

High Country West "E-NEWS"

Rancho Bernardo, California

Neighborhood News - SEPTEMBER 2020

Club Hours

Monday thru Sunday 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, by reservations only

The club hours are subject to change, call office or check our web site

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President's Corner:

As the summer winds down, we continue to make sure that the HCW club is a great place for you and your family to come relax and beat the heat! Just remember to plan your schedule and make reservations ahead of your visit. The water is cool, the courts are ready, and the friendly HCW staff are standing by to welcome you safely back into the club facilities.

We continue to closely monitor all aspects of the current situation and the impact of the Governor's Blueprint for a Safer Economy on our community. We are adhering to all of the county and state requirements and we will continue to keep up with the latest cleaning protocols, enforce social distancing, and follow safety requirements.

As it was described last week, the Blueprint is "statewide, stringent and slow". So you can expect our response here in High Country West to be the same. We are proud of the progress we have made since our club was reopened, but we understand that like many around the world we will need to adapt and change our behavior in order to minimize exposure to the virus for our health, our families, and our community.

Please contact the club by phone or go to our website to learn more about which club areas are open, as well as for an overview of the actions we are taking to comply with health guidelines. For more information, please visit the Property Owner Resources section of the High Country West website (www.highcountrywest.com), email us at manager@highcountrywest.com, or call 858-451-0725.

Please look out for updates to our rules and architectural guidelines. These updates will be mailed out to everyone very soon. In addition, please note that limitations on the placement of basketball hoops and front yard furniture will be enforced again starting at the end of August.

Thank you to all the wonderful candidates who have thrown their hats in the ring for this year's Board elections. I am confident that the Board will be in excellent hands for all of us after the election in November!



Club partial opening is by reservations only and no guests. Please refer to our web site for the details on the facility use rules.



Join Our Online September 2020 Board Meeting with Zoom Meeting Software

The HCW Board of Directors will be holding on-line/virtual meetings until further notice and attendance will be through Zoom.

You have 2 ways to access each meeting:

1. Go to the highcountrywest.com website and go to Property Owner Resources and in the drop down click on "Board Meeting Agenda". The meeting agenda will have the link on it. The agenda will be updated by Monday prior to the meeting.
2. Also on the agenda, a telephone number is listed below the link if you just want to listen in.

The **ZOOM BOARD MEETING** will be on September 9 at 6:30PM.

An Architectural Reminder:

As of September 1, all basketball hoops and unapproved seating must be moved from front areas nightly. Thank you and enjoy the start of the new school year everyone!

Reminder: Only members and the household that lives at the home may use the facilities at this time.

LAP SWIMMERS: There are 6 lanes available daily from 8-9 & 9-10 am and then one lane for the remainder of the day on the hour until close.



The use of motor homes and travel trailers are very popular right now. But remember, no commercial truck, camper, trailer, or boat of any kind or other single or multi-purpose engine-powered vehicle other than a standard automobile or approved golf cart, can be parked on any lot except temporarily and solely for the purpose of loading or unloading.

Clean up



The Community Clean-up **DATE HAS CHANGED!** The **October 1st date originally planned *is no longer valid.*** The City of San Diego has made some changes to their bulk pick up service for unwanted items. The City will map out the neighborhood and will deliver postcard/flyers to each home with details on the date and pickup time for all future pickups scheduled. The City has noted High Country West Club will not be involved; homeowners are to watch their mail for notification. Sorry for any inconvenience and the confusion.

POOL RESERVATIONS: Each household may reserve one 90-minute swim time every 7 days, in addition, each household may call daily to reserve unfilled swim slots. **If you need to cancel your reservation, call by 9 AM same day or sooner to cancel;** this allows another household to use your slot. You can then reschedule your once a week reservation for that week. Cancelations after 9 am or no-shows cannot be rescheduled. Are you running late for your reservation? If you will be later than 30 minutes late, call us ahead and let us know. After 30 minutes, all swim slots not filled will be given to call in households.

