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# Around the Rock

Town of Blowing Rock  
Bi-Monthly Newsletter  
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## Important Numbers

Town Hall.....295-5200  
Planning & Inspections.....295-5240  
Water/Sewer/Garbage.....295-5200  
Parks & Recreation.....295-5222  
Water - After Hours.....295-5210

## Non-Emergency

Police Department.....295-5210  
Fire Department.....295-5220

## Upcoming Meetings

### Town Council

05/08/2012 5:30 p.m.

\*To be held at Blowing Rock Library  
(next door to Town Hall)

06/12/2012 5:30 p.m.

### Planning Board

05/17/2012 5:30 p.m.

06/21/2012 5:30 p.m.

### ABC Board

05/17/2012 3:00 p.m.

06/21/2012 3:00 p.m.

## Upcoming Events

Art in the Park:  
May 12th & June 16th



Charity Horse Show:  
June 7th-10th

4th of July Festival & Parade:  
June 30th-July 1st



Sunday Night Concert Series:  
May 13th & June 17th

Monday Night Concert Series:  
June 25th  
July 9th & 23rd  
August 6th & 20th



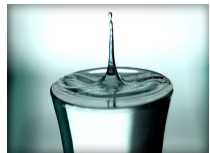
Town Offices Closed:  
Memorial Day- May 28th  
Independence Day- July 4th

## Bi-Annual Clean Up



The Town of Blowing Rock has scheduled its Spring Bi-Annual Clean-Up during the week of May 14-18, 2012. Please do not block any ditches or drains. This pick-up includes white goods, yard debris (leaves, tree branches), mattresses, paint cans, etc. PAINT IN CANS MUST BE DRY OR HAVE KITTY LITTER ADDED TO ABSORB THE PAINT. There is no need to call and have your name put on a list. The Bi-Annual Cleanup is offered in the fall and spring of each year.

## Water Quality Report



The Town of Blowing Rock has released the 2011 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. The complete report will be published in the May 10, 2012 issue of the Blowing Rocket. A copy of the Report may be picked up free of charge at the Town Hall, 1036 Main Street or online at: [www.townofblowingrock.com](http://www.townofblowingrock.com)

If you have questions regarding this report, please call Director of Water Plant Operations, Tom McRary at (828)295-5225.

## Hanging Flower Baskets



The hanging flower baskets along Main Street and Sunset Drive do more than make Blowing Rock come alive with color. BRAAC's Memorial/Honorary Hanging Flower Baskets have a special place in the hearts of our citizens who sponsor these baskets. It is an opportunity to show appreciation in many ways.

Please contribute \$50.00 to BRAAC and honor or remember a loved one. Memorial/Honorary hanging basket donations will be accepted through July 1, 2012.

Please mail your check, payable to The BRAAC Hanging Basket Fund, P. O. Box 1628, Blowing Rock, NC 28605. Don't forget to note whom you wish to honor or remember with your gift.

## US HWY 321 Widening Project



The US Hwy 321 widening project is underway. For details note the following contact information:

- NCDOT project website ([www.ncdot.gov/projects/BlowingRock321/](http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/BlowingRock321/))
- NCDOT U.S. 321 Project Hotline at (828) 964-3260. The hotline is answered locally and can provide callers with real-time updates.

## Help Us Help You



Please help us help you by keeping the following items out of the garbage:

- Used Oil
- Yard Trash (unless separately bagged)
- Motor Vehicle Oil Filters
- Recyclable Rigid Plastic Containers\* (containers that have a neck smaller than the body and have a screw on top, snap on cap, or other closure. Please note that empty motor oil or pesticides containers can be placed in the garbage but can not be recycled).
- Wooden Pallets
- Discarded Electronics
- White goods
- Antifreeze
- Aluminum Cans\*
- Whole Scrap Tires
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Beverage Containers
- Fluorescent Lights and Thermostats
- Paint
- Construction Materials

\*Starred items above may be recycled through the Town's contracted (GDS) Residential Recycling Program. Also, please remember to make sure that all garbage is bagged and out by 7:00 a.m. on your pickup day. If you have any questions please contact Town Hall at (828) 295-5200. Thank you!

# Blowing Rock 4th of July Festival 2012

## Schedule of Events

### Friday, June 29, 2012

3:00 p.m. 440th Army Band



### Saturday, June 30, 2012

9:00 a.m.-Until Adult Horseshoe Tournament (18 years & up)  
\$75 First place \$50 Second place \$25 Third place

9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Park Games  
Prizes awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in all games!  
-Water Balloon Toss  
-Watermelon Eating Contest  
-Face Painting  
-And much more!



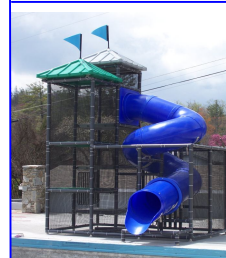
11:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Bounce & Obstacle Course  
11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Vagabonds- Patriotic Sing Along  
12:00 p.m.- 1:30 p.m. Buckhaggard Band  
2:00 p.m. Independence Day Parade  
3:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. The Cockman Family-Bluegrass Gospel  
9:30 p.m. Fireworks-The Blowing Rock Country Club

### Sunday, July 1, 2012

3:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. Diana & Sarvis Ridge-Bluegrass  
5:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Sweet T- Park Dance

★ Please call Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation for questions (828) 295-5222 ★

## 2012 Pool Schedule



The Robbins Pool at Broyhill Park will open on May 26, 2012, Memorial Day weekend. Individual and family pool passes are now available. Below is

the 2012 Swimming Pool schedule and fees. For questions regarding pool membership or swim lessons please contact Parks and Recreation at (828) 295-5222.


### Hours of Operation:

**Monday-Friday:**  
9:00 am - 11:00 am Swim Lessons  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm Public Swim  
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Adult Lap Swim & Exercise  
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Swim Lesson  
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm Public Swim

**Saturday:**  
11:00 am -7:30 pm Public Swim

**Sunday:**  
12:00 pm -7:30 pm Public Swim

## Summer Day Camp

 Parks and Receptions is now accepting Summer Day Camp Registrations. The Camp is open for boys and girls from rising kindergarten( must be 5 years old and recently attended daycare) to sixth grade beginning June 4, 2012. Applications are available online at [www.townofblowingrock.com](http://www.townofblowingrock.com). For more information please call Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation at (828) 295-5222.

## Planning Updates

- Subway restaurant is currently under construction at the former location of Alta Building Systems at 8180 Valley Blvd. The construction office and shop is being converted to a 47 seat restaurant and the parking area is being redeveloped to accommodate additional vehicles, drainage improvements and landscaping. The project is planned for completion in June 2012.
- Chetola Resort's Manor House Restaurant is in its final stages of renovation after a fire in August of 2011. The construction included a complete renovation, a small addition and restroom upgrades. Construction is scheduled for completion during the first week of May 2012.
- The Watauga High School Career and Technical Education Program continues work on the Robbins Pool at Broyhill Park Picnic Shelter. The 24' x 32' shelter will provide a picnic area overlooking the pool and can be used for special events and parties. Roofing is being completed at this time and all construction should be finished before the pool opens for Memorial Day weekend. After completion, Boy Scout Troop 101 is planning an Eagle Scout project to build a grill in the picnic/playground area. To help support this community project please call Town Hall at (828) 295-5200 to find out how to make donations to fund materials for the project!

