

December 2022/January 2023

# Smoke Signals



# President's Message

Y2K...Do you remember that? Remember the anticipation? Computers were going to not work. Life as we knew it would change. Maybe the end is near?

Well, here we are nearly 23 years later, and Y2K is all but forgotten. Yet such fears and bewilderment seem to be present EVERY year. Time passing, and our moving on, seems to be relentless. By the time you read this you will not be 'giving thanks' anymore (really should be daily, not annually!), and Christmas festivities will be underway, as well as a new year unfolding. I hope all of this was or will be a blessing to you and all you share such things with.

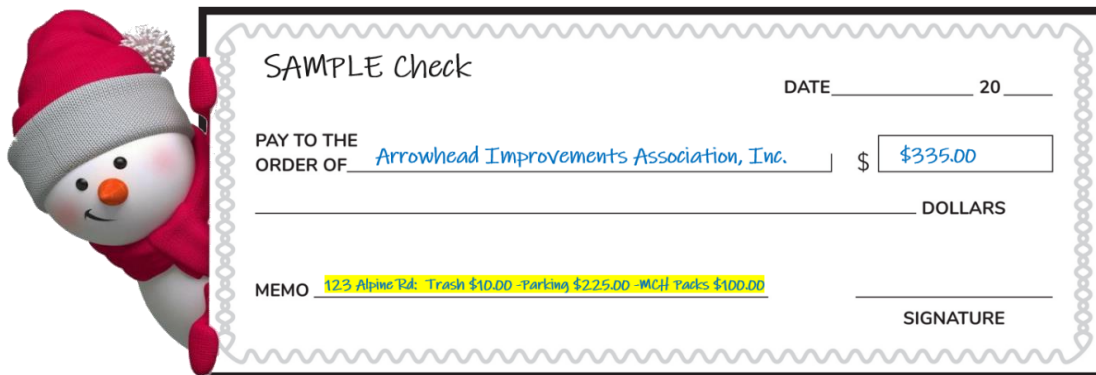
I cannot offer you much information about what the new year will hold. Maybe (probably) the Hwy 50 construction project will be completed. Maybe (probably not) inflation will drop and therefore less painful. Maybe the end will come. Who knows? Not me!

I can offer a little helpful information about the year gone by. The recent accident on the Alpine Plateau Road should serve as an important reminder to be diligently defensive driving — especially when snow is on the road. You never know what's around the corner!

Many have been asking about billing issues concerning the AIA assessment. Change is always cumbersome. This change has been going on for a long time. Appfolio is the preferred billing and payment collection of our management company. Billings are sent via email unless you personally make other arrangements. Mailing statements is an additional expense to the Association. Payments are received (from most) automatically. Since the whole thing is automated you need to handle the unbilled transactions differently. The computer does not know what you are doing if you pay amounts not billed. You cannot just add trash fees, parking plug-in fees, MCH pack fees, or any other fee or payment to your bill and expect the computer to properly credit the payment. So here is information on how to handle these...You should pay any extra fee by:

1. Send your check payable to: **Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc.**  
and mail to: **Arrowhead Improvements Association**  
**c/o Assurance HOA Mgmt. L.L.C.**  
**2121 Market Street, Montrose, CO 81401**

In the MEMO SECTION you MUST indicate your ARROWHEAD STREET ADDRESS, and what the dollar \$ amount is for (i.e. Trash, Parking, Fines, etc.). This will get the payment properly credited.



SAMPLE Check

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc. \$ \$335.00

\_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS

MEMO 123 Alpine Rd: Trash \$10.00 - Parking \$225.00 - MCH Packs \$100.00

\_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE

2. Alternatively, it is possible to contact Assurance HOA Mgmt. (970) 787-6060, IN ADVANCE to add a specific amount for a specific charge to your quarterly assessments. This will educate the computer. Recurring fees (like trash) could be equalized over the whole year.
3. If you really think computers should be smarter, you can go ahead and pay any amount you want, but I will warn you that the computer will apply it all to what it billed you, totally confusing you and our management people. Use your words! Tell them what you are trying to do if it is not the ordinary assessment. — or just practice 1. or 2. above!

Enough of the past for a moment.

I lift a glass to your joy and happiness through Christmas and throughout the coming year.



**Lowell Kindschy**  
**AIA Board President**  
[lowellkindschy.aia@gmail.com](mailto:lowellkindschy.aia@gmail.com)





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- Parade of Lights
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- Snowmobile Tour
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### ARROWHEAD MOUNTAIN LODGE

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[Relax@arrowheadmountainlodge.com](mailto:Relax@arrowheadmountainlodge.com)



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# Maintenance & Improvements



The maintenance crew has been hard at work the past few weeks, getting our equipment ready for winter. They had all of our equipment in pretty good shape until a logging truck ran into the grader.

Fortunately, no one was hurt in the accident, but it did extensive damage to our grader and the logging truck. The grader will be out of commission for a while. We are still able to plow the Alpine Plateau Rd., but it takes a little longer and snow can't be pushed as far off the road.

