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OCTOBER is Fire Prevention Month !

Mike's Retiring again!
And everyone is so sad to see him go!

But we are welcoming Crooked River Ranch resident, Dan McRae,
as Mike's replacement. He's got big shoes to fill.



Mike Knoke and Dan McRae

Mike Knoke, our General Maintenance Supervisor retired – again -
on September 15, 2023. Mike originally began working for Crooked
River Ranch in 2005, retiring the first time in 2017. We were fortunate to
have Mike return to work in 2020 after a three year break. His depth of
knowledge, professionalism and understanding of the Ranch is un-
matched. Thank you Mike for your dedication and hard work over the 15
years you served the Crooked River Ranch community.

More pics on page 2.....

**Did you know that cooking fires are the leading
cause of home fires and home fire injuries?**

Cooking safety starts with YOU.



Check out our
Fire prevention
Tips on
page 17.



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**Pay attention
to fire prevention.™**

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Here are just a few people who showed up for Mike's going away luncheon. Mike is talking with Judy LaPora, ranch manager (upper left) who spent the prior evening cooking up the pulled pork for BBQ sandwiches, coleslaw, yummy beans, and chips. There were plenty of deserts too—a going away cake, cookies, and mini bitesize cupcakes.

Mike's Retiring again!

CRFD Chief Sean Hartley (bottom left) wishing the best to Mike. Mark and Maria Inman next to Mark Stanton wishing Mike well on his new future. (bottom right).

It was certainly a great send off, but we all told Mike not to stay away, he should come visit us and keep us up on all the things he's doing in *retired* life!



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Lion's club kiddie
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October 29th

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little ones, contact
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candy, that would be
great too!

There will be food and drink
specials that evening for every-
one.





CRR Men’s Golf Club

October 2023 – Newsletter
By: John Smallwood, President

The tournament for September was the “**The Triple Six**”. The tournament combines “Best Ball”, “Chapman” and “Scramble” into one round of golf. The teams play six holes of each type of game and the best NET score wins. Confusing?? It can be, but it is a lot of fun. The results of our Triple Six tournament are listed below.

Flight 1		
1 st	Chris Arnold / Michael Callagan	64
T2nd	Bruce Beyer / David Linkel	65
T2nd	Dennis Cooper / Gary Molder	65
T2nd	Dennis Glender / Herb Parker	65

Flight 2		
1 st	Monty Modrell / David Kervin	60
2 nd	Eric Price / Wes Price	63
3 rd	Jim Teske / Jack Martin	66
T4th	Joe Griffin / Jim Griffin	68
T4th	Odie Carter / JD McCulloch	68

This summer I personally observed and in one case (was a “victim” of), some interesting “Golf Rule” situations. The first was on hole #3, a short par 4 hole. Most normal golfers (like me) can use a driver on this hole and not get into too much trouble. One day I was in a foursome with Steve McCann. Steve is known to hit a long ball and likes to try and reach the green from his tee shot. On this day, Steve pulled his tee shot to the left and found his ball sitting on a rock near the #4-hole tee area. This area is not designated as a free drop area (like the landscaped area near #7 green). The foursome determined the rules required Steve to play the ball as it lies (*see the picture below*). It turns out this was the correct ruling. Not to keep a good man down, Steve proceeded to chip on to the green and make “PAR”. Fantastic shot I must say.



On another occasion, I was the “victim” of a golf ruling. I was just off the green on hole #2 on my second shot. This being a par four hole, all I had to do was make a good chip and sink the putt. My skills in the chipping department are known far and wide... (good and bad). I made my chip; it was rolling past the hole and would have been about 4 feet from the hole. However, Mr. Chris Arnald was walking behind the hole as I made my chip and (he “says”) inadvertently kicked my ball off the green and into the area I like to call the “valley of death”. Not knowing for sure what the correct ruling is for this situation, I played the ball as it lies and made a smooth double bogey. Mr. Pat Fahey looked up the golf rules that cover this situation and found the right call was made, “play the ball as it lay.” (*See the picture below of Chris reenacting the inadvertent offence*).



