

Timberlake Times

July 2016



Timberlake Ranch Landowners' Association

President's Ponderings

By Steve Wills

For the second time this year, our Volunteer Fire Department had to respond to a large fire. The first one was on Quail Road back in March. The fire was a little less than a quarter acre. This second one was during the first week in June. It extended to about two to three acres on the Common land behind Aspen Loop. This one was scary as it almost got out of control. Thankfully, besides our Volunteer Fire Department, Ramah and McKinley County Fire Departments showed up. A hot-shot crew also came and was guided by a spot plane circling the fire for several hours alerting the crew to hotspots. I also heard that a retardant-dispersal plane was on the ready, but was not required. I was impressed by the size and quickness of the overall response. I have included a couple of pictures of each fire for you to get an idea of the scope of each one. Both of these fires were reported quickly, otherwise they would have been much worse. A big thanks to our landowners for being alert and promptly calling in their smoke sightings. Please keep your eyes and nose open for sighting or smelling smoke. We can keep our land beautiful, if we all respect the land and keep our awareness level up.

March Fire:



June Fire:



Photo by Nancy Dobbs

Upcoming Events



Aug 6, 2016 - Annual Yard Sale
Sat - 8:00 to 1:00 in Ramah

**Aug 20, 2016 - Mystic Bluffs
Fly-In** - Sat - 8:00am @ Mystic
Bluffs Airstrip and Ramada (off of
Shorecliff Drive)

**Aug 27, 2016 - TRLA Board
Meeting** - Sat 10am @ TCC Ranch
House - (Note-this meeting is
postponed from 8/20)

**Sep 4, 2016 - Labor Day Picnic &
Silent Auction** - Sun 4:30-7pm @
TCC Ranch House

**Sep 17, 2016 - TRLA Board
Meeting** - Sat 10am @ TCC Ranch
House

**Oct 15, 2016 - TRLA Board
Meeting** - Sat 10am @ TCC Ranch
House

Save the Date

**May 27, 2017 - TRLA Annual
Meeting**



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President's Pondering (con't)

We believe both of these fires were accidental human caused. Please be aware that it doesn't take much to get a major fire started in this area. I am sure in both instances, nothing was very obvious at the time that a fire would start up later. Please respect the VERY HIGH fire level, as posted. We have the restrictions shown on our Facebook page:

I am posting this to inform landowners and visitors we are now under a NO BURN ORDER. So please do not have any campfires, charcoal fires or any other flame producing items. (LP gas grills are ok, just be careful as to the location when in use) Also no cutting of wood with a gas powered chainsaw. Smoking should only be done in your automobile or indoors. All gas powered vehicle of any kind can only be driven on designated roadways. Hot tailpipes can start a fire. This includes quads etc. Please be careful and be observant if you see smoke call 911 and report its location. Thank you for your cooperation.

Just a reminder we are under Extreme Fire Conditions. This means no campfires of any kind.

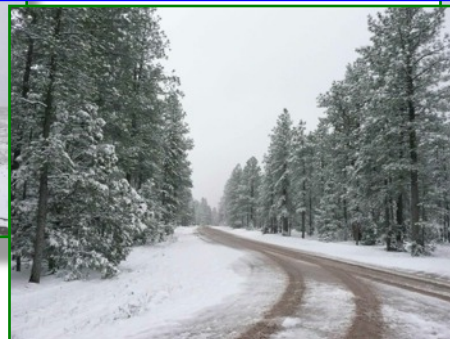
ALSO THIS MEANS NO FIREWORKS OF ANY KIND.

Please be safe and if you "See Something say Something".

I hope you have a wonderful time whenever you are here and please be careful.



April 16, 2016 Snow on Timberlake Ranch



Photos by Nancy Ramm

Timberlake Bereavement

Timberlake has lost two more of its beloved landowners. They will be missed.

Jack Williams
Lupe Jackson

Photo by Steve Railsback



Timberlake Commons Report

By Charley Haverstick

- Fence work was completed on the Commons next to Bond's land
- Wood fence around Ranch House repaired, as needed
- Burn pile was stacked and burned
- Ranch House window trim painted, as needed
- Acquiring 6 new locks to replace lake gate locks and have emergency ones on hand. Also having new key stock checked for quality.
- New refrigerator and freezer purchased for kitchen. Volunteers funded 50% and Association funded 50%
- New refrigerator for beverages purchased for Rock Room. Volunteers funded 50% and Association funded 50%

2016 Timberlake Ranch Annual Meeting



All Photos by Danny Montoya



Alerts!



Association Dues

Please **do not** send your association dues to the Ramah address. Your invoice shows a mailing address of:

PO Box 264

Corrales NM 87048

To avoid delays, please send your dues directly to the Corrales address.