**Please be patient when traveling up and down the Alpine!!** Watch for vehicles pulling snow mobile trailers and especially logging trucks. A lot of these logging trucks are going too fast for the conditions, they are taking their share of the road and they cannot stop a loaded log truck on a dime. **Please be careful and TAKE IT SLOW!!**



Our Winter Parking Lot opened on October 15<sup>th</sup> and there are already plenty of vehicles parked there. **Please observe the orange cones that mark the rows.** The front of your vehicle should be lined up with the cones. When leaving the mountain for over two days, please park your snowmobile or UTV up on the hill, don't leave it in the parking lot.

To park a trailer in the parking lot for the winter, the charge is still \$50.00, and to use a diesel parking spot the charge is \$265.00 for the season. We also have diesel parking for the weekend or the week--- **Contact patrol at: 970-209-6335.**

**See the AIA Winter Parking Lot information on the next page...**



Some users of the Trash Compactor continue to be a problem by putting the wrong items in it. A week ago, a person

put **HOT COALS** in the compactor. We were fortunate that our patrol person was right around the corner and smelled something burning, and was able to pull the hot coals out. **PLEASE** do not throw ashes in the compactor.

## HOUSEHOLD REFUSE ONLY!

- NO Appliances or Furniture
- NO Auto Parts
- NO Building Materials
- NO Burning/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 fuel, oil, hydraulic oil)
- NO Propane Bottles
- NO Scrap Metal (except food and drink containers)




Brad Fowler  
BOD, VP & Maintenance Liaison  
[bfowler.aia@gmail.com](mailto:bfowler.aia@gmail.com)

For more information, visit the Maintenance & Improvements webpage at:  
<https://www.arrowhead1.org/maintenance-improvements>



## AIA Winter Parking Lot

- Opens October 15<sup>th</sup> and closes on May 31<sup>st</sup>. (CLOSED during the Summer months)
- All vehicles must be registered with Patrol and display a yellow Arrowhead sticker  or guest pass. This includes cars, trucks, trailers, snowmobiles, and UTVs.
- Parking is limited to the areas indicated in **GREEN**.
- Property owners are permitted on highway vehicles in the main parking area only.



Artwork provided by Dave Redfish

Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc. Winter Parking Lot Map – October 2022

- Individual cars and trucks are to park in the main area, aligning with the orange cones. Do not extend the south end of the vehicle past the line designated by the cones.
- Snowmobiles are to park above the berm on the west side of the parking lot.
- Tracked UTVs (Geezermobiles) are to park between the signs, located on the NW corner hillside.
- Box trailers are to be parked on the West hillside. See below Required Fee Schedule or contact Patrol
- Flatbed trailers are parked in the NW corner of the main parking area. See below Required Fee Schedule or contact Patrol
- Weekend truck and trailer parking is in the NE corner of the parking lot. (No fee but a time limit is imposed.
- Limited electrical hookups are available on a first-come-first-serve basis. See below Required Fee Schedule or contact Patrol

### No Parking Areas

- East side of the main area next to the large berm.
- Behind the box trailers.

### Other Dos and Don'ts

- Do not leave your snowmobiles or UTV vehicles in the regular parking areas if you will be off the mountain for more than 2 days (48 hrs).
- You must be here to remove your vehicle when maintenance is plowing the lot. If you cannot remove your vehicle, you must make arrangements with a neighbor or patrol for help.
- Never chain snowmobiles together.

### AIA Winter Parking Lot Required Fees

Electrical Hook-Ups: \$265.00  
Flatbed & Box Trailer parking: \$50.00

Visit the Owner Information webpage at [www.arrowhead1.org/copy-of-owner-information](http://www.arrowhead1.org/copy-of-owner-information)



When the **FILING ROADS** are **CLOSED** for the winter season, the Arrowhead Improvements Association wants to remind all owners, residents, and their guest, to please stay on ALL GROOMED filing roads and marked snowmobile trails within the Association's subdivision. "Boondocking," "shortcutting" and/or "widening" of the filing roads are all considered off trail riding, which is a violation of the \*AIA Regulations and a criminal trespass under state law. Off trail riding that results in property damage carries higher penalties.

\*AIA Regulations - Article 7, section 2, subsections (E) & (F) and Colorado Revised Statutes - Criminal Code, section 18-4-504.





# Message from Patrol ❄️



I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday with your family and friends. Christmas is just over the horizon with many people making plans for a fun holiday season. In those plans many will be traveling. Please travel safe and be sure to watch the forecasted weather and carry the needed items in case of an emergency.

This year, Patrol has run into a bit of a dilemma with trailer parking at the Winter Parking Lot. We have asked that Patrol be contacted BEFORE you park your trailers and that we meet you before parking. It has been difficult to keep the parking organized and this year has created a challenge to find enough parking. People are moving cones to park where it is not allowed which create more problems for parking lot clearing. Plus, we have trailers parked with no stickers so we can't identify the owners.

