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ONLINE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER
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The deadline for news articles is the 20th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. Please email news articles to **Lisa Ditmore** at aiasmokesignals@gmail.com. All letters or articles need to include your name and a daytime phone number. All articles must be approved by the editors for publication or as space permits.

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Read more information about Assurance HOA Mgmt. on page 18



Board of Directors 2022

Schedule of Meetings

All Regular Board Meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month and will begin at 1:00pm. If an Executive Session is required, it will be held at 9:00AM on the same dates with a break for lunch between the morning Executive Session and afternoon Open Session.

Due to winter snow, the January 2022 meeting (and possibly the May meeting), will be held at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge. The other meetings listed will be at the Arrowhead Firehouse.

Dates:

January 15, 2022

March 19

May 21

July 16

*August 20

September 17

November 12

Location:

Arrowhead Mountain Lodge

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Arrowhead Fire House

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***2022 Annual Owners Meeting will follow the Saturday, August 20th Board Meeting**

Please watch for posted agendas to confirm dates, times and locations:

<https://www.arrowhead1.org/agendas-minutes-meeting-info>

All meeting dates, times and locations may be subject to change.

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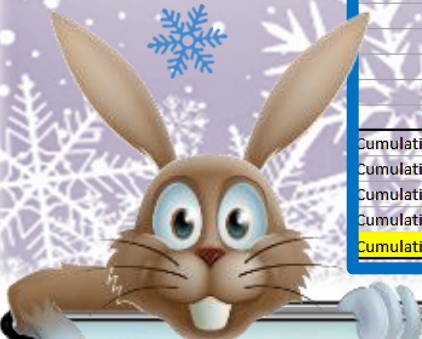
2021-2022 Snow Report

by Harold Thompson &
Joanie Aufderheide

Visit our AIA website, www.arrowhead1.org to get the latest up-to-date Area Forecast, Cams & Conditions AND Snow Reports.

To view the entire report as of March 30th, [CLICK HERE](#)

ARROWHEAD SNOW REPORT				WINTER SNOWFALL 2021-2022			
DATE MEASURED	TIME MEASURED	TEMP.(F)	AMOUNT (Inches)	TOTAL for season (Inches)	BASE DEPTH (Inches on ground)	CONDITIONS	LOCATION
					Base depth varies due to settling, melting, blowing, etc.		
					Early Snow Not Included in Total		
Mar-22							
03/05/22	8:00 AM	23°	1	107	37	Sunny	821 Balsam Dr
03/06/22	8:00 AM	22°	3	110	40	Snowing	821 Balsam Dr
03/06/22	5:00 PM	18°	1	111	41	Overcast	821 Balsam Dr
03/10/22	7:00 AM	11°	7	118	47	Overcast	821 Balsam Dr
3/13/22	8:00 AM	18°	1	119	42	Sunny	821 Balsam Dr
03/21/22	8:00 AM	24°	trace	119	40	Snowing	821 Balsam Dr
03/22/22	8:00 AM	-----	1	120	41	-----	821 Balsam Dr
03/29/22	8:00AM	31°	5	125	34	Overcast	821 Balsam Dr
03/30/22	8:00 AM	26°	2	127	36	Snowing	821 Balsam Dr
Comparison:				Mar Average Snowfall	33.5		
Snowfall for Mar 2018 =				19	+ / -	-12.50	
Snowfall for Mar 2019 =				47.5			
Snowfall for Mar 2020 =				27.5			
Snowfall for Mar 2021 =				40			
Snowfall for Mar 2022 =				21			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Mar 2018 =				129.5			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Mar 2019 =				172	Total Average	147.81	
Cumulative snowfall at end of Mar 2020 =				123			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Mar 2021 =				166.75	+ / -	-20.81	
Cumulative snowfall at end of Mar 2022 =				127			



Are you new to Arrowhead?

Everyone is encouraged to read our updated 2021 Living in Arrowhead Booklet to learn more about our beautiful community!! www.arrowhead1.org



Welcome Neighbor!