Fire Restrictions

Whenever the Fire Danger sign is set at **Extreme**, a total ban on all open fires and chainsaw use is put in place. Be extremely careful with flammable liquids, cigarettes and machinery that may induce sparks, such as off- road vehicles. Protect our forest.



Notes



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REWARD

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TRLA's Board of Directors is offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of person(s) committing vandalism or theft of property on Timberlake Ranch.

To report information, contact TRLA's president, Steve Wills, either by phone - 505.783.2457 or via email at trlapresident@gmail.com. All information will remain anonymous. The amount of the reward will be determined by the Board of Directors.



Poaching & Hunting

If you see any signs of illegal hunting/poaching or shooting on the ranch or in the Commons areas, including the use of hunting dogs, please call NM Fish & Game at 505.222.4700 (M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and evenings 505.827.9376). **Do not approach anyone with a gun**, but get their license plate number and vehicle ID and report it immediately.



Emergencies

If you see smoke or a fire or have a medical emergency, **call 911** first *and then* call the Ramah Volunteer Fire Dept. at 783.4550, or 783.4112 for Wolf or 783.4704 for Andy Wilson.



Stay on the Roads

Off-road vehicles *must* stay on the roads. They are not allowed on power line easements, Common land or private property (unless they have permission from the landowner). Riders under 18 years of age are required by law to wear helmets.

Landowners - notify your visitors of these rules.



TRLA Landowners



Please remember to notify the TRLA Board when your address, phone number or email changes **OR** when your property is transferred to another owner.

TIMBERLAKE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

See Something. . . Say Something

If you weren't at the Annual Meeting on May 28th, you missed out on the opportunity to meet and ask questions of Lt. Harry Hall, Cibola Sheriff's Dept., and Lt. Eric Jim, McKinley County Sheriff's Dept. We officially kicked off our formal Neighborhood Watch Group that day by passing out a multitude of forms that you can use "prior" to an incident and "after" an incident to help provide the appropriate information to law enforcement.

You can find all of the information on the Timberlake Ranch website (www.trnews.info). The link is on the front page – "[Emergency Evacuation & Neighborhood Watch](#)". New signs are also going to be put up around the Ranch to promote our crime watch program.

Incidents are way down from last year; however, at the Annual Meeting we were told about three incidents (vandalism/theft) that had not been reported to us by landowners who don't live here full time. One occurred last Thanksgiving and the other two were within the last month or so (a camper incurred damage and the other attempt to get into a shed was not successful). **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU NOTIFY EITHER THE MCKINLEY OR CIBOLA SHERIFF'S DEPT. AND FILE A REPORT – EVEN IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE EXACT DATE. THEY WILL PROVIDE EXTRA ASSISTANCE TO US IF THEY KNOW WE ARE HAVING PROBLEMS IN OUR AREA.**

JULY 20TH AT 6 P.M. AT THE RANCH HOUSE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUP MEETING

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 20th, at 6 p.m. and come join us at the Ranch House. We'd like everyone who has a security system, camera, etc. to share your thoughts and suggestions, brand information, what's good, what's not so good, etc. with your neighbors. We'll also have all of the forms available that can assist you in compiling all of the information needed for law enforcement if you are vandalized or there is an attempt of vandalism.

Please let us know ahead of time if you can bring any security system information so we can make copies for everyone ahead of time. Please email information to us at timberlakewatch@gmail.com. Or, you can call Jim Zwerg at 505.783.4227. Thank you for your help in trying to make our neighborhood safer.

SKUNK!

Have you or one of your pets been sprayed by a skunk? Here's some advise on how to de-skunk.

The touted tomato juice, spraying with lemon or orange citrus or masking agents, like perfume or Febreze techniques do not work well, at all.

According to skunk enthusiasts, you should mix the following: 1 qt. of. 3% hydrogen peroxide, 1/4 cup baking soda and 1 teaspoon liquid Dawn dish soap. Once mixed, immediately bathe (shampoo in or rub down) the sprayed victim thoroughly. Do not save any unused portion after it is created as it is unstable, if not used right away. Rinse with tap water afterward and repeat if necessary.

Communications Report

By Sharon Axtell

Our TRLA Web page has had over 6000 hits so far. I hope everyone is taking the opportunity to look at the site www.trnews.info. Information is changed or added, as needed. Click on the links in the black box to find more information on Timberlake happenings, building, meeting minutes, Volunteer happenings and updates, just to mention a few.

Check out the McKinley and Cibola County CodeRed Emergency Notification Service and remember to **"SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING"**. Let's work together to keep our homes/property safe and secure.



