# Whitney Oaks

## Community Newsletter

May 2022



#### 2022 Goat Grazing

The annual Goat Grazing began in March and will continue through approximately July 4, 2022. Here are a few helpful tips to keep in mind while the animals are grazing this season.

- Please keep pets and children away from electrified fencing, herds, shepherds, or shepherds' dogs.
- Please do not place any yard clippings, pesticides, or potted plants in the open areas where herds will be grazing.
- Please be sure to protect any plantings within two feet of fence lines by trimming, moving, or covering.
- Grazing containment fences will be placed near fencing that is adjacent to open spaces. For concerns regarding fencing placement near your property please contact CAPRA directly.

#### Additional Project Resources:

- Grazer Contact Information: CAPRA 916-952-4628
- Association Management: jasmine.brinson@managementtrust.com mikki.cooper@managementtrust.com
- Whitney Oaks website project information and updates: <u>https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/</u>
- City of Rocklin website general information and Rocklin grazing maps: www.rocklin.ca.us/grazing

#### Rockridge Communities Common Area Reminder

Sometimes common areas are hard to distinguish especially in a detached condominium area; Abby Court, Lawton Court, Kensington Court, and Sterling Drive.

Here are some things to consider:

• If you see a weekly service provider (Bianco Landscape Management), chances are the common area landscaping is completed by the Association. Common areas may include locations in the front, back and side of your home, but will not include any areas or plantings in your fenced yard areas.

• Making changes to common areas are prohibited unless Board approval has been granted. For example; adding gravel/step-stone paths, plant removals, plant additions.

• It is also wise to be mindful of where outside décor items like statues and pots are placed. Items placed in common areas may be damaged during service.

• Like all other homes in the community, exterior alterations, like fencing changes, do require ARC applications submittal and approval prior to work beginning.

#### 2022 Pool Season

The 2022 Pool season begins May 1<sup>st</sup> and will continue through October 15<sup>th</sup>. The Hillcrest Pool and the Black Oak Pool will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. All members must have their numbered "Member Identification Tag" attached to their common area key to access the pool. Please review the Association's Pool Rules for more information at https://whitneyoaks.org/documents/. ■

#### Volunteers Needed

We currently have an open position on the Landscape Committee. If you are interested in joining the Landscape Committee please contact our Association Manager, Jasmine Brinson for more information.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



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## ASSOCIATION WEBSITE <u>http://whitneyoaks.org</u>

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#### **Springfield Is Hiring**

The Springfield at Whitney Oaks Association is looking for a person to fill our part time position for our weekend staff hours are: Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The position will open the facility and assist with and customer needs. Contact Deanna Themoleas, General Manager, either by email manager@springfieldhoa.com and send your resume or phone 916-630-4330. ■

#### **Golf Cart Paths**

With spring and summer brings an eagerness to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and explore areas of the community. However, we have noticed an uptick in pedestrian, bicycle, and private golf cart traffic going through the golf course. Please be reminded that this is extremely hazardous and is trespassing. Unless you have signed up to play a round of golf, please stay off the course.

#### Gate and Monument Painting Project

The Community entrance signs have been restored to green with gold lettering to better mirror Whitney Oaks logo as contained on the tall monument signs. New monument signs will soon be added to the tall monument signs that are maintained by the Association. For more information on this project please visit <a href="https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/">https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/</a>.

#### **Board Meeting Announcement**

The May 4, 2022 Board meeting will be held at the Oaks Building at Springfield at 6:00 p.m. Association Legal Counsel, Jennifer Jacobsen, will be in attendance to answer questions specific to the Rockridge Communities Units 39 & 44. Please visit the website for the most up to date meeting schedule <u>https://whitneyoaks.org/meetings/</u>.

#### Web Portal & Dues Accounts

The community has a wonderful web portal for all owners to use. This portal is a link to your Association account. There you can print statements and check on your account balance. If you do not currently have your log-in information, please contact Mikki Cooper at Mikki.Cooper@managmenttrust.com to receive a copy of your Web Portal Introduction Letter with a link and log-in information. Please note that dues are due on the first of each month and is considered late if not received by the fifteenth of the month. It is highly recommended that payments are made prior to the first of each month. For account inquiries, please feel free to reach out to The Management Trust accounting staff using the information provided on the first page of this newsletter. For additional questions regarding your dues, please contact the Association Manager.