ARROWHEAD IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATION

DETERMINATION & APPOINTMENT OF 2022 BOARD LIAISONS & RESPONSIBILITIES:

Board members were assigned as liaisons for the listed programs, committees and responsibilities:

- a. **Communications** – Keith Dalton
- b. **Design Review Committee** – Rachel Grasmick
- c. **Election Committee** – Keith Dalton
- d. **Fish & Lakes** – Dennis Roberts
- e. **Forest Management** – Rosanna Harris
- f. **Governance** – Keith Dalton
- g. **Horse Corrals** – Dennis Roberts
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- k. **Real Estate** – Rosanna Harris
- l. **Weed Control** – Dennis Roberts



President's Message

It is already apparent that Spring is arriving (about the same time that you read this it will probably be cold and stormy). The Alpine Plateau Road is almost snowless, and was very muddy Saturday after our March AIA Board meeting. It was 9^o when the meeting started, and in the 40s when it ended (it was not that long a meeting either). As it warms up everywhere the summer users of Arrowhead properties begin thinking about things that have been set aside as 'covered by snow'. The MCH packs have been ordered to protect our beautiful forest from ugly beetles (see information on web site). Soon our equipment operations will be migrating from work on snowy roads to work on gravel roads. Soon the three Bs will be fully active again — birds, bears and bugs (not to offend the other wildlife).



We are entering a season of preparation for these infamous 'lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer.' As you prepare for such days, if maintenance, repairs or even construction come to mind please remember a couple of things. First, check the Regulations, or check with the Design Review Committee, to see if what you plan to do needs to be reviewed before you embark on the project. This is not to control your personal property, rather to help you know and stay within the Regulations you agreed to when you bought Arrowhead property in the HOA - Arrowhead Improvement Association. We are here to help and might even save you some headaches or money.



Secondly, if you are looking for paid help, we would encourage you to always assume nothing and always ask for licenses and insurances from people doing work, especially if you are not physically present when the work is being done. If you are close enough to be 'on the mountain' to plan your work, ask your neighbors, or others within our mountain community for their recommendation and reviews. Please note, paid ads in our Smoke Signals Newsletter and Business Directory are just that, paid ads. They are not recommendations from the people who serve you within the Association. You can email your Board with a request for information and we will try to connect you with someone who might know. We do know some people that have been here a long time.

With warmer weather comes the resuming of construction on Hwy 50. Some work has already begun in March. Our web site is a good place to seek current information or links to the project web site. I guess my best advice is, if you are traveling from afar, plan on arriving on a weekend or come in from the west (Montrose side) to make your access a little simpler. Never plan on arriving during the week after 7:00 pm.

Thanks for letting me prepare for my summer by sharing these thoughts with you. Looking forward to seeing you this summer, and even meeting some of all you new owners.



Lowell Kindschy
AIA Board President
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Design Review Message

The temperatures are rising and the snow is melting fast. I believe spring is going to be a muddy one on the mountain. I know many residents are hoping to make some property improvements this coming building season. If you are wanting to start a project this summer, please send me your questions and/or plans and I can help get your permit application moving forward. Click [here](#) for a link to a document to help you get started with your plans. Our next meeting for permit applications and approval is April 11th. We will meet at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge at 9am, unless the filing roads are open. **All Construction Agreements, Plot Plans, and project plans need to be sent to jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com** Please make check for the \$100 Permit Fee payable to the Arrowhead Improvements Association and mail to:

**Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc.
c/o Assurance HOA Management
2121 Market Street, Montrose CO 81401**

Please INCLUDE, Name, Project, Filing, Block, Lot on check so it can be recorded properly. Also, be sure your contractors are aware of the Hwy 50 construction project and the long delays possible in the canyon. Updates can be found on the [AIA website](#).

