

# THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION MONTHLY

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## Telecommunications Subcommittee

### SEA RANCH CONNECT<sup>SM</sup> BUILDING A 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY INFORMATION UTILITY FOR THE SEA RANCH!

By now, most of you know that The Sea Ranch fiber to the home project, or FTTH as it has been known, is proceeding to construction. It has been named "Sea Ranch Connect<sup>SM</sup>." The graphic in the continuation of this article on [page 3](#) is also the graphic on the home page of the newly launched Sea Ranch Connect website which can be reached at [www.searanchconnect.org](http://www.searanchconnect.org) or through the Association's website (see home page of [www.tsra.org](http://www.tsra.org)). The website [www.searanchconnect.org](http://www.searanchconnect.org) will be the primary, but far from the only means of communication with members. We will also use the *Bulletin*, *Soundings*, Info Alerts and direct mail when needed.

#### Services

This unique project has received overwhelming support from the membership – and for good reason. Not only will it provide very high speed Internet service (around 50 megabits per second symmetrical) with excellent reliability for a planned \$70/month to every home and business on The Sea Ranch and optional \$25/month flat rate North American phone service using your existing phone number, it will also provide the infrastructure for many future services which could include video content, online security, online medical, distance learning and much more. It will bring The Sea Ranch into the 21<sup>st</sup> century communications environment while at the same time preserving all of the aspects of The Sea Ranch that we have enjoyed for more than 50 years. No aspect of the infrastructure will be visible in the roads and meadows – all cable and associated equipment will be underground. There will be an unobtrusive box attached to the side of your home to connect you to the network.

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## The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday Committee

### IT TOOK OUR VILLAGE

This has been one phenomenal 50th Birthday year! From last Memorial Day weekend in 2014 through the one fast approaching us right now, we have gathered together in nearly 50 events to learn from our past, celebrate our present, and prepare to wisely guide our very special home, The Sea Ranch, into the future.



*Anna Halprin Event*

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At our beginning in 2011, in a one-day retreat led by Frank and Linda Bell, The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday Committee set goals. A primary objective was to involve as many Sea Ranchers as possible, not only in participation, but in planning and execution. We also intended to invite our neighboring communities' participation whenever possible, and fully half of all the events have fulfilled this objective.

July 26, 2014, turned out to be a momentous day. For the first time in our 50-year history, Sea Ranchers sat down to dine together at a conceptual 10-mile-long dining table in 20 potlucks. 989 people came, many meeting previously unknown neighbors, and a number of units that had never before socialized. Our

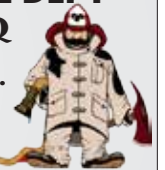
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### THE SEA RANCH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT Memorial Day Weekend BBQ

Sunday, May 24th, Noon - 3 p.m.

*One-Eyed Jack's Playground*

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**GAMES FOR THE KIDS  
SMOKEY BEAR**

# Website Committee

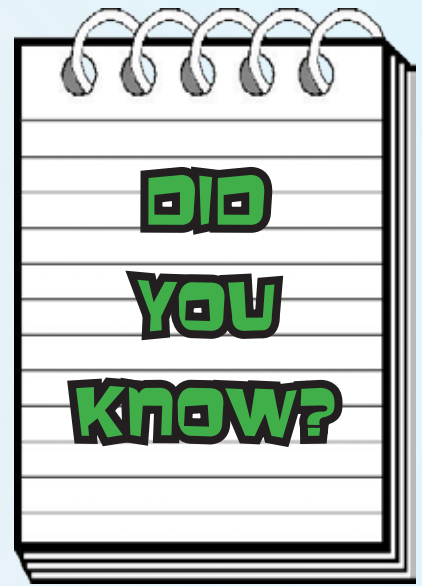
## TAKE 'NOTE' OF THIS NEW WEBSITE HINTS COLUMN

From the top of the **Owners Page** on the website you can quickly jump to the following sections:

- Announcements
- Issues and Manager's Priorities
- Documents from the Board of Directors
- New to The Sea Ranch?
- Website Revelations
- What's New?

And at the bottom of the Owners Page is a **Suggestion Box** where you can submit your comments and ideas.

*From the Website Committee*



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### THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

May 26	Tuesday	Memorial Day
July 4	Saturday	Independence Day
September 8	Tuesday	Labor Day



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### **Benefits for You and for The Sea Ranch**

The new Sea Ranch Connect website says that Sea Ranch Connect is “good for you and good for The Sea Ranch.” The “good for you” point is easy to understand, given the generally poor Internet service on The Sea Ranch today. But the “good for The Sea Ranch” point is also really important. Not only does the Ranch benefit from improved service, but it also benefits financially. Ever since the founding of The Sea Ranch, the vast majority of our income has been generated by the assessment. The Association has always been interested in identifying sources of revenue for The Sea Ranch that are not assessment based. This vital new service will generate significant net income to the Association once the loans for its construction are paid off. The rate at which they are paid off depends on you – the more people who subscribe, the faster the loans are retired and the faster we get to significant net annual revenue. Why does this matter? Because it will give future Boards much more flexibility to manage the assessment and provide the excellent level of services we enjoy. It is no exaggeration to say that every new member who signs up will ultimately be generating significant net income to the Association while at the same time enjoying exceptional Internet service. There’s also the very positive impact on real estate values and rental rates – current renters and the next generation of purchasers will demand state of the art Internet service. This is why Sea Ranch Connect is good for The Sea Ranch.

### **Current Sea Ranch Connect Status**

Construction contracts are signed, financing is in place, and the building of the two data centers at the Association office and at Del Mar Center has begun. We expect that installation of the fiber optic cable itself will start in May and take about one year. We also expect that drops to individual homes will start in July, and this is a good time to remind you that if you sign up for a 2-year service contract while construction crews are in your area, installation to your home will be free. You will need to purchase a recommended fiber optic router for around \$150. If you wait till later you will be charged for installation since crews will no longer be in your neighborhood (or, dependent upon timing, on the Ranch at all).

The Sea Ranch Connect website will have (may already have!) a detailed construction schedule – this will tell you the date by which you will need to sign up for service. Obviously you won’t be asked to pay for the service until it is switched on. The website will have the service contract available for you and will also be the primary means of service, support and billing.

### **Your Responsibilities**

The Sea Ranch Connect service will operate exactly like any ISP (Internet Service Provider) which means that it will provide service to your home – however the installation and operation of devices within your home, whether laptops, tablets or smart phones, will be your responsibility. We will provide detailed tips and recommendations on the website and a list of network professionals in the immediate area who can help you. We also expect that our partner in operating the network, Gigabit Now, will be able to provide online and telephone support.

*And please fill out an Intent to Subscribe form available on [www.searanchconnect.org](http://www.searanchconnect.org) soon, so we know you’re on board.*

### **Working Together**

Sea Ranch Connect has been a joint project between the Association staff and volunteers – it exemplifies everything that is good about The Sea Ranch. We have a great deal of business and technical expertise among our members, and it has been fully utilized as this project has progressed. Staff involvement has been essential and valuable. Together we are building a 21<sup>st</sup> century information utility that will serve the Association’s membership for the next 50 years or more. We can’t wait to light up the network!



*Peter Youtz and Chris Kenber  
Telecommunications Subcommittee*

### **It’s your network – get involved!**

- Submit an *Intent to Subscribe* form soon.
- Go to [www.searanchconnect.org](http://www.searanchconnect.org) and learn about the network, its benefits and the progress of the construction. Updates will be frequent!
- Email [fiber@tsra.org](mailto:fiber@tsra.org) if you have questions or suggestions.

# Finance

## THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FEBRUARY 2015

**GENERAL:** These statements were for ten months of the current fiscal year. Revenues were better than plan because the Association continues to bill Burbank Housing and Sea Ranch Apartments for assessments while a resolution is pending. Those funds were not being collected, which was reflected in the Balance Sheet under Accounts Receivable. The Board of Directors adopted the budget for fiscal 2015-16 at their meeting on February 28, 2015. There will be no change in the assessment, which will remain at \$206.00 per month.

Payroll and costs were running under budget, as were legal and professional fees. Overall, operating expenses were very close to budget and other capital projects were proceeding as scheduled. The very large increases in cash and accounts payable reflect the receipt of loan funding for the fiber-to-the-home construction project which will commence this spring.

No Director's expenses were submitted for reimbursement in February.

**Status of Delinquent Accounts:** At the end of February, we had seven liens on file. Two were making installment payments, one was in the process of collection via a small claims judgment, and a third had just entered escrow. Assessment delinquencies were at \$42,299 comprising 70 accounts, not including the 45 accounts of Burbank Housing whose delinquency totaled \$164,418 at the end of February.

**Property Transactions:** In February three escrows closed, two houses and one lot, for a total of 16 year to date. There were 10 sales by February 2014. There have been no housing starts this year (which is a correction to last month's report, where we erroneously reported one start). At this time last year, one house had begun construction.



*Respectfully submitted,  
Drew McCalley, Treasurer*

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FEBRUARY 2015

### THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION

#### INCOME/EXPENSES ALL FUNDS YEAR-TO-DATE

	REVENUE	EXPENSE
<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>5,236,728</b>	<b>4,870,704</b>
<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>5,058,806</b>	<b>5,031,273</b>
<b>BETTER THAN PLAN</b>	<b>177,922</b>	<b>160,569</b>

#### BALANCE SHEET UNAUDITED 2/28/2015

Item	This Month	Last Month	Change
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>10,675,590</b>	<b>7,704,453</b>	<b>2,971,137</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>4,358,731</b>	<b>1,452,897</b>	<b>2,905,834</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>6,316,859</b>	<b>6,251,556</b>	<b>65,303</b>

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FEBRUARY 2015

### THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY

#### OPERATING FUND TWO MONTHS ENDING 2/28/2015

	REVENUE	EXPENSE
<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>389,035</b>	<b>258,137</b>
<b>ADOPTED BUDGET</b>	<b>368,946</b>	<b>375,901</b>
<b>BETTER THAN PLAN</b>	<b>20,089</b>	<b>117,764</b>

#### BALANCE SHEET (After 2014 Year-End Adjustments, Unaudited) 2/28/2015

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>15,518,434</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12,601,789</b>
<b>STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>	<b>2,916,645</b>

## THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FEBRUARY 2015

The attached financial statements represent activity for the first two months of the new fiscal year. A clean audit report was issued for the Water Company and received by the Board of Directors Sub-Committee on Audits on March 21, 2015. The 2014 books have been closed.

