

Bulletin

THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION MONTHLY

June 2019

No. 531

BOARD SUMMARY AND ACTIONS

On April 27, 2019, The Sea Ranch Association Board of Directors completed an Agenda that included four items of new business. The Agenda packet for this meeting can be viewed on the Association website at <https://www.tsra.org/news.php?viewStory=2795>, and the audio file is available at <http://www.tsra.org/news.php?viewStory=721>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Jaap noted that Earth Day occurred during the past week and that a scholarship fund he had started two years ago for students at his alma mater had a very successful fund-raising effort.

Director Blair-Johns offered comments on his years of service on the Board and noted reasons for choosing not to seek a second term. This being his last meeting as a member of the Board, other Board members expressed appreciation for his service and for his many contributions.

REPORTS

Chair

Chair Fulkerson reported that during the Executive Session on the preceding afternoon, the Board received legal advice regarding member discipline, heard reports on several compliance issues, received an update on the postal service contract now held by TSRA, considered and approved a one-year extension of the contract for auditing services, discussed a personnel issue related to the Forest Task Force, and received legal advice concerning pending legislation relative to Accessory Dwelling Units (AUDs). In addition the Board conducted the annual review of policy committee terms, including reappointment of John Wall to a second term on the Finance Committee, appointing Frankee Bannerjee to a second term on the Planning Committee and approving a one year extension of Rick Hansen's expiring second

cont'd on page 22

CAL FIRE The Sea Ranch Fire Department

2019 FIRE SEASON

As I look forward to the 2019 fire season, I am at a loss for what to expect in any way. Those days of winter weather giving us an idea of the severity of the upcoming fire season are gone. We are all in a similar state of anxiety moving forward into spring and summer. Fire season has become an entirely new experience for those who live in rural areas and those that fight the fires in them. In my 30 years as a California state firefighter I have never seen fires like those that have occurred over the past few years with every year being worse than the last. The fires have been relentless, and most people are forever changed by what they experienced, both homeowners and firefighters alike.

Living on the coast and specifically The Sea Ranch absolutely has its benefits. The coastal influence brings with it higher humidity and cooler temperatures, so the days where those catastrophic fires can occur are less than many other places in California. With that said, it is important to make very clear that it can happen here, and we must prepare for that possibility.

The Sea Ranch community is one of the best in its proactive approach to fuels management and fire safety. We must maintain our admirable practice of homeowners being diligent in their efforts regarding the fuels management around their homes and complying with the defensible space regulations. With all the rain that occurred this year, you may need to mow several times to keep up with the grass growth. As a part of your overall wildfire preparedness, make sure that you have a "what you would do and what you would take" plan prior to the need to evacuate. Also know every route from your home in the event of an evacuation.

cont'd on page 5

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE:

- **PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE 4291** [pp. 6-7]
- **VISION COMM.: HOT SPOT GATHERINGS** [p. 19]
- **COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD** [pp. 8-9]
- **RECREATION INFORMATION** [pp. 26-27]

Community Information

40TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS

The Sea Ranch Association will host the 40th Annual Community Swim Program, sponsored by the Redwood Coast Recreation Center and the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District. The local contact for this program will be Eileen Buell, (707) 684-9080.

Swim lessons will be scheduled from June 17th through June 28th, 2019 – Monday through Friday, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cost of the entire two-week program is \$65 per child, with some partial scholarships available. Each of the lessons will be 30 minutes in length. Lessons are intended for children from infants to age 17.

Registration for swim lessons will be Friday, June 14, 2019, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool. On registration day, children (except for infants) must be dressed to go into the water for a short swim evaluation to determine the appropriate class placement. Note: Students who have participated in this program previously will not need to be tested on registration day.

The Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool will be closed to public swimming during the registration and lesson periods. Please plan to use the Del Mar Center Pool or the Moonraker Pool during these times.

Once again, The Sea Ranch Association is very proud to help the community in promoting water safety by hosting the Community Swim Lessons Program.



Lynn Bailey
Association Clerk and Recorder

What's Inside ...

Board Summary & Actions: 4/27 pp. 1, 22-25
CAL FIRE: 2019 Fire Season pp. 1, 5
40th Annual Community Swim Lessons. p. 2
View From My Window: Cursive p. 3
Mowing - Sea Ranch Style p. 5
PRC 4291: Reducing Fire Hazards. pp. 6-7
Nomination Form: Community Spirit Award. p. 8
Volunteer Voice: Annual Community Spirit Award. p. 9
From the Archives: But At The Association Office. p. 10
Commons Corner: April Area 1 Field Meeting . . . p. 11
CSTF: Marine Debris on Sea Ranch Beaches p. 12
Ecology Seminar: Living with Lions – 6/15 p. 13
Native Plant Committee: Western Colt's Foot. p. 14
Website Comm.: Soul of New Website – Part 2. p. 15
Trails Talk: What Would Larry Halprin Do? . pp. 16-17
Monarch Glen "Refreshed". p. 17
Hikes: Tidepools – 6/8, Bobcat Trail – 6/15 p. 17
DCEM: Wood Chips for Days p. 18
Nature Walk: Fire Safety & Fuel Modification p. 18
Vision Comm.: Hot Spot Gatherings – 6/15. p. 19
Independence Day Picnic: 7/4 p. 29
Volunteer Firefighters: Memorial Day BBQ – 5/26 p. 30
Classic Film: The African Queen – 6/5 p. 30

Read the *Bulletin* online at www.tsra.org!

BULLETIN ©

Website posting date: 5/18/2019
 Printed issue date: 5/29/2019

The purpose of The Sea Ranch Association BULLETIN is to provide information to Members about the official business and operations of The Sea Ranch Association.

Published Monthly for Members by **THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION**
 Post Office Box 16 • The Sea Ranch, California 95497
 Tel: 707-785-2444 • Fax: 707-785-3555 • E-Mail: info@tsra.org

Editor: Frank Bell
Assistant Editors: Janice Bonora, Darrell Paige
Design/Layout/Typesetter: Darrell Paige

Printed on recycled paper with 30% post-consumer fiber. No part of this publication may be reproduced in any form or by any means without the prior, written permission of the Editor, excepting brief quotes used in connection with reviews written specifically for inclusion in a newspaper or magazine. All materials for the BULLETIN should be submitted electronically to the Assistant Editor, who can also provide submission deadlines.

THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE* OF THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

| | | |
|-------------|----------|-------------------|
| May 28 | Tuesday | *Memorial Day |
| July 4 | Thursday | *Independence Day |
| September 3 | Tuesday | *Labor Day |

The View From My Window

CURSIVE

I periodically get cards and letters from members. They are mostly thank-you notes or comments on various issues. People typically complain about things via e-mail or letters severely typed to look like they originated in law offices. When people have something nice to pass along, it's generally done by hand and often in cursive.

Who writes in cursive anymore? Well, as it turns out, lots of people, none of which are me. Beautiful, flowing letters attached to each other across the page, just like our teachers tried to teach us in school. I must have missed those lessons. While I can vaguely remember learning to write cursive in elementary school, I can't remember the last time I put pen to paper in cursive. I print and not very well at that.

Most readers of my hand writing suggest that I would be the awe of most physicians. My father was a civil engineer, so he printed everything. Slide rule perfect, it was hard to tell his hand writing from typed print. My mother was not an engineer and wrote everything in cursive. I clearly got the printing gene.

Not being one to pass up a challenge, I recently tried to write a paragraph in cursive. It was a mess. None of the letters resembled anything legible, and I couldn't connect letters to each other. So, I now count the ability to write in cursive among my many skills that have vanished with age and lack of practice.

What does this have to do with The Sea Ranch? Well, admittedly, maybe not much. I guess some things just have no reference to The Sea Ranch. Except of course, for all the stuff that I now see everyday because I now pay attention to every handwritten document that crosses my desk. Like a musical mind worm (the song you can't get out of your head), cursive has invaded my personal space.

Legend has it that much can be told from a person's handwriting. Mostly I think that is confined to how much time a person takes to write things down, and how often they do so. Maybe people who print are in a hurry while people who use cursive take the time to enjoy the journey through words. The Sea Ranch has been practicing its values for more than 50 years, and some of our members have been diligently keeping the art of cursive alive for an equally long time.

I have come to learn over the years that The Sea Ranch can be a very progressive place that is also sheltered in tradition. It's an interesting conundrum. We seem to be a community of purists free to change our collective mind on a whim. I can't count the reminders, that we just don't do things that way, but maybe just this once we could be a little different.

As we wander through the controversy of the day and who did what to who (whom?) maybe we should write our letters to the editor in cursive.

Our world may be dominated by technology, but there is still room to do things the old-fashioned way. I am not sure I can resurrect my cursive training from the fossils of the past, but I plan to give it a try.



Frank M. Bell
Community Manager



DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM SHELTER EXERCISE

On Friday, July 12th, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. the Disaster Response Team will exercise the setup of a Disaster Shelter at the Del Mar Center (DMC). This exercise will simulate the registration of those seeking shelter, the setup of the dormitory, test the volunteer medical response to a disaster, and the setup and feeding at a shelter. We appreciate the exclusive use of the DMC (excluding the pool and saunas) during this drill.

Emergency Management

THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - MARCH 2019

GENERAL: As of May 1, the new assessment rate will be \$223.00 per month per lot. In the current year, budget variances are occurring in payroll, vegetation management and utilities. Estimated variances for the entire year are reflected in the adopted budget document. Staff is working on fiscal year-end preparation.

No Director's expenses were submitted for reimbursement in March.

Status of Delinquent Accounts: At the end of March, we had five liens on file with one member who had apparently been foreclosed; we are awaiting details. Of the five, three were members who are deceased. We had only two properties in a potential new lien state. We have written off \$4,933 in bad debt so far this year, resulting from a third-party foreclosure on a stale lien. At the end of March delinquent assessments due totaled \$30,636 representing 31 accounts.

**Sea Ranch Connect Enterprise Fund:*

| Fund | Budget YTD | Actual YTD | Variance YTD | Variance Last Month | % Ann Budget |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Sea Ranch Connect Revenue Share | 784,762 | 826,313 | 41,551 | 36,455 | 97% |
| Sea Ranch Connect Expenditures | 323,429 | 332,552 | (9,123) | (37,614) | 47% |

Property Transactions: In March, 11 properties changed ownership, four houses and seven lots, for 25 so far this year, as compared to 31 properties last year. There was one housing start in March, resulting in three so far, as opposed to only one at this time in 2018.

Other Matters: Association staff is preparing the new budget, membership communication regarding changes in the assessment, and pre-audit work. New hire recruitment is underway in four departments.



*Respectfully submitted,
Jim Nybakken, Treasurer*

| THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------|
| OPERATING FUND | | |
| THREE MONTHS ENDING 3/31/2019 | | |
| | REVENUE | EXPENSE |
| ACTUAL | 562,669 | 449,566 |
| ADOPTED BUDGET | 611,334 | 565,489 |
| BETTER THAN PLAN | | 115,923 |
| WORSE THAN PLAN | 48,665 | |
| BALANCE SHEET UNAUDITED | | |
| 3/31/2019 | | |
| ASSETS | | 15,450,001 |
| LIABILITIES | | 11,671,541 |
| STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | | 3,778,460 |

THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - MARCH 2019

The attached financial statements represent activity for the first quarter of the new fiscal year. The "worse than plan" status for water revenues is normal for this time of year and will resolve as seasonal usage increases.

