



## July 2023 Informational Bulletin

Dear Residents of Eagle Point Golf Community Association:

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### **President's Message (Don Craig)**

Neighbors – The “dog days” of summer are here meaning continued hot temperatures and very dry conditions. Nothing to do with pets. That said, a caution to everyone about being diligent about making sure there is no dry vegetation next to your home or fence and that the fire extinguisher you may have is charged and functioning for emergencies.

I note that some of you keep your garage doors slightly open to dissipate heat from cars after a journey or in hopes of allowing cool morning air into a garage space not cooled by the AC. This may or may not help, but remember to close the doors before dark, as unwanted creatures both domesticated cats and other wilder variety make wander in and cause some trouble.

Some of you have lamented the loss of our previous daily newspaper in real paper form. I have subscribed to both the Grants Pass Courier and the Rogue Valley Times; both are excellent and offer solid coverage of our valley communities. Give them a try if you miss that “real” newspaper.

As for pets and their needed exercise, please keep them safe by walking early when the pavements are not so hot. It makes for happier owners and pets.

Although difficult and time consuming, the Landscape Committee is doing a great job of keeping our landscape areas functional, green and attractive. Give Debby Endicott and her crew a well deserved thank you when you see them out and about.

This fall, we will have to our knowledge at this point, four Board openings available. Having a full seven member Board is critical to representing the community and spreading

the workload for the Board as we continue to grow as a community. Please consider running for one of those three positions. It is fun and you can contribute your skills to making our community great.

Finally, and as always, if any of you wish to discuss items you think would help the Community, please call me at 305-924-0249, or email me at [dcraig@epgcha.com](mailto:dcraig@epgcha.com).

### **Calling All Volunteers**

We are fast approaching September and the Annual Meeting of Members at which time four of the current Board of Director terms expire. This leaves vacant board positions for anyone interested in volunteering. Though this is not always an easy volunteer position, it is a great opportunity to get to know more of the residents in this beautiful community and to help lead your Association into the future and help to preserve and enhance the community at large. If you are interested please email [cpickett@fieldstonemanagement.com](mailto:cpickett@fieldstonemanagement.com) with a short biography introducing yourself and why you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors. Anyone interested needs to submit their biography by August 21, 2023 so we can include your bio in the Annual Meeting Mailing.

### **Summer Lawn Care Tips**

Having trouble with lawn care as the weather heats up and summer is in full swing? Below are some tips from the Medford Water Commission website.

Do you have high summer-water use? Try some of the following:

- Run sprinklers very early in the morning. Complete your watering before 6:00 AM to take advantage of calm air, the lowest temperatures of the day, and fewer competing water uses. There are even timers you can attach to your hose bib that can help you do this if you don't have an automatic system.
- In our clay soils, water can't soak in quickly. Instead of a single long watering cycle, run two or more shorter cycles with about an hour break between them. That way, water from each cycle can soak in before more is applied. Standard spray sprinklers can apply more water than clay soils can absorb in as little as five minutes, even less if your yard is sloped.
- Soil might look dry but still have plenty of moisture. If a 6-inch screwdriver goes easily into the soil, then wait to water.
- Run your sprinkler system manually about once a month to observe each zone operating. Are sprinklers working properly, pointing the right direction, and spray patterns not obstructed by vegetation?
- When you run your sprinklers, does the water come out in a fine mist, much of which just goes up into the air? This is a sign that the water pressure is too high for your

sprinklers. Add a pressure regulator to your sprinkler system to eliminate this, and you could cut your sprinkler water use in half.

- Keep pools covered when not in use so you won't lose water to evaporation; keeping them just a little less full will



also lessen the amount of water lost by splashing out.

- Surprising amounts of water can run from an open hose left running for just a few minutes. Always attach a sprinkler or soaker hose for more effective sprinkling without using nearly as much water. When using a hose for hand watering plants or washing cars, attach a nozzle that will shut off between when not being used.

Improve soil with organic material – compost or mulch – and it will hold water better.

- Aerate lawns each spring to help water soak in and fill the holes with compost so that water can infiltrate deeper.

- Prune in spring or don't prune at all; pruning stimulates growth, which needs more water.