Interesting Fact:

The title of “largest-growing sport in America” belongs to golf. That’s if we use the more contemporary and comprehensive definition of golf, which comprises various forms of “grassless” participation where people swing clubs and hit balls at real and/or virtual targets.

Millennials are on track to overtake all other age demographics as the largest market share in golf. Brands are positioning themselves to take advantage of the potential influx of new consumers. Top-golf is one company drawing young adults with its "cool" factor.

Around the Ranch Groups and Organizations

Alternative Funding Committee
10am -first Thursday of the month, Juniper Room

Art & Spirit Mingle
Classes available
Contact - Patricia Kirk 406-396-1379

Cancer Support Group
Contact - Karen Jamison 541-815-8435

Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays
Wed. 3:30 Over the Edge Taphouse
Contact - Joe Schafer 541-797-1936

Crooked River Ranch Classic Car Group
Wed. 4:00 p.m. Big Dog Saloon
Contact - Ted Cook 541-923-2438

Crooked River Ranch Amateur Radio Group
1st Wed. Fire Hall
Contact Sean Hartley

Crooked River Cribbage Players
Mon. 1:00 p.m.
Contact - Jim Babcock 971-219-3332

CRR ATV Group
1st Mon. 6:30 p.m. Over the Edge Taphouse
Contact - Mike Glowack 480-652-0063
Mike Grover 541-643-6726

CRR Canyon Quilters
Mon. 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Chapel Family Ctr.
Contact - Tina Wilson 541-280-0837

CRR Lions Club
2nd & 4th Tues. 5:30 p.m. Sandbagger Saloon
Contact - Cathy Schroth

CRR Riders
crrhorseriders@gmail.com

CRR Pickleball Group
M-S 8:00 a.m. Tennis courts
Contact - Jim Manser 360-910-0130

CRR Senior Group
Thurs. 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Heritage House
Contact - Al Albin 541-815-5356

Dutch Oven Group
Contact - Mark or Sue Schneider 541-504-8765

Free Food Market
1st and 3rd Wed. 5:00 p.m. Old Fire Hall
Contact - Steve & Stephanie Proffitt
541-604-1628

Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area
Board Meeting - 2nd Sun., 4:00 p.m..
Contact - Robin Galloway 541-740-6865

Farmers & Artisans Market
1st and 3rd Sat. April - Dec. 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Old Fire Hall
Contact - Jolie Armas 541-419-5923
Contact - Barbara Rybarczyk 541-390-3781

Honeybee Conservation Group
Contact - Ann Lewis 541-610-6886

Ladies Golf Club
Contact - Judy Parker 971-275-0833

Mahjong
Tues. 1:00 p.m.
Contact - Bobbie Miller 503-593-0658
Administration Bldg.

Men's Golf Club
Contact - John Smallwood

Morning Star Gathering
Thurs.. 6:00 p.m., 12770 SW Eagle Vista Pl, CRR
Contact - Jack & Louise Baldwin 541-699-8043

Ranch Chapel - 541-923-8081
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Services 10:30 a.m.

Sage Quilters
2nd & 4th Tues. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Senior Ctr.
Contact - Carlen Leber 541-815-3058
Contact - Marge Remillard 541-548-6015

Shooting Stars
1st Tues. (April - Oct.) 6:30 p.m. Senior Center
Contact - Victoria Tolbert 704-989-6909

Twin Rivers Community Church
6094 SW Tarpon
Contact - Frank Woods 541-647-0709

Terrebonne Grange
Contact - Joan Proffitt 541-923-6035

Upper Room Christian Fellowship
Sun. 10:00 a.m.
Contact - Glenn or Dodie Sand 541-548-0622