So, I am asking the residents to please help us next year in the trailer parking process. Please do not start parking your trailers when the parking lot opens without first calling patrol and make arrangements to meet at lot. We will make sure your trailer is properly ID'd and if not we will issue an Arrowhead sticker. We will collect your fifty dollars and give you a receipt and will tag the trailer to show it is paid rather than sending the money to the HOA. It will help patrol have better control of who has paid. If you have any questions, please call us for any clarification or help.



Also, a reminder of winter parking rules ([see page 5 for more information](#)). If you're leaving for more than two days, please park your UTV or snowmobile on the hill rather than leaving it in a parking space. As everyone knows, parking spaces are at a premium. On another note, if you're leaving a vehicle for long periods of time and not moving it to clear snow, please have someone be available to move your vehicle from the parking lot when we have to plow the lot of snow. This year, we will impose \$\$\$ fines if vehicles are not moved out in a timely manner when the parking lot needs to be cleared. Depending on Mother Nature, we do give the community a 48 to 72- hour notice when the Maintenance Crew plans to plow the parking lot. Check back to our [AIA Facebook page](#) and/or [AIA website](#) for notices to be posted. One last item, when parking the UTV's on the hill, please line up machines so there is at least 20 feet in front and in back of UTV so that the groomer can groom between them. Also, try to park back up to the trees and start spacing. This is all new to a lot of people and Patrol would appreciate your help.

If you have any questions or doubts, please call Patrol 970-209-6335 and we will be glad to help you. If you're a new owner and would like an orientation about Arrowhead, please call us and set a time to get together.

Also, Patrol is still looking for qualified candidates to join our team. An [application can be found on the Arrowhead website](#) or contact Patrol or Brad Fowler for more details.

Patrol wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Leonard Wasilewski, Lead Patrol**  
Phone or Text: (970) 209-6335  
Email: [arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com)





September 30, 2022

# Reminder

## Important Winter 2022 Information

Arrowhead Patrol will NOT “run” driveways (breaking trail) upon request this coming winter, as it has done in the past. The practice of “running driveways” began over 15 years ago as a “service” to the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department (AVFD), at a time when the AVFD did not possess tracked vehicles for emergency use during the winter season. The AVFD now operates their own appropriate winter equipment.

Over the years, this non-mandated and unbudgeted service has resulted in injuries to our Patrol staff, Workers Compensation Insurance liability and additional wear and tear to AIA Equipment. The AIA Board of Directors decision to immediately cease this service is made with the safety of AIA employees and a reduction of liability in mind.

Marking your driveway and filing a **Waiver of Liability form** will still be of value to emergency responders and Patrol. Continue to contact Patrol to inspect and tag your driveway. The form may be found here: [https://www.arrowhead1.org/files/ugd/673d36\\_ea36cc1b9fb14c908b1682fb5c108e56.pdf](https://www.arrowhead1.org/files/ugd/673d36_ea36cc1b9fb14c908b1682fb5c108e56.pdf)

Owners are directed to the AIA Website main page to check for advertisements in both the *Business Directory & Marketplace* for persons offering to run driveways on a fee basis:

**Business Directory:** <https://sites.google.com/site/aiabusinesscontacts/>

**Marketplace:** <https://aiamarketplace.createaforum.com/general-discussion/links>

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2121 Market St, Montrose, CO 91401

Always Visit our Website for More Information:  
[www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

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your driveway down through the  
winter months  
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**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](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

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Information Guide 2021

Welcome Neighbor!

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# 2023 Reading List



Date	Title	Author	Category	Presenter
June 3	Sold on a Monday	Kristina McMorris	Depression Era	Sue Kindschy
July 8	Memoirs of a Lawman	Doc Shores	True/historical	Sally Burrichter
August 5	The Storytellers Secret	Sajal Badani	Historical Fiction	Nicole Huff
September 2	Look Again	Lisa Scottoline	Mystery	Nancy Gauthier
October 7	Bumbling Through the Hindu Kush	Chris Woolf	Fear/Kindness	Carol Wike
November 4	The Hiding Place	Corrie Ten Boom	Biography	Sue Kindschy

Questions: Contact Sue Kindschy at [smkindschy@gmail.com](mailto:smkindschy@gmail.com)

We meet the first Saturday of the month unless noted. Join us at the Arrowhead Mountain Lodge at 11:30 AM. All welcome!

\*July postponed a week due to the 4th of July holiday

November will be held at Camp Robber, Montrose - 11:30AM

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

**[Click Here for the Latest](#)**

## Road Activity

*Message Board*

**Logging**



**Hwy 50- Little Blue Road Project**



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Lake City  
7/19  
South Fork  
7/20

*To Our Customers, Friends & Neighbors.  
Our sincerest wishes for hope, happiness and peace during  
this Holiday Season and throughout the coming year.*

**Happy Holidays**

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# Design Review Message ❄️

The snow came early this year and has been off and on since. This was a very productive year with over 50 projects being completed. Now things calm down on the mountain for a bit. The Design Review Committee had our final meeting of the year in October. Our first meeting in 2023 will be March 13th. We will meet at the lodge at 9am. If you are wanting to start a project next summer, you don't need to wait until we meet in the spring to start planning. You can get a jump on your plans by submitting everything to my email @ [jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com) and I will have you on the agenda for the March 13th meeting. This way, we can help you get everything in place so the site visit can be conducted once the snow melts and you can begin your project.

