For more information on eligibility and to complete a referral, please visit:
www.eaglevalleysupport.ca/community-connector

Alternatively, you may ask your Health Care Professional to submit a referral on your behalf.

Your Community Connector:

- Listens deeply to understand your situation
- Is someone to talk to confidentially
- Helps you decide how to improve your well-being



EAGLE BAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Submitted by Michelle DeFrene

This past month, for a few hours our little church was bursting at the seams. It was such a special time that many, myself included, were moved to tears. It's often customary when missionaries go out, that the church gather to pray for them. Every month the leaders of the churches in our area meet to support and pray for each other. These amazing people decided to bring the churches together to send us off. At this gathering we worshipped God together in song, then our family shared a bit about our journey to where we're at, what brought us here and what we'll be doing in Albania. The service concluded with a prayer time, after which we got to visit and connect with those who came to support us, many of whom we didn't even know. It was so special that it seemed most were hesitant to leave. The gathering brought this verse to mind.

"Together you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of that body." 1 Corinthians 12:27

It doesn't matter whether we are from Eagle Bay, Tappen, Blind Bay or Albania for that matter. No matter where we go, as believers we are all a part of the same body of Christ. We love and support each other. We are not in competition. We have a common goal and purpose. Thank you so much to those who have supported us in many different ways. We look forward to sharing with you what God is doing in Albania when we return.



AREA C DIRECTOR REPORT

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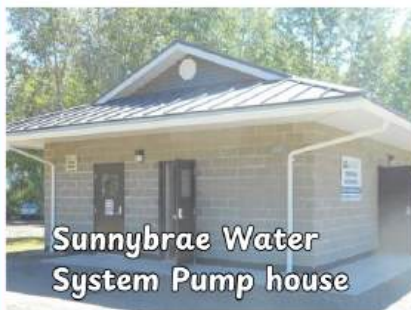
FROM THE DESK OF MARTY GIBBONS AREA C DIRECTOR



Eagle Bay Community Hall Community Kitchen

COMMUNITY WORKS FUNDS SUPPORTING CSRD AREA C COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS

Area C has two water systems that are operated by the CSRD, the Sunnybrae and Eagle Bay systems, supplying water to approximately 200 properties. Operating costs for these two systems are funded by utility fees (parcel taxes) paid by water system users. With about 100 properties on each system, both are considered small water systems. Maintaining a small system can be very difficult because costs are spread across a relatively small group. To be proactive, we have strategically increased user utility fees every year to build reserves.



Sunnybrae Water
System Pump house

Unfortunately, this will not solve short-term system maintenance needs. This year alone, the two systems required significant repairs and upgrades, with a pump failure in Sunnybrae costing \$35,000 and the Eagle Bay Booster Station/PLC Upgrade Project costing \$90,000. If this cost were passed on to the system user in a single year, the Eagle Bay water system users would face an approximate

\$900 surcharge on top of the 2026 annual utility fees. To avoid this, CSRD staff seek grants and other funding sources. **(Continued on page 2)**

Properly working smoke detectors are by far the single most important thing we can do to keep our families safe from fire. They give you an early warning if there's a fire, which means you have more time to get out and avoid injury or death. Please remember to check and test your smoke detectors regularly so they work when you need them.



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2026 CSRD AREA C GRANT IN AID (GIA) SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES

With a new budget comes a new Grant-in-Aid application process. I have taken the approach that Area C GIA funds should be utilized within Area C and be focused where they provide the most community benefits. In 2026, Area C taxpayers will continue to support Community Halls and Area C Fire Departments. To offset rising Community Halls operational costs:



- Sunnybrae Seniors Hall and Sunnybrae Community Hall will be increased from \$2,500 each to \$ 4,000 each
- Support for White Lake and Eagle Bay Community Halls will be increased from \$5,000 to \$6,000 each.
- The Sunnybrae, White Lake, and Eagle Bay Firefighter associations will continue to receive \$ 4,000 each to support their good work in the community.
- A new GIA of \$750 will be provided to sponsor children's events at the White Lake Turtle festival. An additional GIA for \$700 will support the Eagle Bay Community Association's Eagle Bay Days. With an additional \$700 budgeted for a Tappen Sunnybrae Community event

CSRD AREA C COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS (CONTINUED)

At our March Board meeting, we approved \$125,000 from the Area C community works fund (formally known as the gas tax) to cover the cost of both projects. It was fortunate that community works funds were available; it remains important that we continue to build reserves for both water systems, as grants and alternative funding are not guaranteed.



