



Around the Rock

Town of Blowing Rock
Bi-Monthly Newsletter

Highlights of What's Happening Around Town

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Important Numbers

Town Hall.....295-5200
Planning & Inspection.....295-5240
Water/Sewer/Garbage.....295-5200
Parks & Recreation.....295-5222

Non-Emergency

Police Administration.....295-5212
Fire Administration..... 548-2800

After Hours/Weekend Water or Sewer

Emergency.....295-5210

Upcoming Meetings

Town Council

05/14/2019 6:00 p.m.
06/11/2019 6:00 p.m.

Planning Board

05/16/2019 5:30 p.m.
06/20/2019 5:30 p.m.

ABC Board

05/16/2019 3:00 p.m.
06/20/2019 3:00 p.m.

BRAAC

05/02/2019 9:00 a.m.
06/06/2019 9:00 a.m.

Upcoming Events

Art in the Park:

May 25th & June 15th
(On Park Ave Beside Town-Hall)

Savor Blowing Rock

May 2nd – May 5th

Farmers Market

Every Thursday Beginning
May 23rd (on Park Avenue)
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Charity Horse Show

June 6th - 9th

Movie in the Park:

June 27th,
8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Town Offices Closed

Memorial Day - May 7th
Independence Day - July 4th

New Town Manager Selected



The Blowing Rock Town Council has selected Shane Fox, 40, to serve as the community's next town manager. Fox will relocate from Shelby, where he is currently serving as the CFO and Assistant County Manager for Cleveland County, NC. Originally from Granite Falls, NC., Fox graduated from Appalachian State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in Accounting. Fox will be officially introduced on Monday, June 3rd his first day with the Town.

He and his wife, Jennifer, will live in Blowing Rock with their three children, Ryan, Caroline and Owen.

The Giving Tree

It is easy to forget that trees have expected lifespans, just like every other living thing. We were recently reminded of this when too many trees in Memorial Park succumbed to disease or age and had to be replaced in order to ensure public safety.

When Town Council directed Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation (BRP&R) Department to prepare a Tree Plan for our Town's centerpiece, a number of people asked how they might contribute to its rejuvenation. Grateful for their grassroots initiative, BRP&R Director Jennifer Brown enthusiastically worked with the

town's Appearance Advisory Commission (BRAAC) to develop a plan to accept and acknowledge gifts supporting and maintaining the beauty and utility of Memorial Park.



Thus was born the Giving Tree. This unique piece of art is now prominently situated where more people pass than any other location in the park. Each leaf is a high quality bronze tab where donations of \$2,000 or more are recognized. Certificates signed by our Mayor and suitable for framing are issued for these and all other contributions.

Would you like to commemorate a meaningful event (e.g., birth, marriage, anniversary, graduation) or honor a loved one? Are you looking for a vehicle to demonstrate your business's commitment to our Town? BRP&R leadership and staff can be reached at (828) 295-5222. They will answer your questions and will assist you in processing your gift.

2019 Pool Schedule

The Robbins Pool at Broyhill Park will open on Saturday May 25, 2019, Memorial Day weekend. Individual and family pool passes are now available. Below is the 2019 Swimming Pool schedule and fees. For questions regarding pool membership or swim lessons please contact Parks and Recreation at (828) 295-5222. The pool is scheduled to remain open until Monday September 2nd, 2019

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Swim Lessons
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Public Swim
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Adult Lap Swim & Exercise
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Swim Lessons
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Public Swim

Saturday

11:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Public Swim

Sunday

12:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Public Swim



Admission Fees :

- Daily \$4.00
- Non-Taxpayers \$5.00 Daily
- Non Swimmer

Drinking Water Quality & Wastewater Annual Report - Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

The Town of Blowing Rock has released the 2018 Drinking Water Quality Report and the 2018 System Performance Annual Report for the Collection System and Wastewater Treatment Plant. These reports are available online at <http://www.townofblowingrocknc.gov/home/showdocument?id=8576> or may be obtained at Town Hall, 1036 Main Street.

If you have any questions about the reports, please contact the Water Plant at (828) 295-5225

Spring Clean Up May 13th-17th!

The Town of Blowing Rock has scheduled its Spring Semi-Annual clean-up during the week of May 13-17. Crews will be picking up items throughout this week including items such as old white goods, yard debris (leaves, tree branches), mattresses, box springs, furniture, grills and paint cans. Paint in cans must be dry or have enough cat litter added to absorb the paint. Please separate any leaves you might have from any branches you put out so we can use our leaf vacuum machine to expedite pickup. Please do not block any ditches or drains when putting out your items to be picked up. Please note that we are not able to pick up propane tanks, electronics, roof shingles, tires or pallets. There is no need to call to have your name put on a list. Additionally, please trim back your vegetation along your street frontage. Our roads seem to be getting more narrow and your assistance is needed to improve visibility and to also prevent damage to vehicles from overhanging limbs.



Blowing Rock 4th of July Festival

2019 Schedule of Events

All events take place in/around Memorial Park.



Friday, July 6:

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm Park Dance



Saturday, July 7:

9:00am - Until Horseshoe Tournament , 18 & older Prizes Awarded



12:00 pm - 1:30pm Music

2:00pm Independence Day Parade



3:00pm - 4:30pm Music

3:30pm Park Games: Prizes Awarded, Water Balloon Toss, Watermelon Eating Contest
Face Painting · And much more!

9:30pm Fireworks-Located at the Blowing Rock Country Club

Blowing Rock Shuttle is Back!

Thanks to our council the Appalcart route for 2019 has expanded. The route will make stops at Green Park Inn, Holiday Inn Express, Village Inn on Valley Blvd, Tanger Outlets and two stops on Main Street. The service will begin on May 17th and conclude the end of October. Signs will be posted to designate all stop locations.

Hours: Friday	10:00 am till 6:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am till 5:00 pm



For a complete schedule visit www.townofblowingrocknc.gov/home/showdocument?id=8626

Contributions to Support Hanging Flower Baskets and Planters



The hanging flower baskets and planters along Main Street and Sunset Drive make Blowing Rock come alive with color! The Blowing Rock Appearance Advisory Commission's Memorial/Honorary Hanging Flower Baskets and Planters hold a special place in the hearts of our citizens who sponsor these baskets. Hanging flower baskets and Planters provide an opportunity to show appreciation in many ways. If you would like to contribute \$75 for a Hanging Basket and/or \$100 for a Planter to BRAAC in honor or remembrance of a loved one, Memorial/Honorary hanging basket donations will be accepted through July 1, 2019. Please mail your check, payable to The Town of Blowing Rock, P. O. Box 1628, Blowing Rock, NC 28605, Attn: BRAAC. Don't forget to note whom you wish to honor or remember with your gift. Please call (828) 295-5222 with questions.