Capital projects carried over from 2018 are being completed and new projects for 2019 are being lined up per the new budget plan. Please feel free to contact us at (707) 785-2444, ext. 227 or send an email to ebuechner@tsra.org with any questions.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jim Nybakken, Treasurer*



MOWING – SEA RANCH STYLE

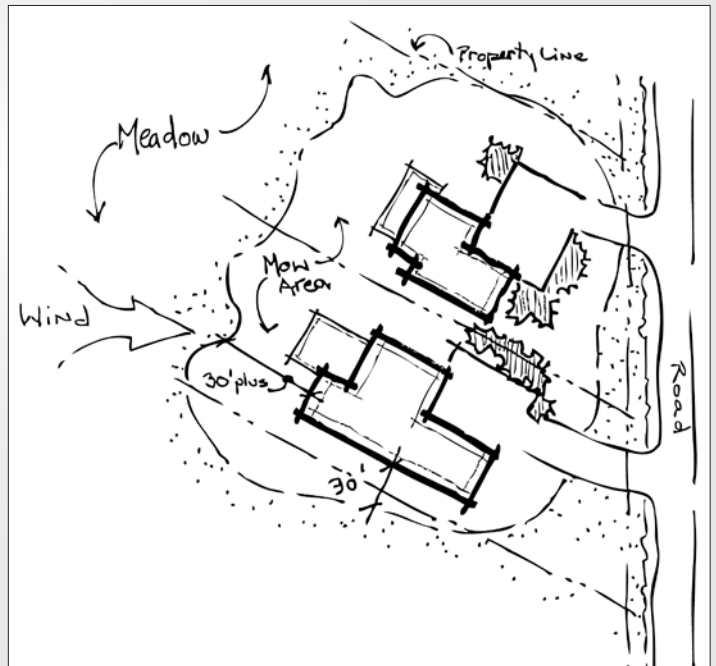
Spring is here and it's time to restart the mower. The Department of Design, Compliance and Environmental Management (DCEM) hopes you will consider a few ideas that will make the CAL FIRE required mowing around your home a better fit into The Sea Ranch concept. To achieve that fit, we suggest the following:

- Set your mower so it cuts the grass about 4" above grade. This will help avoid the appearance of the mowed, "fine" lawn common to urban settings, will result in healthier remaining grasses and forbs, and may discourage opportunities for unwanted invasive species to get a foothold. As you cut, avoid that occasional young Coffeeberry, Coyote brush, or Iris cluster, allowing them to mature. This will add a little native interest and form to the mowed area as well as provide some habitat value near your home.
- Most important, please don't follow your property line if at all possible. Mowing must meet the 30' CAL FIRE standard from the home, but it is not required to mow lot line to lot line in a rigid rectangle. Try to give the mowed area a natural, sculpted form in the landscape rather than a geometric form defined by the arbitrary property line (see sketch). And, on the windward side of the home, mow a little further than the 30' standard to enhance defensible space. In dealing with property lines, collaborate with your neighbor and the Association to meet both CAL FIRE requirements and an organic looking shape for your defensible space.

If you have a landscape contractor or property management firm take care of your mowing, please pass on the above tips.

Please be reminded that mowing in Commons is not permitted and is in violation of Rule 7.4.4 of The Sea Ranch Design Manual and Rules. Mowing in Commons or on a neighboring property for fuels management purposes may be done only after receiving approval from DCEM and/or the written permissions of the owner of the neighboring property.

 Thanks from the DCEM



CAL FIRE: 2019 Fire Season, cont'd from page 1

CAL FIRE employees have started fuel management inspections on portions of The Sea Ranch. Please take a good look at your property and don't wait for a formal inspection to start your fuels management. Defensible space around your home, following Public Resources Code 4291 (see pages 6-7), is the single most important measure you can take to increase the survivability of your home and increase the safety of the firefighters protecting it.

If you have any questions about fuels management or evacuation planning or you would like to request an inspection, please call CAL FIRE at 785-2648. You can also find information specific to defensible space and evacuation planning at the CAL FIRE website <http://readyforwildfire.org/>

Thank You.



Shelley Spear, Fire Captain
CAL FIRE/North Sonoma Coast Fire Protection District

Public Resources Code 4291

REDUCTION OF FIRE HAZARDS AROUND BUILDINGS

Dear Sea Ranch Property Owner:

This notice is to remind you that summer and its threat of wildfires is nearly here. Effective fire prevention reduces the likelihood of fires starting. Thoughtful and effective vegetation management by property owners could be a determining factor in protecting your property, should a wildfire occur on The Sea Ranch.

Guidelines adopted in 2006 brought the enforcement of the 100-foot vegetation management requirement. Follow the tips on the next page to better understand how the law affects you.

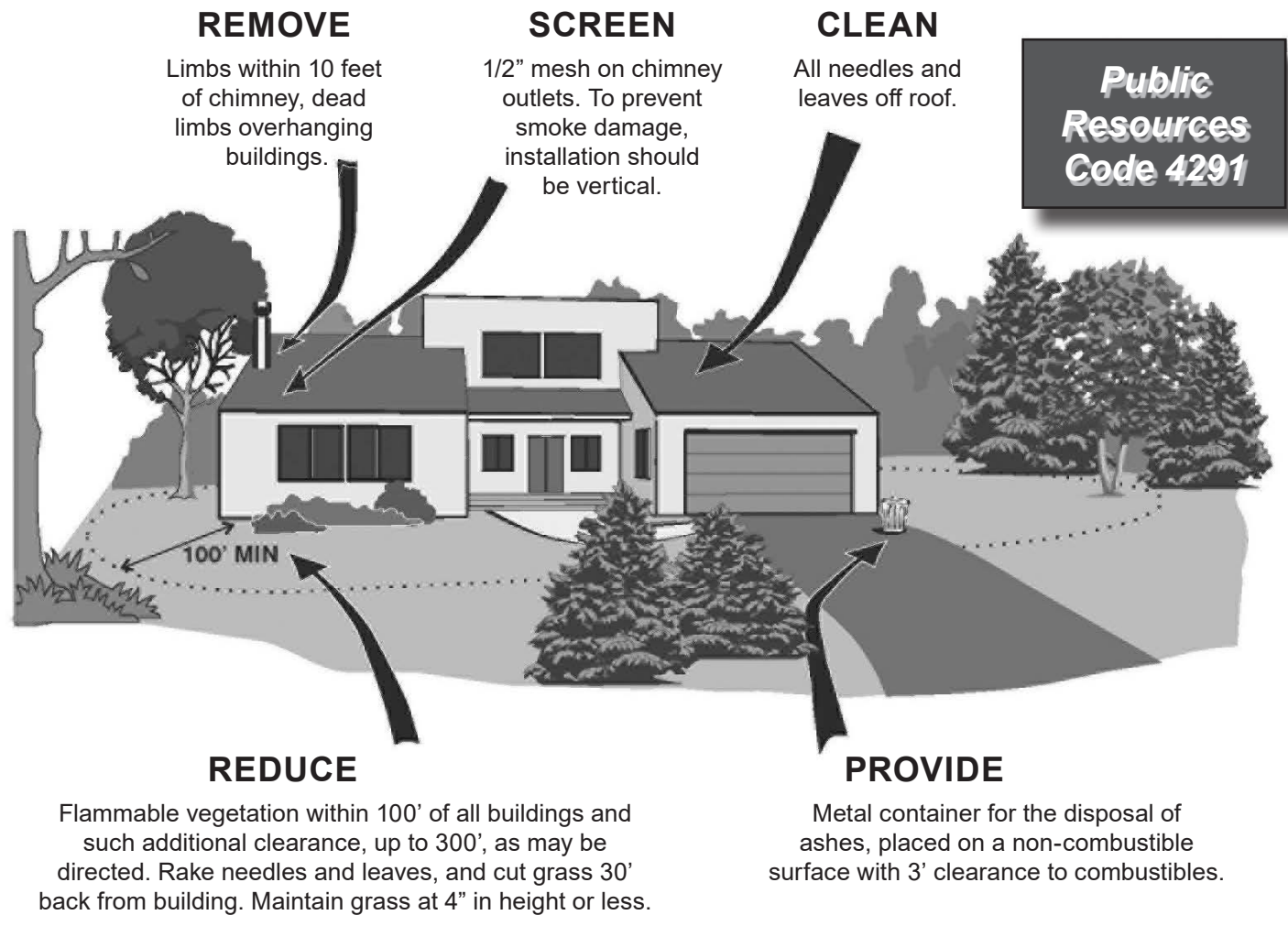
Each year the Fire Department inspects properties to assure compliance with the law. Fire personnel evaluate each property based on the clearance it provides for

access by firefighters to protect your home if threatened by wildfire. Your property may be inspected for compliance before and during the fire season. Property and equipment found in noncompliance may be issued a citation.

If you need additional information to determine whether your property meets the minimum requirements of the state law, please contact North Sonoma Coast FPD at 785-2648, and a fire prevention specialist will be pleased to assist you.

We appreciate your cooperation.

CAL FIRE and North Sonoma Coast FPD



VEGETATION MANAGEMENT TIPS FOR FIRE SAFETY

The State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (BOF) adopted new guidelines on February 8, 2006, expanding the defensible space clearance requirement from thirty feet to one hundred feet. This is because statewide, annual losses from wildfire continue to mount. The law is not intended to keep your home from burning in a fire; rather it is intended to create clearance so firefighters can protect your home in relative safety.

Of issue to Sea Ranch residents is how does one integrate the need for vegetation management into the ideal on which our community is built. What follows are some tips to help homeowners understand how to do an effective job of fuel modification.

1. Become educated about vegetation management for fire. Check out the Fire Safe Sonoma publication: "Living with Fire in Sonoma County." This publication provides an excellent process for developing a management plan that is tailored to your property. The brochure is available in the Association office, at the Fire Department, or on the Fire Safe Sonoma website at: <http://www.firesafesonoma.org/>

2. Consider that fuel modification is not clear cutting. The goal is to progressively reduce available fuels as proximity to structures increases. Strategies to accomplish this include fuel removal, vegetation reduction, and species replacement.

3. Each property is unique. Variables such as your home's exposure to the sun, topography, microclimate including wind exposure, and vegetation types will dictate the strategy that you use to create defensible space.

4. Remember to consult The Sea Ranch Design Committee when contemplating tree removal and/or vegetation replacement to determine whether a permit is required.

5. The Sea Ranch has a procedure enabling clearance on adjacent property in favor of an existing home. Contact Design Committee staff for information on how this might apply to you in your clearance efforts.

6. Make sure your plan includes annual maintenance to keep the clearance intact from year to year.

State of California
Department of Forestry
and Fire Protection
and North Sonoma
Coast FPD
Business Tell: 707-785-2648



To Report
an
Emergency:
Dial 9*1*1

FIRE HAZARD CHECKLIST

- Flammable vegetation around all structures reduced, removed or replaced to a minimum of 100 feet or to property line. Trees within 100 feet limbed free of ladder fuel and free from dead branches. Grass cut to a maximum of 4" height within 30 feet.
- No limbs within 10 feet of any chimney or stovepipe. Chimney outlet screened with 1/2" mesh.
- Roof cleared of needles and leaves.
- No dead limbs over structures.
- Metal container used for disposal of ashes and placed on noncombustible surface with 3 feet of clearance to combustible vegetation.
- Address sign clearly visible from street.

**HELP US HELP YOU ...
MAINTAIN YOUR
DEFENSIBLE SPACE!**

Communication Committee

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD NOMINATION FORM

I AM NOMINATING: _____

for the 2019 Community Spirit Award.