- Eagle Bay Water System 2026 Utility Fees \$453.36 (\$17.41 increase)
 - Eagle Bay Water System Reserves \$153,782
- Sunnybrae Water System 2026 Utility Fees \$478.94 (\$23 increase)
 - Sunnybrae Reserves \$149,397

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CSRD AREA'S C & G SOUTH SHUSWAP FIRE SERVICE

2025 saw the completion of several upgrades in the South Shuswap Fire service, including the Eagle Bay firesmart exterior and new bay doors, and a major expansion of the White Lake Hall, along with bathroom upgrades at the Sunnybrae Hall.

2026 will continue to see Area C and G invest in our Fire Service with Community Works Funds funding \$25,000 in paving at the Shuswap Hall 2 training area and \$525,000 for a major upgrade of the Shuswap Fire Hall 1, including new siding, roofing, gutter, bathroom, bay doors, painting, and more. This major upgrade will be funded with \$400,000 coming from Area C and G community works funds, and the remaining \$125,000 coming from reserves. Projected 2026 South Shuswap Fire Service Reserves \$1,548,442 (increasing by \$267,218 from 2025)



CSRD AREA C PARKS SPOTLIGHT

CSRD Area C is fortunate to have extensive recreational opportunities. These include, Provincial Parks, Recreational Sites and CSRD Community Parks. Below is a list of Area C Parks

1. Wild Rose Bay Community Park
2. Whitehead Road Boat Launch
3. Shannon Beach Community Park
4. Gail Road Waterfront Park
5. Eagle Bay Community Park (NEW)
6. Hugh Road Community Park
7. White Lake Community Park
8. John Evdokimoff Park
9. Roy Sharp Community Park
10. Reinecker Creek Trail
11. Sunnybrae Community Park



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CSRD SHUSWAP TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

On Thursday, March 5th, Directors from Area C, D, E, F, and G met to determine the future of the Tourism Shuswap service. Tourism Shuswap was developed to promote the Shuswap and drive economic growth. The Shuswap Tourism brand is well known and respected throughout the tourism industry. 2026 will see Shuswap Tourism continue to maintain a strong digital presence and provide printed promotional materials, though at a reduced level due to reduced demand and greater utilization of digital channels.

We also determined that it would be beneficial to proceed with a rural economic growth strategy and utilize existing funds to engage an economic development expert to formulate recommendations for the group. I am proud to serve as chair of the CSRD Shuswap Tourism and Economic Development committee for 2026.

YANKEY FLATS PROPERTY OWNER SEEKS ZONING AMENDMENT ALLOWING EXPANSION

The March CSRD board meeting provided a bit of excitement with a full house for Bylaw Amendment No. 2571. A property owner sought to increase the permitted composting volume from not exceeding 500 m² per parcel to a proposed area not exceeding 7595 m² per parcel. It should be noted that this property owner has previously proposed a very similar amendment, which the Board denied.

The Board received significant input from residents of Yankey Flats opposing an expansion. This opposition was also expressed at the Board meeting, with the room close to capacity. The Board carefully considered all relevant information and unanimously denied the amendment on its first reading.

Any property owner has the right to apply for either zoning or OCP amendments and is entitled to fair due process. The Board is not required to allow amendments unless required by law or if most of the Board feels the amendment is in the best interest of the community. Next steps will involve the enforcement of the existing CSRD Bylaws and taking necessary action to ensure this property complies with its existing requirements.

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