

POOLS AND FITNESS CENTER

Community pools opened June 13th with conditional pool rules effective until further notice. Please take time to familiarize yourself with the posted rules and act accordingly. Keeping the pools open is contingent on everyone following common sense behavior and the pool rules.

Thank you to the over 165 SV residents who signed the pool access waiver. If you want access to the pools and/or fitness center this summer a waiver is required to have your key card reactivated. Waivers are available outside the Farmhouse front door or on our website.

Due to social distancing measures no guests are allowed at the pool or in the gym until further notice. A guest is defined as someone who doesn't live with you, including relatives. We are hopeful we will be back to normal pool operations next year.

Also relay to your teens that jumping the pool fence is not a secret. To avoid embarrassing security video or trespassing charges, use the pool during pool hours accessed by a key card by residents only. A lack of compliance of pool rules may be cause for loss of privileges.

Gym Hours are 5am to 10pm daily. Pool hours are 6am to 10pm Sunday through Thursday and 6am to 11pm Friday and Saturday. A member at least 18 years of age must accompany those 13 and under to use the pools and/or gym.

POOL ATTENDANTS

Owen Ennis, Jason Derderian, and Gavin Jackson are our pool attendants for the 2020 pool season. Take a moment and introduce yourself if you happen to see one of them.

SV LANDSCAPING

Surprise Valley's landscaping is maintained by the incredible team at Hopkins Landscaping and we appreciate their attention to detail in making our large community so beautiful.

Additionally, thank you to SV board member Steve King for planting the marigolds in the flower beds and hanging baskets at the Farmhouse as they really spruce up the scenery. If anyone else would like to help out with other landscaping upgrades, please contact the SV manager.

HOMEOWNER PLANT OVERGROWTH

Our landscape company has requested homeowners take a little time and trim growth from personal yards into any common areas. This overgrowth impedes mow crews and reduces the effectiveness of sprinkler coverage.

Additionally, it is requested you not leave personal items, such as hammocks and swings, in common areas or islands as it also impedes mow crews and sprinkler coverage.

SOUTH BLUFF WALKING TRAILS

Numerous homeowners have asked about the overgrowth from sage and noxious weeds along the Ridge to Rivers trails on the south bluff. We encourage homeowners to call Ridge to Rivers at 208-493-2531 and request clearing and scheduled maintenance of the trails.

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COURTS

The SV tennis/pickleball courts have been very busy this year. In an effort to allow residents exclusive access, the HOA board is considering installing gate locks at the courts. Stay tuned for future communication on this matter.

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL LESSONS

Bill McGrath is the only person authorized to give tennis lessons at the courts and lessons are open to SV residents only. Bill can be reached at bmcgrath208@gmail.com if you are interested in improving your game. Bill will teach pickleball to a small group as well.

GET INVOLVED

Currently there are two neighborhood representative positions vacant on the SVHOA Board of Directors. Neighborhood I (Settlement Way and Gateway Drive) and Neighborhood K (South Bluff). The commitment is minimal and you can help chart your neighborhood course. Contact the neighborhood manager for details.

OBEY SPEED LIMITS

Speeding through neighborhoods is a BIG problem in SV. The speed limit on Surprise way is 30mph and 20mph on residential streets. Many families are sticking close to home these days which means more kids on bikes and dogs out with the family. For the safety of all our residents, *please* be aware of your speed and keep it under the speed limits.

Also because of a few blind curves on Surprise Way, the yellow suggested speed limit signs should also be followed. Remind your young drivers of the speed limits as well.

MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Many new neighbors have moved into Surprise Valley in the past several years. Please take time to say “hello” and introduce yourself. New residents appreciate the welcome and helpful hints such as how our irrigation system works, if approval is needed to chop down a tree, and where to get the best pizza. It takes little effort to be a good neighbor and kindness goes a long way.

MAILBOX REPAIRS

Many thanks to SV board member Gary Wiggins for repairing and replacing damaged and/or rusted mailboxes as well as compromised posts.

If your mailbox is old and/or rusty, has a damaged post, or needs mailbox house numbers please contact the farmhouse for replacement at no charge. We ask that you do not buy house numbers at retail stores but, instead, request our unique numbers to keep continuity in our community.

NEIGHBORHOOD EMAIL UPDATES

If you are not receiving email updates from the SV manager then we do not have your current email address. Send your updated email address and any other change of information to manager@surprisevalleyhoa.com.

If you are renting your property please send renter information to the office. It is important all residents stay informed.

If you prefer not to receive email updates you may unsubscribe and periodically check for updates on the website instead. All email updates are posted on our website.

ORGANIZED COMMUNITY EVENTS

Due to Covid-19, all previously organized summer events have been postponed indefinitely. Many neighborhoods are hosting cook-outs and gatherings on their streets or driveways where social distancing can be accomplished. This is a good way to meet any new neighbors and catch up with others. Send neighborhood photos for use on a new photo gallery on the SVHOA website to manager@surprisevalleyhoa.com. Always ask for consent of those pictured prior to sending.