



Kingsgater Spring '04

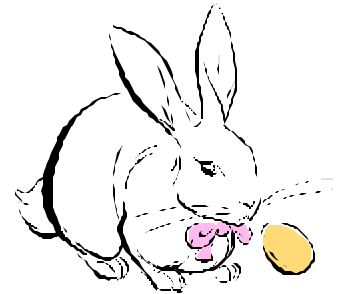
Easter Egg Hunt

All are invited to come to the Park Saturday April 10th to witness the Annual Kingsgate 1&2 Easter Egg Hunt. Children age 2—12: we need your help to find 1000 plastic eggs scheduled to be hidden this year by the Easter Bunny. There will be five age groups, and each group will also be searching for the much-coveted Golden Easter Eggs. If you find one, turn it in for a special surprise!

The Bunny's got a schedule to keep, so be ready to hunt at 10 o'clock sharp, rain or shine.

As an added feature this year, we will have a large, inflatable Bounce House set-up so you can practice your hopping skills. The Bounce House will be open from 9:30AM to Noon.

If you would like to help with this event, call Lynn Gipson at 821-4387. Set-up begins at 9AM, and Lynn says she especially needs someone to "wear the ears" and hand out candy. If you are 5' 8" or under and wonder what the rapt attention of a throng of neighborhood kids feels like, Lynn has a white, fluffy outfit with your name on



Will the Bunny make a triumphant return to the Park this year?

it! Call Lynn as soon as possible if you can help in any way.

Help her make this an event to remember!

Pool Updates

By Dwight Yoder, Pool Director

With the arrival of cherry blossoms and daffodils, and the humming of lawn mowers, spring is here. Along with spring comes the anticipation of another summer poolside. It is my goal as Pool Director to make the pool experience as enjoyable for all members and guests. Along with the entire Homeowner's Association Board, I continually discuss ways to improve the operation of the pool. I would like to take a moment to highlight a few things we have in store for you this year.

New Pool Managers

Karen King, our pool manager for the past four years, has done a magnificent job of managing the day to day operation of our facility. She has worked very closely with a dedicated and experienced lifeguard staff. Karen must limit her hours at the pool this summer because of other commitments, so our two most experienced guards, Katie King and Michaela Stackpoole, will be sharing manager responsibilities when Karen is away. Katie and Michaela have

both been on our staff for more than six years.

New Check-In Procedure

We are implementing a new check-in procedure this season that will afford the staff better control of pool access. We ask that every person entering the pool area wait at the front desk in order to be signed in by an on-duty guard. You will then gain admittance into the locker rooms after being buzzed in. The door facing the wading pool will remain locked, except
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Park & Pool News

Our park and pool facilities are the gems of our neighborhood. Proper use ensures maximum enjoyment by all. As spring returns and usage ramps up, please help us maintain the quality of the facilities by observing the following rules:



*Did You Know:
You can reserve the Picnic Shelter and Baseball field for your private party!*

Baseball field Member parents/coaches who want to use the park for regular afternoon practices (baseball, softball, soccer) may reserve the field on a one-day-per-week basis by calling the Park Director. Three time slots are available each spring (one team per slot), and reservations are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis beginning March 1. As a safety rule, no hardballs shall be used for batting practice (tennis balls are okay). If no teams are practicing, feel free to use the field to throw the ball around with your kids.

Picnic shelter Members may reserve the picnic shelter for private parties. From May 1 until the pool opens, picnic shelter reservations may be made by calling the Park Director. After the pool opens, reservations are handled by the pool staff (425-823-1520 during pool hours). In addition to the covered area and BBQ grates, parties may use the ball field (no hardballs please), horseshoe pits, and one tennis court. Pickle ball and volleyball equipment may be borrowed (ask the lifeguards).

Note: A \$30 cleaning deposit is required.

This deposit will be returned only if:

1. Garbage in all areas is picked up;
2. The big, green garbage can near the shelter is emptied into the dumpster by the Pool House;
3. Covered areas are swept;
4. Tables and benches are wiped cleaned; and
5. Borrowed equipment is returned to lifeguards.

Private parties are limited to 75 people, and a maximum of 8 non-resident guests may use the

pool during regular pool hours (guest fee of \$1 per person applies). Please give at least 24 hrs notice if you must cancel your reservation.

Pool Members may reserve the pool for private parties, subject to certain limitations. Private parties must be after regular pool hours and when no swim team events or practices are scheduled. From May 1 until the pool opens, reservations for the summer pool season (Memorial Day through Labor Day) may be made by calling the Park Director. After the pool opens, reservations are handled by the pool staff (425-823-1520 during pool hours).

Note: A **non-refundable** fee of **\$30 per hour** applies to all pool parties to pay for lifeguards.

Pool Rules—The Short List

1. No glass allowed on the pool deck.
2. Swimmers must shower before swimming.
3. Swimsuits only; no cut-offs.
4. Swim diapers required for toddlers.
5. Parent or guardian must supervise children in the Wading Pool at all times.
6. Lifeguards are for your safety and have the responsibility and authority to discipline or eject unsafe or unruly members or guests.

Tennis courts Tennis courts are available on a first-come, first-serve (sic) basis, except during private parties. The gate should be locked whenever the courts are not in use. If you're the last one out, this means you. Lock combination is available from any Board member. If you provide the combination to your children, please make sure they are using the courts appropriately and are locking the gate behind them when they leave. Did you notice: we have **new nets!** Please treat them with respect: No sitting!

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during swim meets. We ask for your understanding and cooperation with this new procedure.

Pool Repairs and Security

The coping around the edge of the pool will be completely removed and repaired in April. This work is necessary due to safety issues, excessive wear, and water loss. It is our goal in the next few years to replace the pool deck as funds become available.