AWARD CRITERIA

- A Sea Ranch Member who exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism at The Sea Ranch
- History of long-time community service, both on The Sea Ranch and in the wider community
- Service being honored contributes primarily to the safety, comfort and enjoyment of life rather than to Association governance
- Equal consideration given to individuals who have been quietly working in the background as well as those in leadership roles

MY REASON(S) FOR NOMINATING ARE:

(Attach additional sheet if desired)

MY NAME: _____

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE BY JULY 13, 2019

*Last year's non-recipient nominees will be included in this year's list of nominations.
No need to resubmit.*

Send: ATTN Communication Committee, c/o The Sea Ranch Association

1. **Via Mail:** PO Box 16, The Sea Ranch CA 95497-0016
2. **Email:** nominate@tsra.org
3. **Website:** www.tsra.org

(Go to the Owners Page under "Announcements" to submit the form from the website.)

9TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD

In 2011, the Communication Committee chose to remember the late Rosemarie Hocker with the first Community Spirit Award. Those that knew Rosemarie will never forget her spirit, her graciousness, her volunteer efforts and commitment to the people of the community.

This year we call for nominations for the 2019 award.

PAST YEARS RECIPIENTS



We define Spirit as...vitalness, essence and soul. Our goal is to honor these virtues, and the type of volunteer service which helps improve the quality of life and well-being of Sea Ranch members, rather than service on Association committees or projects. This award is one of only two Sea Ranch awards nominated by the general membership and selected by Sea Ranch members.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO EXPRESSES SUCH SPIRIT?



Jan Gerst, Volunteer Facilitator
Communication Committee

We ask that you submit your nominations for the 2019 award. (See page 8)

Archives Committee

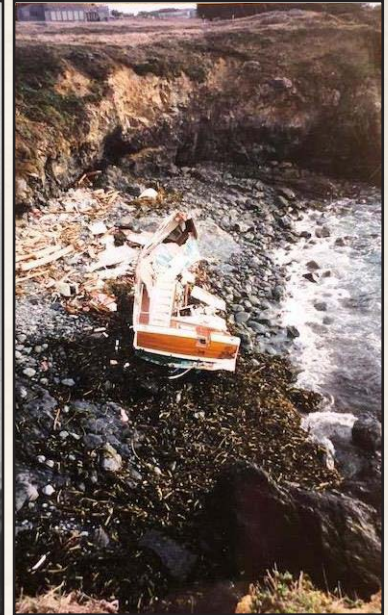
FROM THE SEA RANCH ARCHIVES...

"BUT AT THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE"

Our rough and rocky shores have been the site of famous and not so famous shipwrecks. In the photo on the left is the Klamath, an example of the former (courtesy of The Sea Ranch Archives, photographer unknown, donated by Nicholas Lee). Photo on right, the Casablanca (photo by Wayne Cassani) is a not so famous wreck, stolen from San Francisco's St. Francis Yacht Club and wrecked in a cove south of Ohlson Beach.

The Archives has established an exhibit in the Association Office conference room display case reflecting on the days when the ocean was a main thoroughfare to and from our coastal communities. The exhibit is built around a valve from the Klamath wreck on loan from the California State Lands Commission along with a couple of other interesting artifacts and information on other Sea Ranch wrecks. Next time you visit the Association Office check it out.

Also remember the Archives continues to have open hours the first Wednesday every month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Del Mar House, Room 4, or by appointment.



*Harry Lindstrom, Chair
Archives Committee*

CLC Stewardship Program

Upcoming CLC Stewardship Projects

- **June 1** — Area 4, D4. Navigator's Reach. Removal of pine seedlings and saplings. Meet at the intersection of Navigator's Reach and Sculpture Point.
- **July 13** — Area 4, D4. Pine Meadow. Seedling and sapling removal to maintain views and the sense of a well-formed, recognizable meadow. Meet at Pine Meadow near Trail Post 262. Please note this is not our typical first Saturday, due to the holiday
- **August 3** — Area 4. Habitat Restoration. Join your neighbors and fellow stewards in re-establishing balance in an area disturbed by dead tree removal. Bring wheel barrows and shovels if you can! Meet on Sea Ridge Road between Seward Reach and Pilot's Reach.

Contact

If you would like to receive Commons Landscape Committee information via email, please send your email address to:

CLC@tsra.org



CLC Stewardship Projects are typically on the First Saturday of the month, 9:00 a.m., location varies.

All volunteers are welcome.

COMMONS CORNER



April on the Land CLC Area 1 Field Meeting

A range of Sea Ranch weather conditions were on full display during our April, Area 1 Field Meeting. Warm sun at the Moonraker pool, stripes of sun and shade in the hedgerow, deep, cold shade under the bluff cypress, blustery winds on the open meadow, then the protection, welcomed, in a small courtyard on the leeward side of a hedgerow house.

At the Moonraker pool, Barbara Stauffacher's bold supergraphics and Kevin Keim's pool signage completed the restoration of the recreation center graphics. The fence along the street had been repositioned, away from the base of the berm, to better reveal the landforms and the architect's intent to connect to the larger meadow.

We saw architecture that was built over some 50 years, from Joseph Esherick's hedgerow houses (including his own) on Brigantine Reach to Donlyn Lyndon's design on Bowsprit. Each demonstrates places shaped by climate and landscape; they expand the experiences of living at The Sea Ranch.

Linda Lipkin reminded us that the Brigantine's hedgerow plantings, now some six years old, are evidence of the ongoing replacement of the signature hedgerows. Here, we grasp the importance of the hedgerows, as they majestically define place and the structure of the landscape. We learned from Leslie Redick that the replacement plantings at Galleon's Hedgerow are mature enough to replace the aged trees that will be removed soon. Yet, even at some 30 feet, the new trees feel small in their space and against remaining secondary growth. It will be some time before the new trees are dominant on the landscape.

We continued through the hedgerow to the bluff cypress that forms a passage between Sea Ranch and Bobcat meadows. Protected from the wind, and in deep shade, several of us moved to the warm sun, though still in the protected wind shadow of the hedgerow. Once out of the wind shadow, we were subject to relentless, fierce coastal winds. Diane Hichwa, stopping often along the Bluff Trail, described a dizzying array of plants, habitat, and wildlife: meadow species including yellow

bush lupine and coyote brush—an important home to song sparrows and white-crowned sparrows; riparian plants of Wax Myrtle, the native Calamagrostis bunch grasses, and fringed corn lily. Already blooming were the Douglas iris, bee plant, Johnny Tuck and our yellow coastal California poppy. Along the coast and on the islands, were Western Gulls, Black Oystercatchers, Pelagic Cormorants and Pigeon Guillemots. On invitation, we huddled in the protected courtyard of a hedgerow house, another lesson in design at The Sea Ranch.

After a short walk, we stopped at the edge of Black Point Prairie, at the leeward side of Black Point Hedgerow, in a sunny spot. From there we had views across the Prairie and the grasslands of Moonraker Slope. Driving from the south, both areas are the first introduction to long views across defining landscapes: to the east, up the meadow terraces to the forest front; to the west, the expansive Black Point Prairie and the ocean bluffs. This area is the largest sweep of meadows on The Sea Ranch. It is a reminder of the importance of cooperation between the Lodge owners and TSRA to manage the meadows and the adjoining Black Point hedgerow. There is much work to be done to open views from the highway and at the Moonraker intersection.

As we walked north along Moonraker, we looked across Sea Ranch Meadow, noticing the resurgent brush which, only recently, was cut back or removed. Donlyn pointed to examples of houses that further demonstrate the clustered arrangement abutting the hedgerow, as envisioned in Larry Halprin's plan.

Thanks to Monty Anderson, Area 1 Leader, and the rest of the CLC membership and liaisons for organizing the field meeting.

For future Field Meetings and details, see the Association website calendar or watch for upcoming *Bulletin* articles.

*Nelson Scott Smith, Chair
Commons Landscape Committee*



CLC Stewardship Program Schedule, see pg 10

Coastal Stewardship Task Force

MARINE DEBRIS ON SEA RANCH BEACHES

Several dedicated volunteers monitor the ten beaches on The Sea Ranch to collect and document the amount and types of trash. We are volunteers for NOAA's (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) Marine Debris Monitoring and Assessment Program. As coordinator of this program, the most common question I am asked is: "Have you found anything from Fukushima?"

On March 11, 2011, the largest earthquake ever recorded in Japan damaged the Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant and caused widespread damage. A tsunami followed which devastated the coastline, killed thousands of people, and dumped debris in the ocean. The Japanese government estimates that 70% of this debris sank immediately. The remaining 1.5 million tons drifted away on the waves. In the United States, most of the trash found following this event ended up on beaches north of The Sea Ranch (Oregon, Washington, and Alaska).

We did find one piece of trash on Tidepool Beach which we are sure came from Fukushima. It is a plastic packing pallet and is currently on display behind the visitor's center at Gualala Point Regional Park. The pallet has an address printed on it in Japanese characters. When I found the pallet, helpful employees from Facilities and Resources arrived and pulled it to shore just as the tide was about to take it away.



We collected marine organisms from the pallet, and with the help of the Bodega Bay Marine Laboratory, sent them to experts across the country for analysis. These scientists studied the marine life and determined that no invasive species caught a ride from Japan to Northern California.

We still sometimes find objects with Kanji lettering on them. However, it is impossible to determine whether any of these objects are from Fukushima. We have found bottles, soda cans, a large buoy and a can of insect spray. These items are most likely from Japanese fishing vessels.

The Japanese tsunami and other natural disasters raised awareness of marine debris. It is of great continuing concern. Discarded plastics are extremely harmful to marine animals and to pelagic birds and are eaten by many. Fishing line and netting are equally harmful as they entangle birds and marine mammals. The California Department of Fish and Game recently enacted new regulations to reduce the risk of marine entanglements in commercial Dungeness crab fishing gear.



Winter storms and heavy flooding on local rivers and streams have left more trash on our beaches. On The Sea Ranch, we found four propane tanks, industrial-size tires and a great deal of wooden debris studded with nails and screws. We need more volunteers to participate in NOAA's Marine Debris Monitoring and Assessment Program. The program requires one visit a month to an assigned beach, documentation and collection of trash and data entry on a NOAA database. If you love our beaches and visit them often, this is a small commitment. Fortunately, the amount of large debris described above has dwindled.



If you are unable to volunteer at this time, please do pick up trash on our beaches! (When collecting trash, I wear nitrile exam gloves that I buy in bulk at Costco to protect my hands.)

Here are several websites to explore:

<https://marinedebris.noaa.gov/> (This site describes the program in which we participate and includes great activities for children.)

Beachcombersalert.org (Dr. Curtis C. Ebbesmeyer of Seattle publishes a fascinating newsletter about marine debris. It's informative and fun to read!)

Marilyn Green, Sea Ranch Beach Survey Coordinator
PH: 785-2019 (greenmv@aol.com)



ECOLOGY SEMINAR PRESENTATION *by Dr. Quinton Martins of Audubon Canyon Ranch*

Saturday, June 15, 2019
3:00 p.m. at Del Mar Center Hall

TOP OF THE HEAP

In California, few species draw our attention more than the mountain lion. They elicit fascination, concern, conflict and more. Many of us share these emotions, but few understand the essential role mountain lions play in our lives and in the ecology of California.

The mountain lion is a predator at the top of its food chain with no natural predators, an apex predator. Others include sharks, sperm whales, wolves, and crocodiles. By controlling prey density and restricting smaller predators, they play an important role in the regulation of disease and maintenance of biodiversity. Depredation to protect domestic animals and diminished and divided home ranges are just some of the human activities that have played a dominant role in reducing the numbers of many apex predators.

Not surprisingly, disrupting a balanced ecosystem by removing an apex predator, often has the opposite of the desired outcome. Remove mountain lions and the coyote population increases, more sheep are lost, and the cost of protecting them increases.

