



TIMBERLAKE TIMES

Summer 2024

Timberlake Ranch Landowners Association

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"President's Ponderings"

by Mary Ann Armijo

As I ponder the last two months, we went through an election, elected two new board members, re-elected one, and appointed two. Also, a big thank you to all that worked and volunteered for the Annual Election, and meeting. As we look at the past two months, we as a community and Board will move forward with hope and excitement as things do change.

Change does happen but it can also be hard, we as a community and board will move forward and embrace it together as a community. I welcome all the new volunteers, neighbors, and hope you reach out to all board members with questions and comments.

Roads are still being worked on, hoping to continue work on the orphan road (BIA) to get that resolved. We will also continue our good relationship with Cibola, and McKinley counties. Have a wonderful summer and enjoy our community and surrounding area.


Mary Ann Armijo

TRLA 2024 Board Election Results

TRLA 2024 Elections Committee Announces Winning Candidates

Please join us in a hearty Welcome to our three New Board Directors!

Frank Beissel - Judi McClelland-Murphy - Diana Ramm

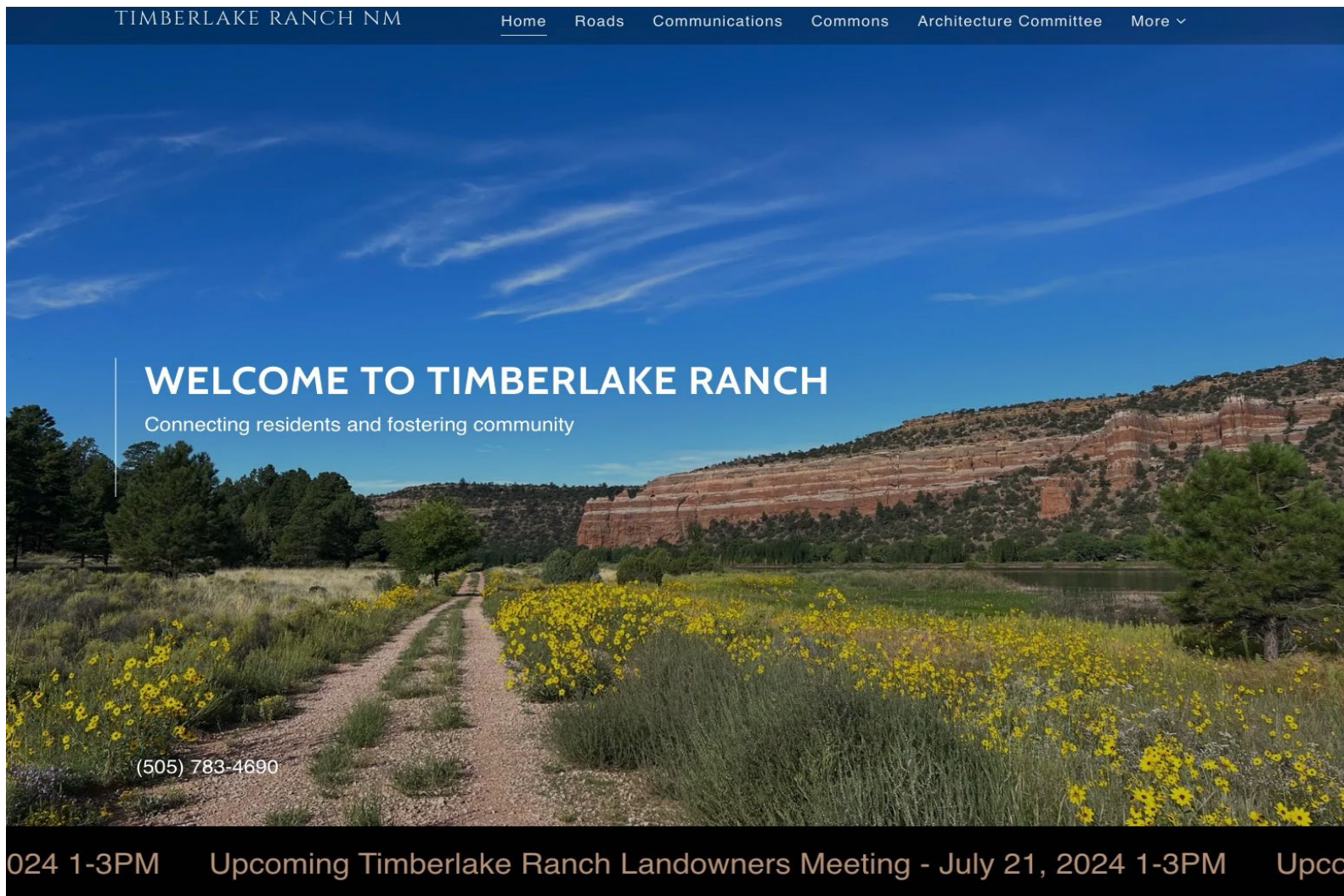
<div><div>TRLA BOARD ELECTION RESULTS</div><div>In alphabetical order</div></div>	Frank Beissel	170
	Tiffany Forsyth	99
	Craig Johnson	96
	Judi Murphy	221
	Adam Pehrson	129
	Diana Ramm	167
	Marv Springer	69