Please feel free to contact us at (707) 785-2444, ext. 227 or send an email to [ebuechner@tsra.org](mailto:ebuechner@tsra.org) with any questions.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Drew McCalley, Treasurer*



## VOTE EARLY AND VOTE OFTEN

While I am not suggesting that The Sea Ranch should be a bastion of old-time Chicago style politics, we have an unusual election this year, and it requires your attention. While voting often might be troublesome, voting early would be helpful. The operative word is “vote” because bad things could happen if members don’t vote or at least return their ballot. Here’s why.

Our governing documents require that Board members be elected each year for staggered terms. This year we have three candidates for three seats on the Board – it’s a “no-brainer” even for those of you who have a hard time making choices. That said, I can hear the wheels grinding in our detail oriented members who might say hmmm, three seats, three candidates – first, we don’t need an election, and then, even if we do, only one of us needs to vote. Each candidate can be elected with one vote and we can get on to other things and save the postage.

Well, not so fast. The governing documents make things harder by requiring that a quorum of members must submit ballots to validate the election. A quorum is one-third of the membership (owners). At last count that means 762 members must sign a ballot and mail it in (don’t forget the postage), or otherwise provide a ballot to the Association by noon on May 23rd. So, yes, we need to have an election, and you need to submit your ballot.

But wait, there’s more! The election does matter. While technically you can return your ballot to the Association without actually casting a vote for any of the candidates to meet the requirements of a quorum, voting for these candidates matters. They need to know you care. It’s not like we had dozens of members stepping forward to do the Association’s business this year, we had three. Initially we only had two candidates, both incumbents who are already doing the Association’s business, and a third who stepped up during the filing extension window. For lack of time, space, and brain cells I won’t get into what would have happened if we didn’t have enough candidates to fill the number of open seats.

Board service can be challenging and time consuming. Clearly it’s not for everyone. That said, we need to support those few who are willing to serve. Some of the Board’s issues can be complex and controversial - some of our recent issues have been so complex no one knows enough to say anything meaningful much less controversial. While I am certainly not looking to drum up controversy – The Sea Ranch is already pretty good at that without my help – Board members can’t please everyone. The Board didn’t raise the assessment this year so I suppose that’s a start. Anyway, Board members sometimes have to make tough decisions, so it helps when our membership cares enough to turn out to vote.

Finally, if none of that is persuasive, the governing documents require that a new election be held in the event the regular election is deemed invalid for a lack of a quorum of properly submitted ballots. In theory and practice, that process repeats itself until we get it right. Each election costs the Association about \$15,000, a factoid that should seal the deal to get it right the first time.

That’s a lot to think about for an election that doesn’t matter.



*Frank Bell*  
*Community Manager*



**Come to the Annual Meeting!**

**Saturday, May 23rd, 2015**

**1:30 p.m., Del Mar Center Hall, followed by a reception.**

**See [page 8](#) for Agenda**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

### Candidates for the Board of Directors

Three positions on the Board of Directors will be filled in this year's election cycle.

There are three candidates for this election:

- **Jacquelynn Baas**
- **Martha (Marti) Campbell**
- **Jackie Gardener**

### Ballot Packets and Candidates' Second Statements

Ballot packets, including Candidates' Second Statements, will be mailed on approximately Friday, April 17, 2015, by The Inspectors of Election (TIE). Members should receive Ballot packets on approximately April 22, 2015.

### Viewing Candidates' Statements Online (TIE iVote Website)

Candidates' First and Second Statements will be available for **online viewing only on the independent website of The Inspectors of Election**. TIE provides Members with access to a dedicated election web page containing Candidates' First and Second Statements as they become available (see Election Calendar) and updates on progress toward attaining quorum. Members may visit this site at [www.TIEiVote.com](http://www.TIEiVote.com), and must log on with user ID **TSRA** and password **41419**.

### Remember to Sign Your Ballot Return Envelope

Our election service company utilizes a machine counted ballot with instructions printed on both sides. Seal your completed ballot in the yellow "Secret Ballot Envelope #1," and insert Envelope #1 into the white postage prepaid "Envelope #2." **Envelope #2 must be signed by the voter.**

A separate ballot and envelope set is mailed for each property. In accordance with The Sea Ranch Bylaws, 3.02(b), each property is entitled to three (3) votes. The three votes may be assigned to a single candidate or to different candidates. **Any ballot containing more than three votes (circles filled) is invalid** and will be used only for establishing quorum.

**By law, your ballot cannot be counted unless the required property identifier (preprinted by TIE) and your signature are shown on the outside of white return envelope #2.** Your mailing address may be written on the back flap of the return envelope (optional).

**NOTE:** Ballots sent via US Mail must ARRIVE at the office of the Inspector of Election **no later than 12:00 noon on Wednesday, May 20, 2015.**

### Voting in Person at the Annual Meeting

Ballots are accepted on the day of the Annual Meeting, May 23, 2015, between 10:00 a.m. and noon at the Del Mar Center. No ballots will be accepted after the closing of the polls at 12:00 noon on that day.

### Proxies

Designating a proxy is necessary **only** if you specifically desire another Member of The Sea Ranch Association to vote on your behalf. Your designated proxy holder **must appear in person on the day of the Annual Meeting between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon**, exchange the properly executed proxy form for an actual ballot packet, and then vote that ballot as per the instructions you have written on the proxy form. If your ballot has already been received by The Inspectors of Election, any subsequently executed proxy form has no effect. Your original ballot prevails.

To request a proxy form, contact The Sea Ranch Association, Attention: Lynn Bailey ([lbailey@tsra.org](mailto:lbailey@tsra.org)), P.O. Box 16, The Sea Ranch, CA 95497-0016.

If you have any questions regarding the election process, call Lynn Bailey, staff liaison to the Election Committee, at 707-785-2444, extension 235, email [lbailey@tsra.org](mailto:lbailey@tsra.org), or contact any member of the 2015 Election Committee.

### 2015 Election Committee

Craig Alexander, Chair  
Susan Moore, Secretary  
Dave Osteraas, Member

Article submitted by  
Lynn Bailey, Staff Liaison



# Election Committee

## **How You Can Vote**

1. Mail your completed ballot to The Inspectors of Election (TIE) in the return envelope provided (must be received by 12:00 noon on May 23, 2015),

**OR**

2. Deliver your completed ballot on Saturday, May 23, 2015, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon to the Del Mar Center Hall,

**OR**

3. Designate a Proxyholder to vote on your behalf. (See procedure in the right column of [page 6.](#))

## **BOARD ELECTION RESULTS HOW WILL YOU KNOW?**

If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 23, 2015, when results for the Board of Directors election will be announced, an Association InfoAlert to be sent after the conclusion of the Meeting will notify you of the newly elected Board members. Election results will also be included in the July *Bulletin*.

On the website, the election results will appear in the Announcements section of the Owners Page at <http://www.tsra.org/news.php?viewStory=51>.

If you would like to be added to the Association email alert system (InfoAlerts), please email Member Services at [info@tsra.org](mailto:info@tsra.org) or call 707-785-2444.

For assistance with the website, please contact: [webmaster@tsra.org](mailto:webmaster@tsra.org)

## **2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION CALENDAR**

### **Friday, April 17 (approximately)**

Ballot packets mailed (includes Candidates' Second Statement)

### **Wednesday, May 20**

Deadline – Receipt of mailed Ballots by the Inspector of Election (due at Inspector of Election's Office by 12:00 noon)

### **Saturday, May 23 Annual Meeting/Election**

*Annual Meeting convenes at 10:00 a.m. in the Del Mar Center Hall. Casting of Ballots in person 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. No ballots will be accepted after 12:00 noon. Annual Meeting reconvenes at 1:30 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall. Election results will be announced.*

### **Sunday, May 24**

Board of Directors Organization Meeting  
*Del Mar Center*



## **SIGN UP NOW... AND SAVE!**

## **HAZMOBILE**

### **Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

Hazardous materials can be dropped off between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at The Sea Ranch North Fire Station, Highway 1, on the following dates:

#### **2015 Schedule**

Friday-Saturday	April 24-25
Saturday only	June 27
Friday-Saturday	August 14-15
Friday-Saturday	November 20-21



## **QUESTIONS? Go To**

## **[SEARANCHCONNECT.ORG](http://SEARANCHCONNECT.ORG)**

## **CLAIMS OF LIEN as of April 9, 2015**

<u>U/B/L</u>	<u>U/B/L</u>	<u>U/B/L</u>
35E-7 (P)	19-10 (P)	30-2 (P)
29A-10	24-78	4-1-5

(P) = Previous property owner

The Sea Ranch Association has filed a Claim of Lien according to its Assessment Collection Policy on the above properties. Liens are listed as of the date above, and may have been cured before the time of publication.