- Consider the long-term survivability of your current landscape and consider incorporating more climate-appropriate plants. Before selecting your plants, study your environment; consider animals that exist in your landscape and your long-term needs, and make good ecological choices.

- Consider whether your yard has lawn areas that aren't being used and could be replaced with something less demanding of water and maintenance – maybe groundcovers and shrubs or a patio sitting area.

- Consider drip irrigation in shrub areas, and always irrigate grass separately from areas with shrubs and trees. If you're installing an automatic irrigation system, make sure you install a good system from the start, as making changes later will be much more difficult. Also, make sure that you install proper backflow prevention devices. They are required for a good reason: to protect your household water supply.

- The goal of an irrigation system is to provide water as uniformly as possible. To help achieve this, make sure sprinkler spray patterns overlap, with all portions of your lawn receiving water from at least two sprinkler heads.

For more irrigation information during the summer months, call the Water Commission's Lawn Watering Infoline: (541) 774-2460.

### **Pet Etiquette 101 Continued**

We are revisiting the Pet Etiquette 101 as more homeowners have sent in concerns on activity they are seeing and we want to make sure everyone understands what is considered prohibited activity.

- Please keep your pets on a leash when walking on public ways which include the streets and neighboring properties.
- Pet owners' are responsible for cleanup of feces caused by the pet.
- A pet is considered a nuisance if it howls, barks or makes noise that creates a disturbance, runs at large about the community, attacks or interferes with other person's and pets in common areas, trespasses onto neighboring property, damages any private property or habitually chases vehicles or persons.
- Pets are not allowed to be let loose off leash in neighboring undeveloped fields and specifically are not allowed to be let loose off leash to chase wildlife.



- Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the privately owned golf course property. This includes any and all of the golf course property and the golf cart path.

### **Neighborhood Block Watch Process**

From the City of Eagle Point website: The Block Watch Program is a police-community driven concept where neighborhood citizens are taught the basic crime prevention tools to make neighborhoods less attractive to criminals.

Program Basics: 1) Get to know your neighbors. At least one time per year have a neighborhood get together. Plan an event such as a Potluck Picnic, or an Ice Cream Social. Involve the children. Food seems to attract lots of people. 2) Operation ID. Mark at least three items in your home with your driver's license number. Mark items that are likely to be stolen, such as stereos, computers, televisions or microwavers. The marking should be permanent and include the indication of "OR" for Oregon, and "DL" for driver's license, e.g. OR/ODL #123456. 3) Physical Security of the home. Block Watch Members will be given information on home security and can improve the security of their homes as they see fit and can afford.

How do I get started? 1) Ask your neighbors, do they want to start a Block Watch? 2) Decide how large your Block Watch neighborhood is? The decision is yours, 8 homes, 15 homes, 30 homes.... 3) Plan the initial meeting, where and what night of the week is best for your neighbors to meet to learn about Block Watch techniques. 4) Call the City of Eagle Point Police Department 541-826-9171 to schedule the first meeting. We will come to your location to present the principles of Block Watch, and crime watch techniques.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Board of Directors Meetings

All Board of Directors meetings are held at the EPGCHA office located at 177 Alta Vista Rd. Suite B, Eagle Point, OR 97524. Homeowners are encouraged to attend.

**Tuesday August 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday October 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting agenda is posted on the website the Friday before each meeting.

- Modification Committee Meetings

Modification Committee Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Due to the high amount of requests that are received this time of year; the agenda is sent out the Friday afternoon prior to the meeting so the deadline to submit an MRF or NOC for the next meeting is 2:00 p.m. on the Friday prior to the meeting.

- Annual Meeting of Members

The Annual Meeting of Members is scheduled for Tuesday September 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Ashpole Community Center located at 17 South Buchanan, Eagle Point, OR 97524. The Annual Meeting mailing will be sent out in late August with all of the pertinent information, ballots, etc.

- Fall Meet & Greet

Stay tuned for further information on the fall Meet & Greet. This will be a fun event for all homeowners to attend, enjoy refreshments and get to know your neighbors. This will be held at the Eagle Point Golf Course Pavilion and the date will soon be announced.