Please remember the planned construction in the canyon will still be going on for at least part of Summer 2023. This led to many difficulties, frustrations, and delays this summer with getting supplies up to Arrowhead as well as easy access from Montrose and Gunnison. Be sure you talk with your contractors about how this will impact your plans. The committee thanks you for educating yourself on the rules and regulations of our amazing community. Please click here for a link to the [Design Review Committee Website Link](#).

## With that being said, a couple of reminders:

When you are planning a property improvement, you need to have the Construction Agreement and Plot Plan sent to me ([jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com)) and the **\$100 permit fee needs to be mailed to**



DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS

MEMO DRC Permit: Arrowhead Street Address: Lot# - Blk# - Filing#

\_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE

## Address & Mail your check to:

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

*Please make sure to include (memo section) the:  
DRC Permit: Arrowhead Street Address: Lot#- Blk#- Filing#*

- Send all building plans with the Plot Plan and Construction Agreement to [jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com)
- You need to locate your center pin and flag several points on the property boundary.
- Flag several points of the adjacent properties as well.
- Flag any site of improvements -- driveway, shed perimeter, trees you think need removed, etc.
- Once this is done contact a Joanie Thompson([jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com)) and I or a committee member will schedule a time for a site visit.
- Please refer to this [document](#) for many of the different project types done in Arrowhead.
- Here is the link to the [Design Review Committee website](#) 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, if it is in question.**

**\*\* 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. Failure to notify the Design Review Committee could result in up to \$500 in fines.

## **\*\*Shed Regulations\*\* -**

- All Sheds **MUST** be approved by the Arrowhead Design Review Committee. [Click here for the process.](#)
- 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 know that **all** property improvements need to go through the DRC. **Most require a permit.** Failure to notify the Design Review Committee could result in up to \$1000 in fines. Some plans 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 homeowner who is responsible for educating themselves and their contractors about the rules. If your contractor doesn't ask if you have gone through the Design Review Committee for approval, they are most likely not familiar with our rules and regulations.

Please continue to follow the requirements set forth for improvements in the [2020 AIA Regulations](#). This helps the committee move forward for you more quickly. If your project requires a Gunnison County Permit, [please click here](#) to access their website.

We look forward to continuing to serve the owners' of this great community. Have a fantastic Holiday Season. Hopefully we will be getting the snowmobiles out on the trails soon.



**Joanie Thompson**  
AIA Design Review Mgr.  
[jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto: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.*





We would like to thank everyone who has proudly supported Tamarack at Arrowhead and wish each of you a very...

*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!*

**Carol Bond  
Jeri Simms  
Tammy Bensley**



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# Forestry Message

The Arrowhead Forest is beginning to look like a winter wonderland. Some say this is the best time of year at Arrowhead and I would say they are right. This time of year the forest goes into hibernation. I am hopeful that the winter will be full of snow and less of the major wind that caused all the blowdown we had last year.



The winter is here with all its glory, and that means it is MCH order season. The bark beetles that inhabit the trees in the summer are hibernating in the bark and waiting for spring to spread again. Our best defense against these harmful insects at Arrowhead is MCH packs. MCH packs are made as a defense for the Douglas Fir and Spruce bark beetles.

Price for the MCH packs will be listed on the website once they come out. When you are ready to order packs, Send your check payable to: **Arrowhead Improvements Association, Inc.**

and mail to: **Arrowhead Improvements Association**  
**c/o Assurance HOA Mgmt. L.L.C.**  
**2121 Market Street, Montrose, CO 81401**

In the MEMO SECTION you MUST indicate MCH Pack and your ARROWHEAD STREET ADDRESS

Also, please send me an email to [arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com) when the check is sent and tell me how many packs you need. The MCH packs will be available for pickup in May and will need to be put up during the first part of June for best defense. If you are not going to be available to put them up during this time, you can have the Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department put them up by making a donation of your choice. Please write a separate check to the **Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department (AFVD)** and send it to me at **1495 Spruce Road, Cimarron, CO, 81220.**

As for those suffering from the major Spruce Bud Worm problem. The Ace Caps are available to buy as well. Ace Caps will kill the worms before they eat the needles of the tree. 3/8" caps can be used in trees under 20" in diameter with caps placed every 6 inches around the base of the tree. 1/2" caps can be used on trees greater than 20" in diameter with caps placed every 8 inches around the base of the tree. Price for listed quantities: \$56.25 for 75 of 3/8". \$45.00 for 50 of 1/2". Please send a **SEPARATE** check for the Ace Caps order to **Arrowhead Improvements Association** and mail it **c/o Assurance HOA Management, 2121 Market Street, Montrose, CO 81401.** In the **MEMO SECTION** you **MUST** indicate **Ace Caps** and your **ARROWHEAD STREET ADDRESS**

Again, please send me an email message to tell me how many caps you need.