We would like to express that we feel TRLA was fortunate to have so many worthy candidates running in this year’s election. A heartfelt thank you to all of them for their willingness to serve their community. We also would like to take this moment to give sincerest thanks to our 2024 Nominating & Elections Committee members: Killarney Martinez, David Waters, Melissa Lane, Gaya O’Neill Deák, Lui Antal Deák and Rosalie Bianchi; Board Liaisons: Joe Martinez and Judi McClelland-Murphy; Board Member Counters & Witnesses: Steve Stevens, Joe Martinez and Julie Farrell; and, last but not least, our intrepid Elections Committee Volunteer Counters, Witnesses & Registrars: Barb Stevens, David Waters, Gaya O’Neill Deák, Kandy Abbott, John Ellett, Jeff Waddell, Melinda Aubuchon, Rhett Renaud, Rosalie Bianchi, Rose Carlson, Sarah Renaud and Wade Aubuchon. This has been a challenging election season for all involved, but we have been fortunate to have such dedicated individuals step up to serve their community in this difficult time with blinders on to get the job done with utmost attention to detail, ready willingness, personal integrity and mindfulness of the solemn responsibility of the task at hand.

Thank you each and every one for doing an outstanding job, for meticulously counting votes in what may have been the election with the highest participation ever by members of Timberlake Ranch Landowners’ Association. Congratulations for a job well done.

Thank you, the TRLA 2024 Elections Committee

Announcing an all-new website, TIMBERLAKERANCHNM.COM



Please take note of the new website www.timberlakeranchnm.com as well as the new email addresses that should be used to conduct TRLA business.

President – Mary Ann Armijo:

Vice President – Diana Ramm

Secretary – Craig Johnson

Treasurer – Judi Murphy

Roads – Joe Martinez

Commons & Architecture – Don Parry

Communications – Frank Beissel

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The website is currently under constriction. All content from the old website will be moved over to the new one in the coming weeks. To access the old website, please click here: <http://www.trnews.info/>

Please reach out at trlacommunications@timberlakeranchnm.com with your suggestions as to what you would like to see on the website as well as what you do not. This is your website, all comments are welcome!

Timberlake Ranch Volunteers

The Volunteer Group has an exciting list of events. Come join us for good times, a lot of laughs, and great memories.

July 7 – Ice Cream Social: 1:00 pm @ the Ranch House

Come join the community for some sweet treats!

Ice cream, sorbet, a variety of toppings along with brownies and chocolate chip cookies will be on the menu.



July 12 – TRLA Dance: 6:00 pm @ the Equipment Shed

Get your dancing shoes ready! If you don't dance, that's OK, please come to listen to great tunes and support our local group – **Thunder Ridge!** We will be serving up some tasty Sloppy Joes for everyone to enjoy!

July 24 – Bingo Night: 6:30 pm @ the Ranch House

Bring a White Elephant gift and grab some bingo cards! The winner will choose from one of the gifts!

Aug 17 – Mystic Bluffs Annual Fly-In, 7:00 am @ the airstrip

This is the greatest event of the Summer! Pilots fly their planes in and park them for all to see. There are never two planes alike! Your Volunteers will be serving up an amazing breakfast for all who attend. Pilots eat first, then all other attendees are welcome to the breakfast spread. Weather permitting, we are hoping to have a hot air balloon. Don't miss this event!

Aug 23 – Paint-n-Pictures: 6:30 pm @ the Ranch House

Canvas pictures, paints & brushes will be provided – you have to bring the creativity! Bring a beverage and your imagination for a relaxing evening of painting.

Sept 1 – Labor Day Celebration / Silent Auction: 4:00 pm @ the Ranch House

This year we are doing something a little different – a TACO Bar! We will provide meats and shells/tortillas for tacos, and the community members will bring the fixings and sides. There will be a Sign-Up sheet to fill out so we can coordinate our feast! Next, get those checkbooks ready. Our Silent Auction was a huge hit last year! Items range from jewelry to tools to housewares and everything else that you can bid on. Plus, our hard-working Stitches Group will be raffling off an amazing quilt!

Sept 11 – Bingo Night: 6:30 pm @ the Ranch House

Everyone is welcome! Pick out as many Bingo cards as you can handle and let's have a great time! Donate a White Elephant gift as a prize!