With that being said, a couple of reminders:

- When you are planning a property improvement, you need to have the Construction Agreement, Plot Plan, and ALL PLANS sent to me(jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com) and the \$100 permit fee needs to be sent to the highlighted address on the Construction Agreement. **This is the new address to our NEW management group.**
- You need to locate your center pin and flag several points on the property boundary.
- Flag several points on the adjacent properties, as well.
- Flag any site of improvements -- driveway, shed perimeter, trees you think need removed, etc.
- Once this is done, a DRC committee member will come and do a site visit.
- Depending on the project, a Fire Mitigation Plan may be required by Gunnison County. We can help with that if needed. (new 2021).
- Please refer to this [document](#) for many of the different project types done in Arrowhead.
- Here is the link to the [DRC webpage](#) where you can find the [Regulations](#) and more information.
- DRC members are happy to assist you in this process but as the property owner, **you are responsible for the accuracy of the center pin.** A professional site survey is the best way to be positive of an accurate center pin.

Please remember that **all** property improvements need to go through the DRC. Most require a permit. Some just get the go ahead "OK" because they are considered maintenance. It is better to ask than be in violation of the [Arrowhead Regulations](#). We have a lot of new contractors up here and they do not know our Regulations. It is the **property owner** who is responsible for educating themselves and their contractors about the rules.

**** Utilities **** - Many owners have been asking about putting in utilities. Please note that this **MUST** be approved by the Design Review Committee. You are not required to pay for a permit, but we must approve the location of your plans and issue a permit. **Failure to notify the Design Review Committee could result in up to \$1000 in fines.**

****Shed Regulations**** -

- **All Sheds MUST be approved by the Arrowhead Design Review Committee**
- **If you have an approved Gunnison Co septic system, you do not need a Gunnison Co building permit as long as your shed is no larger than 200sf.** If the shed is larger than 200sf you are required to apply for a building permit through Gunnison Co.
- **If you do not have an approved Gunnison Co septic system, you are required to get a building permit from Gunnison Co no matter what the size.**

Please continue to follow the requirements set forth for improvements in the [AIA Regulations](#). This helps the committee move forward for you more quickly. Also, please continue to be knowledgeable of the updates from Gunnison Co on Covid-19 [Gunnison Co Health Regulation](#).



Joanie Thompson
AIA Design Review Mgr.
jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com

All meetings are held at the firehouse unless the filing roads are closed. If roads are closed, the meeting will be held at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge lobby.

DRC Meetings are usually held on the second Monday of a given month as scheduled above and start at 9:00am to approximately Noon.

If confidential, private or privileged information needs to be discussed at a DRC meeting, an Executive Session may be required and called.





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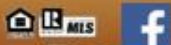
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Forestry Message



The order for 18,000 MCH Packs has arrived at Arrowhead. Now the challenge will be to **get them put up in the first two weeks of June**. MCH Packs can be picked up by the garbage compactor at the winter parking lot on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1:00 to 2:00 PM from May 18 to June 18. If you cannot make those times, contact Bill to make other arrangements. There are some extras available for those that did not order in advance, but they are going fast. Contact Bill to reserve yours and pay at pick up with a check made out to the Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc.



If you cannot be at Arrowhead to put up the MCH Packs in early June, contact Bill and he can arrange to have them put up by a volunteer with a donation of your choice to the Fire Department.

Arrowhead should be past the peak damage from Spruce bud worm. There will still be some around and if you have a significant number in your area, Bill can get ACE Caps for you in just a few days to treat larger trees. The most likely damage would be to small trees that can be sprayed with liquid Sevin.

While our fire risk is lower than most places in the west, thinning trees and cleaning up of down forest debris is increasingly important with continuing drought. Bill will be available after MCH season (June 15) to help you make a Mitigation and Defensible space plan for your property. He can also help you decide if you want to do the work yourself over several years or help you get bids from contractors to do the work. For those that have already done the M & D work, remember it is important to do annual maintenance. Especially important in that 5 feet of non-combustible space around structures and under decks.

If you are doing any work that requires a building permit from Gunnison County you may be required to have Bill do a Mitigation Plan and complete the work before your project can be considered completed. The Mitigation Plan will be required if you are in a location mapped by the County as having a High or Extreme fire risk rating. That map is also sometimes used by insurance companies to decide if they will insure your property. If you would like to know your fire risk rating, contact Bill and he can look it up for you. (Not exactly user friendly to use).