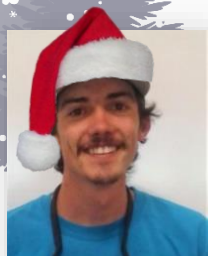
## **ALL ORDERS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

I have been getting many requests for **mitigation plans** even during the winter months. This is great to see and since I am full time up here I don't mind doing these at all. If you are in need of a mitigation plan or if you have any questions about this, send me an email or give me a call and I will be happy to help.

**Logging** up country will continue through this winter season; be very cautious around the logging trucks. If you run into any issues or safety concerns on the Alpine, please let me know.



To all the Arrowhead Community I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.



**Cory Huggard**  
**Arrowhead Forest Manager**  
**(385) 233-1181**  
**[arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com)**

*For more information, visit the Forest Management webpage at:*  
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We are sad to see the beautiful colors of Fall come to an end, but that means the snow will be falling soon, and the Arrowhead Snowmobile Club is gearing up for an EXCITING snowmobile season.

The only way we can keep our groomed trails up-country, is to have a snowmobile club. So, it is **important** that we have lots of members (in 2021/2022 we had over 40 members!!!) and lots of volunteers.

Last year we had several fun events(pancake breakfast, cookout at Willow Park, burger and fajita dinners, and night-rides with bonfires). This year we are planning even more!

Our major fundraiser, the **POKER RUN is scheduled for the last Saturday in February, February 25th.** We are looking for volunteers to help make this a great success. Please contact Joanie Thompson at, [arrowheadsctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadsctreasurer@gmail.com) to volunteer, donate, or for more information. **Click and save this link** as it will take you to the **Arrowhead Snowmobile Website**. Updates coming as we get closer to the snow flying.

The more members we have, the more fun it is!! Even if you are not an avid snowmobiler, your support is critical to our club and everyone can enjoy a nice easy ride up the Alpine on the groomed trails. Please **click here** to join the **Colorado Snowmobile Association**. You have to join the Colorado Snowmobile Association first. From there, you can join the Arrowhead Club. **We are district 7.**

**Snowmobile Club '22-'23 Meetings:** Meet at Arrowhead Mountain Lodge @ 10am a club ride or event to follow when planned for: December 10<sup>th</sup>, January 14<sup>th</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup>, March 11<sup>th</sup>, April 8<sup>th</sup>

We hope to meet new members and see our snowmobile friends and family on the trails soon.

# 2022-2023 Snow Report



by Harold Thompson &  
Joanie Aufderheide

Visit our AIA website,  
[www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org) to get  
the latest up-to-date Area  
Forecast, Cams & Conditions  
AND Snow Reports.

To view the entire report,  
**CLICK HERE:**  
<https://app.box.com/s/797f3zqnmatwlbdb3v76stov9bt7ng>  
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ARROWHEAD SNOW REPORT				WINTER SNOWFALL 2022-2023			
DATE MEASURED	TIME MEASURED	TEMP. (F)	AMOUNT (Inches)	TOTAL for season (Inches)	BASE DEPTH (Inches on ground)	CONDITIONS	LOCATION
					<small>Base depth varies due to setting, melting, blowing, etc.</small>		
<small>Early Snow Not Included in Total</small>							
<b>Comparison: (Inches)</b>							
Snowfall for October 2018 =				9.00	October Average		14.80
Snowfall for October 2019 =				28 1/2	+/-		0.80
Snowfall for October 2020 =				10			
Snowfall for October 2021 =				12 1/2			
Snowfall for October 2022 =				14			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2018 =				9			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2019 =				28 1/2			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2020 =				10			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2021 =				12 1/2			
Cumulative snowfall at end of Oct. 2022 =				14			
<b>November-22</b>							
11/3/22	8:00 AM	30°	4	18	6	Snowing	1001 Hazel Lake
11/3/22	6:00pm	27	3	21	9	snowing	821 Balsam Dr
11/4/22	8:00am	19	2	23	11	snowing	821 Balsam Dr
11/4/22	6:00pm	15	1 1/2	24 1/2	11	clear	821 Balsam Dr
11/10/22	8:00am	12	4	28 1/2	11	sunny	821 Balsam Dr
11/11/22	8:00am	13	1	29 1/2	11	sunny/snowing!	821 Balsam Dr
11/14/22	4:00pm	17	2	31 1/2	12	clear	821 Balsam Dr
11/15/22	2:00pm	22	2	33 1/2	13	sunny	821 Balsam Dr
11/27/22	5:00pm	20	1	34 1/2	11	overcast	821 Balsam Dr
11/29/22	5:00pm	9	8.0	42 1/2	19	clear	821 Balsam Dr
<b>Comparison:</b>							
Snowfall for November 2017 =				13 1/2	November Average Snowfall		14.80
Snowfall for November 2018 =				14 1/2	+/-		13.70
Snowfall for November 2019 =				21			
Snowfall for November 2020 =				19			
Snowfall for November 2021 =				6			
Snowfall for November 2022 =				28 1/2			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2017 =				19 1/2			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2018 =				27 1/2			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2019 =				21			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2020 =				29			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2021 =				25			
Cumulative snowfall at end of November 2022 =				42 1/2			



