



Sun Ranch Owners Association

Newsletter Spring 2023

Greetings from the Aeneas Valley from what seems like the longest winter in the history of winters. Not really just seemed like it. In fact, it's April and we're not surprised to wake up any given morning with snow-covered ground. Not to worry though, it will warm up and dry out quickly so that makes for a good segway to a fire wise discussion.

On the website www.sunranchtonasket.org there is a lot of great information about fire prevention and care you can do around your home and property to be proactive in keeping it safe from fire. Please take the time to look it up under member information/fire prevention. You will be glad you did.

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Annual Meeting: this year is June 24, 2023 at 11:30 am. It will be a potluck as in previous years, Sun Ranch will provide the main dish and members bring a salad, casserole, beans or dessert. The meeting will begin at 12:30 immediately following lunch.

Potential board members available to vote for

Andy Jones. Hello and best wishes to you, the Sun Ranch community. My name is Andy Jones and I'd like to serve and represent each of you as a board member this coming year. My wife and young family bought land here in the Aeneas Valley way back in 1978, and have enjoyed raising our family in this beautiful valley ever since. I have a varied background: I worked in the forests/on construction/commercial fishing crews in Alaska/ and as an educator, working and managing homeschool and alternative high school programs. I have also served on many boards, including the school board here in Tonasket and for homeowners associations near Bellingham. I will advocate for all the Sun Ranch owners with an emphasis on empathy and understanding of everyone's unique circumstances and perspectives. I am also very interested working with owners in regards to wild fire safety and forest health, with an eye to a prosperous and healthy future for all. Thanks for your consideration!

Carol Lynch. I have been a landowners on Sun Ranch going on 37 years. I have seen a lot of changes, some good and some not.

The reason I ran again for the board in 2020 was to get Sun Ranch expenses under control and to help landowners get up to date on their dues, this is still my goal.

I had no idea that I would be doing the books in 2021, but by doing the books, I have saved Sun Ranch thousands of dollars. To make sure the books are correct, the board has agreed to have a CPA look over them in June. I would like your vote for 1 more year on the board. After that I plan on resigning from the board after helping to find my successor...

So, please vote and if you can't make it to the annual meeting, make sure whoever you give your proxy to, has your best interest in mind and not just theirs. Thank you and take care.

Mary Ellen Zell. With less than a year under my belt as your VP, I have learned much. There is a lot to do just within the Board itself. My focus is to create proper processes and procedures for our board members, utilize funds appropriately for road maintenance & rehab (requesting bids be submitted for each area of concern), and stick to a budget that has been approved by the board. It's just a start. We need all owners to come and volunteer for small projects this summer, please get in touch and let's get these things completed. Also, community can not be obtained without you all so please consider volunteering.

Tina Dennis. I would really like to support the community as best I can for at least another year. I have enjoyed meeting so many new people. I look forward to meet more and be here to help as many of you as I can. Please vote! If you can't make it to the annual meeting, make sure whoever you give your proxy to, they have your best interest in mind and not just theirs. Thank you and take care.

Todd Norris. I have been on the board for a year now and would like to continue to be a part of my community and work with the community members.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE BOARD PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAME AND A SMALL BIO BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING AND YOU WILL BE ADDED TO THE BALLOT

Speeding

The speed limit on all Sun Ranch roads is 15 MPH. For the safety of our children, pets and pedestrians please keep it as close to 15 MPH as possible. It is really unacceptable to drive through someone's driveway so just don't.

Illegal and suspicious activity

Report all illegal and/or suspicious activity to the Sheriff's office NOT a board member. The board has no authority to stop crimes being done, or in progress. You can email us at sunranchmemberstonasket@gmail.com as an FYI, so we can be aware to inform other members as needed where crime is happening.

SROA website

Check out the website at www.sunranchtonasket.org there is a lot of information, resources and forms you may need as well as emails and phone numbers.

SROA Facebook page

Sun Ranch Owners Association page has a lot of information as well, request to join soon.

Noise Ordinance / Generators

Okanogan County has an active noise ordinance 9.16.010-9.16.050, that prohibits constant noise between the hours of 10:30pm and 7:00am. This ordinance specifically states, constant running motors or engines, music, barking dogs, fireworks or yelling or shouting. Please be respectful to your neighbors and have quiet peaceful nights for everyone. Turn the generators off and the music down. Thank you!!

Voting

If you come to the annual meeting you can place your vote for any issues that come up yourself. If you cannot come to the annual meeting you can use the attached proxy to assign to any eligible member to vote in your place. Your dues must be paid at the meeting or before to be eligible to vote or have a proxy admitted.

Sun Ranch Owners' Association 2023 Proxy

If you are unable to attend the meeting you have the option of assigning your vote to someone else, the person you appoint **MUST BE PRESENT** at the annual meeting that will be held on **June 24, 2023**, to vote on your behalf on any issue that may arise at the meeting. For board member voting use the ballot above.

If you would like to appoint someone, please fill out this form and return by **June 23, 2023**.

The undersigned does hereby appoint _____ (insert designee name here) as agent for me and in my name and place and stead to vote as my proxy at the annual meeting of the Sun Ranch Owners' Association to be held at Sun Ranch Headquarters on **June 24, 2023 between 12:30pm-3:30pm**. The said designee is entitled and authorized to act for me in my name and stead at said meeting of the members for any and all business at said meeting as I could act if I were present.

IN WITNESS WHEREBY, I have hereunto set my hand;

This _____ Day of _____ 2022

SIGNED _____

Registered Owner of Lot(s) # _____

Meeting Date: Saturday, June 24th 2023 12:30-3:30pm

Sun Ranch Owner's Association Headquarters, Tonasket, WA 98855