Assuming the weather cooperates, the Forest Refuse Site will be open in time for the first Clean Up Day of the summer on Saturday May 26. Meet at the Fire House at 0900 and we will spread out from there to clean up down forest debris along roads. Bring trailers, pickups, gloves, good foot wear, water and energy for 3 hours of work and a great chance to meet your neighbors.

Logging has been completed for the spring and is planned to resume in late summer or early fall. If all goes well, the logging will be completed before the start of the next snowmobile season.

While I am the Forest Manager, there is no way that I can get all of the work done by myself or with the small available budget to hire contractors. Some of the areas where I need assistance are: Putting up MCH Packs, Removal of Hazard Trees along roads (flagging traffic, removing branches from road, etc), Checking Beetle Traps to determine beetle population trends and Preparation Work for Clean Up Days.

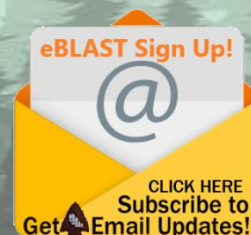


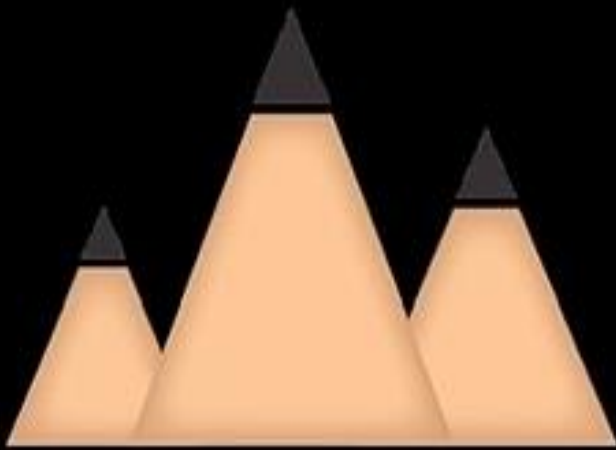
Tree Reviews are a one hour visit with owners to look for any insect or disease problems, identify trees that are a hazard to structures and parking areas, and review your Mitigation and Defensible Space needs. This visit is especially important for new owners and follow up visits are frequently needed as conditions change over time or as permits are needed to remove any live trees over 2 inches in diameter. Contact Bill for an appointment. Don't hesitate to call; living in a forest is a new environment for most of us.



Bill Conway
Arrowhead Forest Manager

For more information, visit the Forest Management webpage at:
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2022 Community Clean Up Days

Saturdays: 5/28, 6/25, 7/23, 8/27, 9/10

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Everyone meets at the Firehouse at 9:00AM and pitches in until 12 noon. Bring gloves, rakes, chainsaws, safety gear, trailers, water, smiles & lots of energy!!

These dates are subject to change.



Hwy 50- Little Blue Road Project



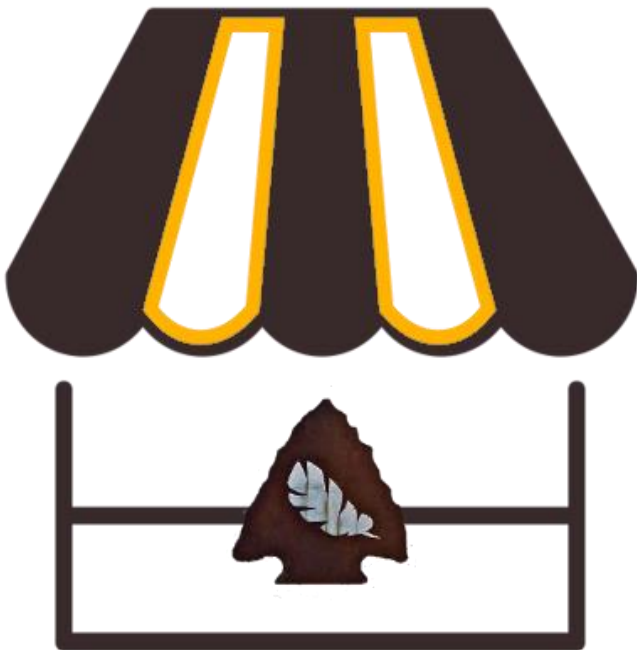
Travel Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6:30-8:30 AM	Open to two-way traffic	Open for single-lane, alternating operations				Open to two-way traffic without delays	
8:30AM-12:30 PM	Full roadway closures						
12:30-1:30 PM	Open for single-lane, alternating operations						
1:30-5:30 PM	Full roadway closures						
5:30-7:30 PM	Open for single-lane, alternating operations				Open to two-way traffic		
7:30 PM-6:30 AM	Full roadway closures						