In Yellowstone National Park dramatic changes were seen after the grey wolf was reintroduced in 1995. Elk, the wolves' primary prey, became less abundant and changed their behavior. Riparian zones were freed from over-grazing which allowed willows, aspen, and cottonwood to thrive creating habitat for beaver, moose, and many other species. In addition, the return of the wolves, also had a positive impact on one of the park's vulnerable and important species, the grizzly bear. Emerging from hibernation, the bears scavenge wolf kills as do other species including eagles, ravens, black bears, and coyotes. Removing any species disrupts an ecosystem. Removing apex predators can have profound and unexpected consequences. If you can attend the next Ecology Seminar you will learn a lot more about apex predators and mountain lions.

Dr. Quinton Martins is a wildlife ecologist with the Audubon Canyon Ranch (ACR). He received his PhD studying leopards in South Africa and now leads the ACR's Living with Lions program, a community conservation project in Sonoma and Napa Counties. Data is collected by humanely trapping mountain lions and equipping them with GPS collars to determine their age and health. Their movements are tracked to learn more about their home range size and activity, and to be able to assist directly with any issues. The Living with Lions program is also very active in education and in working with land owners and managers to deter interactions with pets and livestock.

To learn more, go to www.egret.org



Living with Lions

© Photo by Dr Quinton Martins



Sanford Friedman
Ecology Subcommittee

GOING NATIVE

Native Plants of the Month

*An introduction to approved plants for
The Sea Ranch landscape*

Western Colt's Foot, *Petasites frigidus*

Looking for something *different* (funky!) in your garden landscape? Western Colt's Foot grows in moist, shady areas and blooms in early spring. Flower buds emerge before the leaves and as the stem lengthens up to 2 feet in height, the pinkish flower buds open. The foliage is rather showy also, with large indented, palmate leaves that persist through summer with adequate water. Petasites is an excellent riparian habitat plant which attracts our early pollinators.



Photo: Western Colt's Foot (taken by Barbara AL Owen on 4/16/2019 in the Native Plant Garden)

What to do in your Native Garden in June?

- **Water:** New plantings and riparian areas that have dried out will need watering. Rule of thumb for watering: water deeply and allow ground to dry out before watering again. Watering plants closest to your home will keep them green and decrease fuel load during the dry season. Don't water established plants that are adapted to this climate.
- **Prune and Propagate:** Pruning and deadheading will decrease the susceptibility to disease, decrease fuel load, and prepare plants for regrowth during the rainy season. Cuttings from many native shrubs and trees, such as Toyon, Red Elderberry, and Big-Leaf Maple can be taken and propagated in June for fall planting.
- **What's Blooming:** Natives put on a profusion of white, yellow/orange, red/pink and blue/lavender blooms during June. Here are a few to look for in our TSR landscape and native garden. White: Western Azalea, Pacific Ninebark, Cream Bush, and Blue Elderberry. Red/Pink: Farewell to Spring, Wild Onion and Coastal Buckwheat. Blue/Lavender: Coast Aster, Coyote Mint, Blue Bush Lupine and Native Lilac. Yellow/Orange: California Poppy, Monkeyflower, Leopard Lily, and Woolly Sunflowers.

Native Plant Committee Events:

Native Plant Garden Work Party: Saturday, June 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Come help other native plant-loving volunteers tend the garden. No experience is necessary and tools, kneeling pads, gloves and gentle guidance will be provided!



Native Plant Committee
nativeplant@tsra.org

THE SOUL OF A NEW WEBSITE: PART 2



Web "Site-ings"

In the January 2019 *Bulletin*, Website Committee (WC) Chair, Jon Loveless, brought us up-to-date on what's happening with the 3rd Generation TSRA Website, an undertaking that was initiated as a result of the website survey of 2016. Survey responders made it clear that there were quite a few difficulties with the current site: navigation, search and especially login; and adding those to the unsuccessful requests to have our current platform modified led to the conclusion that a new website was necessary. The

Board has approved the plan and budget, and the WC has begun working on the initial phases of the project. There is much to be accomplished.

First, the WC, along with Association staff, decided to use WordPress as the new platform. Next came a search for professional help to design and build the new website. After researching and interviewing many vendors, Agile Humanities Agency (Agile) from Toronto was hired. Agile is a project-oriented company that assembles teams of programmers, designers, information and systems architects, and project managers to provide the most efficient and effective web development solutions. Agile was familiar with TSR, as it recently developed the archival website "Journey to The Sea Ranch" for UC Berkeley College of Environmental Design.

Of course, we know that TSR is unique among communities. Not only does our website serve the myriad purposes of Association homeowners, but there are many other interested parties who want and need to access our site. Clearly, this makes the project incredibly complicated. To make sure that Agile would be totally immersed in TSR experience, the WC and Association staff hosted two of the Agile team members here in the beginning of March and gave them an understanding of who we are and what we need, an understanding that would have been otherwise impossible to convey from a distance via remote collaboration.

As a result of that visit, Agile presented the WC with the following five Guiding Principles for development of the new website. I think they show that Agile got the message, and that our new website will have a strong foundation for meeting our unique requirements.

Be Clear About Privacy: While TSR is a place of public and historical interest, it is important to communicate that it is a private community with limited public access.

Think Actively: The site should focus on task completion – helping owners find the information they need as quickly as possible. It helps to think actively – what are owners here to do? – and to organize accordingly. Our organizational principle is to be user centric.

Don't Fear Redundancy: It is good to remember that we're not just sorting and filing information; we're building pathways for users to discover it. People have their own preferences for using sites, and it's okay to have items linked in more than one place or menu.

Build Personal Investment: It's referred to as TSR Covenant, the agreement between current and prospective Sea Ranchers that the unique quality of the community is built on following its founding principles. It's important to communicate this covenant to the public to build respect for the community, its heritage and its privacy. But, it's most important to communicate it to its own members. It has functional expression in TSR Rules, which have many applications in different parts of the site. Instead of thinking of the Rules as merely prohibitive, it's important to frame them positively – what do owners need to know to help maintain the quality of TSR?

Think Iteratively: Iterative thinking (thinking, rethinking and refining through repetition from the vague idea to realization) is part of TSR sensibility – it was designed to allow the community to grow organically. We can set ourselves up for success by making deliberate steps forward and re-evaluating as we go along. The hope is to set up a flexible framework to migrate, evaluate, rethink, review, prioritize and organize content in an ongoing fashion.

Agile's next steps will be to flesh out their vision and create a blueprint for going forward, and that will be the subject of my next report.



Margery Entwisle
Website Committee

Trails Committee

WWLHD?

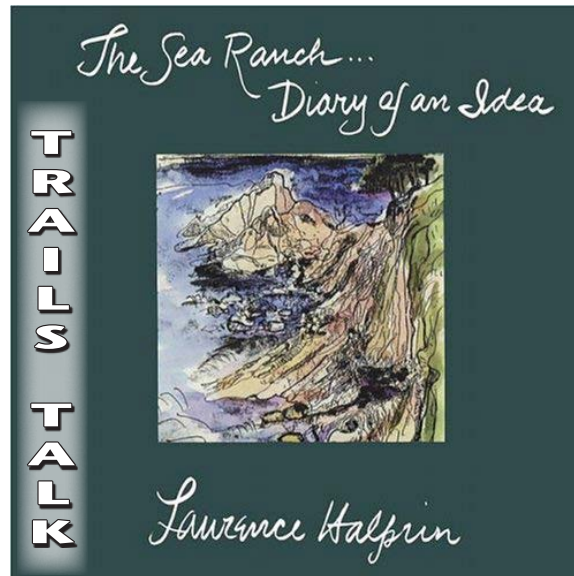
The Trails Committee (TC) does more than spread mulch and lead Saturday hikes. Sometimes ordinary TC business takes us back to the original TSR challenge: how to live in nature without destroying it in the process. Thoreau made it look easy, but he didn't have to solve the problem of providing a large number of people access to commons land and still preserve most of it in its natural state. Trails are inherently ambiguous: they take you into nature, but by having borders they keep you out of the rest of it.

For many years the trails system on the east side of Highway 1 ended at TPs 201 and 216 on Moonraker Road, and "providing a full length, north-south route east of the Highway" was a priority in the "Cultural and Recreational Resources" section of the CEP. In 2015 and 2016 a trail was planned and constructed from TP 201 to the dramatic waterfall below Bear Grass Close—with the understanding, stated and unstated, that this new Sea Forest Trail would be the final link in the "full length, north-south route" when it was completed by continuing up the ravine between Units 31 and 10A to connect with Bobcat. The only issues, most of us on the TC thought, were the TSR property line to the south and plotting a route that would not be too expensive and difficult to build. The extension of the trail was a foregone conclusion: all open loops call out to be closed.

Time passed, but the question of *how* to extend the Sea Forest Trail (2016) up the Moonraker ravine percolated under the surface, consuming several TC meetings, not to mention email messages and exploratory hikes. Eventually the conversation mutated from *how* to site the trail to *whether to build it or not*. The entire process (still not resolved in the TC) illustrates how the founding ideals of TSR rephrase themselves in our second fifty years. In many ways both explicit and implicit, the TC's process mirrors the narrative of the founding of TSR—when the site was comparatively "empty." But we are closer to build-out status in 2019, and the conversation has changed. The TC thought that sharing our experience, rendered here by topic and anonymously, might help frame similar discussions in other TSR committees, task forces, and in the general membership.

WWLHD? (What Would Larry Halprin Do?) The founder who is quoted more than any other is Lawrence Halprin (1916-2009). In his *The Sea Ranch—Diary of an Idea* (1993), Halprin looked back to the origins of TSR from more than 25 years. Several of his sentences have become mantras, echoing in many TSR discussions. "Living lightly on the land" – without attribution but understood to be the environmental ethics of the first

humans to settle this part of the earth—was used by both those who wished to build the Sea Forest extension and by those who came to oppose it. The TC faced the power of Halprin's phrase, and its ambiguity. Does "living lightly on the land" mean "build it but build it with ecological sensitivity?" Or does it mean, sometimes, "don't build it at all?" Does Larry Halprin tell us to view the *whole* Sea Ranch rather than its individual *parts* as the referent for "the land?" Of course, the *whole* we see today is not the *whole* Halprin saw in his lifetime. Does that matter? How?



Halprin Book Cover

Stock graphic

Original intent/original

text. How far was the TC to follow the "original intent" of the SR founders? Believe it or not, the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia's views on the Constitution were quoted in TC discussions. Who knew? Halprin, it turns out, would not be a Scalia favorite: Halprin was stronger on intent than text. Halprin mentions roads, fences, landscapes, and plantings (all man-made interventions in nature), but is nearly silent on trails. He extols "hiking in the great stands of timber and through the wildflower-strewn coastal meadows," (pg. 35), but he's less than explicit about whether hiking takes place only on man-made trails. He might have *intended* to mean hiking on trails, but it is not clear in his *text*. What is clear, owing to his recurring statements, is the theme of keeping "nature" at the top of all planning hierarchies: "as much as possible we wanted to keep nature untouched and 'unimproved'" (pg. 45). Is a trail an *improvement*? What are we-in-the-present to do/not do?

Anthropocene. Neither Halprin nor TC used the buzzword, but its meaning underlays a lot of what we said and heard—especially from the newly-minted Ecology Task Force attached to the Planning Committee. "Anthropocene" refers to the awareness that we live on the earth in an age dominated by human manipulation

cont'd on page 17

cont'd from page 16

("improvements"), and that our manipulation might need to be curtailed if we hope to survive on earth much longer. See: <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/what-is-the-anthropocene-and-are-we-in-it-164801414/>

Clearly the men and women who inaugurated TSR in the 1960s lived in the Anthropocene too. But the intervening fifty years seem to have made a difference. Halprin believed "that TSR could become a place where wild nature and human habitation could interact in the kind of intense symbiosis where ecology could allow people to become part of the ecosystem" (pg. 17). He had a fierce faith that the Anthropocene could be held at bay. "Symbiosis," intense or otherwise, seems farther out of reach now than it was fifty years ago. WWLHD in 2019?