#### Drought and Whitney Oaks Landscaping Compliance

Due to the current state of the potential emergency drought order in California, homeowners may reduce watering their front lawns in an effort to conserve water which may cause brown spots in the lawn. Homeowners will still be required to maintain their lawns by removing weeds, mowing the lawn, pruning and/or trimming shrubbery and trees and removing any dead plantings or shrubbery. Once the emergency has been lifted, homeowners will have sixty days to restore the appearance of their lawn.

#### Hillcrest Parking Restrictions

Please remember that there are parking restrictions on several streets in the Hillcrest Community for all Whitney Oaks residents while school is in session. Parking in these areas is limited to three (3) hours on school days. Homeowners that in the live neighborhood on the following streets shall be limited to a maximum of three hours per day on school days and during school events. 

Hillcrest Drive (from Crest Rd to Western
Way)
Vivien Way
Pheasant Lane
Chasen Court. To enforce this restriction, Blue
Knight Patrol will be randomly patrolling these streets during the day and will tow
without notice if vehicles are parked on these streets exceeding the three (3) hour
timeframe during school days or school events.



Blue Knight Community Patrol

24/7 Dispatch: 916.299.0911 Guard Direct Line: 916-512-5144

Please note that this will be routed directly to the guard on-duty during the timeframe that guard is onsite from approximately 6:00 PM – 6:00 AM daily. ■

Blue Knight Patrol has been contracted by the Whitney Oaks Community Association to review WOCA common areas, facilities and, street parking – excluding the Springfield Association.

Please note the Association is not responsible for the safety and security of residents, invited guests or personal property. In case of a safety or security incident please call the Rocklin Police Department – 911 or non-emergency number 916-625-5400. ■



Have questions about gate remotes, keys, or other access devices?

Check out some commonly asked questions and answers on the Whitney Oaks website at:

https://whitneyoaks.org/remoteskeys-patrol/

While you are on the site, be sure to check out the projects page for additional upcoming project information.

https://whitneyoaks.org/projects/



## Whitney Oaks Wildlife Notes

### **Ed Price**

#### http://edwardprice.zenfolio.com

A good size flock of resident **Canada geese** makes its home in Whitney Oaks. They are usually seen close to the golf course ponds and nearby fairways. Occasionally you find them some distance from water. Marti and I observed an example of that last month. We were in our car and had started down the Park Drive hill from Crest Drive. Just past the Springfield bridge we spotted a car with its emergency blinkers on moving very slowly down the hill in the right-hand lane. I first thought the driver was experiencing car trouble but as we passed, we saw to our surprise a mated pair of Canada geese with four newly-hatched young making their way down the sidewalk toward Whitney Oaks Drive. The "escort car" was staying just behind the goose family as if to make sure they didn't stray out into the road. I couldn't help but wonder where they had come from and where they were going. Interestingly, a few days later I spotted a pair of geese with four young on the second fairway close to the pond by Mariella Drive. Could it have been the family we saw on Park Drive? I think so.

Canada geese pair bonds are established at 2 to 3 years of age and last for life. If one dies the other will seek a new mate. In 2020 a pair were stranded in the pond nestled in the big loop on Clubhouse Drive. One of the pair had a broken or damaged wing and couldn't fly. However, its loyal mate stayed with it for several months until one day both were gone. My guess is the wounded goose was caught by a predator and its mate left the area.

Male geese (ganders) vigorously defend their mate against other males especially during the spring breeding season. Mated pairs also defend their nest sites and young (goslings) as you can see in the photo below with the pair's necks extended forward.

Females choose their nest sites, usually an elevated location over water with good visibility. The nesting goose in the photo below chose a spot in a clump of willows in the Clubhouse Drive pond mentioned above. The female lays two to eight eggs and does all the incubating while the male stays on watch close by. Goslings hatch in about 28 days and can walk, swim and feed within 24 hours. Young learn to fly in two to three months.

Don't you wonder how they recognize one another in a group? They all look very much alike to me. Studies have shown that geese recognize one another primarily by differences in the sound of their voices or calls. And males are always larger than females.