ELECTION & MEMBERS ANNUAL MEETING IS NEAR

The meeting will be held on November 11, 2020 and is planned via zoom (virtual meeting).

The election for 3 open director positions for the High Country West (HCW) Board of Directors will also be held November 11, 2020 at the Member's Annual Meeting. Ballot information will be mailed to each owner early in October and will include instructions for voting. Remember, there is a meet the candidates date on Oct 14th, see newsletter on this. It is very important that we all cast our vote to avoid another election at a high \$ cost to all home owners. Please mail your ballot in or you may drop off your ballot directly at the club house at 16003 Turtleback Road at the office window during open hours.

A CANDIDATE LIST IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER!



Talk with the candidates. Yes, you can hear directly from the candidates running for the board positions at the October 14th board meeting that starts at 6:30 pm via zoom. See our website for the board agenda which will include the directions to access this meeting, the agenda will be posted on October 9th. There will be a question and answer period for members to address candidates.



Watch your mailbox HCW. Each owner will be receiving 2 documents for review. The 1st document is the emergency rules implemented for the facility during COVID-19. The 2nd document contains changes made to the Architectural Guidelines by the architectural committee. These rules require a 28 day member review period before adoption. The Board will be reviewing both of these documents at the October 14th board meeting and will vote for formal adoption of both sets of rules. Please join the meeting with any concerns or you may write directly to directors@highcountrywest.com prior to October 14th.

OFFICIAL NOTICE
Annual Meeting/Election
High Country West Property Owners Association
Note: This meeting will be conducted entirely online

Purpose: To announce the election of three (3) directors to the Board of Directors and to present a “State of the Union” report of our Association.

Date: Wednesday, November 11, 2020

Time: 4:45 P.M.

Polling

Location: High Country West
16003 Turtleback Rd
San Diego, CA 92127-2018

Meeting details:

The meeting starts at 4:45 PM using an online forum. Any final ballots can be collected at that time at 16003 Turtleback Rd. Polls will close at 5 PM and no ballots will be accepted after polls close. **Meeting agenda will be posted a few days prior to the meeting.**

Election ballots:

Ballots will be mailed out on October 7 and will include instructions on returning them to cast your vote.

Who are the Board of Directors?

The Board of Directors are property owners who are elected by the community association (you and me) to represent you. It is the Board’s responsibility to supervise the properties of the Association, to review the financials, to approve budgets, and in general to make the decisions which strive for the betterment of the Association and the community.

Who do I vote for?

A brief biographical sketch of each candidate has been included with this notice to help you decide. Also, there is a “Meet the Candidates” scheduled for Wednesday October 14 at 6:30 pm as part of the online board meeting where you can hear from each candidate and ask questions.

What if I can’t attend the meeting?

The election ballot you submit will be counted and count towards the quorum requirement to hold the annual meeting. It is very important that you cast your vote to prevent having to run another election.

Biographical Sketches of Candidates

Libby Bergmann

Collaborative, Persistent, Ethical, Meticulous, Retired

As a resident of HCW since 2012, I recognize and appreciate how much we are the definition of a “community.” Neighborhoods are built but communities are cultivated and require maintenance to maintain. I want to do my part to ensure that the community spirit of HCW continues to thrive.

Dan Herrera

Reliable, Fun-loving, Analytical, Meticulous, Results-oriented

The board has done a good job keeping HCW a great place to live. I’d like to add to the board by representing the voice and interests of residents with young, school-aged children. I’d like to help facilitate and participate in fun activities for kids and adults alike, to promote a connected community.

Lorie Underwood

Respectful, Friendly, Caring, Trustworthy, Conscientious

HCW is a unique family community in the RB area. After living here 20 years and raising 6 kids, it’s time to give back and keep it so. As a current Board Member I will continue to assist in completing current projects and keeping the budget.

Shannon Erdell

Open-minded, Thoughtful, Truthful, Imaginative, Observant

I have lived in HCW for many years and now that I am semi-retired business executive, I have time to devote back to our wonderful community. I believe I can offer a fair and balanced approach to decision making for the benefit of all.