The TC did not seek out these complicated ethical questions. They literally come with the territory and the times.



Michael Kreyling
Trails Committee

MONARCH GLEN "REFRESHED"

Please come and visit the "refreshed" Monarch Glen. Marvel at other types of monarchs (besides the butterflies): the redwood, grand fir and tan oak monarchs that grace this special area.

Monarch Glen has been renovated in accordance with guidance that Barbara Rice and her group provided for this as one of her "Lady Bird Johnson" projects. Thanks to the hard work of the Hot Shots, Trails Committee, and F&R, much of the poison oak has been removed, markers have been relocated as necessary, invasive plants have been removed, and general maintenance of the area has been accomplished. The interpretative guide has been updated with help from Diane Hichwa, Cheryl Harris, Amy Van Syoc and others. At some time in the future we hope to reintroduce native plants and attract monarch butterflies back to the area.

Marcia Nybakken, Trails Committee

TRAILS/CSTF

NATURE/TRAIL HIKES

TRAILS

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

...learning in our Sea Ranch environs

Topic: Exploring Our Tidepools

Join Sea Rancher, Bob Van Syoc, a marine biologist specializing in barnacles, for an educational and entertaining look at the inhabitants of our tidepools. We'll be looking for sea stars, sponges, mussels, sea urchins, barnacles, limpets, and much more.

Location and Time: 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Ohlson Recreation Center, large parking lot, to hike or carpool to the tidepools.

Difficulty: An easy 20-minute hike, followed by a short, moderately steep path from the bluff to the tidepools. Wear appropriate shoes for scrambling on the slippery rocks - ones that you don't mind getting wet. A walking stick is recommended for extra support.

Please, no children under 6 years, and no pets.

Hike Leader: Bob Van Syoc, Ph.D., Research Associate at the California Academy of Sciences

Coordinators: Susan Higgins (shiggins@sonic.net) and Marcia Nybakken (marcia.nybakken@gmail.com)

Co-Sponsored with the Coastal Stewardship Task Force



SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Hike: Bobcat Trail workout and beautiful scenery
Join us for an afternoon of beautiful scenery, plus a great workout on the Bobcat Trail. Our route includes some of the steepest trails on The Sea Ranch and will take us through firs and redwoods. Canine hikers are welcome

Location and Time: Meet at Ohlson Recreation Center large parking lot at 1:00pm. We'll carpool to the small parking area just west of Hwy 1 at Moonraker Road. You may join the group there if you prefer, at 1:10pm. The hike begins at Trail Post 201 and treks uphill through TP202, 210-206, then returns downhill at TP206-203. The uphill stretch is strenuous; the downhill is complicated by steps and roots, so watch your feet.

Difficulty: Moderate plus. There will be steep grades. Bring water and a walking stick if you wish. Allow 2-3 hours.

Hike Leader: Michael Kreyling
michaelk027@gmail.com

Coordinators: Susan Higgins (shiggins@sonic.net) and Marcia Nybakken (marcia.nybakken@gmail.com), Linda Lipkin (2lindalipkin@gmail.com)



WOOD CHIPS FOR DAYS....

The Sea Ranch Association's Facilities and Resources crew produces an abundance of wood chips which are made available for free wood chip delivery to homeowners. You may have seen these wood chips used on trails and in recreation areas, but when and where are wood chips considered appropriate on private lots?

We will approve delivery of wood chips for use behind a courtyard fence where they are not visible, as mulch around newly installed plants, or to refresh previously approved paths. Modifying the landscape outside courtyard fences with large defined 'planting beds' of wood chips is visually distracting and connotes a suburban character that is not in keeping with The Sea Ranch. For new plantings, think of the wood chips as a temporary cover until the plants are large enough to create their own leaf litter. The best mulch for any given plant is one that most closely resembles its own dead material or debris from surrounding species, so it is best to leave your mature native plants as they are.

We understand that this new attention to our chip delivery process may come as a surprise as it is likely that many properties have been maintained in this fashion for some time with no word from this office. Although the wood chips are given freely, we would like to remind you that Section 9.1 of *The Sea Ranch Design Manual and Rules* states that "Any improvements or modifications to the landscape require approval of the DC (Design Committee)." To receive this approval, a Landscape Application must be submitted to the office of Design, Compliance and Environmental Management (DCEM) for review and approval before work is performed.

In the end, the ideal is to let go of attachments to tidy borders and clean edges that define planting areas and embrace the messy wildness of our native plant species. Please take in to consideration that any additions or changes to a property should serve to enhance the connection to the natural environment. The overall goal being the erasure of lot lines and allowing the Commons to merge seamlessly with private property, thereby creating a harmonious rural setting for all owners.

If you have any questions about the use of wood chips on your property, we would be pleased to hear from you. Please contact DCEM at 707-785-2316 or by email to lredick@tsra.org.

Design, Compliance and Environmental Management

TRAILS

NATURE WALK

TRAILS

FIRE SAFETY AND FUEL MODIFICATION

Date: Monday, July 15, 2019

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Sea Ranch Fire Station, corner of Annapolis Road and Verdant View.

Join CAL FIRE Captain Shelley Spear for her popular tour of the fire station and nearby residential areas. You will learn about fire safety at The Sea Ranch and CAL FIRE's role and interaction with the North Sonoma Coast Fire Prevention District. Then we will take a walk to learn about the Do's and Don'ts of defensible space by looking at examples of homes with excellent fuel modification, and homes with potential fuel problems

Difficulty: Easy to moderate. This is a mostly level walk on paved roads. Please, no pets.

NOTE: This walk occurs on a Monday.

Walk leader: Captain Shelley Spear, 707-785-2648.

Coordinators: Susan Higgins -
shiggins@sonic.net

Marcia Nybakken -
marcia.nybakken@gmail.com



CalFire Station - The Sea Ranch

Photo by Chris Howard

Vision Committee HOT SPOT GATHERINGS

Marshmallows, Our River and More!

“**Our Very Special Gualala River,**” a 15-minute talk by Jeanne Jackson, will kick off a series of three gatherings sponsored by the Vision Committee this summer. The events pair experienced Sea Ranchers with those just learning the ropes.

A long-time resident of our coastal community, Jackson writes the Mendonoma Sightings nature column for the *Independent Coast Observer* and is the author of The Four Eyed Frog's best-selling book of all-time, the award-winning *Mendonoma Sightings throughout the Year*. Jackson is also a leader of Friends of Gualala River, and an expert on the river and the creatures and plants that live in and nearby it. She will speak about what she has learned over the past 14 years of writing her column, sharing insights into which animals call the river and its watershed their home. Jackson's talk will touch on little green treefrogs, a fish only found in the Gualala River — the Gualala Roach, which birds lay eggs in the gravel of the river, the family of River Otters that live in and along the Gualala, wildflowers that grow in the riverbank. In other words, she will introduce us to the wonders of the wildlife and wildflowers that you can discover for yourself in the months and years to come.

Saturday, June 15, 2019, from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

The Hot Spot (off River Beach Rd - Unit 14). *

Drinks, marshmallows ready for roasting, painting river rocks and other activities suitable for young, old, and in-between!

Join us! All are welcome — new and old Sea Ranchers, prospective buyers, vacation renters.

And circle your calendar for our future gatherings, 4:00-5:00 p.m.:

Saturday, July 20: Drew McCalley and Vanessa Ignacio, Board Members of The Redwood Coast Medical Services/RCMS on our crucial community medical resource.

Saturday, August 10: Living at The Sea Ranch will be the topic of a talk by Frank Bell, Community Manager, TSRA.

For more information: vision@tsra.org

* Car-pooling appreciated.

It's extra fun to park at the top and enjoy the beautiful walk down — but, fair warning, you will then have to walk back up the same gorgeous walk through our towering redwoods after consuming your limit of marshmallows.



Vision Committee

**BOARD ELECTION RESULTS
HOW WILL YOU KNOW?**

If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 25, 2019 where results for the Board of Directors election will be announced, an Association Infoalert to be sent after the conclusion of the Meeting will notify you of the newly elected Board members. Election results will also be included in the July *Bulletin*.

On the website, the election results will appear in the Announcements section of the Owners Page at: <http://www.tsra.org/news.php?viewStory=51>

If you would like to be added to the Association email alert system (Infoalerts), please email Member Services at info@tsra.org or call 707-785-2444.

For assistance with the website, please contact: webmaster@tsra.org

2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS - ELECTION CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 22

Deadline – Receipt of mailed Ballots by the Inspector of Election (due at Inspector of Election’s Office by 12:00 noon)

Saturday, May 25, Annual Meeting/Election
Annual Meeting convenes at 10:00 a.m. in the Del Mar Center Hall. Casting of Ballots in person 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. No ballots will be accepted after 12:00 noon. Annual Meeting reconvenes at 1:30 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall. Election results will be announced.

Sunday, May 26

Board of Directors Organization Meeting
Del Mar Center



DCEM STATISTICS

• SUMMARY • APRIL 2019 •

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Preliminary Site Visits (PSV) | 2 |
| 35305 Crows Nest Dr. (05-4-013) | |
| 42055 Rock Cod (35B-0-057) | |
| DC Submittals | |
| Received / Reviewed | 15 / 17 |
| Staff Submittals | |
| Received / Reviewed | 96 / 95 |
| Design Compliance Issues | |
| New / Resolved | 6 / 6 |
| Properties w/CC&R Violations | 7 |
| Construction Starts | |
| Homes / Additions | 2 / 0 |
| Construction Completions | |
| Homes / Additions | 1 / 2 |
| Total Homes | 1770 |
| Homes Under Construction | 15 |
| Total Undeveloped Lots | 442 |
| Total Number of Properties | 2225 |

**POOL CLOSURE DURING
2019 COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS**

The Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool will be closed to public swimming during the following registration and lesson periods of the Community Swim Lessons:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|--------------|------------------|
| June 14 | 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. |
| June 17 - 21 | 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. |
| June 24 - 28 | 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. |

Please plan to use the Del Mar Center Pool or the Moonraker Pool during these times.

Safety & Security Services

SUMMARY OF CALLS • APRIL 2019

| TYPE OF CALL | APRIL | | YEAR TO DATE | | TOTAL |
|----------------------------------|-------|------|--------------|------|-------|
| | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2018 |
| ALARMS | 4 | 7 | 51 | 21 | 53 |
| ANIMAL RELATED | 36 | 31 | 87 | 106 | 333 |
| ASSISTANCE - LAW ENFORCEMENT | 30 | 18 | 93 | 82 | 251 |
| ASSIST MEMBER/RENTER | 126 | 103 | 452 | 361 | 1254 |
| ASSOCIATION INITIATED ACTION | 16 | 20 | 79 | 58 | 188 |
| ** BURGLARY | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| * CC&R VIOLATIONS | 70 | 80 | 285 | 290 | 1124 |
| CHECK THE WELFARE | 3 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 22 |
| DISTURBANCE - NOISE | 2 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 42 |
| DISTURBANCE - OTHER | 6 | 7 | 19 | 32 | 73 |
| FIRE | 2 | 3 | 10 | 16 | 30 |
| HAZARDS (TREES, WIRES DOWN, ETC) | 15 | 25 | 153 | 85 | 271 |
| MEDICAL AID | 6 | 10 | 25 | 26 | 88 |
| MISCELLANEOUS | 37 | 33 | 153 | 133 | 440 |
| MISSING/LOST PERSON | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| SEC. DEPT. INITIATED ACTION | 200 | 207 | 823 | 858 | 2840 |
| SUSPICIOUS PERSON/VEHICLE | 56 | 58 | 191 | 211 | 737 |
| THEFT | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 8 |
| TRESPASS PERSON/VEHICLE | 43 | 44 | 146 | 160 | 612 |
| VANDALISM/PROPERTY DAMAGE | 7 | 5 | 26 | 16 | 49 |
| VEHICLE ACCIDENT | 2 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 17 |
| WARNING NOTICES ISSUED | 46 | 45 | 174 | 176 | 679 |

* Most CC&R violations are resolved daily in the field.

