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# **INVERNESS RIDGE ASSOCIATION**

# Update — February 2019

Dear Neighbors,

Happy new year and year of the pig (豬)! I hope 2019 is treating you all very well.

#### **IRA ANNUAL MEETING:**

The IRA got off to a good start this year. The **Annual Meeting** in January was well attended and included excellent presentations by IRA Vice-President David Wilson on fire safety and prevention, and measures the IRA is taking to enable us to apply for grant funding for further tree and shrub clearance where needed and to improve access to evacuation routes, etc. DVD Re-Paving Task Force chair Ken Drexler provided a detailed update on planning the group is engaged in with our engineering consultants, ILS Associates of Novato. There was wideranging discussion of both topics and comments from Marin County Supervisor Dennis Rodoni. To learn more see the meeting's minutes at <a href="http://www.invernessridgeassoc.com/board-meeting-minutes">http://www.invernessridgeassoc.com/board-meeting-minutes</a>.

Two new Board members were nominated and elected to the Board: Mari Tamburo (330 DVD) and John Wurtzel (2 West Robert). Welcome to Mari and John! We said goodbye and many thanks to Myn Adess, who has served this community so effectively and generously over many years, most recently as IRA Board secretary.

As usual, the food provided by PRE residents attending the meeting was excellent. Many thanks to all the chefs and to Barbara Jay for hosting us once again.

#### FROM PRERAB:

PRERAB will soon initiate a major program of **vegetation management** to clear overhead and along the roadsides throughout PRE. The work may take place in distinct phases, which PRERAB will inform you about as the process unfolds. The goal is to regain viable access and egress for emergency vehicles (for both fire and medical calls) as well as maximum visibility around our sharp turns. It has been about 10 years since PRERAB did this kind of extensive envelope work throughout the hill. It is way overdue and requested by the Fire Department.

You may have noticed a recent Nextdoor message informing us that a **downed tree was blocking the evacuation route** between the end of Douglas and Laurel Street. Although more work is needed, a car or small truck can now get through. Burton Eubank of Laurel Street did this work and reports that he will further widen the passage so larger trucks can get through soon. Many thanks, Burton!

## **DVD RE-PAVING TASK FORCE:**

The re-paving task force has received a **preliminary plan and cost estimate** from ILS Associates for the proposed re-paving of DVD and partial areas along our side roads. They met this weekend to review the plan and identified numerous issues and questions for the consultants to consider as they move toward completing their planning. We expect a next draft of the plan and estimates in a few weeks after which the task force expects to be able to call a community meeting to discuss them. No date has been set, but we hope this meeting can take place later this spring.

## SUSTAINABILITY RESOURCES:

I attach to this update two brochures we have obtained from Kellen Dammann, Sustainability Marketing & Outreach Specialist at the Marin County Community Development Agency, which focus on "Homeowners Sustainability Resources." They contain much useful information.

Finally, if you haven't yet paid your <b>Inverness Ridge Association dues</b> for 2019, please do now. Send \$25 (a bargain price that will not last indefinitely) to IRA, P.O. Box 342, Invern CA 94937. Many thanks to those who renewed their memberships or signed on as new menduring the Annual Meeting!	ess,
As always, thank you for your attention and support,	
Tim Stanton	
IRA Board President	

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