POA Recreation Joint Advisory Committee

April 13, 2026 - Boardroom 4:00 pm and Live Stream

Welcome/Call to Order: Secretary Larry Lopardo called the Meeting to Order

Attendance:

Members: Larry Lopardo, Sheryl Cherry, Brian Mickelson, Alan Atkins, Kelli Cholieu, Richard Taylor

Staff: Tom Judson, Jessica McCrary, Rick Echols, Roland Neville, Trey Anson, John Urquhart

Board Liaisons: Jackie Gain

Visitors/Guests: None

Current Business:

The March Minutes were approved.

New Business

We previously approved the Historical Museum's October Pickleball Tournament fundraiser. The Museum would like to add a singles tournament. **APPROVED: The Historical Museum may add a half-day singles tournament on October 9.**

Board Liaisons

No comments from Ms Gain.

Staff Reports

Tom Judson

Mr. Judson met with some pickleball players who have some concerns about court usage. Staff are considered implementing one or more strategies. One, restricting the number of guest passes. Two. adding a rack at the courts whereby Members could put their Activity Cards while using the courts. Rangers could check usage without

interrupting play. Three, installing air locks at the two outdoor courts that would require players to use a fob to enter. This action would cost about $50k for the two court complexes. Comments are invited from the pickleball community.

Rick Echols

Due to the rain shortage, Lomond is still down about two feet. Boats with larger drafts are cautioned about using the lake.

250 non-Members were removed by the Rangers this month.

The Tiree restrooms have new floors, courtesy of a flooring company that did this gratis in the hopes we will use them for other locations.

We are hosting a dam safety meeting on September 29.

We have hired one Ranger and are looking for three more.

We are looking for a volunteer to take 15-20 minutes per week to use a tool to evaluate Lake Avalon visibility. Interested persons should call 479-855-4472.

The carp raffle will commence at the end of the month.

John Urquhart

The pistol range will be closed April 17-21 for maintenance on the baffles and berms. The rifle range will be down May 15-20 for the same work.

Rifle and pistol usage was up March YOY by 35%.

The April 19 Concealed Carry class still has openings.

Trey Anson

The OZ Bike Park opens June 12.

Marina is open for merchandise sales. However, boat rentals and petrol sales cannot open until the water level rises sufficiently.

Roland Neville

The Egg Hunts and Spring Bazaar at the Rec were big successes. The food trucks were appreciated.

We begin hiring lifeguards this month. The pools and the beach open Memorial Day Weekend.

The Metfield changing rooms have been remodeled.

Amenity Reports

Amenity: London Park
Committee Member: Robert Williams
Review Month/Year: March 2026

Overall Condition: Restrooms were clean and well stocked
Pavilion area clean and trash emptied
Fish cleaning station was cleaned
Dog stations stocked with bags

Areas for Review: None

Member Interactions: Members fishing off dock mentioned the large log in the water. They were visitors and intended to build in the area.

Additional Observations: None

Amenity: Loch Lomond Recreation Area and Branchwood Complex & Trail
Committee Member: Kelli Cholieu
Review Period: March 2026
Site Visit: April 11, 2026

Overall Condition

Branchwood Complex

• Pickleball courts, gym, pool, disc golf course, and trail were active and in good condition.

• Approximately 20 individuals were observed using the pickleball courts during the site visit.
• The disc golf course and surrounding trail were also well utilized, with an estimated 25+ individuals present.
• The children's play area appeared clean, well maintained, and actively used.
Overall, the facility appeared functional, well maintained, and in good operating condition.

Loch Lomond Recreation Area

• Most amenities remain in good condition.
• Dog waste dispensers were stocked and properly maintained.
• The gazebo and fencing surrounding the dog park areas remain in strong condition.

Areas for Review

Branchwood Complex

• Drainage conditions along the trail loop should be reviewed. Exposed PVC pipe and wiring were observed within the drainage area and may require further evaluation.

Loch Lomond Recreation Area

• Picnic tables near the baseball field and benches in the dugouts require resurfacing.
• A small section of chain-link fencing behind the dugout remains in need of repair.
• A ground hole partially covered with plywood should be permanently addressed.
• A rusted trash can with a deteriorating base should be replaced.
• The baseball field storage room requires organization and general cleaning.

Member Interactions

Branchwood: Individuals using the basketball court expressed appreciation for the facility. Some noted the condition of the court surface is beginning to degrade but overall satisfaction remains high.

Loch Lomond: Community members who regularly visit both the small and large dog parks expressed appreciation for the amenities and overall maintenance, noting continued positive experiences.

Additional Observations

No additional observations were noted during this review period.