**AGENDA**  
**THE SEA RANCH ASSOCIATION AND THE SEA RANCH WATER COMPANY**  
**JOINT ANNUAL MEETING**

**Saturday, May 23, 2015**

**10:00 a.m. - 12 noon — Del Mar Center Hall**  
**(Voting Purposes Only)**

**Candidates for 2015 Board of Directors Election**

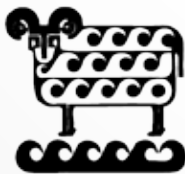
**Jacquelynn Baas**

**Marti Campbell**

**Jackie Gardener**

**1:30 p.m. – Del Mar Center Hall**  
**(Board Presentations and Election Results)**

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| <p><b>(1) CALL TO ORDER (10:00 a.m.)</b><br/>Del Mar Center Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> <p><b>(2) INSPECTOR OF ELECTION INTRODUCTION</b><br/><i>Kurtis Peterson, Chief Inspector</i><br/><i>The Inspectors of Election (TIE)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> <p><b>(3) LAST CALL FOR BALLOTS</b><br/>11:55 a.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> <p><b>(4) RECESS (12 noon)</b></p> <p><b>(5) RECONVENE ANNUAL MEETING</b><br/>1:30 p.m. – Del Mar Center Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> | <p><b>(6) ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p> <p><b>(7) REPORT – STATE OF THE SEA RANCH</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> <p><b>(8) REPORT – ASSOCIATION &amp; WATER COMPANY FINANCIAL STATUS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Treasurer, Drew McCalley</li></ul> <p><b>(9) PRESENTATION – SPECIAL AWARDS</b></p> <p><b>(10) REPORT – ELECTION RESULTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Election Committee</li></ul> <p><b>(11) ADJOURNMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Chair, Jackie Gardener</li></ul> |
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***Reception in the Del Mar House***

A reception with refreshments will follow the Annual Meeting. Please join fellow members to meet and welcome our newly elected Directors.



## FROM THE SEA RANCH ARCHIVES...

### THE KNIPP-STENGEL BARN HAS BEEN A PLACE OF MANY CONCERTS

The photo to the right is of Gunnar Johansen. He gave two concerts every summer in the early 1970s "in California's most enchanting concert hall... the horse stable at Sea Ranch" according to Alfred Frankenstein, an art critic for the S. F. Chronicle. This picture is of Smoky, Paul Stornetta (Smoky's owner), and Johansen rehearsing for a haybale concert on August 6, 1972.



Johansen worked at the University of Wisconsin, but spent his summers at his home in Gualala. Frankenstein wrote of how Johansen skillfully explored unusual aspects of the piano repertoire, and claimed that the barn had "...absolutely perfect acoustics, at least for piano recitals; you can hear a straw drop, and there are lots of straws."

Frankenstein indicated that the horses that live in the barn would be "...corralled outside during the concerts but leave aromatic memories of themselves behind." He described how the audience would sit "...on bales of hay, and the indigenous cats [would] come and curl up in your lap."

*Quotations are from a San Francisco Chronicle newspaper article by Alfred Frankenstein on page 41 of August 16, 1971, contained in volume one of the Barn Scrapbooks in the Archives collection.  
Photo from Archive Collection, photographer not identified*



## PRESERVING THE SEA RANCH HISTORY

### A Walk and Talk on Saturday May 2, 2015 Sheep, Hedgerows, Butterflies . . . and Walter P. Frick?



*A visitor in the  
Monarch Glen sheep pens.*

*© Photo by Harry Lindstrom*

Join Harry Lindstrom of The Sea Ranch Archives Committee for a walk through Monarch Glen. After we had installed our 25 Historic Markers, a long time Sea Rancher took us to task for not including one in Monarch Glen and she was right. This interpretive trail packs more interesting historical, natural and ecological features per linear foot than perhaps any other trail on The Sea Ranch. As we stroll through Monarch Glen, we'll talk about: sheep then and now, sheep pens, sheds and shepherd cabins, hedgerows, monarch butterflies, farm roads, bridges, meadows and gates. We'll also consider if we may owe Walter P. Frick (who?) more than just scorn.


We'll begin at **One-Eyed Jack's cabin at 1:00 p.m.**, rain or shine, and finish in the playground parking lot by 2:45. The walk is less than a mile on mostly flat ground. However, there are narrow bridges, pathways and some moderate inclines. Furthermore, it may be muddy in spots. If you have questions, contact: Harry Lindstrom at 925-831-1567 or [harrylindstrom@msn.com](mailto:harrylindstrom@msn.com).



*Harry Lindstrom  
Archives Committee*

## 50th Birthday Committee

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spectacular conclusion to this birthday year, will be the premiere of “The Sea Ranch Songs” by Aleksandra Vrebalov, performed by the world-famed Kronos Quartet in our White Barn. Nearly 900 people, Sea Ranchers and a significant number of our neighbors, have reserved their seats. These numbers testify to the enthusiastic community involvement. 


All of this has been possible only because of the very hard work of very many people, some who gave hundreds of hours, no lie. At the heart of everything have been twenty-eight, 50th Birthday Committee Members abetted by over 200 other volunteers!

### The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday Committee – working since 2011. A number have given hundreds of hours.

Sharon Albert  
Jim Alinder  
Mary Alinder, Chair  
Carolyn André, Communications Director  
Jackie Baas  
Linda Balogh  
Michele Chaboudy, TSR Board of Directors  
Nancy & Walt Custer, Recording Consultants  
Rob Diefenbach, Recording Consultant  
John Forenti, Chair, Vision Committee  
Linda Frye

Peter Jenny  
Jim Jordan  
Hanne Liisberg  
Lu Lyndon  
Thom Matson, Vice-Chair  
Patty Mattson  
Jeanetta & Chuck Miller  
Cecilia Moelter, TSR Board of Directors  
Esther and Jim Munger  
Ginny Rubin  
Dibby Tyler  
Richard Warmer

Every person listed above was an essential leader for TSR 50th Birthday. A few people must be singled out because of their extraordinary efforts. I would not have lasted as Chair of the 50th, were it not for Thom Matson and Carolyn André. We have been a triumvirate leadership group.

Thom Matson is without peer. If you have not met him yet (which, given that he is on the boards of the Arena Theater and The Sea Ranch Foundation, and also volunteers to take photos at the Redwood Coast Humane Society’s annual Dog Daze event, is unlikely), seek him out! He has served as our Vice-Chair. In the early years of our committee, when we numbered about a dozen people, we met at my house and I cooked lunch. At Thom’s very first such meeting, he stayed and helped me with the dishes. He retired as a senior vice president at AT&T, but he is the kind of person that does what needs to be done, even if that means getting your hands dirty (with leftover sorrel quiche in this case). Thom revolutionized the normal bureaucratic process by dumping traditional minutes and creating a flow-chart for every event. No need for new minutes each meeting, he simply updates the flow-charts. It works for everyone, keeping each person fully informed. Thom took on the registration for the Architectural Forum, no easy task, and to really make me adore him, volunteered to be the registrar for the Kronos Concerts, with three performances and limited seating (900), a very demanding, time-consuming, exacting job, clearly beyond my skill set. 

Carolyn André has directed our communications, writing most of our press releases and articles for the *Bulletin*, *Soundings*, the *ICO*, while juggling reporters and other curious folks. Her campaign to sell our t-shirts demanded attention. Based on the truth as we know it, unencumbered by scientific trials, she alerted everyone who reads the *Bulletin*, of the life changes that come to those who wear the 50th Birthday T-Shirt—more and better sex and weight-loss without dieting among just a few benefits. With examples such as that, word has gotten out that Carolyn is a brilliant PR person. That’s a half-truth. She is brilliant but this is her first foray into PR. She also came from the corporate world as founder and president of her very successful strategic marketing services company. Carolyn also gives so much to our coastal community as the very active president of the board of Coastal Seniors. She was the non-denominational minister sealing the renewal of vows at the Chapel in April. Carolyn is simply magnificent.

The Sea Ranch Foundation, led by Susan Clark, has proved essential to our success. They accepted donations in support of 50th Birthday events and also provided financial support to a number of those events.

Dancing on the beach led by the iconic choreographer, teacher, and dancer (and long-time Sea Rancher), Anna Halprin. What a singular experience! Anna said it never would have happened without the gentle but persistent pestering of Esther Munger. True. And Jim

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# The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday

## Volunteers Responsible for Our Year of 50th Events

*Eric Agnew ~ Sharon Albert ~ Jim and Mary Alinder ~ Carolyn André ~ Trudy Arne  
 Doreen Arthur ~ Pat Ashurst ~ Jackie Baas ~ Betty Bailey ~ Doug and Linda Baker ~ Linda Balogh  
 Dave Ball ~ John Batchelder ~ Paddy and Paul Batchelder ~ Carol Beck ~ Joan Bell  
 Peggy Berryhill ~ Lynn Benningfield ~ Susan Marie and Jim Biller ~ Sue Blair ~ Nigel Blair-Johns  
 Diane Boeke ~ Ron Bolander ~ Linda Bradley ~ Annie Brayer ~ Deborah May Buffum  
 Marti Campbell ~ Lynne Cannady ~ Kristen and Steve Carnes ~ Michele Chaboudy  
 Susan Clark and Tom Cochrane ~ Colette Coad ~ Alan and Janet Coleman ~ Marty and Bette Covington  
 Matt Covington ~ Walt and Nancy Custer ~ Susan Day ~ Star DeHaven ~ Michael Delman  
 Emmett DeMoas ~ Rob Diefenbach ~ Bev Dodds ~ Chris Doering ~ Tom Eckles ~ Al and Diana Edgerton  
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 John Forenti ~ John and Nancy Fox ~ Allen Francis ~ Linda Frye and Doug Patterson ~ Stacy Fuchs  
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 Barbara Gomes ~ Phil Graf ~ Susan and Jim Grenwelge ~ Rozann Grunig ~ Kathy and Jim Gustafson  
 Anna Halprin ~ Nina Hapner ~ Bob Hartstock ~ Betty Heath ~ Shirley Heath  
 Diane and Bryant Hichwa ~ Diana Hillmer ~ Kathye Hitt ~ John Horn  
 Craig and Debbie Hoyt ~ James Hubbell ~ Sandy and Rich Hughes  
 Mary Hunter ~ Polly Hutcheson ~ Jeanne Jackson ~ Don Jacobs  
 Norma Jahn ~ Doris Jemison-Ball ~ Peter Jenny and Scott Graf  
 Bruce and Margie Johnson ~ Lowell Johnson ~ Reverdy Johnson ~ Budd and Deloras Jones  
 Lin Yen Jones ~ Jim and Joan Jordan ~ Pam Kalustian ~ Steve Keller and Harriet Rose  
 Linda Kennedy ~ Carl and Ellie Kinezel ~ Paul Kozal ~ Christine Kreyling ~ Don Krieger  
 Thamby Kumaran ~ Nancy and David Kyle ~ Tom Landecker ~ Andy Lang ~ Sterling Lanier  
 Bruce and Jutta Leibrock ~ Hanne Liisberg ~ Harry Lindstrom ~ Alex and Anne Long  
 Andrea Lunsford ~ Andrew Lyndon ~ Doreen Lyndon and Alice Wingwall ~ Lu Lyndon ~ Linda Mahle  
 Dennis and Nancy Marks ~ Kacey Martin ~ Thom Matson and Hank Stuart ~ Patty Mattson ~ Siegfried Matull  
 Steve May ~ Drew McCalley and Marilyn Green ~ Claire McCarthy ~ Sylvia McKinney ~ Steve McLaughlin  
 Tim McMurtry ~ Jim and Laurie Merryman ~ Jeanetta and Chuck Miller ~ Cecilia Moelter ~ Gregory Moore  
 Marco Moramarco and Paul Vierra ~ Leigh and Laurie Mueller ~ Tim Mueller ~ Esther and Jim Munger  
 George and Kathleen Myers ~ Glenn Nakazawa ~ Bruce Nelson ~ Jim and Marcia Nybakken ~ Russ Ohlson  
 James Orenberg ~ Paula Osborne ~ Dave Osteraas ~ Pat Owings ~ Doug Paul ~ Maria and Milt Perkins  
 Richard and Judy Pfeifer ~ Chris Poehlmann ~ Susan Pollard ~ Diane Preece ~ George Rathmell ~ Jane Raymond  
 David Rice ~ David Robertson ~ Dennis Roderick ~ Cheryl Ross ~ Ginny Rubin and Richard Warner  
 Susan Sandoval ~ Nancy and Bob Scarola ~ Scott Scheffler ~ Peg Schoenfelder ~ Jane Schuler-Repp  
 Mike and Barb Scott ~ Sandy Scott ~ Mitch and Ruth Shapiro ~ Henry Shaw ~ Peter Sidell  
 Lorin Smith ~ Lisa Solley ~ Dick Soule ~ Jean Stahlnecker ~ Jake Stillman ~ David Susalla  
 Eric Tamm ~ Craig Tooley ~ Fran and John Torngquist ~ Dibby Tyler ~ Amy and Bob Van Syoc  
 Mary Visser ~ Elisabeth Watson ~ Robin Joy Wellman ~ Martha and Norm Wohlken ~ Bill Wong  
 Scott Woodland ~ Laura Yale ~ Theresa and Pasteur Yuen ~ **and Many Many More...!***



# Happy 50th Birthday



## 50th Birthday Committee

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Munger brought together musicians from Timber Cove north to Pt. Arena in a concert full of joy and beauty.

Susan Clark invited and then led a panel of significant people who were central players in the early days of TSR to share what it was like here back in the sixties and how they each contributed to what became The Sea Ranch. Each story told was riveting, including Reverdy Johnson, the author of our so very important CC&R's.

Sea Rancher of this Year, Donlyn Lyndon, recorded his own personal tour of The Sea Ranch that invites us to listen as we stroll past the first Sea Ranch buildings as he guides our understanding of the intention of our founders. His knowledge is a jewel to be treasured. Lu Lyndon worked to make this happen.

The Archives Committee is a wonderment of accomplishment! They have placed 25 new trail markers explaining our pre-Sea Ranch history, published a booklet on that history, and have also sponsored "Map Your Memories" project. You can't keep Doug Paul, Harry Lindstrom, or Phil Graf, down. They are up, up, up people. Peter Jenny was our very effective liaison to this high-achieving bunch.

Led by Sea Rancher Jackie Baas, and moderated by Donlyn Lyndon, nationally respected architecture critics analyzed the architecture of The Sea Ranch, past and future, in an intense full-day forum, "The Once and Future Sea Ranch," at our White Barn. When Jackie needed to raise some additional support funds, Paddy Batchelder jumped in and pulled off a great lobster feed for 120 people, just like that!

Sharon Albert created and directed our committee's unique presentations to the Midwinter meetings. She was determined that we were never going to simply read a stodgy report. One year she marched us through the audience with megaphones, kazoos, banners, and whoopie-do. Then next, she staged the first-ever 50th Birthday flash mob, and another year we flashed the



50th Birthday Performers

© Photo by Thom Matson

audience with our 50th Birthday T-Shirts hidden under trench coats. This year she staged a very crazy show to highlight the remaining events—I hope you did not miss the sight of our Community Manager lurching through the auditorium apparently drunk in his role as a 19th century Ft. Ross Russian. He was most convincing.

Jim Alinder produced the 24-month Sea Ranch Calendar with photographs by 27 photographers that was our first fundraiser to support our 50 events. We quickly sold out of all 1,000 copies. He also produced the 50th Birthday Guide, got the T-Shirts made, and designed our banner and had it printed. I could go on and on, but then I'll never hear the end of it when he gets home from work.



50th Birthday T-Shirt Booth

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Linda Balogh and Linda Frye—we call them our T-Shirt Queens. They have taken our 50th Birthday banner and Costco folding table and sold the heck out of those T-Shirts—Art in the Redwoods, various Sea Ranch events, at the Lodge, and at the Association office—our two Lindas have assured our finances with what they call, their little lemonade stand. Reminder: they are almost sold out, so if you want one, buy it now! Let the Lindas corral you at the Kronos Concerts.

And back to those all-Sea Ranch Potlucks. Enthusiastic and impeccable leadership was provided by the incomparable Ginny Rubin and the unsurpassed Richard Warmer. Wouldn't have, couldn't have happened without them. This power couple also worked closely with the Chapel Foundation for April's Chapel weekend filled with tours, talks, exhibitions, the renewal of vows, and an afternoon Forum, moderated by Dick, and all expertly led by Chapel Foundation member Marcia Nybakken.

The annual Soroptimist House Tour in May will be a tremendous feat. With Lisa Dundee, Executive Director of TSRA's Design, Compliance, and Environmental

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Management, acting as the advisor, ten architecturally important Sea Ranch buildings are available for touring. Buy your ticket to view historic houses designed by Obie Bowman, Charles Moore with Dimitri Vedensky, Donlyn Lyndon, William Turnbull, also one by Turnbull, Griffin Haesloop. In a wonderful opportunity, you can visit both the first house by Joseph Esherick and his last house by Esherick, Homsey, Dodge, and Davis. A sod-roofed home showcases new to Sea Ranch architects Millar & Sheine, and a creekside location for Jeffrey Teel's design. Bravos to the Soroptimists for this great birthday gift.

In honor of the birthday, Gualala Arts presents "The Home Show" during the entire month of May 2015. The call to artists asked them to interpret our local, coastal home in the medium of their choice. Working closely with the team at Gualala Arts, Dibby Tyler was not to be denied, her leadership was central to the process.

All through this entire year, the Communications Committee and its chair, Laurie Mueller, have brought focus on the 50th with their "Blasts from the Past," in the *Bulletin* written by Jan Gerst. Who knew that in 1969 there were only ten rental houses in all of The Sea Ranch?

What do the Architectural Forum, the Lobster Feed, the Classic Film Series, and three concerts by the Kronos Quartet have in common? They were all staged in perhaps the greatest symbol of The Sea Ranch: the Knipp-Stengel Barn, our White Barn. The Thespians, led by Carol Emory, and the Barnies, including George Rathmell, John Horn, Dick Soule, and Don Krieger were among the hard-working folks that made this possible. The Thespians sponsored a back stage tour, and Carol even personally repainted the risers for the Architectural Forum and the concerts. These are all 'let's get it done' people who are deeply appreciated by us.

Other Sea Ranch committees and groups helped to make the birthday year so robust by staging their own events and projects. They include: Website Committee, Trails Committee, Native Plant Committee, Solar Array Task Force, Coastal Stewardship Task Force, Pétanque, Posh Squash, Classic Films, Forum Committee, and the Equestrian Center. Thanks to each and every member of these groups for their spirited contributions.

A number of local businesses and groups also contributed to The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday. We are indebted to the Alinder Gallery, Four-Eyed Frog Bookstore, Gualala Arts, Gualala Lions Club, Gualala Rotary Club, Gualala Soroptimists, Gualala Super Market, KGUA radio, KTDE radio, Office Source, Pazzo Marco Creamery, Placewares, the Sea Ranch Lodge,

Spindrift Gallery, Surf Supermarket, Trinks, and Twofish Baking Company.

The Sea Ranch has the best community management and staff in the whole wide world. That is not hyperbole—nothing like working on a project like the 50th to get to know who keeps the wheels turning. Frank Bell, our super Community Manager, asked the Vision Committee and its chair, John Forenti, to take on the 50th Birthday. The 50th Birthday Committee is a sub-committee of the Vision Committee. Frank and John have been 100% supportive at every turn.

Janice Bonora is amazing. She can do no wrong in my book. As the Director of Administration and Management Services, she has guided us very carefully through a labyrinthian maze of requirements and challenges. We all owe immense thanks to Janice for leading the 50th Birthday to such a year of success. Without her, we would have had some epic failures.

Ellen Buechner, Director of Financial Services, has kept track of our finances, and thanks to the sales of calendars and T-Shirts and to some sizeable donations, this has been an amount of some \$100,000. Remember that all the events have been privately financed, not funded by TSRA.

