

# SUMMER 2008 NEWSLETTER

## **2008 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Jon Davis – President/Maintenance  
Eric Stott - Vice-President/ACC  
Debb Talbert - Treasurer  
Linda Williams - Secretary/Roads  
William Norris - Recreation  
William Omberg – Access Control

- The Board of Directors meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Association's Community Room. All members are welcome to attend.

### Other scheduled meetings:

- The Architectural Control Committee meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Association's Community Room. **This is a change - the ACC also met on the last Wednesday of each month, but that meeting has now been cancelled.**
- The Compliance Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Association's Community Room, as needed.

## **COMMUNITY-WIDE YARD SALE**

Vicky Francis has volunteered to organize a community-wide yard sale to be held on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> (rain date, Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>) from 8 am - Noon. Please call Vicky at 775-9647 for all the details.

## **POOL NEWS**

**Opening Date: Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Hours of Operation: 11 am - 8 pm, Memorial Day weekend, Labor Day weekend, all weekends, every day after school vacation begins.**

**3 pm - 8 pm, afternoons before summer vacation begins**

Earlier afternoon hours prior to summer vacation and between school restart and Labor Day are still undetermined.

The pool will be closed during serious inclement weather, including thunderstorms, but will reopen after the dangerous weather has passed.

Once you enter the pool area, be prepared to sign in and show your recreation tags to the lifeguard.

Please cooperate with the lifeguards, observe all safety regulations, and assure that your children and guests do the same!

When using the pool, please park your car in the pool parking lot. It is accessed via the driveway past the pool. **Do not use the office parking lot as there is limited space for people stopping by the association office. There is plenty of parking for you in the pool parking area.**

In response to many requests by adult swimmers, the pool will be open from 9 am – 10:00 am for “Adult Swim”. Swimmers 21 years of age and older only – no one under 21 will be allowed in the pool area! As this is “swim at your own risk”, each swimmer will have to sign a liability waiver form prior to using the facility. Entrance will be through the community building.

Loud radios, food, drinks in glass containers, roughhousing, and seeking entrance without recreation tags, etc. will not be allowed.

### **ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE- ERIC L. STOTT**

Please remember, **ALL** construction (including new homes, decks, sheds, fences and additions) must be approved by the ACC as set out in the Deed of Dedication. Unapproved structures are in violation of the covenants.

The ACC meets on the second Wednesday of each month. **All plans** to be considered at a given meeting must be submitted to the PLPOA Office by the ACC deadline date (16 days prior to the meeting date, always a Monday). Plans submitted after that meeting's deadline date will not be considered until the next meeting.

Mailboxes must be black or wood on a wood post. The black plastic all-in-one boxes are acceptable. If you have a separate newspaper box, it must also be made of wood. The plastic boxes given out by carriers are not acceptable.

If you wish to remove trees from your property, any tree larger than 6" in diameter at 4.5' high must be approved for removal by the ACC. Trees dead, diseased or dying do not require permission, but please let the office know when you are cutting trees down for that reason.

The ACC is in need of someone to fill the ACC Inspector's position. For more information, please call ACC Chairman, Eric Stott at 540-429-0898.

**PRESIDENTIAL LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**  
**KING GEORGE, VIRGINIA**  
**2008 RECREATION TAG AUTHORIZATION**

Property Owner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Section# \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#(Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#(Office) \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Names of Other Household Members</u>	<u>Birthdates</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

I agree, by accepting these tags:

1. When using any recreation facility, **each person will have a "RECREATION TAG" which will be produced and displayed upon request.** Wearing the tag on the body in a visible location will decrease the number of times that the individual may be requested to produce the tag for verification purposes.
2. That I, and any other person(s) wearing my assigned tags, will read and abide by the rules and regulations of Presidential Lakes P.O.A. as promulgated by the Board of Directors.
3. To be responsible for the actions of any person(s) wearing my assigned tags.