Sep 27 – Movie Night: 6:30 pm @ the Ranch House

As the summer is coming to an end, let's get together and watch a Movie. Popcorn will be available to make this a true theatre experience!

Can't remember all these dates? No problem!

There will be flyers posted at the beginning of each month on the bulletin board by the mailboxes and the bath house. Events will also be listed on the Timberlake website and the [Timberlake Facebook page](#).

Timberlake Ranch Volunteers

06/22/24 – In the Ditch: 9:00 am @ the Fire Station

The weather was perfect for this year's In The Ditch volunteer cleanup effort.

There was noticeably less trash on Timberlake/Canyon Road. Several Timberlake neighbors have been spotted picking up trash along the road. **Thank you to all who participated, and to all who pick up litter throughout the year!**



Timberlake Ranch Volunteers

June 20 – Game Night: 6:30 pm @ the Ranch House



Pre-game fortification in the kitchen got the games off to a good start. Clockwise: Don Parry (hiding), Diana Ramm, Tom Abbot, Lui Deak, Gaya Deak, and Kandy Abbott



Contemplating the next move...



Lui and Lori play dominos in the library

Timberlake Ranch Volunteers

June 28 – Paint-n-Pots at the Ranch House



The Battle Against Mountain Pine Beetles

After decades of dealing with bark beetles and devastating wildfires in 2022, hundreds of thousands of acres of New Mexico forest land are seeing improvement. However, there are still plenty of bark beetles in Timberlake. Here's a little more information to help us take good care of our beautiful pine trees and keep the pine beetles from gaining a stronger foothold.

How do I know if my pine trees have been infested?

The first symptom that property owners will notice is yellowing or browning of needles on a tree.

Other signs of infestation include white pitch tubes, running pitch, sawdust at the base of the tree, and small emergence holes in the bark. Larvae chew curved or S-shaped galleries under the bark in the inner bark and cambium layer, and can girdle and kill the tree.

This can happen on a portion of the tree's canopy or throughout the whole canopy. To determine if a tree has been infested with bark beetles, landowners should look for evidence of "pitch tubes," which are small areas of sap build-up at each bark beetle entry point. However, in times of drought, pitch tubes may not be present. Instead, small piles of sawdust will gather in the bark, in branch crotches and/or around the base of the tree. Additionally, woodpecker feeding activity may substantially increase on trees with bark beetle infestations.



Mountain Pine Beetles — FAQ

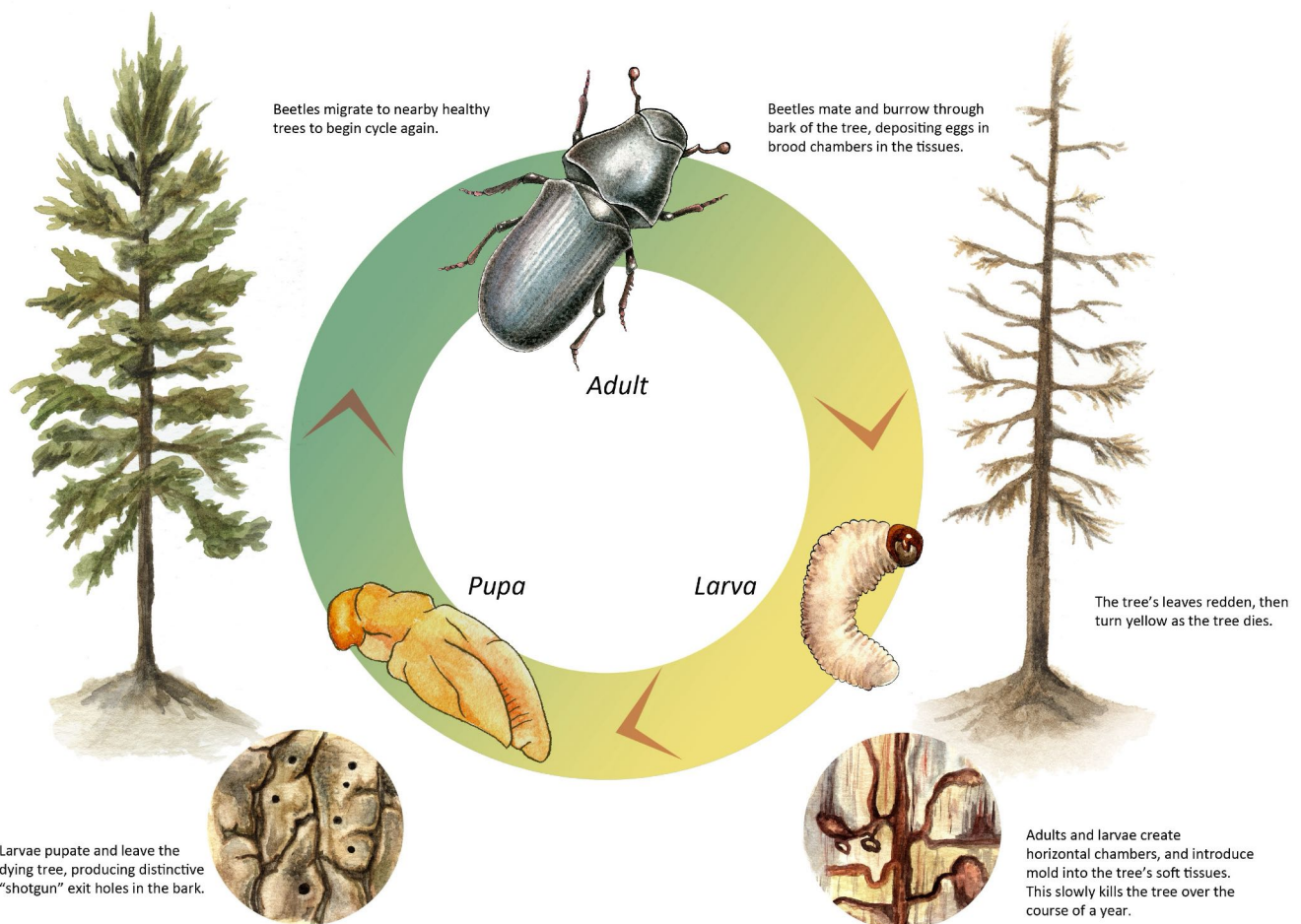
How do these beetles kill trees?