All closures and operations are weather dependent. Traffic schedule and timeline are subject to change.

Spring is Here!



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2022 Reading List

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
June 4	True Colors	Kristin Hannah
*July 9	Evvie Drake Starts Over	Linda Holmes
Aug. 6	Tokyo Ever After	Emiko Jean
Sept. 3	The Last Thing He Told Me	Laura Dave
Oct. 1	Origins	Dan Brown
Nov. 6	Bluff	Michael Kardos

*January through May read, read, read and share
 what you would like us to read next year!!*

Questions: Contact **Sue Kindschy** at smkindschy@gmail.com
 We meet the first Saturday of the month unless noted. Join us at
 the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome!!
 *July postponed a week due to the 4th of July holiday

Maintenance & Improvements

It's hard to believe, but we are rapidly approaching Spring and **MUD SEASON**. Will, Denny, and Michael will soon be out plowing the roads. If you are out driving your snowmobile or side by side, watch out for the grader and loader.

Please DO NOT try to drive your vehicle on the filing roads until we officially open the roads. If you do, just realize that the roads will be mushy and muddy....and you will either get stuck or tear the roads up. **We are not allowed to tow you out!!** Make sure to check our [Facebook page](#) and [AIA website](#) for notification when the roads are opened.



We are still having people abusing the trash compactor by putting items they shouldn't be. We took out two 5 gal. steel paint cans the other day. These items can jam the compactor and cost us money. If we catch you on the camera, the cost of repairs will be passed onto you, plus a fine. Below, we have a list of items that are NOT ALLOWED to be disposed of in the trash compactor.

IMPORTANT: RULES FOR THE USE OF THE TRASH COMPACTOR:

The use of the trash compactor is for those who have paid the nominal monthly fee of \$10.00 per month. This allows users to dispose of normal household trash and rubbish.

Here is a list of some of the things **NOT ALLOWED to be disposed of in the Trash Compactor:**

- **NO Auto Parts**
- **NO Building Materials**
- **NO Burning or Smoldering Materials of Any Kind!!**
- **NO Cardboard**
- **NO Construction Debris**
- **NO Gas Grills**
- **NO Hazardous Waste Materials**
- **NO Oil Filters**
- **NO Paint**
- **NO Petroleum Waste (gasoline, diesel, oil, hydraulic oil)**
- **NO Propane Bottles**
- **NO Scrap Metal (except food and drink containers)**



This is not intended to be an all-inclusive list, so please use some good ol' common sense!!

When you use the compactor, **please ensure all latches on the compactor door are properly engaged** to keep our furry four legged marauders from getting into the compactor.

Many owners have asked us if we will be applying Mag chloride on the roads in front of our cabins again this year, to help keep the dust down. While it is too costly to have all the filing roads treated, Brad Fowler and Leonard Wasilewski are working with an independent company to apply mag-chloride. We have not received a firm price yet, but we have been told it will be approx., the same as last year. That price was \$400.00 for a minimum purchase of 100 yards. If you are interested, please contact via email: **Brad Fowler:** bfowler.aia@gmail.com or **Leonard Wasilewski:** waskis23@gmail.com Please provide your name and address where mag is to be applied by May 21st, to it have applied by 3rd week of June.