We are taking steps to improve the security of our pool facility. Last year we had instances of

vandals climbing the fence around the pool and throwing heavy objects into the pool. For liability and insurance purposes, and to protect our assets, we must increase our level of security. Look for future announcements on this.

New Suggestion Box

A suggestion box will be placed in the foyer. If you have any comments, questions, or suggestions for the Pool Director, please feel free to share them. Your confidentiality will be maintained. You can also send your suggestions by email: pool@kingsgate1.org



*Did You Know:
You can reserve the pool for your private party!*



Check the Pool House for more information on the new entry procedure.

What's Happening in Kingsgate 1 & 2



You asked for it, here it is! Clip out this article and stick it on your frig!

April 10 Easter Egg Hunt 10AM in the Park Bounce House: 10AM-Noon
Ages 2—12, please. Bring your bag and help find 988 eggs! EB will appear.

May 15 Clean-Up Day* (free lunch!) 9AM-4PM

May 22 Clean-Up Day* (another free lunch!) 9AM-4PM

May 31 * Pool opens *****

June 5 Playground Construction Day* (Phase 2) Starts at 9AM. Bring tools.

July 10 Kingsgate Spirit Day Toys in the park during the day, dinner by the pool in the evening, followed by a **Pool Olympics** and Family Fun Night!

Aug 14 Movie in the Park Got any suggestions?

Aug 20 Pool Olympics II One more shot at the gold!

August Teen and Adult Swim Nights Schedule will be posted at the pool.

Sept 13 * Pool closes ***** (depends on the weather and lifeguard availability)

Watch the kiosk at the Pool House for updates and new activities!

* Participation for four hours at these events earns you a partial dues rebate! One rebate per

Neighborhood Garage Sale Set for June 12

Got some stuff you just can't justify hanging onto for another year? Sell it to a willing buyer and put some green in your pocket! Kingsgate 1&2 will be teaming up with Kingsgate 3&4 on Saturday, June 12, 2004 to hold our Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale.

Every June our associations take turns placing an ad in the Seattle papers for a community garage sale. Depending on the weather, the event can draw legions of hungry bargain hounds. Your old junk might be someone else's treasure. "It's amazing what people throw away."

Proceeds may not pay for your trip to Fiji, but it beats having to haul the stuff to the Transfer Center and pay to dispose of it.

The event is also a great way to meet your neighbors, or reconnect if you haven't had the chance lately.

So, put the rummage back in Rummage Sale and start digging through your house and garage. Rule of thumb: If you haven't touched it in a year, you probably don't need it. Second rule: price things low if you want them to sell.



*Did You Know:
Garages were originally
designed to store cars!*

Kingsgate Highlands (1&2) Homeowners Association: Names & Numbers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
President	Skip Felts	821-1034	president@kingsgate1.org
Vice-President	Your Name Here!		
Treasurer	Kathy Kimbell	820-4789	treasurer@kingsgate1.org
Secretary	Patty Winslow	821-3066	secretary@kingsgate1.org
Pool Director	Dwight Yoder	821-7782	pool@kingsgate1.org
Swim Team Liaison	Judy Field	821-0523	call now to join the Royals!
Pool Manager	Karen King	488-0639	
	Pool Office:	823-1520	
Park Directors	Joel and Jessica Pfundt	821-3881	
Activities	Siobhan Fitzgerald	820-5793	activities@kingsgate1.org
Communications	Roger Clarke-Johnson	821-8076	news@kingsgate1.org
Members At Large	Jeff Trautmann	821-7862	
	Lynn Gipson	821-4387	

Board Bulletin Board Time to get those dues in! Split them into three payments if you like, or contact Kathy Kimbell if you need to make other arrangements. We want to work with you! Dues are modest, compared to other HOA's, and keep the Park and Pool looking good, which boosts real estate values. Board policy is to file liens on all homeowners with dues owing for more than one year when no payment arrangements have been made. **About those RVs** It is a covenant violation to leave an RV parked beyond the front face of your house. We make exceptions for visiting guests during the summer months, but for just a few days at a time. For those of you with RVs, boats or trailers that have been parked in your driveway for months on end, please find off-premises storage as soon as possible. Thank you. Consider this a notice.

Bits 'n Pieces

This is new section devoted to items from the neighborhood. Got a newsy item? Email it to news@kingsgate1.org

Inaugural Bit

Congratulations to Siobhan and Mark Sandori on the birth of their new bundle of joy, Riley Akira Sandori, born March 18th at 9:45pm. Mom says she is bouncing back much quicker after this, her second birth. Dad is remembering what it's like to work without much sleep.

Lost 'n Found Piece

Attached is a photo of a mug that was left behind after last year's playground construction day. If you recognize it, please

contact Joel or Jessica Pfundt at 821-3881 to reclaim this personal treasure.

Unsavoury Bits

Everybody loves pets; nobody loves poop, except when its picked up and disposed of properly. Whenever you or your kids take you four-legged friend out for some exercise, remember to bring a baggie, or shovel, or both. Let's make our neighborhood and park a No-Squish Zone!

New Tennis Court Nets

A spring gift from your HOA, we recently replaced the nets. Please show us your appreciation by improving your back hand over them, not parking your behind on

them. The tennis courts are, well, for tennis. Not biking, skateboarding, or anything else. Lock combination available from any Board member.

Where's Your Bit?

Send us your Bits 'n Pieces! Post a memoriam, send a shout-out (ask your grandkids what this is), share a snappy new recipe or the location of that killer new beading store (Shipwreck Beads, in Lacey, which is near Olympia)

Email is preferred, but you can also mail your submission to: Communications Director, PO Box 512, Woodinville WA 98083. All submissions will be edited for length and content.



Are you missing me?