Darrell Paige, Communications Specialist and Website Administrator, has created a real presence for the 50th Birthday in the pages of the *Bulletin* and in a very colorful way on TSRA website. A prime example of his abilities is the eye-catching illustration of the 50th Birthday cake decorated with the 200-plus names of our volunteers (see page 11). A shout-out also goes to Sara Windsor, TSRA IT Manager, for her fine assistance. Claire McCarthy, the editor of *Soundings*, has generously welcomed the 50th into those colorful pages, enabling us to better share the experience of the various events with Sea Ranchers unable to attend.

Thank goodness that Maria Linker, Manager of Member Services, maintains law and order for TSRA, scheduling events and venues without conflicts, one among her many jobs. Norma Jahn and Dayle Farina in the front office have cheerfully helped us in many ways, including selling T-Shirts. Chris Howard, Director of Safety and Security, and the patrol officers wisely advised on everything from parking to traffic congestions issues. John Prescott, Director of Facilities and Resources, and his Facilities crew, managed by Schus Schumacher, have been stellar in guaranteeing events are ready to go, chairs, tables, everything set up.

With warm thanks to all!



Mary Alinder, Chair  
The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday Committee

# BLAST into the FUTURE



Looking Ahead  
at TSR of Tomorrow



Who will chair the 100th Birthday Celebration?

Will we find a way to successfully Age in Place?

How many Electric Car Charging Stations will we have?

When will Fiber Optic service to the Home be completed?

Will the Bluffs stop eroding?



Will our cars be running on biomass?

How many Oral History Interviews will be preserved?

Will the Historic Markers bring more tourists?

How will Burbank Housing be resolved?

Will we build an Exhibit Center?

How many Audio Tours will we have?

What part of TSR might have received Historical Designation?



Time Machine

In honor of The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday  
by the Communication Committee



# Web "Site-ings"

Do you want to know more about the tsra.org website? Do you know what is available? Do you know how to navigate through the nearly 8,000 pages of information, to quickly and easily find what you are looking for? Well, this is the place where we will help you get the most out of the website. Starting this month and every other month thereafter, the *Bulletin* will bring you tips, tricks and short tutorials for getting the most out of the member website. We will also include a "teaser" box titled "**Did You Know**" with a nugget of information that will highlight something helpful, new, or both. So, let's get started.

First things first:

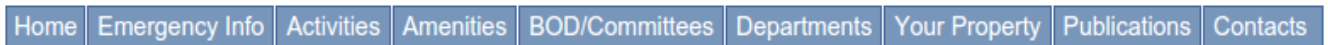
- 1. If you haven't already done so, sign up for the Members section (private side) of the website.** To sign up, fill out the 'Join Site' form that can be found in the small side menu found near the top left side of the Public Page ([www.tsra.org](http://www.tsra.org)) or contact [webmaster@tsra.org](mailto:webmaster@tsra.org) for additional information.

When filling out the Join Site form to sign up for the Website, you can also request to be placed on the list to receive email notifications (InfoAlerts) from the Association. The Community Manager and staff use these email notifications to alert you to important events, meetings, and postings on the Website.

When you sign in, please scroll down and click the check box to agree to our terms of service before clicking the Login button. So that you do not have to repeat this process routinely, it is OK to simply not log out.

- 2. Once you have logged in to the website, please go to the Owners Page and bookmark that page** so that you will see the latest announcements and news.

Get acquainted with the website layout. A good place to start is the menu bar along the top of the site. Information is arranged by topics as follows:



- 3. Simply click on the topic that interests you for a drop-down menu of additional selections.** Here are a couple to get you started:

Click on "**Publications.**" Then, click on "**Bulletin,**" and you will be taken to the Current Issue page for the *Bulletin*. In each section of the *Bulletin* pages, you will find a link provided for you to click and view the PDF of that issue online. Some are from as far back as 1998. You will notice that there is much more color in the PDF version than in the printed version. At the bottom of the Current Issue page is a link to past *Bulletins*. The website version of the *Bulletin* is typically posted on the website a week before the printed version is received by local members

- 4. Another interesting option is "Activities."** Click this menu item to see Ongoing Groups, Special Events, Children's Activities, and so much more. The **Website Calendar**, also found from the "Activities" drop-down menu, lists key meetings and events for the month. You can view past and future months as well.
- 5. Finally (for this month) you are strongly urged to enter your member information into the Member Directory.** It is protected by the security of the Members (private) section of the website and will let other members see your profile and get in touch with you. Simply click "Activities" once again and then click "**Member Directory.**" Members who have completed a profile are listed in alphabetical order. Click on the "Submit New Listing" button to add your information.

As a last note, if you would like to contribute to the management of the website, consider joining in as a committee member. No programming or specific website experience needed. We are looking for one or two new members. Please just drop an email to: [jon@schules.com](mailto:jon@schules.com) for more information about how this committee operates and how to sign up. You can also just complete the Volunteer Service Form found on the website and return it to the Association office.



Jon Loveless, Chair  
Website Committee

# Coastal Stewardship Task Force

## NEW LIFE IN OUR OCEAN—MARINE MAMMALS

Spring is evident all along our coast in various ways—from the migrating birds, the willows popping, the tall grasses blooming, the wind returning—but no more so than right along our bluff tops! April and May bring new life in our ocean, and we are indeed privileged to witness the births of our local residents' pups, the Harbor Seals. Particularly at Tidepool Rookery and for miles north and south of this rookery, you can witness the congregating of Harbor Seals on our beaches and rocks, as the females ready themselves to give birth in the first three weeks of April. Moms may appear restless and unable to get comfortable just before the birth starts. But don't look away, or you may miss the entire process—it usually happens very quickly!

Bonding starts immediately after the birth, and these pups can swim, see, nurse, and know their moms from the get go! They will remain with their mothers for approximately 60 days before Mom weans them. She has taught them to forage for food, climb rocks, and handle the surf before she lets them have a go on their own. Breeding is underway after weaning, and the entire process starts anew. The seals will distribute themselves up and down our coast and return once again next April to Tidepool Rookery for the birthing season.



Elephant Seal pup

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Along with the Harbor Seals, the months of April and May, bring the occasional “weaner” Elephant Seal pup to our beaches. Be on the lookout for them. They have been weaned from their mothers, but maybe haven't quite caught-on in the fishing lesson, as part of their survival skills. We often get these underweight pups on the beach, not doing much, but obviously needing some help. If you discover a “weaner” on your next beach walk, a call to the Marine Mammal Center would be in order. A picture of the animal is helpful if you have a cell phone handy (hint: they have black whiskers and no spots!).

Unfortunately, California Sea Lion pups are also washing up on our beaches in the last several weeks. These pups have been abandoned by mothers looking for food at deeper depths and farther out of range of their pups. The pups get hungry and leave to try to find food on their own. They are often unsuccessful, and wash up, malnourished and needing The Marine Mammal Center's help for rehabilitation. Many of these pups have not made it, and many have been found dead along the coast. Once again, if you encounter a live pup, a call to The Marine Mammal Center is in order (*see box below for contact information*).



Harbor Seal mom and pup

© Photos by Craig Tooley

Whether you are looking at Harbor Seal pups, encountering an Elephant Seal or finding a California Sea Lion, look further out and you may see Humpback Whales or our Gray Whales migrating north with their calves. Often during this time of year, those pairs are moving slower and closer in to shore. You may be lucky to see breaching, spy-hopping, spouting, and whale tails as they dive deeper. Calm days are the best, and a flat ocean makes it even better! This year we should also be on the lookout for a transient group of Orcas, heading south with a baby orca—a rare occurrence to witness.

Keep your eyes open and your binoculars handy! We live in a magical, natural setting that is unsurpassed for witnessing nature in all its glory. So get out there in the next couple of months and enjoy this marine life at its finest!



Laura Cortright  
Seal Docent Program Coordinator

### **(415) 289-SEAL or (415) 289-7325!**

Please report marine mammals that appear to be ill, abandoned or in danger. You'll help The Marine Mammal Center provide a humane response to these animals by giving them a second chance at life and at the same time, help researchers with their ongoing studies.



## GOING NATIVE: AS THE WELL RUNS DRY

*“And it never failed that during the dry years the people forgot about the rich years, and during the wet years they lost all memory of the dry years. It was always that way.” — John Steinbeck, East of Eden*

Drought. Like earthquakes, drought is part of the California experience. You may not be able to predict it, but you know it is inevitable. Reading up on the NASA studies claiming this is the worst multi-year drought in 1200 years, looking at the USGS and NOAA maps showing California becoming red and redder, thinking about the April 1 Sierra snowpack measure being 5% of normal, I wondered once again how I could further curtail our household water usage. The Sonoma County 2014 average was 110 gallons per capita per day. Here that would probably be lower by about 30 gallons a day, given our lack of lawns and large outdoor landscaped areas.



Oregon Grape

© Photo by Barbara Rice

We have already cut quite a bit of water use. Still, looking at our bill showing 12 months usage, I see that we increase usage by about 30% in the summer. Most of that must be supplemental watering of outdoor plantings. I've already replaced many water thirsty plantings with California natives that are more adapted to drought. This summer I may try not watering at all, except for plants in pots. Even some natives are thirstier than others, and we don't live in a riparian area.

Sonoma County Master Gardeners has now compiled a list of “Very Drought Tolerant Plants”, including:

- Coyote Bush, *Baccharis pilularis*
- Silk Tassel Bush, *Garrya elliptica*
- Toyon, *Heteromeles arbutifolia*
- Oregon Grape, *Berberis nervosa*, *Berberis aquifolium*
- Coffeeberry, *Frangula californica*
- Snowberry, *Symphoricarpos albus*
- Yarrow, *Achillea millefolium*
- Coastal Sagewort, *Artemisia pycnocephala*
- California Poppy, *Eschscholzia californica*
- Douglas Iris, *Iris douglasiana*
- Coyote Mint, *Monardella villosa*
- California Wild Grape, *Vitis californica*

You may read more about these on the Association website under Your Property/Plantings, and see them at the Demonstration Native Plant Garden at the Ohlson Recreation Center. There are many California native Salvias, though none native to our coast. The closest is probably Creeping Sage, *Salvia sonomensis*, which grows more inland. *Salvia spathacea*, Hummingbird Sage, is native to the central and south coast of California. All of these species are known to be good habitat plants for birds, butterflies, and beneficial insects. These Salvias may only be planted within enclosed patios or courtyards as they are not native to The Sea Ranch.