Timberlake Piñons and Rattlesnakes Facts You Might Not Know

Landowners have noticed that many of our beautiful Piñon are stressed and are probably going to die unless we get a large amount of moisture in the next few months. Stressed trees often are targets of several species of *Ips* beetles and the western pine beetle. This may be the case now.

- Infested trees will start to turn reddish-brown within a month of attack. Evidence of infestation can include sawdust at the trees base or in bark crevices, small pop-corn like masses of sap, small boring holes and a “fading” of the needles.
- There is nothing that can be done to save a tree after it has been successfully attacked by bark beetles and infected with the blue-stain fungus. There is no effective insecticide treatment for infested trees.
- Trees not yet infested can be protected by annual applications of a preventive insecticide. Carbaryl and permethrin-based insecticides are specifically labeled for this purpose, but carbaryl is the preferred material because it provides longer protection. The entire surface of the trunk and large limbs must be sprayed all the way to within a few feet of the top.
- Watering individual trees can help increase a trees natural defense of pitching out attacking beetles.
- Over the long run, selective removal of designated trees, coupled with brush disposal and appropriate use of prescribed fire, will not only improve forest and tree health, but also greatly reduce the probability of bark beetle outbreaks and catastrophic wildfire.
- It takes three separate growing seasons and about 26 months to produce mature pine nuts.



The rattlesnakes are out and about. The variety found in Timberlake are Prairie Rattlesnakes and usually don't get much over 24' in length. If in the lower grassy areas, they tend to be greenish-brown and higher up on rocky areas more of a grayish brown. Their young are born live (not from eggs) and are 8-11 inches in length at birth. Older ones tend to have a “dry bite” as they can control their venom, but the young ones cannot. They do not always rattle before biting, nor do they always bite when they rattle.

You may want to discuss with your vet about getting a rattlesnake venom vaccination for your dog. This vaccine has been shown in dogs to generate protective antibodies against rattlesnake venom. Protective antibodies function by neutralizing rattlesnake venom. Dogs with protective antibodies are reported to experience less pain and have a reduced risk of permanent injury from rattlesnake bite. Veterinarians typically report that vaccinated dogs bitten by rattlesnakes experience less swelling, less tissue damage and a faster recovery from snakebite than unvaccinated dogs. Yearly boosters are recommended and cost around \$35.



Photo by
Steve Railsback

New Timberlake Board Members

At the 2016 Annual Meeting of Landowners, three Board members joined the ranks. One Board member is returning member, Sharon Axtell. The two new Board members are Steve Stevens and Charley Haverstick. Please welcome them!

Timberlake Neighborhood Volunteers

The Ice Cream Social was a great success over the 4th of July weekend. The weather was perfect for indulging over several scoops of ice cream smothered in a variety of toppings.

Be sure to watch the bulletin boards for upcoming Game Nights at the Ranch House. We will try to post approximately one week in advance. Also will post on Timberlake Ranch Facebook page. This is a fun evening to get together with friends and neighbors to socialize playing cards, dice or board games.

Next event will be the Annual Yard Sale. If you have things stored away in boxes, closets, storage room or on shelves that you haven't used in two years, do you really need it? Proceeds from the yard sale in the past years have funded the Community Bulletin Board, TCC Ranch House flag pole and flags, new stove for the kitchen, picnic tables, fire sign, etc. If you have items that you wish to give to a good cause, call **505.783.4058** or **505.783.2457** or leave on the porch at the Ranch House before August 3rd. Sorry, we can no longer take large appliances, TVs and computers.

On August 20th the Mystic Bluffs Fly-In is an absolute must see. Watching these small single engine planes belonging to members of the NM Back Country Pilots Assoc. maneuver around the cliffs to land on the Mystic Bluffs airstrip north of Timberlake South in a surrounding sea of sunflowers – well, you just need to come and see it for yourself.

The final event on Labor Day weekend is always a great meet, greet and eat afternoon. The Silent Auction continues to entertain all. There will also be a raffle of a quilt that was made by Timberlake's "Ranch House Stitchers".

Still lots of time left this summer, so hope to see you here at Timberlake Ranch soon.



Ranch House Stitchers

The Timberlake Ranch Volunteers have created a wonderful Craft room in the ranch house that is to be used for many varied creative and inspirational activities.

The Ranch House Stitchers has been meeting there each Thursday from 10 to 4. We have had a great response, with 6 to 14 attending each week. The room is always buzzing with a variety of sewing projects in various stages of planning and assembling. We are so fortunate that so many talented and gifted people are willing to share their knowledge with others.

