



Deer Run Community News

Newsletter of the Deer Run Community Organization - May 2019

DRCO Directors Elected

During the DRCO Annual Meeting on May 1st, three members were elected to the DRCO Board of Directors: Dennis Peters (two-year term); Bob Stewart (two-year term), and Gene Bullock (one-year term). The Board expressed its thanks to outgoing Director, Debbie Monroe.

New Officers Appointed

New DRCO officers were appointed at the initial meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors;

President & Treasurer: Dennis Peters

Vice President: Gene Bullock

Secretary: Candy Peters

Revised Rules & Regs on DRCO Website

Our website has been updated with the newest DRCO Rules and Regulations. You can read or download them from our website at www.drco.org. The website also has downloadable approval forms for exterior repainting of your house, removing a tree or making major changes that affect the street appearance of your house or yard. It also includes the approved palette for exterior paint and trim colors, with links that allow you to see each color on your monitor.

House numbers hard to find or missing

Some Deer Run house numbers are difficult or impossible to see from the street. There are even a few homes with no house numbers at all. This can be a serious problem for emergency vehicles and a major source of delay and confusion for delivery services. Be sure to replace your house number when you repaint.

Trees bordering streets must be replaced

Removal of trees that border our streets and public sidewalks requires the approval of both the DRCO Board and the City of Poulsbo. Such trees must also be replaced with a suitable tree at the homeowner's expense. Our trees are a major community asset.

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Board Meetings

Board meetings are open to all DRCO members. Contact us for the dates and locations of upcoming meetings at deer.run.co@gmail.com

Deer Run Emergency Planning

Judy Hossner, Deer Run Coordinator

Before Emergency

- Consider CPR Training (check with Poulsbo Fire Department)
- Designate a contact person NOT in Pacific Northwest and notify all family members who to contact in an emergency.
- Build a Family Emergency Kit for home, plus another for each car: Food and water for two weeks (plus can opener). Plan on one gallon of water per person per day. Medicine, First Aid supplies, Pet items (food, water, medicine, toys), "tent"/ Emergency blanket, Toiletries, Extra Batteries (for flashlight), Glow Sticks, Whistle, Copies of Your Important Papers, Warm Clothes, Books & Games
- Keep protective items always ready by your bed, including protection for your head (helmet), hands (leather gloves), feet (sturdy shoes), a flashlight, and your completed Mapping Your Neighborhood (MYN) information for your neighborhood section.

- Each section in Deer Run has a designated captain, or co-captains, and each section should update its MYN information as people move in and out. MYN family information should not be shared outside Deer Run.

After Major Emergency

- Check with your family members who are at home
- Follow the Mapping Your Neighborhood (MYN) priorities, posting the **HELP** or **OK** sign if you can.
- Take children and those needing assistance to your designated Section Care Center. Go to your designated Section Gathering Site to help neighbors and follow your MYN.



Deer Run Emergency Planning Coordinator Judy Hossner demonstrates items that should always be kept bedside and handy, including hard hat, heavy-duty gloves and sturdy shoes. These three items can prevent the most common disaster-related injuries

129 Deer Run residents subscribe to Deer Run Nextdoor Network

We urge all Deer Run residents to subscribe to the Deer Run Nextdoor network. It's a free social media resource on the Internet that enables Deer Run residents to share timely information of interest to the Deer Run community. Subscribers use it to alert their neighbors to problems, issues, events and opportunities. They share helpful information, as well as recommendations on everything, from plumbers and painters to baby sitters and dog walkers. People also use it to sell furniture, gardening equipment, boats, trailers -- and even homes.

More than 60% of the 141 households in Deer Run already subscribe. As more and more Deer Run residents join in, it grows in value as a timely community information resource. Subscribers can choose to limit their posts to Deer Run; but also have the option of including an additional 2,000 plus subscribers in 28 nearby neighborhoods. You must be a Deer Run resident to be eligible for the Deer Run Nextdoor network. To subscribe, visit <https://nextdoor.com/> and follow the prompts.

It's summertime! Please slow down and watch for children playing in our family-friendly neighborhood streets.

Deer Run Community Organization (DRCO)

Annual Meeting Minutes - May 1, 2019

In attendance: Candy & Dennis Peters, Judy Hossner, Gene & Sandra Bullock, Helen Muterspaugh, Bob & Cheri Stewart, Kathy and Chuck Dobson, and Debbie Munroe. **Proxies:** 13

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

DRCO President Candy Peters welcomed everyone to the meeting. The minutes from the last annual meeting held on May 2, 2018 were distributed. It was moved to approve the minutes, seconded and approved.

Candy reviewed the past year's fines and liens placed on homes in violation of covenants and unpaid DRCO dues. The DRCO Board is

taking action against Members with a multi-year history of neglecting to pay annual DRCO dues and ignoring interest penalties and fines. Candy advised the attendees that the Board followed the Arborist recommendations to remove several fir trees along Bjorn St., after receiving approval from the City of Poulsbo.

The new board will be tasked with looking for a new attorney.

DRCO Treasurer Dennis Peters provided a detailed financial report and distributed copies to those present. He explained that copies of the revised Rules and Regulations were distributed to each

homeowner. The new rules have made the fines for unpaid bills easier to understand and manage. A motion to approve the Treasurer report was moved, seconded and approved.

Three new Board members were elected and approved by all. They are: Bob Stewart (2 years), Gene Bullock (1 year) and Dennis Peters (2 years). Judy Hossner reviewed the Map Your Neighborhood emergency preparedness program. She still needs three area captains.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Debbie Munroe, DRCO
Secretary (outgoing)

Why is a bird attacking my window?

Birds have been around for 125 million years. Over time they have become marvelously adapted to survive in a particular habitat or environmental niche. But humans have introduced a multitude of hazards that are foreign to their natural habitat.

Domestic cats are one for which birds and their fledglings have limited defense. Cats kill up to three billion birds a year in the U.S. alone.

Window glass is another. Birds see themselves reflected and don't know it's not another bird -- a rival or intruder in their territorial nesting area. Every year, around this time, Kitsap Audubon gets numerous reports of woodpeckers and other species of birds that are flinging themselves against window

panes. Some are attacking their own image, and others are mistaking reflections of nearby foliage for an escape route.

You can minimize window collisions and attacks with closely spaced UV-reflecting decals that interrupt reflections. These special decals can be purchased online from suppliers of bird feeders and related equipment. You can also minimize lethal collisions by placing feeders three feet or less from the window or at least 30 feet away. Moving them closer prevents birds from attaining

speeds that result in lethal impact. Moving them further away reduces the likelihood of collisions from panicking birds that are fleeing threats such as predators.

Photo of Chestnut-backed Chickadee by Carrie Griffis.



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Please provide DRCO with your Email address so we can contact you promptly when necessary with neighborhood alerts and important announcements. Email it to deer.run.co@gmail.com. This information is not shared and remains confidential.

Deer Run Neighborhood Yard Sale 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 1



Time to clean out your closets, garage and attic and get your surplus tools, clothing, furniture, books and toys ready for our annual neighborhood yard sale on Saturday, June 1st, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Deer Run and Meredith Heights customarily hold neighborhood yard sales on the same day each year. This is a wonderful opportunity to eliminate clutter, shop for bargains and get better acquainted with your neighbors. Don't forget to patronize the young entrepreneurs selling cookies, lemonade, and other goodies. They are our future business men and women.