Due to the nature of past problems and the indiscriminate use by unauthorized people, the policy will be strictly enforced.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Property Owner Signature

For Office Use Only:

Tag numbers \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESIDENTIAL LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION  
2008 VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM**

Please register only vehicles for which you do not have a GREEN decal

**PLEASE PRINT**

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Section# \_\_\_\_\_ Lot# \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# (home) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# (work) \_\_\_\_\_

**VEHICLE DESCRIPTION:**

MAKE \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_

LICENSE NUMBER/STATE \_\_\_\_\_

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LICENSE NUMBER/STATE \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and sign both the Tag Authorization and Vehicle Registration forms. Please return so that recreation tags and vehicle decals may be mailed to you.**

## RECREATION NEWS

Please remember to carry your recreation tags with you when using any of the amenities. All people in your party, 10 years and older, need a recreation tag. If you plan on having extra guests, please call the PLPOA Office at 775-7000 to find out how to obtain extra tags for the day. One-day tags for guests cost \$2.50/ tag. To plan ahead for unexpected guests, the Association offers a sheet of 10 day tags for the price of 8, \$20.00. These may be purchased in advance and used when needed. Access Control guards or the lifeguards will date them when you and your guests use the amenities. These one-day passes are good for use thru April 30, 2009. **The purchase of these one-day tags is non-refundable.** Please plan ahead as one-day tags are only available through the PLPOA office Monday - Friday. Children may not purchase guest passes.

- Please enjoy skateboarding and/or rollerblading by using the multi-purpose court (basketball court) for those activities. Some of the parking areas surrounding landscaping do not escape damage when this area is used as a skating arena. Please inform your kids and remember that if your children are using these amenities, recreations tags are required.
- Report any vandalism to the PLPOA Office, 775-7000.
- Dogs and other pets are not allowed on the beach, pavilion, pool area, or in the playground. **PET OWNERS:** It is your responsibility to make certain your pet is under your control at all times and not allowed to become a nuisance to others. Dogs which bark constantly and roam are a nuisance. Ask your neighbors! If your neighbors wanted pets, they'd have them!
- Please counsel your children about not diving off the pavilion from the rails and roof. The pavilion roof is much too high from which to dive safely. The water is not deep enough for that! Also, by diving from the roof and rails, damage to the pavilion itself occurs. Both actions are against regulations and members and guests will be reminded if seen doing either one.
- Remember! Charcoal fires only are permitted in the fire pits on the pavilion.
- The discharge of firearms within the Presidential Lakes is not permitted.

## ACCESS CONTROL NEWS- BILL OMBERG

Our uniformed access control guards are now on duty. As during last summer, these personnel will rove, but will be stationed mainly at Lake Monroe. They will be checking all persons using amenities for recreation tags and generally making sure that rules are followed. They are here primarily to control access to the common areas and are not here "on call" for member emergencies. **Our access control guards are not law-enforcement officers.** During PLPOA Office hours (Monday - Friday, 9 - 4), Mrs. Thornton will assist you should you have a question about a particular incident. If you feel unsafe or if there is suspicious or criminal activity in your area, please contact the King George County Sheriff's Department at 775-2049 IMMEDIATELY. For emergencies only - 911. The Sheriff's Department is your first resource for help in emergencies.