** Burglary - Sonoma Co. Sheriff's Dept. jurisdiction

** Sep 2018: Unit 28, Unit 30A, Unit 34C

** Oct 2018: Unit 34A

** Apr 2019: Unit 21



Chris Howard
Director of Safety & Security Services

CLAIMS OF LIEN as of April 30, 2019

U/B/L

| | | |
|--------|---------|--------|
| 20-34 | 35B-13 | 21-46 |
| 34A-20 | 18-40 | 35A-83 |
| | 35A-116 | |

(P) = Previous property owner

The Sea Ranch Association has filed a Claim of Lien according to its Assessment Collection Policy on the above properties. Liens are listed as of the date above, and may have been cured before the time of publication.

Board Summary & Actions of 4/27/2019, cont'd

cont'd from page 1

term, and appointment of two new members to the Utilities Committee – Michael Kleeman and Alan Reinke.

The Board recessed the Executive Session at approximately 5:00 p.m. and will reconvene following the current day's Regular Session to consider remaining agenda items.

Community Manager

Community Manager Bell noted the recent appointment of Ann Yager as Director of Administration and Management Services (AMS) to fill the vacancy created by the semi-retirement of Janice Bonora. Janice will continue to work on special projects for the Association. He noted that the annual mowing season has begun and will take some time to complete. CM Bell also offered appreciation to Director Blair-Johns for his service as a Board member.

Treasurer

Director Nybakken (Treasurer) reminded Members that on May 1st the new assessment rate will be \$223 per month per lot, down from \$230 per month for the fiscal year ending April 30th. In the current year, budget variances are occurring in payroll, vegetation management and utilities, but estimated variances for the entire year are close to what is reflected in the adopted budget document.

TSRA has five liens on file and one Member has apparently been foreclosed with details pending. Of the five liens, three are members who are deceased. The Association has only two properties in a potential new lien condition. The Association has written off \$4,933 in bad debt so far this year, resulting from a third-party foreclosure on a stale lien. At the end of March, delinquent assessments due totaled \$30,636 representing 31 accounts.

Eleven properties changed ownership in March, four houses and seven lots, for 25 so far this year, as compared to 31 properties last year. There was one housing start in March, resulting in three starts so far this year, as opposed to only one at this time in 2018.

Association staff has been working on fiscal year-end preparation, implementing the new budget, membership communication regarding changes in the assessment, and conducting pre-audit work.

Reporting for the Water Company, Director Nybakken noted that at the end of March, which is the third month of the Water Company's fiscal year, water revenues are below plan, which is normal for this time of year and will resolve as seasonal usage increases. However, expenses are better than plan, resulting in a net positive income for the period. Capital projects carried over from 2018 are being completed and new projects for 2019 are being lined up per the new budget plan.

Association Counsel

Mr. Shordike also offered his appreciation to Director Blair-Johns for his service and contributions to the work of the Board.

BOARD COMMITTEES

Audit – Director Nybakken noted that the Audit Committee has met twice since the last Board meeting, first with the auditor to review the auditor's draft report for the Water Company's 2018 fiscal year financial statements. Following review, the report was adopted by the Audit Committee as presented, with the addition of comparative information from the prior fiscal year. As in prior years this was a clean audit, and no management letter was issued. The committee members concluded after discussion that a full audit should be performed for both the Association and the Water Company for the coming fiscal years and that there was no benefit to seeking other audit representation at this time.

The Audit Committee therefore agreed to direct the CEO to negotiate a one-year extension of the current contract with the auditors and present the proposal to the Board for approval. This contract extension was approved by the full Board at the previous day's Executive Session. The Audit Committee also recommended that TSRA issue an RFP in the Spring of 2020 for both the Association and Water Company audits, to which the current auditors would be encouraged to respond.

The Audit Committee also met earlier in the month to review the Association's financial documents for the months of January and February 2019 in accordance with the new Davis-Stirling requirements for review of financial records by the Board. Board ratification of the Audit Committee's review appears later on the current Regular Session agenda.

Burbank – Director Nybakken noted that the Burbank Committee met with representatives from Burbank Housing earlier in the month. The meeting included an exterior walk around of the 45 units, a discussion of issues raised by DCEM regarding exterior improvements, and a review of Burbank's annual report as required by the Consent Decree for the Public Policy Reconciliation and Restatement Agreement (also known as the PPRR).

The committee also reviewed the proposed language for the historic marker on the Pomo Trail with the Burbank representatives relating to the architecture of the Burbank housing project, and received an update on recruitment of a new on site manager – Ms. Shalanne Angenete who started work on April 8th and will be moved in to her unit and fully engaged by May 1st.

Finally, one of the most significant ongoing issues with the Burbank housing has been the lack of funding to

cont'd on page 23

Board Summary & Actions of 4/27/2019, cont'd

cont'd from page 22

support the rehabilitation of existing affordable housing, so the committee was very pleased to learn that Burbank has been tentatively approved for approximately \$577,000 of Community Development Block Grant funding by the Sonoma County Community Development Commission. This funding will be used to replace roofs, gutters and downspouts on 16 units most in need of repair and to replace the roofs on all 45 of the sheds. Final approval of the grant is expected to occur at one of the Board of Supervisors' May meetings so that the renovation work can begin this summer. Director Nybakken also thanked the Community Manager for attending the various Sonoma County committee meetings to support this grant request on behalf of TSRA.

Design Committee – No report.

Facilities – Director Baas noted that the Facilities Committee met on April 20 and worked through the final revision of a new rule for Member use of TSRA facilities that would incorporate the Barn. The committee anticipates bringing the new rule to the Board at the June meeting for review and subsequent publication for member comment. At the August Board meeting the committee hopes the new rule will be ready for approval with, as an addendum, a comprehensive member “user guide” to be created by staff.

Forest – Director Skibbins noted that the committee is currently supporting the Forest Task Force in finding outside science-based consultants to help develop a range of alternatives for implementing the approved Board objectives. Results of this work will be presented to the Board for consideration at a subsequent Board meeting.

Governance – Director Jaap reviewed recent work of the committee on creating charters for Committees of the Board, to be considered by the full Board as Item 8d) on the current agenda.

Investment – No report.

Sea Ranch Connect® – Director Nybakken reported that since the last Board meeting the Sea Ranch Connect committee met once and focused primarily on continued discussions on how to best achieve a redundant backhaul for the SRC system. A possible wireless option through Further Reach in Gualala was discussed at length, but in the end, it was decided to concentrate on the hard wired backup. AT&T is apparently willing to consider financing their costs for installation of the redundant backhaul from the north and will be providing numbers for that soon. It is the committee's hope that this will not only decrease AT&T's one-time charges, but that it also may reduce their monthly charges as well.

Significantly, after taking a closer look at its numbers and in an effort to make the redundant backhaul more feasible, GigabitNow (GBN) has agreed to reduce the estimate for their one-time charges, from the \$54,000 initially projected to under \$24,000. The committee may have a recommendation to the full Board on the redundant backhaul option as early as the June meeting.

Finally, after much discussion it was decided to step back from the Docity telemedicine proposal that had been under consideration, due primarily to concerns as to how this might work (or not) with local medical providers. Although this option did not pan out, the committee will continue to be in search of a telemedicine option that is viable for our location and for our subscribers.

Vegetation Management – Director Skibbins reported that the committee met on March 14th and April 5th by phone. Discussion focused on the relationship between the Forest Task Force and the WRA consultants. The committee recommended a plan for proceeding with steps to support the task force.

The committee discussed its role in relationship to Administration for vegetation management and reaffirmed the committee's position that its role is to support the development and implementation of best practices, support and facilitate clear communication among stakeholders about vegetation related issues, and to act as liaison between stakeholders for vegetation related issues if needed.

Finally, the committee refined the proposed draft of its Governance Charter to be presented for Board consideration at the current meeting

The committee's next action is to work with the Community Manager to co-create and clarify the role of the Vegetation Committee in oversight of vegetation issues, and also to discuss implementation of best practices for tree removal, including examining what if any revisions are needed for neighbor notification policies for tree removal projects.

Policy Committee Liaison Reports

Finance Committee (FC) – Director Nybakken reported that the committee has met once since the February Board meeting. Aside from liaison reports and discussion of Finance Committee member terms and transition plans, much of the meeting centered around discussion of the new Davis-Stirling requirements for Board oversight of Association financial reports and the role that the Finance Committee might play in that process, a role that they already play to some degree in accordance with their charter. This is also timely in that the Finance Committee has been working on how to

cont'd on page 24

Board Summary & Actions of 4/27/2019, cont'd

cont'd from page 23

make their financial statement reviews more uniform, more meaningful and understandable to the various readers of the reports.

He noted further that at the previous day's Executive Session the Board approved the reappointment of John Wall to a second three-year term and the annual renewal of appointments for John Tornquist, Doug Paul, George Devries, Mark Godley and Robert Mefford, all of whom are current Finance Committee members.

The committee would also like to acknowledge Chris Kenber's many years of service to the Association as he leaves the Finance Committee.

Planning Committee (PC) – Director Baas noted at their meeting of March 9, the Planning Committee heard announcements and liaison reports and had productive discussions of several topics:

1. Long-time Planning Committee member and Ecology Subcommittee co-chair Rick Hansen has termed out. A one-year extension for Rick was approved by the Board during Executive Session. The PC is grateful to Rick Hansen for his many contributions and for his willingness to continue.
2. There was discussion about a new trail being developed by the Trails Committee as an extension of the Sea Forest Trail.
3. The Committee discussed the proposed "barrier free" trail, and where this stands currently.
4. Chair Monty Anderson reported that a neighborhood meeting organized by DCEM to discuss potential mitigations for installing a solar array near TSR airstrip had been helpful in allaying some member concerns.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will take place the morning of Saturday, May 11. Members should check the TSR activities calendar for location.

Utilities Committee (UC) – Director Fulkerson noted that the committee met on March 16th to discuss the status of the pump station at the Hot Spot which sustained damage during the recent flooding. Community Manger supplemented the report with confirmation that most of the damage has in fact been repaired and that the Water Company is back on the pumps. There is a plan to relocate the pump facility further up the hill to prevent such flooding damage in the future.

Director Fulkerson also noted that the committee discussed difficulties encountered with some of the **EyeOnWater** transmitter heads and plans to remediate those issues. He further noted the annual term renewal

of current members and the appointment of two new members to the Utilities Committee, Michael Kleeman and Alan Reinke, which occurred at the previous day's Executive Session.

Forest Task Force – Director Baker noted that the FTF has held two meetings since the last Board regular session to hear reports on research that is being conducted on the possibility of doing carbon sequestration. The task force continues work on the objectives that were approved by the Board last fall, in particular a range of ideas for implementation alternatives. The FTF is currently working to revise the Statement of Work for the environmental consulting firm that will assist them. The firm selected will help to develop the range of alternatives and provide scientific research to support those alternatives for each of the objectives that will eventually be presented to the Board for consideration.

MEMBERS AGENDA – A Member asked questions concerning the summer mowing activity in her neighborhood, particularly in reference to one or more islands of tall grass that had not been mowed as yet. Community Manager Bell reviewed plans for summer mowing, noting that the island of grass referred to by the Member may well be an area that will be used for staging the road slurry seal project occurring in the fall.