If some of my existing plants don't make it this summer without watering, I'll be looking for these species to plant in the fall... if it rains.

**Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 23rd, for a little work in the Demonstration Garden, south of Ohlson Ranch House.**



Barbara Rice,  
Native Plant Committee

## SUCCESSFUL 50-50 HIKERS!

Congratulations to the following people and dogs who have hiked the entire 50-mile trail system in The Sea Ranch 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Year.

### PEOPLE

Doug Baker	Molly McDermott
Linda Baker	Rich Roberts
Nigel Blair-Johns	Deb Scheffel
Karen Gudiksen	Diana Souverbielle
Kathy Kretchmer	Jesakka Tarr
Harold Mann	Elisabeth Watson

### DOGS

Beau Watson Blair-Johns  
Katie-Louise Souverbielle-Tarr  
Pinkerton Souverbielle-Tarr  
Todhunter Souverbielle-Tarr



# Trails Committee



Stand at the South End of TSR © Photo by Elisabeth Watson

## AZALEA SPOTTING

When we first came to The Sea Ranch, my images of the beauty of our trails were in blue and green. Spring wildflowers and lupine added some variety, but the trees and the sea colored our world. When our first May rolled around, I was in for a surprise. The yellow, salmon, pink and white of our Western Azalea, *Rhododendron occidentale*, and the pink *Rhododendron macrophyllum* have a “wow” factor that I didn’t expect to find on the trail. I was suffering from a common bias that native, while beautiful, can also be a little, well, dull. Wrong.

Just to be sure, I checked with Scott Graf, the Native Plant Guy, and yes, they are native. Our azaleas grow in boggy, marshy, and riparian areas. As well as being colorful, they are our most fragrant native and have colorful foliage in the Fall. They also attract hummingbirds and bumblebees.

Given the drought and our strange weather, I wondered if our azaleas would be struggling and there wouldn’t be much to see this year. Also, a few have bloomed early, along with the other plants who are as confused weather wise as to what time of year it is, as are we. But Scott says that he’s seen sporadic blooming in other years and we’ve both seen buds and nascent leaves that are about to pop. So it looks like we’ll get our annual treat again this year.

Look for our azaleas anywhere in wet areas (except for the Salal Trail – a mystery yet to be solved), but here are a few favorites:

- At Trail Post (TP) 49, the connector to Tide Pool is magical. The azaleas grow up and overhead, forming a canopy of blooms. Continue up Sea Drift where they are the tallest I’ve seen on the Ranch along the stream north of the road.

- Yes, you guessed it – the Azalea Loop Trail is a good spot. Take the western section of the loop for banks of bushes along the trail. Continue on to the Chapel Trail where the azaleas grow along the stream and behind the Chapel.
- If you’re walking the Pomo Hillside Trail, continue along the north end of Deer Trail to see some plantings among the homes.
- If you’re walking on the south end, the public access trail at TP 9 has some beautiful clumps along the stream. Or go up to Fly Cloud Road, just south of Annapolis Road, and look both up and down the ravine. Check out the view of the blossoms with the ocean in the background.
- And if you play golf, stop for a moment on the 16th fairway. The stream (the one that has swallowed several of your golf balls) is a mass of blooms. Look east and you’ll see: more in the boggy areas bordering the Commons, and those of us on Tallgrass.



View toward the 16th fairway. © Photo by Elisabeth Watson

- The rhododendrons like our redwood forests. As you walk along the Ridge Trail, look up. The pink blooms rise as high as 30 feet. You’ll find a rhododendron grove around Tank 8 (preserved during construction thanks to the efforts of Facilities and Resources) and along Sea Forest Drive. There are also some lovely specimens on Crow’s Nest. Keep a look out in the CTPZ as well.
- Of course, there are also specimens in the Native Plant Garden. Look for the azaleas in wetter areas located in the south meadow near the willows and along the north fence.

If you haven’t finished ‘your’ 50/50, or even if you have, you have yet another reason to get out there. See you on the trails.



Elisabeth Watson  
Trails Committee

## NATURE WALK

...learning in our Sea Ranch environs

**Topic:** EXPLORING OUR TIDEPOOLS

**Date:** Saturday, June 6

**Time:** 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Meet:** Ohlson Recreation Center large parking lot at 9:00 a.m. (no later) to carpool (or hike) to site.



**Difficulty:** Moderate. Includes balancing and climbing on slippery rocks. Walking stick highly recommended. Please, no pets or children under 6.

Sea Rancher Bob Van Syoc, Ph.D., Research Fellow at the California Academy of Sciences, will once again lead this popular nature walk.

Bob, a marine biologist specializing in barnacles, will help us find sea stars, sponges, mussels, sea urchins, barnacles, limpets, and much, much more. The tide will be low at 9:00 a.m., so this walk starts a little earlier than usual. Do wear appropriate shoes for scrambling on slippery rocks and ones that you don't mind getting wet. A walking stick will provide extra support.

**Coordinators:** Jim and Marcia Nybakken, [jnybakken@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jnybakken@sbcglobal.net) or 785-3075

## NATURE WALK

...learning in our Sea Ranch environs

**Topic:** EXPLORING OUR FOREST

**Date:** Saturday, June 20

**Time:** 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Meet:** Ohlson Recreation Center large parking lot

**Difficulty:** Moderate - includes some fairly steep trails. Please, no pets, or children under 6.



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Matt Greene, Registered Professional Forester and Biological Consultant, will lead this nature walk. Matt has been retained by the TSRA to develop a Non Industrial Timber Management Plan (NTMP) for our 285 acre forest, otherwise known as the Central Timber Production Zone. In the course of the walk Matt will discuss the many provisions of the draft NTMP, which will probably be considered by the Board of Directors at its June 27th meeting. Matt will point out trees that have been marked for harvesting, as well as the protections that will be taken to minimize impacts and to ensure the long-term health of the forest.

Do wear appropriate shoes for hiking trails that may get steep in places. A walking stick will provide extra support.

**Coordinators:** Jim and Marcia Nybakken, [jnybakken@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jnybakken@sbcglobal.net) or 785-3075

## SATURDAY HIKE

**SATURDAY, MAY 16**

**Hike:** We will leave Ohlson Recreation Center and make our way south down to the Bluff Trail, hoping to catch the seals off Green Cove Drive during a low tide. The seal numbers can vary from 0 - 50+! We will then make our way further south past Smuggler's Cove and Pebble Beach and go as far as the infamous Arch Rock, which caved into the water years back. We will return one of two different ways: north along the Bluff Trail, or along the forest edge next to Hwy 1 catching sight of the great, lost Heron - if luck is with us!



**Location and Time:** Meet at the Ohlson Recreation Center parking lot at 1:00 p.m.

**Difficulty:** Mostly level walking for about an hour and a half.

**Hike Leader:** David Rubinoff [dbrub48@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dbrub48@sbcglobal.net)

**Coordinator:** Lisa Sander [sassylisa59@att.net](mailto:sassylisa59@att.net)

## SUNDAY BIKE

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21 (NOT Saturday)**

**Bike (NOT Hike):** And now for something completely different! By popular demand (we hope), we are introducing Bikes, instead of Hikes, a few times per year. You have finished hiking your 50/50 and now want a new way to spend an hour or two with Dad on Father's Day. We will start biking from the Ohlson Recreation Center (ORC) parking lot and follow the streets and unpaved bike links as far as we can go towards The Sea Ranch Lodge. After a brief stop, we will re-trace the bike route back to Ohlson. The total distance will be just over six miles.



**Location and Time:** Meet at the Ohlson Recreation Center parking lot at 10:00 a.m.

**Difficulty:** This is a relatively easy ride to familiarize folks with the only bike route between ORC and the south end, west of Highway 1. Because certain places of these bike links are rough, we recommend mountain bikes (or other fat-tired bikes) and helmets. Dogs are discouraged. Look forward to more challenging rides in the future.

**Hike Leader:** Eric Agnew, [eagnew@mindspring.com](mailto:eagnew@mindspring.com) and Michael Bloom

**Coordinator:** Lisa Sander, [sassylisa59@att.net](mailto:sassylisa59@att.net) Bob Mulford, [cdmulford@aol.com](mailto:cdmulford@aol.com)

# Safety & Security Services

## SUMMARY OF CALLS • MARCH 2015

TYPE OF CALL	MARCH		YEAR TO DATE		TOTAL
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2014
ALARMS	6	5	19	12	53
ANIMAL RELATED	42	22	92	77	446
ASSISTANCE - LAW ENFORCEMENT	20	15	69	51	266
ASSIST MEMBER/RENTER	93	67	245	168	982
ASSOCIATION INITIATED ACTION	13	13	43	44	202
** BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	2
* CC&R VIOLATIONS	81	64	202	183	905
CHECK THE WELFARE	2	1	2	7	13
DISTURBANCE - NOISE	2	1	4	5	37
DISTURBANCE - OTHER	5	1	10	3	27
FIRE	0	0	0	0	6
HAZARDS (TREES, WIRES DOWN, ETC)	9	5	38	25	125
MEDICAL AID	8	2	24	15	68
MISCELLANEOUS	24	24	75	73	359
MISSING/LOST PERSON	0	1	1	1	7
SEC. DEPT. INITIATED ACTION	197	198	606	611	2698
SUSPICIOUS PERSON/VEHICLE	44	58	143	152	693
THEFT	1	0	1	4	8
TRESPASS PERSON/VEHICLE	23	23	67	70	360
VANDALISM/PROPERTY DAMAGE	1	5	11	7	33
VEHICLE ACCIDENT	1	0	4	2	8
WARNING NOTICES ISSUED	29	30	81	101	469

\* Most CC&R violations are resolved daily in the field.