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 10:00 AM Board Work Session 6:00 PM SRD Mtg Juniper Room	3 10:00 AM CRR Sr. Group Library open	4 5:00 PM Free Food Market	5 9:00 AM -3PM Senior Center Food Pantry 10:00 AM Alternative Funding Cmte.- Juniper Room NOON—Sr. Luncheon FREE at Heritage House 1:30 PM Events Cmte Mirror Room	6	7 9:00 AM Farmers and Artisans Market
8	9 6:30 PM CRR ATV Group	10 10:00 AM CRR Sr. Group Board of Directors Meeting 10:00 AM CRR Sr. Group Library open 5:30 PM CRR Lions Social Hour 6:15 PM CRR Lions Mtg	11 3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays 4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group	12 9:00 AM -3PM Senior Center Food Pantry NOON—Sr. Luncheon FREE at Heritage House, *Special Guest Speaker	13	14
15	16 6:00 PM Board Mtg.	17 10:00 AM CRR Sr. Group Library open	18 3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays 4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group 5:00 PM Free Food Market	19 9:00 AM -3PM Senior Center Food Pantry NOON—Sr. Luncheon FREE at Heritage House 6:30 PM Fire Station BOD (every 3rd Thursday)	20	21 9:00 AM Farmers and Artisans Market 12:30 PM CRR Senior Group Bingo
22 	23	24 10:00 AM CRR Sr. Group Library open 5:30 PM CRR Lions Social Hour 6:15 PM CRR Lions Mtg	25 3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays 4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group	26 9:00 AM -3PM Senior Center Food Pantry NOON—Sr. Luncheon FREE at Heritage House, *Halloween Costume Contest 	27	28
29  KIDS Trunk or Treat At <i>Over the Edge</i> Come in Costume! 4PM Lion's Club kiddie train rides	30	31  Happy Halloween				

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Women’s Golf winding down but not before naming new champions

By: Judy Parker



Champions Connie Martin - 18 hole gross overall winner and Bonnie Gregerson 18 Hole net overall winner.

Photo by Connie Martin



Club Champions - Cathy Hunter 9 hole net overall winner and Eileen Zeftig 9 hole gross overall winner.

Photo by Connie Martin

With fall, the wild fire smoke abated somewhat but still caused us to cancel the first day of a two day fall championship. We were scheduled for Monday, August 28 but the smoke was an issue again and play was canceled. We did play on Wednesday, August 30, and named

**#18 and #9 hole gross club champions:
Connie Martin and Eileen Zeftig, respectively.
Handicap champions were also crowned:
Bonnie Gregerson (#18 hole) and
Cathy Hunter (#9 hole)**

A catered lunch was provide by Wildflower Kitchen following the day of play.

A board meeting and a general meeting were held at the beginning of September where we discussed, among other items, the idea of a local rule regarding crossing the water on hole #8. Prior to the general meeting, questions were asked of the OGA and Randy Ballard if this was feasible and allowed. The answer was yes.

During the meeting, and after much discussion, a motion was made and passed to adopt such a rule: after putting two balls in the water (and counting all of those strokes) you may add one more stroke and carry your ball to a drop zone on the other side of the pond. This is just for the ladies club on playdays only



Karen Jamison, Bonnie Gaston and Charlyn Hughes

Photo by Judy Rowan

but will be discussed with the men’s club and our pro, Randy, to determine if that could also become a rule for them.

September had a few more visitations and Senior Women’s events but our schedule is winding down. One highlight to look forward to is the annual appreciation luncheon that the ladies club hosts for our maintenance superintendent and his crew. More about that in next month’s article as it doesn’t happen until September 29.



***Lions Club Limb Dump
Open Saturday and Sunday
8am –2pm***

Mike O’Brian
971-219-7351

Important

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If you have questions regarding the Telegraph, please call
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Hospice of Redmond Celebrates its 40th Annual Festival of Trees

Hospice of Redmond is celebrating its 40th annual Festival of Trees. A long-time Central Oregon tradition, Festival of Trees, is returning to the *Deschutes County Fairgrounds* this December with a goal of showcasing 40 trees. This year, the event will be hosted in two buildings at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds to accommodate the additional trees and anticipated guests. The one-day event will be on December 2, 2023. Hospice of Redmond's Festival of Trees supports hospice services for Central Oregon residents.

