

# The Shoreline

Sylvan Shores Community News



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## A Message From Our Sylvan Shores President

As we move into the late spring and summer season, Sylvan Shores is coming alive with activity. It's been great to see neighbors out enjoying the sunshine, tending gardens, walking the neighborhood, and making the most of our waterfront and community spaces.

We have a big community day ahead on Saturday, June 6. The morning kicks off with the Annual Riva Yard Sale (8 AM–2 PM), followed by our Second Annual Shore Thing Neighborhood Picnic at the ballfield from 2–6 PM. With live music, games, food, and activities for all ages, it's shaping up to be a fantastic day to connect with neighbors. We hope you'll join us for one or both events.

Our weekly activities are also in full swing. Friday Morning Power Paddle has returned, offering a fun, all-levels sunrise paddle on the South River. It's a great way to start the day and enjoy the beauty of our waterfront. For those who prefer land over water, pickleball pick-up games continue to draw a lively crowd at the court — all skill levels welcome.

Thank you to everyone who helps keep our community vibrant, whether by participating, volunteering informally, or simply showing up with a friendly wave. Your involvement is what makes Sylvan Shores such a charming place to live.

Wishing you all a bright, active, and connected summer in Sylvan Shores.

*Rachel Kline,  
President*

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# Upcoming Events

## River Report Card Presentation – *May 14* Arundel Rivers Federation

What's really happening beneath the surface of the rivers we love?  
Join us at our River Report Card event to get the inside scoop on the health of the South, West, and Rhode Rivers—straight from your Riverkeeper, Elle Bassett.  
Are things improving? Where do we still need work? And most importantly—how can you be part of the solution?  
It's free, it's eye-opening, and it's your chance to connect with others who care about clean water in our community.  
Doors open at 5:30pm to a free reception with light refreshments, wine and beer!

Thursday, May 14, 2026

5:30pm-7:30pm

Homestead Gardens, 743 W. Central Ave,  
Davidsonville, MD 21035

## Board Meetings – *Multiple Dates*

Board meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00pm in the clubhouse (unless otherwise specified). All residents are welcome to attend. The next few meetings of 2026 are scheduled\* as follows:

- May 18 (Membership meeting)
- June 15
- July 20
- August 17

\*subject to change, notification will be posted



## Annual Riva Yard Sale – *June 6*

Rain Date: June 7

The Annual Riva Yard Sale returns on June 6th, from 8 AM–2 PM. Keep an eye on your email and our socials for more details. Just like last year, we'll have a yard sale map available and signs posted around the neighborhood to guide visitors to participating houses.

This year, the clubhouse will not be used for indoor setups, but the parking lot will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Please remember to take all unsold items with you at the end of the day.**



## Annual Sylvan Shores Picnic – *June 6*

Rain Date: June 7

Sylvan Shores' 2nd Annual Neighborhood Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 6th from 2–6 PM at the ballfield. You should have received your flyer in the mail, and all details are also posted on our website, Facebook, and Instagram.

We've got a full afternoon planned: live music, a cornhole tournament, kickball, games, food, an ice cream truck, and more. Bring your lawn chairs, personal coolers, and plenty of energy for a great community day.

If you plan to attend, please take a moment to RSVP using the link below. You can also volunteer or lend supplies through the same form. <https://forms.gle/BJAZTgJUrXZPTSmx6>

# Project Updates

## Little Lending Library

Great news — our Little Lending Library by the clubhouse playground is officially fixed and open again! The door blew off during a storm, and Bucky Buchanan built a beautiful new one to keep our books safe. Huge thanks to him for the repair, and to Nick Hewitt and Tommy Lynch, who built the original structure.



This sweet little library was conceived and funded by Katie Bacon in honor of her mom, and we'd love to keep it stocked with books our community can enjoy.

We're now accepting new donations (in good condition only):

- Children's books
- Popular fiction
- Please avoid politics and religion

The library is small, so thinner books fit best!

## Website Photo Gallery

Recent community pictures have been added to the online gallery, split into categories. Visit <https://sylvanshoresriva.com/gallery/> to check them out! If you have any photos of the neighborhood that you would like to see on our site, please email them to us at [SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com](mailto:SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com).