- Please remember!! The speed limit in Presidential Lakes is 25 MPH! For everyone's safety, please slow down. Many walkers, joggers, and parents walking with children are sharing the road. Slow down out there!
- Do not shortcut through other residents' property to enter the common areas. All members have access to the lakes through the common areas only. Use only these entrances to the lakes if you wish to fish or swim. Lots are private property all the way to the shore of the lakes! You are trespassing if you make use of private lots and can be so charged!
- We have several sharp turns/curves here in Presidential Lakes. Please stay on your own side of the curve and slow down!! It's a really bad day when you meet someone coming around the curve on your side!!
- TO THE PARENTS OF CHILDREN WHO RIDE ATV'S, DIRTBIKES, AND OTHER UNLICENSED VEHICLES: Do not allow your children to ride these vehicles on Presidential Lakes roads or in our common areas. We have many blind curves on our roads, making them unsafe for these types of vehicles particularly when ridden by inexperienced operators. The PLPOA office has received numerous complaints from homeowners regarding these vehicles on the roads – they are not allowed on the roads by PLPOA regulations and by state law. PLPOA roads are state roads for law-enforcement purposes – you would not allow them to ride on Rt. 3 – don't allow them to ride on PLPOA roads or other common areas. You'll have to find another place for them to ride.
- If there is a storm and you find your road blocked during non-office hours, please call the Sheriff's Dispatch Office at 775-2049. They will contact us to get the tree removed.

### OTHER NEWS

- **2008 dues and assessments are past due!** Dues and assessments are due on March 1 every year and are late after March 15th. Dues must be paid before you may obtain Recreation Tags, guest passes, or rent amenities. Amount now due: **\$645.16.**
- Should you experience a water outage or other water problem, please call the following numbers to report it or find out more information:  
For homes in section 14: Presidential Services Company: 540-891-6673  
For homes in sections 1 – 13: King George County Facilities Dept. – 775-2746
- As our maintenance crew mows the sides of the roads, they have noticed a number of residents have piled up brush and logs in the ditchlines apparently for pickup. The association does not pickup debris - you must dispose of this yourself. Piling it up in the ditchlines prevents maintenance from mowing that area and obstructs the flow of water in the ditchline.
- Mailboxes and Road Deterioration - If you have a pot hole forming due to mail delivery, please fill it or move your mailbox closer to the road surface.
- Refuse Containers - They are not part of our natural environment.... Think of your neighbors, have pride in your neighborhood and remove yours in a timely manner after refuse pickup.

## ROADS - LINDA WILLIAMS

Surface Treatment: Within the next couple months all 14 miles of road surfaces will be reinvigorated. There will be times when sections of roads will be blocked to traffic. We apologize for the inconvenience, but cooperation and patience will ease the process. Why is this being done? This effort is being undertaken to extend the life of the oil based surfaces thus stretching your dollars to gain maximum benefit. No VEHICLES should be on the roads!!! Vehicles impacting road work WILL be towed!!!



## **NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

It's time for Spring-cleaning, but the remnants of fall still abound. PLEASE take time to **remove the majority of leaves from the water run-off channels** (ditches and culverts) around your property. Mother Nature is now generating monster downpours which cause leaf piles to form. HEAVY leaf accumulation where water is supposed to run diverts the water into destructive channels. Culverts get undermined, road edges deteriorate and new ditches are formed. Dispose of leaves in nearby woods as they are nature's fertilizer.

In some areas the Association has paid to have saplings growing in the ditch and up to 2 feet towards each lot removed. This effort is a forward looking approach to maintaining ditch line integrity and avoiding the much greater expense of removing large trees during drainage (ditch) restoration. Your efforts to remove saplings which fall into this category benefit the entire membership through cost savings.

To those folks that have already addressed their leaves and saplings – a big thank-you. A special thanks to folks that have taken action to alleviate and prevent damage during mail delivery. Yes, I do notice!! To those folks that make questionable “improvements” that impact the water flow on their property that eventually impact the ditches and road near their place: you sap the energy that should be spent on unavoidable problems.

Cutting Corners: Drive on the HARD road surface PLEASE. Don't be a supporter of shoulder pothole creation!!

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WORK SESSION**

The Board of Directors will hold another work session to continue getting ideas on what can be done with the unimproved common areas to make them usable recreation areas. If you are interested in finding out more about these topics and have some input for the Board of Directors to consider, please come to the Capital Improvements Work Session to be held Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30 pm - 9 pm.

**Presidential Lakes Property Owners' Association, Inc.  
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**Return Service Requested**