Festival of Trees is Hospice of Redmond's fundraising event of the year. Proceeds from decorated trees, miscellaneous auction items, and ticket sales help fund many of the nonprofit's hospice services and programs. The formal Gala begins with delicious drinks and appetizers amid beautifully decorated trees, followed by a live and entertaining auction. Many prominent Central Oregon businesses and supporters of hospice services purchase trees and decorate them with various sought-after items. Vacations to Whistler and Mexico were on one popular tree sold in 2022. Hospice of Redmond is decorating a special tree for its new Pet Peace of Mind program and Camp Sunrise this year. Proceeds from the sale of these trees will support the individual programs.

For more information about Festival of Trees 2023, contact
Hospice of Redmond at (541) 548-7483 or email
festivaloftrees@hospiceofredmond.org.

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Wrapped in a Hug !

By kRafiq

Since 2008, a gathering of ladies with a love for quilting in common, has grown to a group who meet regularly working on not only their projects, but each other's gradually evolving into a community effort bringing comfort to kids of all ages in the Jefferson County foster system.

Tina Wilson is the person everyone calls "holder of the key." She is the one responsible for this whole group and all they do. They have been together for fifteen years!

The quilting ladies have a closet FULL of beautiful quilts designed for all ages, from wee little ones to teenagers. Themed designs are easily recognizable for either boys or girls and are made year-round to be given away in the month of October so the recipients have something to open during the Christmas season. The quilts are theirs to own and can be taken with them wherever they go.

Quilts are not limited to just the kids. On any given Monday you might see them work on a quilt for a milestone birthday, hospice care, or for someone whose spouse may have recently passed. These ladies are prolific in their quilting! They also whip out pillowcases, placemats with matching table runners, tote bags and bowl cozies. Always looking for a project, their products are always expanding.

Every Monday, all day, ladies arrive at the Ranch Chapel who generously allows them to use their community room facility. There, long rows of tables are set up so everyone can spread out with their own materials and personal sewing machine. Walking in you hear the whirring of different makes and

models of machines and when asked which one is best, they all say their own! There's enough space to lay out material to match color, patterns and pieces waiting to be sewn to the larger quilt.

Anyone can join! You don't have to be a sewer or quilter. You just must want to learn and there are so many ladies who would love to teach. That is how it all started. They were a group just wanting to learn more about quilting that has grown to around thirty-five active participants.

Walking amongst the tables, you can find carefully folded fabric in a myriad of colors and patterns. Anyone can chose from these pieces if they match the color and scheme of the blanket they are constructing. Fabrics can come from several sources. Sometimes someone is cleaning out closets, moving away, or someone on the ranch might have had a family member who passed that was a quilter and they get the motherload of fabric collections. And sometimes, people just donate. If anyone is interested in donating, other kinds of materials are used and needed such as batting –that soft fluffy stuff sewn in between that makes you feel like you are wrapped in a cozy hug!

During the recent Independence Day Craft Fair here on the ranch, the Ranch chapel had a quilt show where some of the quilts were hung from the ceiling for show and for sale. Their theme was "Red, White and/or Blue." The proceeds from that sale were strictly for buying more quilting supplies as well as another pet project of collecting school supplies for local kids in need.

If you want to donate, come down any Monday and talk to the ladies and see what they are doing. You'll be greeted at the door with a big smile and an offer to show you around.



Judy McClurg and Pat Hayes in the Quilt Closet



Choosing fabrics for their next project.



Vicki Remming sewing



Quilting books for inspiration!



Cat Stevens



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Our furry friends around the ranch . Sometimes a pest, sometimes pesky, but always a beautiful sight to behold!



Photos by Max Blake

MOM & Baby

Land use decision creates another hurdle for development

Reprinted from the Madras Pioneer

The Land Use Board of Appeals Friday, Sept. 8, delivered a mixed decision on an embattled Crooked River Ranch development.

Central Oregon LandWatch declared victory.