## Forest Park

We're excited to share that new picnic tables and chairs have been purchased. They have been placed in Forest Park for everyone to enjoy!

# Activities



## Pickleball

The spring pickleball season kicks off in mid-late May, thanks to our coordinator, Donovan Young. All skill levels are welcome, and only one player per team must be a Sylvan Shores resident. The official registration deadline is now closed, but stay tuned via email and social media for any league updates.



## Friday Morning Paddle

Join Crossing Currents Aquatics for a sunrise paddle! Fridays, April 10–June 26. Meet at 6:10 AM at the Sylvan Shores beach. Bring your own kayak/SUP or rent one for \$30. Park at the Clubhouse. More info at [crossingcurrentsaquatics.com](http://crossingcurrentsaquatics.com) (search "Friday Morning Power Paddle").

## NOTICE

### Central Park Boat Ramp

**The Central Park boat ramp will be closed for three days for maintenance and upgrades. We do not yet know which three days, but we will share the confirmed dates via email and social media as soon as we receive the 24–48 hour notice. Weekend access will not be affected. Thank you for your understanding.**

# Programs



## Water Testing

Water testing for bacteria will begin soon and will be shared via Facebook weekly, throughout the summer. Testing is conducted at Sylvan Shores Community Beach and Hardesty's Cove. (Arundel Rivers Federation)

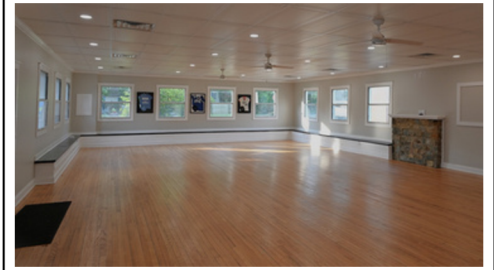
For more information, visit:  
<https://www.arundelrivers.org/copy-of-monitoring>



## Mosquito Fogging

Mosquito spraying will take place Sunday evenings anywhere from 7:00pm and 2:30am, with the season running from June 3 - October 6. (Mosquito Control Section of the Maryland Department of Agriculture)

For more information, visit:  
[https://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito\\_control.aspx](https://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx)

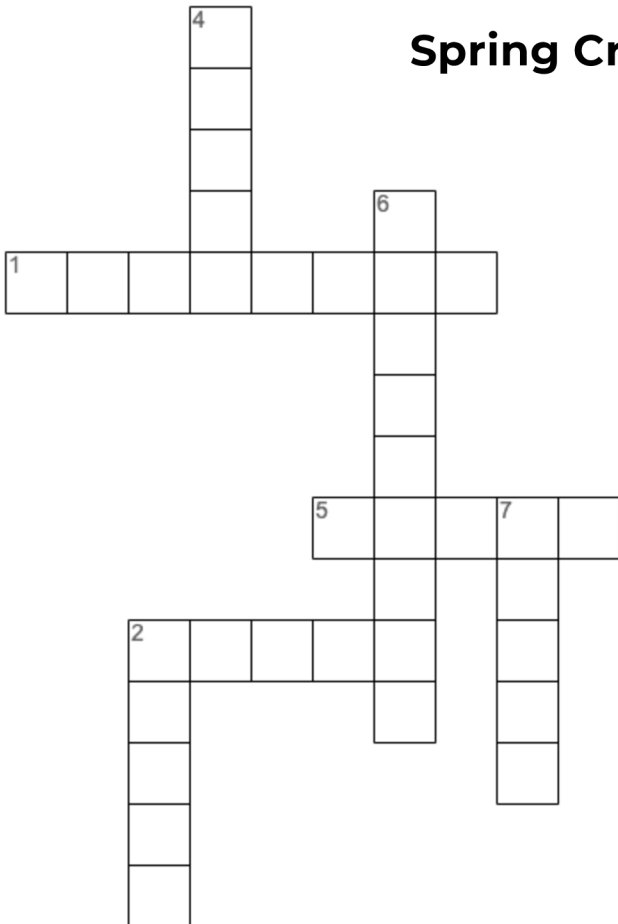


## Clubhouse Rental

To rent the clubhouse, inquire by sending us an email at [SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com](mailto:SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com).