Amenity: Lake Avalon Park
Committee Member: Liz Howie
Review Month/Year: March/2026

Overall Condition:
All of the Park's amenities were in great shape and pleasing to the eye for our members and guests. The work that was being done in the picnic area under the big tree now has fresh mulch and it looks fabulous. I always appreciate how well this Park is maintained when I visit.

Areas for Review:
None

Member Interactions:
I was here on Sunday afternoon and the parking lot was filled with vehicles with bike racks. The paths near the Park were filled with bikers enjoying the great weather. I did have a chance to visit with a young family having a picnic and they mentioned that as new members of our POA they are astounded by the value they receive for their monthly assessment. Another happy family in BV!

Additional Observations:
None

BLOWING SPRINGS GREENWAY TRAIL

March 2026

OVERALL CONDITION

BSGT is well maintained, clear of litter and debris.

AREAS FOR REVIEW

NONE.

MEMBER INTERACTION

Campers using paved trail for walking pets were highly complimentary of overall conditions.

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS

None.

TANYARD CREEK PARK

Alan Atkins

March 2026

OVERALL CONDITIONS

Parking lot clean.

Overflow parking is available on weekends.

Restrooms well maintained, clean and well stocked.

Pet refuse bags and water are available at entrance to park.

Pavilion clean, well maintained with two BBQ GRILLS and eight picnic tables that will seat 48.

All hiking trails are in good condition.

Educational signs are located throughout the park with Flora and historical information.

All bridges are in good working condition.

AREA FOR REVIEW

Area inside the paved walkway at entrance to-the Park if maintained would add additional space for pet walking.

MEMBER INTERACTION

Family really enjoyed the hike to waterfalls and the educational signage.

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS

TANYARD CREEK NATURE TRAIL VOLUNTEERS

Spring work session has begun.

1) clean trails, pavilion area, parking lot and wipe down all benches around Park.

2) Create dry crossing in Phase 1 bluff area.

3) Sign maintenance.

4) clear graffiti from old concrete foundation in Phase 2.

Amenity: **Tiree Park**
Committee Member: **Sheryl Cherry**
Review Month/Year: **March 2026**

Overall Condition:
Tiree is in beautiful condition, the water at Lock Lomond is rising and soon will be at normal depth. Porta-potty has been removed for the season and bathrooms are open, clean, and stocked. Playground looks great and everything is in working order. Dog station was clean and stocked with bags.

1 out of the 6 kayaks on the racks are registered for 2026.

Areas for Review:

Men's bathroom was clean but had a distinct smell that the women's bathroom did not have. My recommendation is for bleach clean if possible. It smells worse than the port-a-potty ever did.

Member Interactions:
None.

Additional Observations:
None

Amenity: Granton Park
Committee Member: Sheryl Cherry
Review Month/Year: March 2026

Overall Condition:
Granton looks great. Porta-potty was clean and doggy bags well stocked. Trash was empty. I was impressed with the new wood on the docks and the dock ramps. It looks fantastic! 13 out of the 16 vessels on the boat rack were registered for 2026! The fish station looked great but there was, at this time, no instructions for turning on the water. That may be because the lake is still too low for fishing.

Areas for Review:
Port-a-potty door was blowing open in the wind when I drove up, there may be an issue with the spring that allows it to shut. Should be looked into.

Member Interactions:
None.

Amenity: Highlands Shooting Complex
Committee Member: Brian Mickelson
Review Month/Year: February 2026

Overall Condition:
The pistol, rifle, archery, trap, and skeet ranges are in good overall condition. All grounds and structures are in good condition, except as noted in previous reports.

Areas for Review:
There is currently a need for additional square footage for indoor flex space at the pistol/rifle/archery ranges.

Member Interactions:
There were approximately 5 members/guests at the pistol, archery, and rifle ranges, and over two dozen members/guests at the trap and skeet area consisting mostly of adolescents. There were no interactions with the amenity users due to live fire at the time of this evaluation.

Additional Observations:
There are no additional observations for this report.

Amenity: Kingsdale Complex

Committee Member: Richard Taylor

Review Month/Year , March 2026

Tennis Center

Overall Condition: The facility was in good shape. Clubhouse looked good. Restrooms were clean and stocked with towels and toiletries.

Areas for Review: None

Rec Center

Overall Condition: Everything seemed to be looking great at the Rec Center.

Areas for Review: None

Pools

Overall Condition: Pools are closed for the season. Everything seemed to be in good shape.

Areas for Review: None at this time.

Mini Golf

Overall Condition: The Mini Golf course was in good condition. There is a small hole in the back of the storage building which should be patched. The blue bench behind the storage shed could use a coat of paint.

Areas for Review: None at this time.

Playground and other areas

Overall Condition: The playground looks good.

The Pavillion was in good shape.

Areas for Review: None at this time.

Metfield Complex: Report unavailable

Lake Ann: Report Unavailable