# The 9th Annual Arrowhead Poker Run

## When:

*Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
9:00AM to 4:00PM*

## Where:

*Arrowhead Mountain Lodge  
21401 Alpine Plateau Rd.  
Cimarron, CO 81220*

## Register at:

*Arrowheadsnowmobile.org (or)  
Online:  
[eventbrite.com/e/444843758657](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/444843758657)*

## Cost:

*Pre-Registration: \$30.00 per person  
Day of Event: \$40.00 per person*

**For more information about the ASC Poker Run:**  
<https://www.arrowheadsnowmobile.org/poker-run>





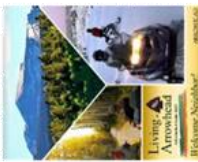
# AIA Property Owner Information

## Important Phone Numbers

- Emergency Fire and Medical - call 911 (Gunnison)
- Arrowhead Patrol - call or text (970) 209-6335
- Arrowhead Firehouse - (970) 862-8330
- Arrowhead Ranch Water Company – Office 970-249-6197 (Emergency 970-209-2104)
- Gunnison County Electric Association – 970-641-3520 (including reporting power outages)
- Nuclia-Naturita Telephone and Internet – Arrowhead: 970-862-9101 or Primary: 970-864-7335

## Steps to Take Before You Alter Your Property

- Please Read the Covenants and Regulations: [www.arrowhead1.org/governing-documents-regulations](http://www.arrowhead1.org/governing-documents-regulations)
- To put in a driveway, Contact the Design Review Manager to apply for a permit.
- If you are installing utilities you MUST contact the Design Review.
- Before you build, read the Design Review Guidelines and call the Design Review Manager to schedule a driveway walk-in and apply for required permits: [www.arrowhead1.org/design-review](http://www.arrowhead1.org/design-review)
- Before you cut trees, contact the AIA Forest Manager: [www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management](http://www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management)



All Arrowhead in Gunnison Country owners, their guest and residents, are encouraged to read our “Living in Arrowhead” publication. This publication is a handy reference guide designed to provide information about the community and nearby amenities. Please note, this booklet does NOT take the place of the Arrowhead Covenants, Regulations or any other official AIA governing documents. You can find this booklet on our website at [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

### AIA Patrol:

CALL 970-209-6335

Email:

[arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadpatrol@gmail.com)



**Patrol is your friend and neighbors!** Our agents handle so many details for the owners in Arrowhead. Here's just a few:

- Firepit Approval (annual inspection required)
- Issue stickers and visitor passes that are REQUIRED for all vehicles using AIA filing roads. • Issue Fishing Passes for Flint Lakes, as REQUIRED.
- Neighbor Concerns • Regulation Information
- Inspect and tag driveways for winter months.

### Design Review Committee:

DRC Manager:

Joanie Thompson

[jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com)



**All property changes and/or exterior improvements MUST be sent to the Design Review Committee (DRC).** There are procedures that must be followed per our Regulations. Failure to do so could result in \$500 fines. Some projects require a permit and some are just approved and updated in our files. Contact the Design Review Committee before starting ANY project. Visit the webpage: [www.arrowhead1.org/design-review](http://www.arrowhead1.org/design-review)

### Forestry:

Forest Manager:

Cory Huggard

385-233-1181

[Arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com](mailto:Arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com)



**Are you wanting to take out a few trees?** You can only remove any tree on your property that is dead. All other trees over 2 inches in diameter at 4'6" above ground, must have approval from our Forest Mgr. Removal of live trees without a permit could result in a \$500 fine, per tree. The Forest Mgr. will also answer questions on mitigation and tree health. He can also help you identify for removal, trees that are a danger to existing or planned structures and parking areas. [www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management](http://www.arrowhead1.org/forest-management)

### Forest Refuse Site:

Located: Left side of the Alpine Plateau Rd, 1/4 mile south of Upper Spruce Rd...before the cattle guard. Contact Forest Manager for further information. This site is ONLY for forest mitigation materials.

- NO STUMPS!
- NO CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS of any kind are allowed!



**Trash Compactor:** located in the Winter Parking Lot on the East end of the equipment building.

- Cost is \$10 per month (or any portion thereof). Pay with your AIA Dues.
- Household trash only: NO Cardboard!! Do not leave bags of trash outside compactor. Be sure to fasten both locks due to BEARS!
- Visit webpage to read: **IMPORTANT: RULES FOR THE USE OF THE TRASH COMPACTOR:** [www.arrowhead1.org/maintenance-improvements](http://www.arrowhead1.org/maintenance-improvements)

Offsite Landfill and Recycling options are available in Montrose and Gunnison counties.