Please ensure to read and abide by all of the rules and regulations associated with the rental of the clubhouse.

## Spring Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

1. One of the events being held on Saturday, June 6th.
2. Our Local Crabhouse.
5. Almost time to get these out on the South River!

### DOWN

2. This will be LIVE at the picnic.
4. Monthly \_\_\_\_ meetings, where all residents are welcome to attend.
6. Residents can rent this out for their events.
7. Our Riva Volunteer Fire Company number.

# Coming Soon...

## Sylvan Shores Online Store

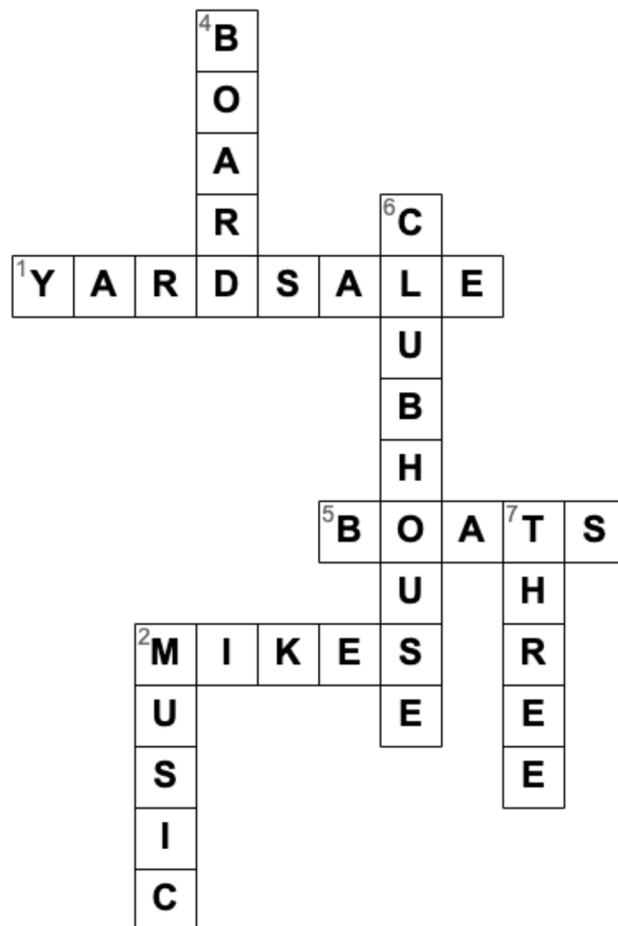
We're putting the finishing touches on a new online store where you'll be able to order baseball caps, T-shirts, polos, V-necks, and more. Merchandise will feature a Sylvan Shores logo thoughtfully designed by Bucky Buchanan and President Rachel Kline during a snowy winter day.

Keep an eye out for updates via email and social media as we get ready to launch.



A preview of some items that will be available for purchase. Final designs may vary.

## Answers to Crossword



Have a business you'd love to spotlight? We'd be happy to feature it in our next community newsletter! Send us an email to get started.

Are there any upcoming events you'd like the neighborhood to know about? We can feature them here! Send us an email with the event information.

Have ideas for articles or pictures for future newsletters? Send us your input and suggestions via email.

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*Thank you for reading!*

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Sylvan Shores Services Company, Inc. (SSSC) is a Maryland Corporation operating as a non-profit, which owns and maintains amenities for the benefit of the owners and residents of the Sylvan Shores community. SSSC also administers the Sylvan Shores Special Community Benefit District (SCBD), an Anne Arundel County special taxing district. SSSC is managed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors who are community members.

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The Shoreline is the periodic publication sent to all Sylvan Shores owners and residents for the good and the benefit of the community. The Shoreline is written by community members and edited by the Communications Committee. For questions, comments, or to add content to The Shoreline, please contact us at [SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com](mailto:SylvanShoresBOD@gmail.com) We welcome your thoughts and input!

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