Brad Fowler
BOD, VP & Maintenance Liaison
For more information, visit the
Maintenance & Improvement:
<https://www.arrowhead1.org/maintenance-i>





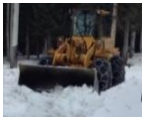
Message from Patrol

Welcome Mud Season!!

When I was a youngster living in Ohio, we were always amused by the returning of the buzzards (turkey vultures) to nearby Hinkley Lake. While it's not as famous as the Swallows to Capistrano, there is still a festival at Hinkley, now in its 65th season. It was on March 20th so you missed it. Sorry 'bout that. Perhaps next year...



We have our own event to look forward to...the plowing of the filing roads and welcoming of mud season. Hence, here are a few things new owners should know:



Plowing drives – Contact Patrol if you would like your drive plowed before Mother Nature does it her way.



Wheeled vehicles – are NOT PERMITTED on the filing roads until given the OK by the Association Board.



It is highly recommended that **RVers** wait for the roads and drives to dry before bringing their rigs up.



The Winter Parking Lot must be cleared of all vehicles, snowmobiles and trailers by Tuesday, May 31st.



The **bears** are coming out. Though not as ravenous as in the fall, you should still bring in any bird or dog food at night.



It's **fawning season** – A doe will do her best to kill any animal that threatens her fawn. That especially includes the family dog. (Which shouldn't be left unattended anyway.)



It's also the beginning of **tick season** so take proper precautions for you and your pets. It would be a shame to survive COVID but then come down with tick fever.



Finally, a reminder – **Firepits** must be examined and approved by Patrol before use. This is a yearly requirement.

So welcome back, Snowbirds and RVers. See you on the Mountain.



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Arrowhead Fire Protection District

HOW TO PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR WILDFIRES

WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION STEPS THAT CAN MAKE YOUR HOME SAFER DURING A WILDFIRE



■ VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

1. HOME IGNITION ZONES

To increase your home's chance of surviving a wildfire, choose fire-resistant building materials and limit the amount of flammable vegetation in the three home ignition zones. The zones include the **Immediate Zone**: (0 to 5 feet around the house), the **Intermediate Zone** (5 to 30 feet), and the **Extended Zone** (30 to 100 feet).

2. LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE

To reduce ember ignitions and fire spread, trim branches that overhang the home, porch, and deck and prune branches of large trees up to 6 to 10 feet (depending on their height) from the ground. Remove plants containing resins, oils, and waxes. Use crushed stone or gravel instead of flammable mulches in the **Immediate Zone** (0 to 5 feet around the house). Keep your landscape in good condition.

■ FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION

3. ROOFING AND VENTS

Class A fire-rated roofing products, such as composite shingles, metal, concrete, and clay tiles, offer the best protection. Inspect shingles or roof tiles and replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration. Box in eaves, but provide ventilation to prevent condensation and mildew. Roof and attic vents should be screened to prevent ember entry.

4. DECKS AND PORCHES

Never store flammable materials underneath decks or porches. Remove dead vegetation and debris from under decks and porches and between deck board joints.

5. SIDING AND WINDOWS

Embers can collect in small nooks and crannies and ignite combustible materials; radiant heat from flames can crack windows. Use fire-resistant siding such as brick, fiber-cement, plaster, or stucco, and use dual-pane tempered glass windows.

■ BE PREPARED

6. EMERGENCY RESPONDER ACCESS

Ensure your home and neighborhood have legible and clearly marked street names and numbers. Driveways should be at least 12 feet wide with a vertical clearance of 15 feet for emergency vehicle access.

- Develop, discuss, and practice an emergency action plan with everyone in your home. Include details for handling pets, large animals, and livestock.
- Know two ways out of your neighborhood and have a predesignated meeting place.
- Always evacuate if you feel it's unsafe to stay—don't wait to receive an emergency notification if you feel threatened from the fire.
- Conduct an annual insurance policy checkup to adjust for local building costs, codes, and new renovations.
- Create or update a home inventory to help settle claims faster.