## Other things to remember... [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

**Arrowhead (AIA) Filing Roads Speed Limit is 20mph ALL YEAR round!**

During the Winter months, the filing roads in Arrowhead are CLOSED to all vehicular traffic except for snowmobiles and other tracked vehicles.



**Emergency Address Signs:** The reflective signs with your property address are on the right side of the driveway to assist emergency access for the **Arrowhead Fire Protection District (AFPD)** and should not be moved, removed or altered!!



**Lakes & Fishing:** There are three (3) lakes available to AIA property owners and their guests: Flint Lakes, Evergreen Lake and Hazel Lake. Fishing is available at Flint Lakes and at Evergreen Lake only. The AIA, through its' board of directors, regulates stocking of the Lower Flint Lakes and has set a catch limit of three (3) fish per person per day. **Fishing Passes for Flint lakes is Required.**



**Living with Wildlife:** Feeding wildlife can be dangerous, if not illegal! To find more information about the wildlife in our neighborhood and fishing at our local lakes, please refer to the current Living in Arrowhead Booklet that can be found on our website at [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)



**Pets** must be leashed or kept under owner control AT ALL TIMES!! Please DO NOT bag their droppings and leave them alongside a road or trail. If you do bag the dropping, take it with you.



**Renting Your Property:** Owners are responsible and accountable for their guests' noncompliance to the regulations. Renters must be given information about our community.



**RV Campers & Visitors:** as a property owner, you can camp all summer! One (1) guest RV can stay for 14 days each calendar month. If you plan to have more than the one guest RV, you must contact the Board of Directors for an exception.



**Volunteering:** Our community depends on volunteers for almost everything. Please look at the website for ways to get involved at [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)



We are so happy to WELCOME you to the mountain. We hope that you will help us keep Arrowhead the beautiful community it has been for the last 40+ years.

You can find additional information on our AIA website at [www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

To stay digitally connected to our community for important updates:

- Visit our Facebook page: [f Arrowhead Improvements Association – AIA](https://www.facebook.com/ArrowheadImprovementsAssociation)
- Join our Blast Email Listing

**And Most Importantly . . .**

**Get to know your neighbors--they are a wealth of information!!**





**Arrowhead Volunteer Fire  
Dept. Auxiliary Committee**

*Christmas*  
**POTLUCK  
DINNER**



You are invited to celebrate  
Christmas with us!  
Please bring your favorite  
holiday side dish and/or dessert  
to share with neighbors and  
friends.

**DECEMBER 6, 2022**  
**5:00 pm**

**SECRET SANTA EXCHANGE  
TO FOLLOW DINNER**  
at the  
**ARROWHEAD FIRE HOUSE**

**\$20.00 limit on gifts**

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## Fire Safety during Winter Storms

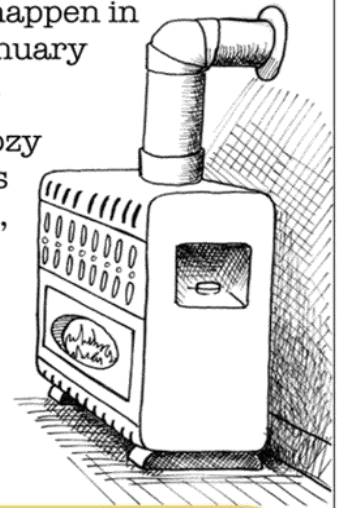
Winter storms can happen almost anywhere. They can cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveway and front walk of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters will be able to find you.
- Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery-powered lighting and fresh batteries. Never use candles.
- Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.
- Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage, even if the door is open.
- Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to authorities.
- Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away.
- Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to bed.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!



### Fact

Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.



**NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**  
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards



**Arrowhead  
Fire Protection District**



# **SIGN UP**

## **Alert Email Notifications**

To get the latest information and updates from the Arrowhead Fire Protection District, click on **the AFPD website** and/or their **Facebook page**

**Be the neighbor  
who **saves** a neighbor.  
**VOLUNTEER TODAY!****

[www.arrowheadfire.org](http://www.arrowheadfire.org)

**What if you reported a medical  
or fire emergency and no one  
answered the call?**

**AVFD IS AN ALL VOLUNTEER  
SERVICE**

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY  
FREE TRAINING**



**Recruiting for all positions:**

- **Firefighters**
- Medical First Responders
- Dispatchers

**Training Days:**

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

**Equipment Checks and PM**

- Every Tuesday @ 9:00AM
- **Great time to visit the firehouse  
and see what we do!**

**AVFD NEEDS YOU!**



## ARROWHEAD HAS A NEW FIRE CHIEF!

Please join us in congratulating Jennifer Bonner on her appointment as AVFD's new fire chief.



After many years of leading AVFD, Chief Jim Gelsomini has decided to retire. He has built the AVFD team up into a well-equipped and trained unit prepared to respond to the community's needs. Many thanks and best wishes Jim.

