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# ARNADA NEIGHBORHOOD

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## Newsletter May 2025

**No May Meeting next is June 12 at 7:00 PM**

Agenda:

Approve 4/10/2025 ANA meeting minutes; Treasurer's Report  
Civic Reports Mayor or rep, Police, Port of Vancouver

## Do You Want Arnada Park to Look Like This?

Well, it's getting like this. If not, join in the 2025 Arnada Park Ivy Pull!



**Saturday May 31st 2025 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Rain, shine, or in between**

**Wear:** Sturdy, closed-toed shoes, long pants, long sleeves, and work gloves. Hats recommended.

**Bring:** Can-do attitude, loppers, hand pruners, tarps, small hand saws, and wheelbarrows, if you have them. Any participants **under 18** must bring a signed [Adopt-a-Park Youth consent form \(PDF\)](#).

Water and snacks to be provided. All participants will be asked to sign an Adopt-a-Park sign-in sheet with liability waiver and do a short safety training.

**RSVPs encouraged but not required** - fill out [this form](#) or email Ali Boris at [aboris08@gmail.com](mailto:aboris08@gmail.com) or 541-961-4899

# Minutes Arnada NA Meeting April 10, 2025

Meeting held at VHA 2500 Main St. at 7:00pm

Attendees: Ken Visser, Kathie Loveall, Sandi Christensen, Russ Pascoe, Hannah Visser, Rena Benette, Sharon Morse, Jill Bachmann, Amy Carlson(Zoom), Cydney Brinson (Groove Chiropractics), Anne McEnery-Ogle; Mayor CoV, Koko Olszewski Neighborhoods CoV, Brent Waddle CoV, Korey Flynn FVRL

Minutes of March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and treasurers report were approved.

Treasury is essentially stable since beginning of 2025, only income/expense is related to ad sheets, a loss of \$45. Amy is using Square for sponsor payments. Korey Flynn Senior Public Services Agent with Ft Vancouver Regional Library (FVRL)

2025 is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the FVRL. Celebrating with a “passport” to the encourage visits to all 15 libraries.

Anyone can get a free card which gives access to the other 14 libraries in SW Washington. Also gives access to Multnomah County Library free. Cowlitz County residents can get a FVRL card for a fee.

FVRL offers use of PCs and printing; \$3 week free printing otherwise 10/50 cents for BW/color copies.

There is learning center with interactive play for kids.

A gathering hang-out area for 13-19 year old with an open mike night.

Story time for toddlers and preschoolers. Sensory story options for special needs kids.

Development opportunities for artists, writers, sewing, speakers, hobby instructions, crochet, car repair.

Online access to tutoring, ACT preparation, ESL, citizenship preparation.

Consumer Reports in magazine and online with your library card.

Libby app has ebooks & audiobooks; HOOPLA has ebooks, audiobooks, music, TV shows, & movies and Kanopy for movie streaming.

FVRL curates a seed library, get seeds and drop off seed you harvest in your yard.

The Experience Passes give free, limited access to places like area museums, Pittock Mansion etc.

Board games are available for check out. Stocked in Vancouver and other system libraries.

FVRL has a Discover Washington travel kit.

Mayor Anne discussed current status, please see included sheets. She said the planned police training facility will take 6 years to complete planning and construction. All can participate in a contest to design a new City flag, see the CoV website. Jill asked about bike parades that happened in the past. Anne said C-tran is planning a bike event on a new bus route.

Arnada History walk: Sandi is waiting the CCHM to reply for a date in July or August.

We will have the Vancouver Community Jazz group in the park again this year and Russ is confirming a date with them.

Ken is coordinating with the City regarding the May 31st Adopt-a-Park Ivy pull and said that Ali Boris is the Arnada lead for this project. See details in this newsletter.

Street mural repaint with a street party following will be August 8/9. We can also add a National Night Out event to that Saturday if someone is willing to coordinate it. Ask any board member if that's you.

Kathie encountered scooters with gas engines in Arnada Park. She asked Brent to see if we can get a “no motor” sign at the west 25<sup>th</sup> street entrance.

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# Vancouver Public Schools' annual plant sales are here!

Visit these sales for hanging baskets, ornamentals, vegetables, fruits, native plants, herbs and more. All proceeds support student clubs and classes. Cash and card accepted. More information: <https://bay.vansd.org/plant-sales-2025/>

Columbia River High School (800 NW 99th St.) Saturday, May 3, 2025 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fort Vancouver High School Center for International Studies (5700 E. 18th St.)

Park in the gravel lot next to the greenhouse or in the East student parking lot.

Thursday, May 8 - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, May 9 - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, May 10 - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Hudson's Bay High School (1601 E. McLoughlin Blvd.) Tuesday through Thursday, April 29, 30 & May 1 - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Vancouver Flex Academy (2901 General Anderson Ave.)

Friday, May 2 - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, May 3 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Arnada Association Bylaws

The rules for running our neighborhood meetings, member requirements, making association decisions, elections, officers and amendments are available for viewing or downloading at the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ayz8N85CiKhkErQDXadXInFFSITu1tYH/view?usp=sharing>

# Ready . . . Set . . . GO!!



## Arnada Park Egg Dash

*Thanks Easter Bunny*

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# May Events Calendar

Date/Time	Event	Details
Every other Saturday May - June May dates: 5/3, 5/17, 5/31 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.	<b>Uptown Flea Market</b> Kindred Homestead Supply 2213 Main Street	Vancouver has been recognized as a Tree City USA for the 36th consecutive year. Join the Urban Forestry Commission to celebrate Arbor Day and plant trees. Gloves, tools and guidance will be provided. This opportunity is family-friendly. People of all ages and abilities are welcome. FREE.
Fri., May 2: 4 - 8 p.m.	<b>First Friday Downtown Art Walk</b>	Visit downtown Vancouver's wide array of gallery spaces and art-centric businesses. FREE. Map: <a href="http://vdausa.org/first-friday/">vdausa.org/first-friday/</a>
Sat., May 3: 1 p.m.	<b>Boating Season Opening Day Parade</b> Vancouver Waterfront	It's the "official" start of the boating season! Every year, this traditional regatta brings together many of the yacht and boating clubs on the Columbia River in the largest annual gathering of power and sailboats in the region, all decorated to reflect the new theme; this year the theme is "Celebrating Opening Day."
Thurs., May 15: 6:30 - 8 p.m.	<b>What Style is It? The Historic Architecture of Washington State</b> Red Cross Building 605 Barnes St.	Join long-time State Architectural Historian Michael Houser for an engaging presentation on the rich architectural history of Vancouver and surrounding communities in a statewide context. Learn from this Vancouver native about architectural styles and residential designs from the 1870s to the 1970s, with a particular emphasis on Officers Row. FREE. Register: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/acp7spjs">https://tinyurl.com/acp7spjs</a>
Sat., May 17 & 18: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	<b>Hough Elementary Cleanup and Beautification</b> 1900 Daniels Street	Our neighborhood school needs help from the community to help freshen up the campus. Join us on Saturday or Sunday for an hour or more as we pull weeds, prune trees, plant flowers, and more. Bring your own gloves, snacks and water will be provided.
Sat., May 31: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	<b>Arnada Park Cleanup</b> Arnada Park	Join volunteers from our Adopt-A-Park program for a morning of invasive plant removal. We will be removing ivy from the fence lining our neighborhood park. Training, gloves, tools, water, and snacks will be provided.