**TALK TO YOUR LOCAL FORESTRY AGENCY
OR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE SPECIFIC WILDFIRE RISK
WHERE YOU LIVE.**



FIREWISE USA®
RESIDENTS REDUCING WILDFIRE RISKS

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Order a Reducing Wildfire Risks in the Home Ignition Zone checklist/poster at [Firewise.org](https://firewise.org)

For additional information go to <https://csfs.colostate.edu/wildfire-mitigation/protect-your-home-property-from-wildfire/>

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- Dispatchers

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- Medical – 2nd Tuesday of month
- Fire – 3rd Tuesday of month
- Time – 10:00AM – 1:00PM
- Location – Firehouse

Equipment Checks and PM

- Every Tuesday @ 9:00AM
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To get the latest information
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SAVE the DATE

Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department's *4th of July Picnic*

SATURDAY JULY 2nd

10:00 am—2:00 pm

**lunch/kids games/silent auction/
flea market/*AVFD* clothing sale/
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come celebrate summer with your arrowhead neighbors!



**Join the *FUN* at Arrowhead's
BIGGEST COMMUNITY
Gathering of the Year!**





22nd Annual Snowshoe Results

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to all who participated and won the 22nd Annual Snowshoe Golf Tournament. Thank you, Clyde Vavrik for sharing your photos. We had 18 participants.

This year's winners were:

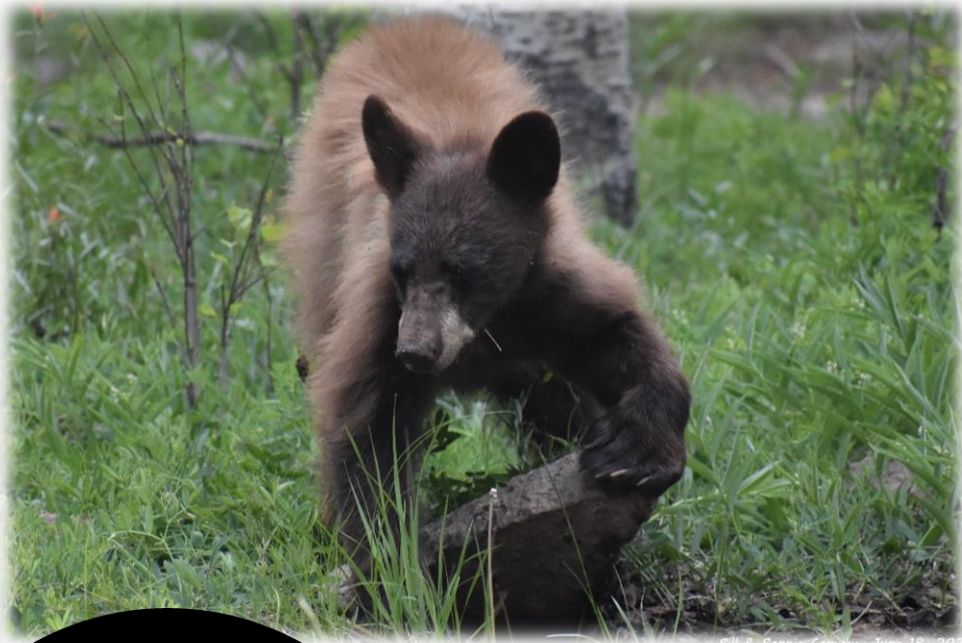
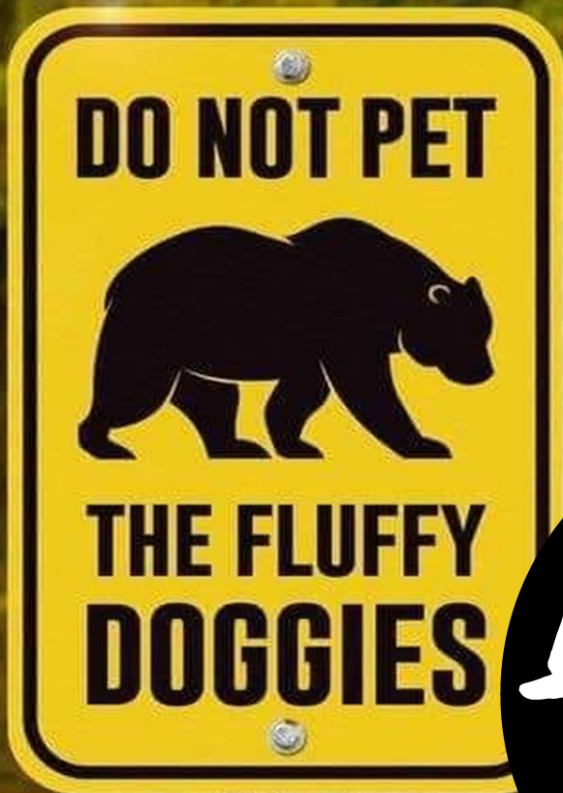
- First: Stacey Darnell and Mark Vigil
- Brandi Vigil and Tim Roberts
- Cathy Griffiee and Darrell Wagner