“LandWatch is pleased that the Land Use Board of Appeals agreed with us that Jefferson County's decision approving the rezone proposal was contrary to Oregon land use law,” said Rory Isbell, staff attorney and manager of the LandWatch Rural Land Program. “The Crooked River Ranch community can breathe a collective sigh of relief knowing this decision protects shared values for water, community wildfire safety, and open space.”

Landowners, however, have not given up. A remand does not prohibit the development, it sends the decision back to the developers and the county to take a second try at making their arguments. LUBA rejected some LandWatch arguments and upheld others, giving the county and the developers a chance to bring new or revised reasons.

The issue surrounds 142 acres of land in the center of Crooked River Ranch. The plot is zoned range land. The developers, descendants of the McPherson family who originally developed the Ranch, asked for a zone change to rural residential. The family wants to divide the area into 54 two-acre housing lots.

“To me this is sensible,” said Eric Myhre, the family representative. “This land is surrounded by residential. It makes sense to put houses there.”

LandWatch said the owners could have a farm or run cat-

tle on the property. The organization argued the developers didn't make a clear and convincing argument to change the zoning. LUBA agreed.

The LUBA decision reads, “...the county has not identified any findings that establish that it is necessary or required to change the designation and zoning of the subject property to rural residential.”

Over several public hearings on the subject, many residents of Crooked River Ranch opposed the development with concerns of additional traffic, not enough water and the general pressure increased population puts on the infrastructure of the Ranch.

Myrhe believes the shortage of housing throughout Central Oregon warrants adding these new home sites on the ranch.

“At the end of the day they (LandWatch) are hurting families, young families who want to have a nice house on a nice lot,” said Myhre. “Not some postage stamp house on a postage stamp property.”

The county, the property owners and their attorney have not decided how they will proceed. They could appeal the decision directly to LUBA or ask the county to amend its decision. Either way, Myhre expects the 142 acres will become housing someday, even if it's not in his lifetime



By Pat Kruis



Need a newsletter.....

Copies of the Telegraph are available at the Trading Post and Administration Office.



PLEASE SLOW DOWN!



Horses are high-flight prey animals. They are NOT big dogs!

If you encounter a horse on roads or trails, please adhere to the following for your safety and the safety of rider/horse:

* If you're driving on a road and you encounter horses, please slow down. A horse can bolt sideways at 45mph and most often are frightened INTO the road.

* If you're walking, biking, or running on a trail, please stop, speak to the rider and ask how they would prefer you proceed. Horses legally have right of way on most trails.

* If you have children with you and you encounter a horse, please be sure your children remain still. Talking to the rider as they approach will help their horse understand you're no threat.

* If you approach from behind, please communicate your presence as soon as you're able. Horses are much more likely to become fearful if you are suddenly running or riding up to their hind end. And always keep a healthy distance when passing behind or to the side of a horse, for your own safety.

Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe and enjoying the outdoors!



RANCH BULLETIN BOARD

2023 CROOKED RIVER RANCH ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Kari Vickery, President

Fall has arrived! The summer months graced us with beautiful sunshine and warm weather days, and I hope you all got out and enjoyed some of the season with friends and family. The changing seasons always remind me that school is back in session, and our children and neighbors could be walking or riding on the roads. Please use caution and drive safely to help keep all our community safe. Fall also means that it is time to clean up the yard, clear out those broken branches, and create a defensible space around your home and property. This is a reminder that the last whole weekend at the limb dump will be October 28th-29th.

I would like to take this opportunity to Welcome and introduce you to our new General Maintenance Supervisor, as of September 1- Dan McRae. Dan has been a resident of the ranch since 2019 and has a wealth of knowledge that will allow him to be successful. Dan had the opportunity to work with Mike Knoke for a few weeks prior to his retirement. I would like to thank Mike Knoke for all of his years of service and dedication to our community.