Member Marti Campbell reminded the membership of the Volunteer Fire Department Picnic which occurs on the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend, this year coordinated by Paul Plakos who is in need of volunteers for the event.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration / Approval: Lot Consolidation Request

Community Manager Bell summarized the documents contained in the agenda packet pertaining to a request for consolidation of Unit 21, Block 0, Lots 75 and 76, noting that all required procedures have been followed and that the Design Committee recommends approval based on its policies.

Upon Board motion to approve the lot consolidation request, and following opportunity for Board discussion and Member input, the motion passed.

ACTION: *Motion passed unanimously.*

Request for Board Ratification: Monthly Reviews of Financial Statements

Treasurer Nybakken summarized procedures for implementing a new Davis-Stirling requirement for review of certain Association financial documents, noting that the Audit Committee has been tasked with preparing and recommending the request for ratification

cont'd on page 25

Board Summary & Actions of 4/27/2019, cont'd

cont'd from page 24

of its review of the previous two month's financial statements at bi-monthly Board of Directors meetings. He recommended that the Board ratify the review of January and February 2019 financial statements as presented in the Agenda packet.

Upon Board motion to ratify the financial reviews, and following opportunity for Board discussion and Member input, the motion passed.

ACTION: Motion passed 6.0.0.1 (Director Baas temporarily absent).

Claims of Lien (for Delinquent Assessments)

Community Manager Bell introduced Resolution 465 regarding delinquent assessments. Davis-Stirling requires that this item be brought forward in open session.

Upon Board motion to adopt Resolution 465, and following opportunity for Board discussion and Member input, the motion passed. (see below)

ACTION: Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration / Approval of Board Committee Charters

Director Jaap, chair of the Governance Committee, reviewed the process by which the committee worked with each of the eight committees of the Board (formerly known as subcommittees) to prepare the draft charters contained in the Agenda packet. Those eight committees are:

- Audit Committee
- Burbank Committee
- DC Committee
- Facilities Committee
- Forest Committee
- Investment Committee
- Sea Ranch Connect® (SRC) Committee
- Vegetation Management Committee

Each committee charter was considered separately. For each charter a Board motion was offered and opportunity for Board discussion and Member input was provided. Each of the eight motions to approve the individual committee charters passed.

ACTION: All 8 Motions passed unanimously.

Frank Bell
Community Manager

This report is an informational summary of the discussion and action taken at the Board meeting of April 27, 2019. It is not the official record or the "minutes" of the meeting which provide greater detail and will be provided to the Membership at a later date upon formal approval by the Board of Directors.

Resolution No. 465

RESOLUTION NO. 465

AUTHORIZATION FOR CLAIMS OF LIEN

Adopted April 27, 2019

WHEREAS, Section 5310 of the Civil Code requires the Board of Directors to authorize, in an open meeting, the recording of liens against the separate interests of owners with delinquent assessments; and

WHEREAS, more than thirty (30) days prior to the deadline, the Association sent certified letters to the Owners of:

APN #156-360-021

APN #156-360-043

Pursuant to Section 5310 of the Civil Code, the letters contained a notice of delinquent assessment, which included but was not limited to, describing the Association's collection and lien enforcement procedures, an itemized statement of charges, the owner's inspection rights, the owner's "meet and confer" rights, and the owner's Alternative Dispute Resolution rights, and

WHEREAS, these owners remain delinquent in the payment of their assessment accounts, exclusive of late fees, interest charges, and other collection-related amounts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Association authorizes Allied Trustee Services to place a lien on these properties for the delinquent amount including any late fees, interest charges, and other collection-related amounts if the identified responsible parties have not yet paid these accounts before the date of authorization.

Recreation Information for Members, Guests & Renters

SWIMMING POOLS & TENNIS COURTS

Del Mar Center (DMC)

Location: 40600 Leeward Rd. - west side of Highway 1 (mile marker 56.88), turn on Deer Trail.
Facilities: Large outdoor heated pool (40 ft. wide x 82 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, 2 tennis courts.

Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October
Pool: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Open swim
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Winter Hours: November 1st - End of April
Pool: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. - Open swim
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

***Tennis reservation sheets are available every Monday at 7:00 a.m.
Use of courts is first-come, first-served on weekends & holidays.***

Ohlson Recreation Center (ORC)

Location: 37600 Highway 1 - west side (mile marker 53.76), enter south of Knipp-Stengel Barn.
Facilities: Large outdoor heated pool (28 ft. wide x 82 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, 3 tennis courts, half-court basketball, volleyball court (basketball & volleyball available upon request at ORC kiosk).

Pool Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Open swim

Pool Winter Hours: November 1, 2019 - January 5, 2020 and April 10 - April 30, 2020
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Open swim

Pool Closed for Season: January 6 through April 9, 2020 (pool re-opens Friday before Easter)

Tennis Summer Hours: May 1 - End of October, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tennis Winter Hours: November 1 - End of April, 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tennis reservation sheets are available every Friday at noon.

Moonraker Recreation Center

Location: 35336 Moonraker Rd. - west side of Highway 1 (mile marker 51.06).
Facilities: Small outdoor heated pool (20 ft. wide x 33 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, tennis/pickleball court.

Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October
Pool: 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Tennis: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tennis and Pickleball reservation sheets are available every Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Winter Hours: November 1st - End of April
Pool: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tennis: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All Members, guests and renters must present TSRA Identification Passes at all recreation centers.

Recreation Information for Members, Guests & Renters

**Members, please leave this page in your homes for your guests and renters.
Renters, please call your Rental Agency for further information.**

THE SEA RANCH LIBRARY

Motto: "Donate, Borrow, and Return" Hours: Daily 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Ohlson Ranch House - Highway One, mile marker 53.76 at Ohlson Recreation Center.

Books can be donated from your own library for others to borrow. Please return borrowed books within two weeks to keep them in circulation. Reminder for Members: Kindly check your shelves at home to see if you have a book with The Sea Ranch Library stamp that you may have neglected to return and bring it to the Ohlson Ranch House as soon as possible. Members who rent their homes are especially urged to see that Sea Ranch Library books don't languish on their shelves.

WiFi ACCESS

**Available at Del Mar Center House & Hall and Ohlson Ranch House, open daily
(only available during posted facility hours)**

Instructions for access are posted at the facility. Please be considerate of others' enjoyment of the facility. If you are using WiFi and a TSRA group has a scheduled meeting there, please move to another area.

OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS

(If your group is planning a picnic or other activity, call the Association at 785-2444 for calendar information.)

One-Eyed Jack's Playground

Leeward Road between Units 24 & 28 – Picnic tables and barbecues available.

The Hot Spot

On the Gualala River at the end of River Beach Road, Unit 14. Picnic tables and barbecues are available, but area is subject to closure during winter months.

Dog Park

Located on Deer Trail (road) at the north end of The Sea Ranch, east of Highway 1.

MAPS & GUIDES

The Sea Ranch Trails Map: Includes: Units, streets, beach & bluff access, parking areas, trails with numbered trail posts, etc. 2014 Trails Map - Price \$5.00 each.

Guides/Booklets: Wildlife, marine life, trails & walking tours, wildflowers, history and development of The Sea Ranch. Prices vary. See the Association website for details.

**Available at The Sea Ranch Association Office – 975 Annapolis Road
Tuesday through Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

For more information about amenities at The Sea Ranch, visit www.tsra.org

I.D. INFORMATION

The Sea Ranch Association (TSRA) requires Members, guests and renters to:

- **Display TSRA Vehicle Permits in their vehicles.**
- **Carry TSRA I.D. while using any Recreational Facility.**
- **Show TSRA I.D. to register for pools and to reserve tennis courts.**

If additional recreational facility passes are needed for a specific date, Members and renters (with TSRA I.D.) may purchase Day Use Identification Passes for \$5.00 (per person, per day) at the Association Office during office hours.

ROADSIDE BRANCH COLLECTION & WOOD CHIP DELIVERY SERVICE

(Third Week of each Month)

Upcoming Roadside Branch Collection and Wood Chip Delivery Monthly Service begins week of: June 17 & July 15

- You must sign up for these services by 3:00 p.m. on the Saturday preceding the collection week.
- Please provide name, property street address and UBL when you sign up by one of the following methods:
 - Please call Member Services at the Association Office at 707-785-2444.
 - OR
 - Submit the online form at the TSRA website: www.tsra.org
<https://www.tsra.org/webform.php?ViewForm=2>

Important!

Our crews are scheduled to only go to the properties included on the monthly collection list — you must contact the office to be included on this list (see methods above).

If your neighbor has a pile of branches for pickup, it does not mean that your branch pile will be automatically picked up. You must request the service for your property too.

Please keep vegetation debris piles off the Road Areas.

We appreciate your co-operation!

Facilities and Resources / Member Services



COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

These Committee meetings are open to the TSRA Membership, and all Members are encouraged to attend and learn how the committee process at The Sea Ranch works. Please note that a Committee meeting is not a TSRA Board Meeting. These Committees are not authorized to act on behalf of TSRA, but only to advise the Community Manager or the Board. Even if a quorum of Directors happens to be present at one of these meetings, no Board deliberations, decisions, or actions will take place; nor will any individual Board Member announce his or her position or potential future vote on any issue or outcome under discussion. Should the Board choose to consider any recommendation or option arising from these Committee meetings, the matter shall be agendaized and fully analyzed, discussed, and decided at a subsequent noticed Board Meeting, with full opportunity for Member review and input at that time.



Committee meeting minutes are posted on the Association website: www.tsra.org. Since circumstances sometimes require that meeting dates and times be changed, please contact the Association office at 707-785-2444 for confirmation.

| Committee | Date | Time | Location |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Archives | 1st Friday | 3:00 - 4:30 | DMC Room #1 |
| Coastal Stewardship TF | Jul 10, Oct 9 | 3:00 - 5:00 | DMC Room #1 |
| Commons Landscape | Jun 15, Jul 20 | Noon - 2:00 | TBD - Call Office |
| Communication | 3rd Friday | 3:00 - 5:00 | TSRA Office |
| Finance | Jun 15, Aug 3 | 9:00 - Noon | DMC Room #1 |
| Forest Task Force | Jun 8, Jul 13 | 1:00 - 4:00 | DMC Hall |
| Native Plant | Jul 19, Sep 20 | 3:00 - 5:00 | ORH Kitchen |
| Planning | Jul 13, Sep 14 | 10:00 - Noon | TBD - Call Office |
| Solar Array Task Force | May 25, Jul 27 | 9:00 - Noon | DMC Room #2 |
| Trails | 3rd Saturday | 9:00 - 10:30 | TBD - Call Office |
| Utilities | Jul 6, Sep 7 | 9:00 - Noon | DMC Room #1 |
| Vision | Jul 19, Sep 13 | 3:00 - 5:00 | DMC Room #1 |
| Website | 1st Friday | 10:00 - Noon | TSRA Office |

DMC = Del Mar Center ORH = Ohlson Ranch House * = Alt. Meeting Location and/or Time Noted

Unit 24 Party

25TH ANNUAL UNIT 24 GATHERING

DATE: Saturday, July 27, 2019
TIME: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: One-Eyed Jack's Playground

All Unit 24 home and lot owners are invited to the 25th Annual Unit 24 celebration.

*Come and meet your neighbors here
Be there; don't be square
Bring your favorite dish to share
We'll have the wine and beer
To help defray expenses
A \$5 bill will soothe your senses*

Any questions - call...

Jeanette at 707-785-1911
or Marge 415-377-8071

Having a Holiday Party? Hosting a Group Gathering?