Bark beetles tunnel their way through the outer bark of a tree and then emit a chemical scent (called a pheromone) that attracts other beetles. The beetles then mate and lay eggs in galleries in between the bark and the wood. When the eggs hatch, the larvae feed on the nutritious soft inner bark layer. A "blue stain" fungus carried by the beetles can contribute to the death of the tree by clogging water and nutrient-conducting tissues. Newly emerged adult beetles then leave the infected tree and fly to another nearby tree.

What management options are available if trees on my property are infested with bark beetles?

Unfortunately, once a tree is actively infested with bark beetles it cannot be saved. The best option is to cut down the infested tree and remove it from the property. To limit the spread of bark beetles on the property, the tree should be cut and removed within 30 days of the confirmation of infestation. The cut and removed tree should be taken to an area without a population of healthy trees of the same species. Alternately, a cut tree can be debarked and cut into small sections and placed away from healthy trees on the property. Before a property owner cuts any tree, a professional, such as the New Mexico Forestry Division's Forest Health Specialist, should positively confirm a tree is infested with bark beetles.

Life Cycle of Mountain Pine Beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae*



Mountain Pine Beetles — FAQ

How can I prevent bark beetles from attacking my trees?

The most economical and environmentally friendly way to protect trees from bark beetle attack is to water them during periods of drought. Trees should be watered deeply (3-4 hours with a soaker hose is best) once a month if no precipitation has occurred during that month. Please be aware that watering is not a foolproof strategy for preventing bark beetle attack, but it does help bolster a tree's natural defenses. Caveat: Trees, especially piñon and juniper, can be watered too much.

Correctly applying insecticide to the bark prior to bark beetle peak flight (apply in March or April) can help protect individual trees. Treatment consisting of a 2% carbaryl/sevin solution can protect trees for about a one year. Landowners who choose permethrin can expect about six months of protection. Once a tree is infested it is too late to consider the use of insecticides.

What actions should be avoided when attempting to protect trees?

Do not do anything that will introduce further stress to your trees. Anytime a tree is damaged it needs to expend precious moisture (in the form of sap) to heal that injury. This can weaken the tree and make it more susceptible to bark beetle attack.

Removing small or poorly competing trees from a stand can improve the vigor of the remaining trees but be sure to remove the trimmings. Untreated slash left on the site may be an attractant to additional beetles. If they breed in the slash, they represent yet another source of new beetles to attack the remaining trees.

Freshly cut trees that still retain some green needles should be debarked, mulched, or chipped immediately, to kill any remaining beetles.

For more information, please visit the US Forest Service webpage on the subject:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r3/forest-grasslandhealth/insects-diseases/?cid=stelprdb5228384>

Or contact the NM State Forest Health Specialist:

John Formby
New Mexico Forestry Division
505-469-6660

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Don't forget...

Correct mailing address is critical for property taxes!

After three years of nonpayment of property taxes, the NM Delinquent Property Tax Bureau takes possession of the property and auctions are scheduled by county. **There is no recourse for the landowner.**

Both McKinley County and Cibola County auctions have resumed after a long hiatus due to COVID. To view the list of properties scheduled for auction, use this link:
<https://www.tax.newmexico.gov/businesses/property-tax-overview/delinquent-property-tax-auctions>

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