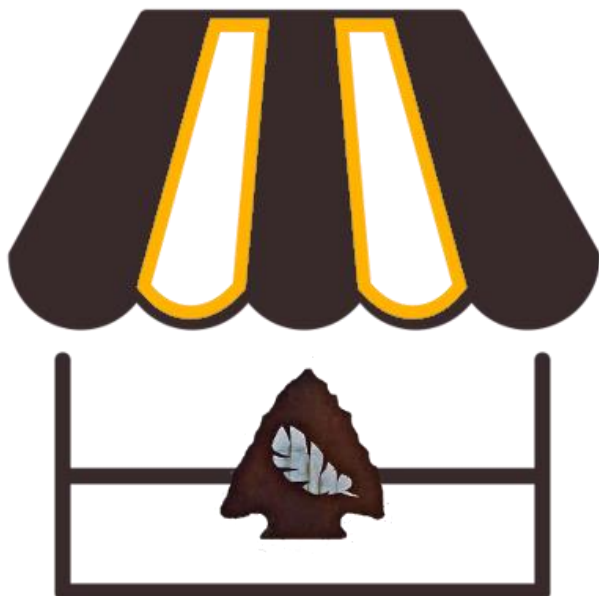
Chief Bonner brings experience in fire and emergency medical services from her time with the Dutch Harbor, Alaska department. In 2022 she completed training and testing to renew her national EMT certification.

We are excited to have Chief Bonner on our team.

You can email Chief Bonner at: [avfdchief2023@gmail.com](mailto:avfdchief2023@gmail.com)

Looking to sell or buy personal items?

[Click Here](#) to check out our community's....



[Arrowhead's Online Classified & Market Place](#)

### 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
- h. **Insurance** – Rosanna Harris
- i. **Maintenance/Improvements** – Brad Fowler
- j. **Patrol** – Brad Fowler
- k. **Real Estate** – Rosanna Harris
- l. **Weed Control** – Dennis Roberts

## Who to contact with a question:

**Fire & Medical Emergency: Call 911 (Gunnison)**

**Arrowhead Firehouse:** phone: 970-862-8330

**AVFD Fire Chief: Jennifer Bonner**, Phone: 970- 862-8456

Email: [avfdchief2023@gmail.com](mailto:avfdchief2023@gmail.com)

**Communications: Lisa Ditmore**

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Email address: [jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com](mailto:jthompsonaia.drc@gmail.com)

**Fishing: Dennis Roberts**

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**Forestry Management: Cory Huggard**

Phone: 385-233-1181 or email: [Arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com](mailto:Arrowheadforestmanager@gmail.com)

**Heavy Equipment/Maintenance: Brad Fowler**

Email: [bfowler.aia@gmail.com](mailto:bfowler.aia@gmail.com)

**Horse Corrals: Dennis Roberts**

Email: [droberts.aia@gmail.com](mailto:droberts.aia@gmail.com)

**Noxious Weed Control: Dennis Roberts**

Email: [droberts.aia@gmail.com](mailto:droberts.aia@gmail.com)

**Patrol:** Phone or Text: 970-209-6335

**Trash Service:** Email: [arrowheadofficemgr@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadofficemgr@gmail.com)

Phone: (970) 787-6060



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c/o Assurance HOA Management, L.L.C.

2121 Market Street, Montrose, CO 81401

Phone: (970) 787-6060

Email: [arrowheadofficemgr@gmail.com](mailto:arrowheadofficemgr@gmail.com)



## Board of Directors 2023 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 2023 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 21<sup>st</sup>

March 18<sup>th</sup>

May 20<sup>th</sup>

July 15<sup>th</sup>

\*August 19<sup>th</sup>

September 16<sup>th</sup>

November 11<sup>th</sup>

#### Location:

Arrowhead Mountain Lodge

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Arrowhead Fire House

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**\*2023 Annual Owners Meeting will follow the Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 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.*

### The Arrowhead Improvements Association Official Website & Smoke Signals Newsletter Disclaimers:

[www.arrowhead1.org](http://www.arrowhead1.org)

The Arrowhead Improvements Association Inc. is a state non-profit organization. The purpose of the Arrowhead HOA is to unite the property owners of the Arrowhead subdivisions in Cimarron, Colorado; to encourage civic improvements within said area, to encourage community activities including, but not by way of limitation, the beautification, maintenance and general appearance of vacant and improved lots, filing roads, winter parking lot, entrances, open and recreational areas situated within the area and used in common by its residents; enhance the safety of Arrowhead; facilitate enforcement of any and all building restrictions, protective covenants, and to otherwise act in the interests of the members of the Association.

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### News Articles

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](mailto: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.



### Want to Advertise in the Smoke Signals?

The deadline for advertisements is the 20th of the month before the next bi-monthly issue. To place an ad, please **CLICK HERE** to complete our **Online Advertising Form**.



**Lisa Ditmore**

**AIA Communication Mgr.**

**[communications.aia@gmail.com](mailto:communications.aia@gmail.com)**

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