Providing TSRA Vehicle Permits for your non-Sea Ranch guests' vehicles is a Member responsibility. Let us help ensure that your company will have an enjoyable visit. We can provide you with additional Parking Passes and have our Security Department assess the parking availability at your location, and provide cones if needed.

Call Member Services at 707-785-2444 with the date, time, location, and number of Vehicle Permits needed.

Early notification (1 week) is helpful!

Member Services

Community Information

Neighborhood Potlucks & Parties

Unit 17 Party

UNIT 17 BLOCK PARTY

Mark Your Calendar Now!

DATE: Saturday, July 27, 2019
TIME: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: 36580 Sculpture Point Drive
Home of Bonnie Saland and Mark Beck

We'd like to welcome new neighbors and greet old ones, for it's been a while since our last party.

Please bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre (your signature dish?) and/or drinks.

Hosts will provide paper napkins/cups/plates/utensils etc. and supplement the wine/beer and sparkling water.

Please send RSVP to Mirka Knaster:
mirka@mcn.org or call 785-1130



INDEPENDENCE DAY PICNIC July 4th, 2019 at 5:00pm One-Eyed Jack's



July 4th is coming – and once again we will be holding a reading of the Declaration of Independence at One-Eyed Jack's picnic area. Panic not, we will be reading highlights, not the whole declaration.

Please come and join your fellow Sea Ranchers and guests in a celebration of our country and its origins – probably a good reminder these days.

Please bring libations, a picnic, something to barbecue (including charcoal), and/or something to share.

If you have any questions, please contact the gal with the megaphone, Elisabeth Watson at:

homes@elisabethwatson.com

Community Information

SUPPORT YOUR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS



**MEMORIAL
DAY
WEEKEND
BBQ**

**SUNDAY
MAY 26th**

NOON-3PM
ONE-EYED JACKS PLAYGROUND

**HAMBURGERS
VEGGIE BURGERS
HOT DOGS
HOT LINKS
BEANS & SLAW
BEER & WINE
SODAS & DESSERTS**

ADULTS: \$20
KIDS (5-12): \$10 UNDER 5: FREE

CIRCUMAMBULATION 2019

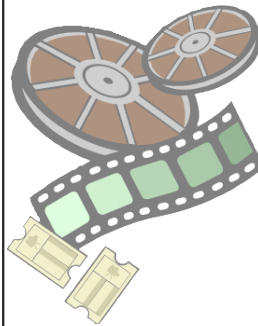
Start Training!

The 22nd annual hike around the perimeter (more or less) of The Sea Ranch is scheduled for **Saturday, August 31, 2019**.

The entire course is about 21 miles; do any part of it, or the whole thing.

Come join us!

Paul Plakos, paul@plakos.net
Trails Committee



THE SEA RANCH CLASSIC FILM

2019

**FORTY-THREE YEARS
WITH
KATHARINE HEPBURN**

Jun 5 *The African Queen* (1951) Katharine Hepburn plays a spinster missionary in German East Africa at the outbreak of World War I who talks a scruffy boat owner (Humphrey Bogart) into taking her on a secret and dangerous mission to sink a German gunboat. Hepburn was nominated for Best Actress, and Bogart won the Oscar for best actor.

Jul 10 *Suddenly Last Summer* (1959)

Aug 7 *The Lion in Winter* (1968)

Oct 9 *On Golden Pond* (1981)

All films are on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Knipp-Stengel Barn (dress warmly). Free admission, coffee, and popcorn to Sea Ranchers and their guests. Sea Ranch Members who would like to be notified by email of upcoming Sea Ranch Classic Film showings can send their email address to gwr@mcn.org.



HAZMOBILE Household Hazardous Waste Collection

** 2019 Schedule **

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Friday-Saturday | June 21-22 |
| Friday-Saturday | August 16-17 |
| Friday-Saturday | November 15-16 |

Hazardous materials can be dropped off between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at The Sea Ranch North Fire Station, Highway 1 on the above dates.

DEL MAR GARDENERS

Wednesdays – 9:00 a.m. to Noon - DMC
Call Dave Osteraas 785-9633

DISCUS CLUB

2nd Tuesday 5:15 p.m. – Location TBD
Call Patricia Mutch 785-2313 mutchp@andrews.edu

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

2nd Thursday 1:00 p.m. – DMC House
Call Carole McQuarrie 785-2198

FLEXIBILITY FOR LIFE - MAT STRETCH CLASS

Thursdays 12:15 - 1:15 p.m., DMC Hall
Kathye Hitt 884-3744

MADRIGAL SINGERS For more information call:
Marjie Van Gunten 785-3408

MAH-JONGG GROUP

Wednesdays – DMC Living Room
Call Lynn Coombs 785-1058

NATIVE PLANT VOLUNTEERS

4th Saturday 10:00 a.m. Demonstration Garden, ORC
Contact email: nativeplant@tsra.org

PETANQUE One-Eyed “Jacque’s”

Wednesdays & Saturdays – 10:00 a.m.
Call George Rathmell 785-2989

SENIOR AEROBICS

Tuesdays - 9:00 a.m., DMC Hall
Call Denny Gold 785-2208

SENIOR STRENGTH TRAINING

Monday and Thursday – 11:00 a.m., DMC Hall
Call Kathye Hitt 884-3744, kathitt@yahoo.com

TEAM SEA RANCH Bicycling for fun & fitness.
Call Michele Chaboudy 785-9209

THE SEA RANCH BIRDING GROUP

Organized bird walks, impromptu outings, programs
Cheryl Harris (707)294-6423, cheryleharris@sbcglobal.net

THE SEA RANCH BRIDGE GROUP

Last Friday of month 12:45 to 4:45 p.m. – Location TBD
For reservations call Doris Constenius 785-3260

THE SEA RANCH CARD MAKING GROUP

3rd Tuesday of month 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. – Location TBD
Susan Schultz 785-4899, ses@stanford.edu

THE SEA RANCH FLYING SOCIETY

Pilots & Non-Pilots Welcome
Contact Jim DeWilder 785-2764, jdewilder@earthlink.net

THE SEA RANCH KNITTING GROUP

Mondays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. DMC, All Levels Welcomed
Susan Moore 785-1981

THE SEA RANCH RACQUET CLUB

Tennis contact: Marvis Forst 785-3823
Pickle Ball contact: Joan Bell 785-2228
Pickle Ball: Tuesdays, Fridays & Sundays - 10:00am-Noon

THE SEA RANCH THESPIANS

www.searanchthespians.com
Call Carol Emory 785-2548

WATER EXERCISE GROUP – Del Mar Pool

Monday through Friday – 7:30 a.m.
Call Dorothy Stevenson 785-3374
Mon.-Wed.-Fri. – 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Call Nancy Carter 785-3504

WOMEN'S GOLF

Play Days: Tuesday 9:00 a.m., Thursday mornings – contact Sea Ranch Golf Links for tee time(s)
Captain: Kathi Oram (415) 987-2480, oramwolf@yahoo.com
Treasurer: Alice Pego (707) 292-5018, arfego@aol.com

MEETINGS AND EVENTS**ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

Regular Session(s): 6/22/2019

1:00 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall

COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE [p. 28]

ROADSIDE BRANCH COLLECTION – begins 3rd Mon. [p. 28]

THESPIANS: Dry Powder – 5/16-5/19

4:00 p.m. at the Knipp-Stengel Barn [www.searanchthespians.com]
Reservations are necessary (140 seats) / online or call 785-2548

NATIVE PLANT COMM.: Garden Work Party – 5/25

10:00 a.m. at the ORH Native Plant Garden

JOINT ANNUAL MEETING: 5/25

Voting - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Del Mar Center Hall
Meeting reconvenes at 1:30 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall
Reception in the Del Mar House follows the meeting

NSCVFA MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND BBQ – 5/26 [p. 30]

12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m. at the One-Eyed Jack's Playground

CLC STEWARDSHIP PROJECT: 6/1 [p. 10]

Area 4, D4 - removal of pine seedlings and saplings.
9:00 a.m., meet intersection of Navigator's Reach & Sculpture Point

ARCHIVES OPEN HOURS: 6/5 [p. 10]

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Del Mar Center House Room 4

CLASSIC FILM: The African Queen – 6/5 [p. 30]

7:30 p.m. at the Knipp-Stengel Barn

JUNE NATURE WALK: Tidepools – 6/8 [p. 17]

*9:00 a.m., meet at Ohlson Recreation Center large parking lot

SEAL DOCENT WRAP-UP MTG. & POTLUCK LUNCH: 6/9

12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. at Del Mar Center Hall

ANNUAL COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS REGISTRATION

6/14 – registration is between 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. [p. 2]
Ohlson Recreation Center Pool, see page 2 for more details

JUNE HIKE: Bobcat Trail – 6/15 [p. 17]

1:00 p.m., meet at Ohlson Recreation Center large parking lot

ECOLOGY SEMINAR PRESENTATION: 6/15 [p. 13]

Living with Lions, presentation by Quinton Martins
3:00 p.m., at the Del Mar Center Hall

VISION COMM.: Hot Spot Gathering – 6/15 [p. 19]

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Hot Spot

40TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS [p. 2]

6/17 - 6/21, Monday through Friday only
Ohlson Recreation Center Pool, see page 2 for more details

HAZMOBILE: 6/21-22 [p. 30]

Household Hazardous Waste Collection
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the North Fire Station, Hwy 1

NATIVE PLANT COMM.: Garden Work Party – 6/22 [p. 14]

10:00 a.m. at the ORH Native Plant Garden

40TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS [p. 2]

6/24 - 6/28, Monday through Friday only
Ohlson Recreation Center Pool, see page 2 for more details

(Note: Since date, time, and location of meetings and events are subject to change, please verify them first with TSRA office.)

THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX 16
THE SEA RANCH, CA 95497-00160

Prsrt Std
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit 125
Medford, OR

THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION

Administrative Offices • 975 Annapolis Road • The Sea Ranch

General Information and Member Services Phone: 707-785-2444
Tuesday – Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. General Fax: 707-785-3555
Website: www.tsra.org Email: info@tsra.org

Ext. Department

| <u>Ext. Department</u> | <u>Contact</u> |
|--|-----------------|
| 222 • Facilities Reservations | Member Services |
| 226 • Member Assessments | Rachel Turner |
| 227 • Finance & Human Resources Director | Ellen Buechner |
| 232 • Facilities & Resources Director | John Prescott |
| 233 • Safety & Security Services Director | Chris Howard |
| 234 • Information Technology Director | Sara Windsor |
| 236 • Administration & Management Services Director | Janice Bonora |
| 248 • Maintenance of Buildings & Recreational Facilities | Schus |

Design, Compliance & Environmental Management

Phone: 707-785-2316 • Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Security

Business Phone: 707-785-2444 • Urgent Calls Only: 707-785-2701

The Sea Ranch Emergency Message System

To hear Emergency Update Information from our Emergency Message System
Phone: 800-986-4132 (provide our organization ID: 892807736723502)

THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY

Office Annex • 35600 Verdant View • The Sea Ranch

Phone: 707-785-2411 • General Fax: 707-785-9756
Financial Services: Kathleen Ciabatti • Director of Works: Eric Schanz

Operations: Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., 707-785-2411
Weekends and Holidays: 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., (day cell) 707-321-1588
Every Evening/Night: 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. (after hours, emergency cell) 707-328-0400

OnSite Wastewater Disposal Zone

Phone: 707-785-2756 • Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Remember, think ahead!

The submission deadline for the

July 2019 Bulletin

is noon on Wednesday, June 5, 2019.

The July issue will be posted on

the website by June 22, and paper copies

will be received by Sea Ranchers on

approximately July 3, 2019.

Contact: bulletin@tsra.org

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

HOW MAY WE HELP? PLEASE LET US KNOW