\*\* June 2014 - Unit 4

\*\* November 2014 - Unit 19

\*\* Burglary - Sonoma Co. Sheriff's Dept. jurisdiction



*Chris Howard*  
Director of Safety & Security Services



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SUMMARY • DESIGN REVIEWS • MARCH 2015

<b>Preliminary Site Visits (PSV)</b>	1
42055 Rock Cod (35B-0-057)	
<b>Submittals for Design Committee</b>	
New Home	
Conceptual	2
Preliminary **	0
Final	1
Revision	1
Home Addition	
Conceptual	0
Preliminary **	1
Final	2
Revision	1
Miscellaneous	1
<b>Submittals for DCEM Staff</b>	
Additions/Modifications	3
Exterior Finish	10
Landscaping	4
Repair/Replace	9
Roofing	5
Tree Proposals	27
Misc.	5
<b>Staff Reviews/Inspections</b>	
Total Staff Decisions	71
Compliance Inspections	38
<b>CC&amp;R Violations</b>	
New Violations	0
Resolved Violations	0
Total Violations	2
<b>Permits Issued</b>	
Encroachment	5
Percolation/Septic	0
Construction	
New Home	1
Addition	1
Demolition	0
<b>Construction Completions</b>	
New Homes	0
Additions	0
<b>Total Homes</b>	<b>1797</b>
<b>Homes Under Construction</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total Undeveloped Lots</b>	<b>481</b>
<b>Total Number of Properties</b>	<b>2284</b>

\*\* Neighboring owners within 300' are routinely notified when preliminary plans have been submitted for a new residence and are invited to examine the plans at our office and to submit their written comments prior to the scheduled date of review.

**MOWING SEASON IS UPON US**

Association crews will be out mowing: trails, around facilities, by roadsides, and at Highway 1 entrances. For their safety and yours, please pay attention to speed limits and traffic safety devices set out by the crews.

*Facilities & Resources*



**POOL CLOSURE DURING 2015 COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS**

The Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool will be closed to public swimming during the following registration and lesson periods of the Community Swim Lessons:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
June 12	2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
June 15 - 19	2:00 - 7:00 p.m.
June 22 - 26	2:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Please plan to use the Del Mar Center Pool or the Moonraker Pool during these times.



**ROADSIDE BRANCH COLLECTION SERVICE**  
*(Third Week of each Month)*

**Upcoming Collections Begin:**

**May 18 & June 15**

**Remember, you must sign up for this service by 3:00 p.m. on the Saturday preceding the collection week.**

**Please keep vegetation debris piles off the road areas.**

See the Association website for more information and to submit your service request online ('Departments' menu / select "Forms & Information Sheets'), or call the Association office at 707-785-2444.

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

# Recreation Information for Members, Guests & Renters

## SWIMMING POOLS & TENNIS COURTS

### Del Mar Center (DMC)

Location: 40600 Leeward Rd. - west side of Highway 1 (mile marker 56.88), turn on Deer Trail.  
Facilities: Large outdoor heated pool (40 ft. wide x 82 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, 2 tennis courts.

**Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October**  
Pool: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise  
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Open swim  
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

***Tennis reservation sheets are available every Monday at 7:00 a.m.  
Use of courts is first-come, first-served on weekends & holidays.***

**Winter Hours: November 1st - End of April**  
Pool: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise  
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. - Open swim  
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### Ohlson Recreation Center (ORC)

Location: 37600 Highway 1 - west side (mile marker 53.76), enter south of Knipp-Stengel Barn.  
Facilities: Large outdoor heated pool (28 ft. wide x 82 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, 3 tennis courts, half-court basketball, volleyball court (basketball & volleyball available upon request at ORC kiosk).

**Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October**  
Pool: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Lap swim & Aquatic exercise  
1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Open swim  
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

***Tennis reservation sheets are available every Friday at noon.***

**Winter Hours: November 1st - End of April**  
Pool: Closed during winter season  
Tennis: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### Moonraker Recreation Center

Location: 35336 Moonraker Rd. - west side of Highway 1 (mile marker 51.06).  
Facilities: Small outdoor heated pool (20 ft. wide x 33 ft. long + shallow area), saunas, tennis courts.

**Summer Hours: May 1st - End of October**  
Pool: 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Tennis: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

***Tennis reservation sheets are available every Saturday at 8:00 a.m.***

**Winter Hours: November 1st - End of April**  
Pool: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Tennis: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**All Members, guests and renters must present TSRA Identification Passes at all recreation centers.**

# Recreation Information for Members, Guests & Renters

**Members, please leave this page in your homes for your guests and renters.  
Renters, please call your Rental Agency for further information.**

## THE SEA RANCH LIBRARY

Motto: "Donate, Borrow, and Return"  
Location: Ohlson Ranch House - Highway One, mile marker 53.76 at Ohlson Recreation Center.  
Hours: Daily 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Books can be donated from your own library for others to borrow. Please return borrowed books within two weeks to keep them in circulation.

Reminder for Members: Kindly check your shelves at home to see if you have a book with The Sea Ranch Library stamp that you may have neglected to return and bring it to the Ohlson Ranch House as soon as possible. Members who rent their homes are especially urged to see that Sea Ranch Library books don't languish on their shelves.

## WiFi ACCESS

**Available at Del Mar Center House & Hall and Ohlson Ranch House  
Facilities open daily**

Instructions for access are posted at each location. Please be considerate of others' enjoyment of the facility. If you are in a room using WiFi and a TSRA group has a scheduled meeting there, please move to another area.

## OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS

***(If your group is planning a picnic or other activity, call the Association at 785-2444 for calendar information.)***

### **One-Eyed Jack's Playground**

Leeward Road between Units 24 & 28 – Picnic tables and barbecue available.

### **The Hot Spot**

On the Gualala River at the end of River Beach Road, Unit 14. Picnic tables and barbecues are available, but area is subject to closure during winter months.

## MAPS & GUIDES

**The Sea Ranch Trails Map:** Includes: Units, streets, beach & bluff access, parking areas, trails with numbered trail posts, etc. 2014 Trails Map - Price \$5.00 each.

**Guides/Booklets:** Wildlife, marine life, trails & walks, wildflowers, history and development of The Sea Ranch. Prices vary. See the Association website for details.

**Available at The Sea Ranch Association Office – 975 Annapolis Road  
Tuesday through Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

## I.D. INFORMATION

**The Sea Ranch Association (TSRA) requires Members, guests and renters to:**

- **Display TSRA Vehicle Permits in their vehicles.**
- **Carry TSRA I.D. while using any Recreational Facility.**
- **Show TSRA I.D. to register for pools and to reserve tennis courts.**

***If additional recreational facility passes are needed for a specific date, Members and renters (with TSRA I.D.) may purchase Day Use Identification Passes for \$5.00 (per person, per day) at the Association Office during office hours.***

# Community Information

## 36th ANNUAL COMMUNITY SWIM LESSONS

The Sea Ranch Association will host the 36th Annual Community Swim Program, sponsored by the Redwood Coast Recreation Center and the Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District. The local contact for this program will be Linda Perez, 884-3121.

Swim lessons will be scheduled from June 15th through June 26th, 2015 – Monday through Friday, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cost of the entire two-week program is \$65 per child, with some partial scholarships available. Each of the lessons will be 30 minutes in length. Lessons are intended for children from infants to age 17.

Registration for swim lessons will be Friday, June 12, 2015, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool. On registration day, children (except for infants) must be dressed to go into the water for a short swim evaluation to determine the appropriate class placement.

The Ohlson Recreation Center Swimming Pool will be closed to public swimming during the registration and lesson periods. Please plan to use the Del Mar Center Pool or the Moonraker Pool during these times.

Once again, The Sea Ranch Association is very proud to help the community in promoting water safety by hosting the Community Swim Lessons Program.



Lynn Bailey  
Association Clerk and Recorder

### COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

These Committee meetings are open to the TSRA Membership, and all Members are encouraged to attend and learn how the committee process at The Sea Ranch works. Please note that a Committee meeting is not a TSRA Board Meeting. These Committees are not authorized to act on behalf of TSRA, but only to advise the Community Manager or the Board. Even if a quorum of Directors happens to be present at one of these meetings, no Board deliberations, decisions, or actions will take place; nor will any individual Board Member announce his or her position or potential future vote on any issue or outcome under discussion. Should the Board choose to consider any recommendation or option arising from these Committee meetings, the matter shall be agendized and fully analyzed, discussed, and decided at a subsequent noticed Board Meeting, with full opportunity for Member review and input at that time.



Committee meeting minutes are posted on the Association website: [www.tsra.org](http://www.tsra.org). Since circumstances sometimes require that meeting dates and times be changed, please contact the Association office at 707-785-2444 for confirmation.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Archives	1st Friday	3:00 - 4:30	DMC Room #1
Coastal Stewardship TF (prev. CCNM)	May 13, Jul 8	3:00 - 5:00	DMC Room #1
Commons Landscape	Apr 18, Jun 20	2:00 - 5:00	ORH
Communication	3rd Friday	3:00 - 5:00	TSRA Office
Finance	Apr 4, Jun 6	9:00 - Noon	DMC Room #1
Gardens	Contact Association Office	3:00 - 5:00	DMC Room #2
Native Plant	Jun 19	2:00 - 4:00	ORH
Planning	2nd Saturday	9:00 - Noon	ORH
Security	Contact Association Office	TBD	TBD
Solar Array Task Force	Mar 23	9:00 - Noon	TSRA Office
Trails	3rd Saturday	9:00 - 10:30	ORH
Utilities	3rd Saturday	9:00 - Noon	DMC Room #1
Vision	May 8, Jul 10	3:00 - 5:00	DMC Room #2
Website	1st Saturday	10:00 - 11:30	TSRA Office

DMC = Del Mar Center ORH = Ohlson Ranch House



# Neighborhood Parties

## Unit 24 Party

### 21ST ANNUAL GATHERING OF UNIT 24ERS

Mark Your Calendar Now!