Each week, many patterns, books and samples are being added to the collection of supplies. We have had eight sewing machines donated to the group. We still need a variety of tools and supplies to complete the quilting/sewing portion of the room. If you have any fabric, thread, batting, scissors or other sewing supplies that you'd like to donate, we could certainly use whatever you have.

The group is creating a beautiful quilt to be raffled off at the Timberlake Landowners annual Labor Day gathering. We are interested in having demonstrations and lessons at times in the Craft room, both from the Group, and from outside who are willing to teach and or promote their special talent or business at no cost to the group. We may even have field trips, if the group is interested. For more information, contact,

Judy Haverstick

jmhaverstick@hotmail.com



2016 TIMBERLAKE VOLUNTEER SUMMER EVENTS

ICE CREAM SOCIAL JULY 3RD Sun. 2-4 PM TCC
RANCH HOUSE

TIMBERLAKE ANNUAL YARD SALE AUG 6TH
8AM- 1PM RAMAH

MYSTIC BLUFFS FLY-IN AUG 20TH 7AM

LABOR DAY BARBECUE/SILENT AUCTION
SEPT 4TH 4:30-7PM TCC RANCH HOUSE

			Budget
Fiscal Year 2015-2016	JUNE	YTD	2015-2016
TOTAL INCOME	9,657.53	193,068.79	160,068.00
OUTFLOWS /			
Board	1,073.42	6,465.45	8,111.00
Communications	100.00	1,110.88	1,000.00
Financial	968.06	23,581.13	19,100.00
Legal	941.68	9,387.76	19,000.00
Insurance	37.00	9,957.00	11,000.00
Wages	0.00	5,980.75	11,000.00
Taxes	0.00	515.08	1,041.00
Buildings & Commons	189.25	9,792.76	16,400.00
Equip Maint. & Repairs	508.73	5,599.13	6,000.00
FUEL,OIL & GREASE	0.00	1,529.01	6,200.00
ROADS	97.46	63,044.40	75,000.00
UTILITIES	908.49	3,321.01	3,975.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$4,824.09	\$140,800.82	\$177,827.00
Bank Balance	6/14/2016		
Deposit	70,598.07		
Checking	25,090.25		
Reward	1,523.11		
Reserve	130,059.93		
Total	227,271.36		

Monthly financial reports, including line by line details, can be found on the TRLA website.

<http://www.trnews.info/TRLAindex.htm>

If you need a copy mailed to you, please send your request to:

TRLA Treasurer
HC 61 Box 767
Ramah, NM 87321



How Can I Contact.....?

TRLA has now made it easier to contact the Board of Directors for their specific roles via a generic email account. These email accounts will remain in place, even as Board members change.

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TRLA Vice President - trlavp@gmail.com
Commons Director - trlacommons@gmail.com
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Treasurer - trlatreasurer@gmail.com
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Director of Accounts - trlaccts@gmail.com
Architectural & CCRs - trlaarchccr@gmail.com

Other emails you may need:

TRLA Webmaster - webmastertrla@gmail.com
TRLA Bookkeeper - mray321@yahoo.com
Timberlake Neighborhood Watch-
timberlakewatch@gmail.com



ROADS REPORT

by Don Parry

- All roads were worked with the Kubota and drag
- Timberlake and BIA section received a weekly drag to smooth out washboards
- Sunflower and Sunrise will receive 1 inch base course after grading starting the first of July
- Both north and south roads to lake will receive grader work

Architectural & Maintenance Report

By Steve Wills

- 2 House plans approved
- 1 Garage plan approved
- 1 Shed plan approved
- 2 Covenant violations closed
- 1 Covenant violation pending

Have You Ever Asked?

Questions and Answers About Timberlake

Q: What should I do if I see evidence of poaching?

A: Please call NM Fish & Game at 505.222.4700 (M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and evenings 505.827.9376). Do not approach anyone with a gun, but if you can get their license plate number and vehicle description, that would be very helpful. If you see a vehicle with boxes or cages on the back for dogs, this may be a sign of illegal hunting on the ranch. It's best to report it right away. Hunting in our subdivision or in the Commons area is prohibited and offenders *will be prosecuted*.

Q: What are the phone numbers for local law enforcement?

A: Cibola County is 505.287.9476 and McKinley County is 505.863.1410.

Q: I'd like to be involved with the Timberlake Neighborhood Watch group. Who do I contact?

A: Jim Zwerg is the leader of the Timberlake Watch Group. You can reach him at timberlakewatch@gmail.com or 505.783.4227.

A: How do I get a key to the Bath House, lake gate and burn pile?

Q: Steve Wills is currently in charge of the keys. You can reach him at 505.783.4257 or trlapresident@gmail.com. Note - You must be a landowner in good standing to be sold a key.



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