- Fall Garage Sale

The fall garage sale is scheduled for Friday October 6th and Saturday October 7th from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**What's New on the Eagle Point Golf Community Website?**

- March, April, May and June 2023 Financials

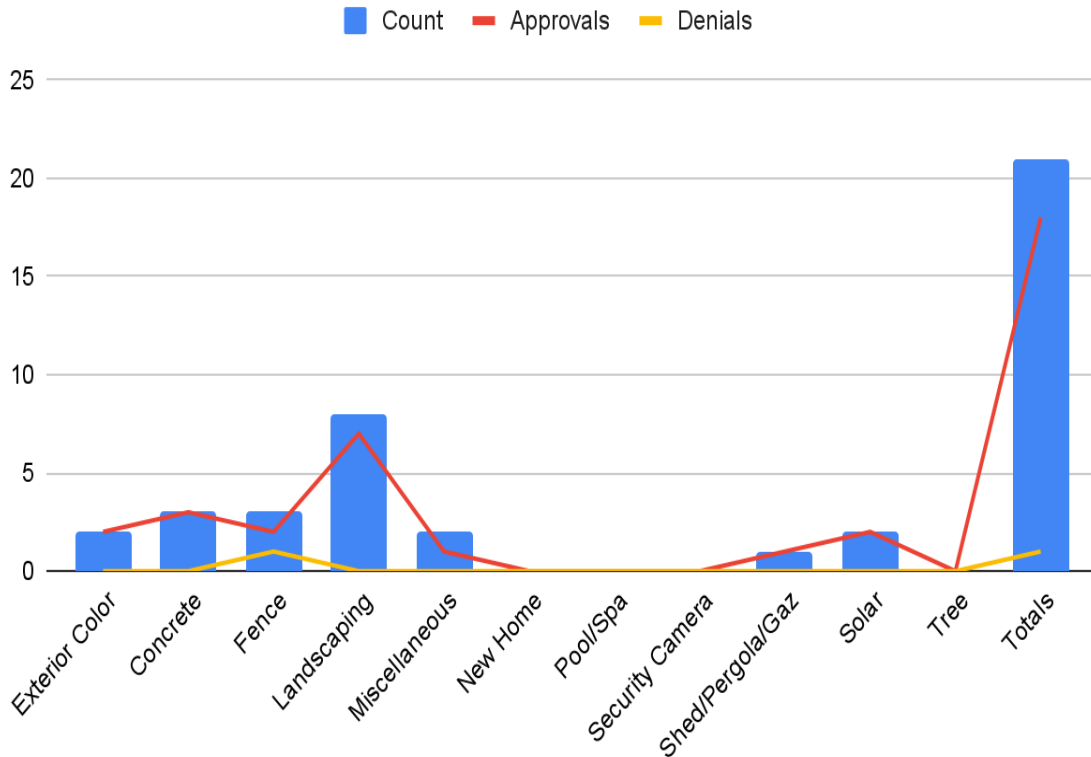
The March, April, May and June 2023 financial statements will be uploaded to the website following the 8/1/23 Board of Directors Meeting. They are located on the website at <https://www.eaglepointgolfcommunity.com/>. Click on the “homeowners only” section and then enter the password “epho2018”.

- Board Meeting Minutes

The Board Meeting minutes for April 18, 2023 will be uploaded to the website as soon as the Board approves those at the August 1, 2023 Board Meeting. They will be located on the website at: <https://www.eaglepointgolfcommunity.com/epgcha-board-of-directors>

**Modification Committee Update**

How many modification requests were reviewed in June???? Wow - quite a few. Below is the June graph of requests reviewed by the MC. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month and requests need to be submitted by 3:00 p.m. the Friday prior to each meeting so we can include them on the meeting agenda that is sent out Friday at 4:00 p.m



### **Advertising Opportunities**

The Neighborly News Bi-Annual Publication is now offering advertising opportunities for those interested. The available advertising sizes are business card, ¼ page and ½ page and there are still spots open for the fall/winter 2023 edition. We are focusing on local businesses and also for anyone living in the EPGCHA. If you would like more information please contact Candace Pickett at 541-385-7799 ext. 709 or at [cpickett@fieldstonemanagement.com](mailto:cpickett@fieldstonemanagement.com).

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