It was fun to see many new owners, friends of owners invited to participate, as well as our regulars who just love to have fun on a wonderful sunny day.

Afterwards, 22 joined in for a wonderful Soup Potluck.

Annual Snowshoe Golf Tournament
Cathy Griffiee, Coordinator





Bill & Bonnie Combs, June 18, 2017

Bear Aware

Learn how to live and co-exist with the Arrowhead Bears!

Below, click on the links to read and learn about our furry neighbors from Colorado Parks & Wildlife:

- [Living with Bears: A Practical Guide to Bear Country](#)
- [Bear-Proofing Your Home](#)
- [Refer to our online "Living in Arrowhead Booklet; pages 7-8](#)



Debra Roberts, Aug 2020

The AIA Board of Directors is please to introduce the Association's new Business Office & HOA Mgmt Co., Assurance HOA Management. Please visit our website www.arrowhead1.org for more information.

In addition, to avoid missing any emails from Assurance, please make sure to check your Spam or Junk Folder!!



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"Treating Your Home Like It's Our Own"

Date: March 21, 2022

Dear Arrowhead Improvement Association Residents,

Welcome to your NEW Management Company, Assurance HOA Management L.L.C., we would like to be the first to say hello and to introduce you to ourselves and our company! We are the new managing agent for your community effective **March 1, 2022**. We look forward to getting to know you, the homeowners, and your Board of Directors and are thrilled to have been selected by your Board to provide your community with full management support and service!

"We have done our best to make this transition as smooth as possible for you all. However, during the transition from your previous management company to us, some information may have been lost or sent over incorrectly. To keep and maintain accurate homeowner records to ensure all invoices and communication are possible without delay, please check your information carefully and let us know any changes, additions, corrections, and updates please. We appreciate your patience during this process." Please complete the Homeowner Information sheet and send it back to us so we have the correct information for you.

Our mission is to connect with and serve homeowners to create great communities. Our #1 goal is to build a strong personal relationship of trust and collaboration with each community we manage; something other community management companies often overlook. This is how we are different, and we hope you notice a difference both in the way your community is cared for, and in the way you feel being a part of it.

As your community management company, you are free to contact us should you have any questions relating to your account, maintenance needs, alterations requests, or have correspondence for the Board of Directors.

Our CEO is **Tina McFarlin, CMCA®** and our CFO is **Barbara Fauscette**. We will both be working with you to be assist you in all of your needs and concerns. Our **Office Phone Number is 970-787-6060**. For your **General Questions, you can connect with Tina by calling that number and selecting option #1**. For any specific **Financial Questions or Concerns, you can call and select option #2 to connect with Barbara**. If email is more convenient, you may reach out to Tina for general questions at: tmcfarlin@assurancehoamanagement.com. You can reach Barbara regarding your accounting needs at bfauscette@assurancehoamanagement.com.

If you would like information about our services in general, please feel free to email us at info@assurancehoamanagement.com.

Thank you for your attention to these items of business included with this letter and again, we genuinely look forward to working with you and building a strong community you are proud to be part of!

Sincerely,

Tina Leigh McFarlin

Tina McFarlin, CMCA® & CEO
Assurance HOA Management L.L.C.

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