**DATE:** Saturday, May 16, 2015


**TIME:** 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** One-Eyed Jack's Playground

All Unit 24 home and lot owners are invited to the 21st Annual Unit 24 celebration.

As in the past, the Unit 24 committee will supply refreshments and picnic supplies, and asks other party-goers to bring finger food to share. A \$4.00 donation per person will be gratefully accepted at the party to help defray expenses. If you need more information, please call Joe & Jeanette Cayting at 707-785-1911.


This annual gathering is a great time to reconnect with old neighbors and meet new ones before the summer season gets into full swing. Houseguests are welcome.

—  — Joe & Jeanette Cayting

## Having a Holiday Party? Hosting a Group Gathering?

Providing TSRA Vehicle Permits for your non-Sea Ranch guests' vehicles is a Member responsibility. Let us help ensure that your company will have an enjoyable visit. We can provide you with additional Parking Passes and have our Security Department assess the parking availability at your location, and provide cones if needed.

Call Member Services at 707-785-2444 with the date, time, location, and number of Vehicle Permits needed. Early notification (1 week) is helpful!

—  — Member Services

## THE SEA RANCH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT



# MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

# B.B.Q.

SUNDAY  
MAY 24th  
NOON-3PM  
ONE-EYED JACK'S PLAYGROUND



GAMES FOR THE KIDS  
SMOKEY BEAR



HAMBURGERS  
VEGGIE BURGERS  
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HOT LINKS  
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or call 884-3444.

# Community Information

## THE SEA RANCH CLASSIC FILM 2015 SCHEDULE



**May 6\* Mary Poppins (1964)**  
Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke star in Disney's Academy Award winning story of a most unusual nanny's effect on the Banks family in 1910 London.



\* Note: Date change from original schedule.

Jul 8	<i>M. Hulot's Holiday</i>	Jacques Tati
Aug 12	<i>Bad Day at Black Rock</i>	Spencer Tracy
Oct 7	<i>Singin' in the Rain</i>	Gene Kelly

All films are on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Knipp-Stengel Barn (dress warmly). Free admission, coffee, and popcorn to Sea Ranchers and their guests. Sea Ranch Members who would like to be notified by email of upcoming Sea Ranch Classic Film showings can send their email address to [gwr@mcn.org](mailto:gwr@mcn.org).

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**[SEARANCHCONNECT.ORG](http://SEARANCHCONNECT.ORG)**

## THE SEA RANCH FORUM Presents

### The Future of The Sea Ranch "Signature" Hedgerows

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**

**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Del Mar Center Hall**



- What is the history of these 100 year old cypress hedgerows?
- What is their current condition?
- How can we preserve our enjoyment of them for future generations?
- What is the hedgerow replanting program?

Join us for a beautiful slideshow featuring the photography of Paul Kozal and others.

Presentations and discussion will be led by Nancy Scarola, Dibby Tyler, Elaine Lawson, Ray Jackman, Perk Perkins, Barbara Rice, and Jackie Gardener, current members of the TSR Hedgerow Rehabilitation subcommittee.

#### **Save the Date for the Next Forum:**

**June 6th: Climate Change:  
Why are Scientists So Concerned?**

*For further information about these and other Sea Ranch Forums, please contact Forum Chair Leigh Mueller at [leighmueller@earthlink.net](mailto:leighmueller@earthlink.net)*

# CALENDAR — ONGOING GROUPS/ACTIVITIES — CALENDAR

## DEL MAR GARDENERS

Wednesdays – 9:00 a.m. to Noon - DMC  
Call Dave Osteraas 785-9633

## DEMONSTRATION GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

4th Saturday 10:00 a.m. Demonstration Garden, ORC  
Contact Scott Graf 884-9900, [scott@floriferous.com](mailto:scott@floriferous.com)

## MADRIGAL SINGERS

For more information call:  
Marjie Van Gunten 785-3408

## MAH-JONGG GROUP

Wednesdays – DMC Living Room  
Call Lynn Coombs 785-1058

## PETANQUE

Wednesdays & Saturdays – 10:00 a.m.  
One-Eyed “Jacque’s”  
Call George Rathmell 785-2989

## SENIOR AEROBICS

Tuesdays - 9:00 a.m. DMC Hall  
Call Denny Gold 785-2208

## SENIOR STRENGTH TRAINING

Monday and Thursday – DMC Hall  
Call Sue Denevan 785-2597

## STRETCH YOUR LIMITS

Thursdays 12:15 - 1:15 p.m., DMC Hall  
Denny Gold 785-2208

## TEAM SEA RANCH

Bicycling for fun & fitness.  
Call Michele Chaboudy 785-9209

## THE SEA RANCH BRIDGE GROUP

Last Friday of month 12:45 to 4:45 p.m. – ORH  
For reservations call Doris Constenius 785-3260

## THE SEA RANCH FLYING SOCIETY

Pilots & Non-Pilots Welcome  
Contact Jim DeWilder 785-2764, [jdewilder@earthlink.net](mailto:jdewilder@earthlink.net)

## THE SEA RANCH KNITTING GROUP

Mondays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. DMC  
Lynn Tuft 785-3392

## THE SEA RANCH RACQUET CLUB

Tennis or Pickle Ball contacts.  
Tennis: Gary Peterson 785-3049 / Marvis Forst 785-3823  
Pickle Ball: Dave Bess 785-1154

## THE SEA RANCH THESPIANS

[www.searanchthespians.com](http://www.searanchthespians.com)  
Call Carol Emory 785-2548

## WATER EXERCISE GROUP – Del Mar Pool

Monday through Friday – 7:30 a.m.  
Call Dorothy Stevenson 785-3374  
or Marianne Baxter 785-9513  
Mon.-Wed.-Fri. – 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.  
Call Nancy Carter 785-3504

## WOMEN'S GOLF

Play Days: Tuesday and Thursday – 9:00 a.m.  
Co-Captains: Sharon Hiles 785-3055,  
Doreen Arthur 785-1129

## YOGA

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.  
DMC Hall, Call Steven Winningham 785-2939

## ZUMBA DANCE EXERCISE

Wednesdays – DMC Hall  
4:00 to 5:30 p.m, Call Jan Fogel 785-1789

(Note: Since date, time, and location of meetings and events are subject to change, please verify them first with TSRA office.)

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

**Regular Session(s):** 4/25/2015, 6/27/2015  
*4th Saturday of every other month, 1:00 p.m. at Del Mar Center Hall*

**COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE** [p. 24]

**ROADSIDE BRANCH COLLECTION** – begins 3rd Mon. [p. 21]

### ONGOING 50TH EVENTS THAT HAVE LAUNCHED:

**TSR Audio Walking Tour:** *Spons. by 50th Bday Committee\**

**Sea Ranch Bingo:** *Sponsored by the Website Committee\**

**Historic Markers:** *Sponsored by the Archives Committee\**

**50 - 50 Hike:** *Sponsored by the Trails Committee\**

\* For more information on these events: see the Website Calendar and The Guide To The Sea Ranch 50th Birthday Events at [www.tsra.org](http://www.tsra.org)

**THESPIANS: Same Time, Next Year** - 4/23 - 26

*4:00 p.m. at Knipp-Stengel Barn, Reservations necessary (140 seats)*

**HAZMOBILE:** 4/24 - 25 [p. 7]

*Household Hazardous Waste Collection*

*9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the North Fire Station, Hwy 1*

**SPRING NATIVE PLANT FAIR** - 4/25 (see [April Bulletin](#) for details)\*

*10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the ORC / Demonstration Garden*

**CELEBRATION OF HOME: Launch Exhibition** - 5/1\*

*Gualala Arts Center, May 1st - 31st (Public)*

*Opening Reception, May 1st at 5:00 p.m. Exhibit through May 31st*

**MAY NATURE WALK: "Wildflower Walk"** - 5/2

*10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, meet at the ORC large parking lot*

**ARCHIVES PRESENTATION: Monarch Glen Walk** - 5/2 [p. 9]

*1:00 p.m., walk and talk, begins at One-Eyed Jack's cabin*

**FORUM: Future of TSR "Signature" Hedgerows** - 5/2 [p. 26]

*3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall*

**CLASSIC FILM: Mary Poppins** - 5/6\* [p. 26]

*7:30 p.m. at the Knipp-Stengel Barn*

**SOROPTOMISTS ARCHITECTURAL TOUR** - 5/9\*

*10:00 a.m., see April 2015 'Bulletin' for more information.*

**CLC WORKSHOP: AREA 7, WORKSHOP 2** - 5/16

*1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall*

**MAY SATURDAY HIKE** - 5/16 [p. 19]

*1:00 p.m. at the Ohlson Recreation Center parking lot*

**WORLD PREMIERE by THE KRONOS QUARTET** - 5/23\*

*11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Knipp-Stengel (White) Barn*

*Advance reservations required. Add'l concert dates listed below.*

**ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING** - 5/23 [p. 8]

*Voting - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Del Mar Center Hall*

*Meeting reconvenes at 1:30 p.m. at the Del Mar Center Hall*

**WORLD PREMIERE by THE KRONOS QUARTET** - 5/23\*

*4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Knipp-Stengel (White) Barn*

*Advance reservations required. Add'l concert date listed below.*

**TSRVFD MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND BBQ** - 5/24 [p. 25]

*12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m. at One-Eyed Jack's Playground*

**WORLD PREMIERE by THE KRONOS QUARTET** - 5/24\*

*4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Knipp-Stengel (White) Barn*

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