At the beginning of September, we have an entire Board of Directors seated. The new board consists of the following members: Kari Vickery, President; Bob Beveridge, Vice President; Mike Dries, Secretary; Kelly Davis, Treasurer; and the Directors Ara Erdekian, Sheryl Jones, Julia Randall, and Sarah Woolverton. I look forward to working with all the Board members over the next year to continue maintaining, managing, and improving our great community. My first year as President was full of learning experiences, and I know I have more to learn. Still, I encourage every one of you to get involved and learn about your community, the available committees, and the activities that take place here on the ranch. Volunteering is a rewarding experience!

If you are still looking for ways to find out information about what is happening on the ranch, several resources are available. The monthly Telegraph is available in paper or online on the website(www.crookedriverranch.com). We are also on social media. Find us on Facebook- Crooked River Ranch HOA, Instagram- crookedriverranch or Nextdoor.

Please feel free to reach out to me or any of the other Board of Directors if you have questions or concerns, and we are here to help.

ASSOCIATION TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Crooked River Ranch RV Park.....(541) 923-1441

MEETINGS

CRR ASSOCIATION

BOD Work Session

10:00 a.m. / 1st Mon/Juniper Room

Monthly Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. / 3rd Monday / Juniper Room
Contact: Admin Office 541-548-8939

Architectural Committee

3:00 p.m. / 2nd & 4th Monday / Admin Bldg.
Contact: Gail DesBrisay
Phone: 458-666-5044

Budget/Audit

Juniper Room
Contact Herb Parker for
Information, dates and times
Phone: 503-998-8872

Parks & Recreation

6:30 p.m. / 4th Monday
Contact: Ara Erdekian
Phone: 541-350-3246

Phase Representatives

6:00 p.m. / Quarterly
Contact: Karen Atwood
Phone: 503-351-9250

Nominating Committee

Contact: Mike Carey
Phone: 541-548-8939

Events Planning Committee

1:00 pm / 1st Thursday / Juniper Room
Contact: Judy LaPora: 541-548-8939

CC&R Committee

1:30 p.m. / 3rd Tuesday
Contact: Stephanie Proffitt
Phone: 541-548-8939

Ranch Enhancements Projects Committee

Contact: Carl Harbour
Phone: 541-420-5011

OTHER CRR GOVERNING ENTITIES

Special Roads District

10:00 a.m. / 2nd Tuesday / Juniper Room
Contact: Dale Wiley
Phone: 503-887-0586

CRR Fire Protection Board

6:30 p.m. / 3rd Thursday / Fire Hall
Contact: Sean Hartley
Phone: 541-923-6776



Crooked River Ranch Road Department

By Brenda Cooper

One of the most interesting facts of Crooked River Ranch is it has its own 'Road Department'. This article will enlighten those on the ranch and surrounding areas as to how this independent department can maintain the established roads.

There are ninety miles of roads in Crooked River Ranch, twelve miles of that are County roads, seventy-eight miles are CRR Association roads, with twenty-six miles of those being paved and fifty-two miles of road that are rock or native.

The Road Department Supervisor is Jordan Jones who has held this position since July of 2018. His immediate Supervisor is Crooked River Ranch Manager Judy LaPora. Supervisor Jones also updates the Board of Directors throughout the year to discuss road maintenance progress and any issues that come up. He also presents his annual budget to both the Budget/Audit Committee and Board to discuss the upcoming budget for the following year.

Supervisor Jones is also responsible for working in coordination with the Special Road District [SRD] which has jurisdiction over the public roads within Crooked River Ranch with the exception of county roads. The Association is delegated with the authority to perform road maintenance on SRD managed roads. The Crooked River Ranch Road Department does not do any paving or have any paving equipment as non-county paved roads are maintained and funded solely through the Special Roads District who then contracts out those projects.

The department includes four full time [class A CDL] positions including Supervisor Jones and one six-month part time [non CDL] employee who operates the roller/compactor and street sweeper, fuels equipment and performs various other duties. Salaries and benefits correspond to comparable Central Oregon positions. Currently there are no open positions, however when those open, they are posted and advertised.

The equipment inventory consists of four dump

trucks, three of which are set up for plows and sanders during the winter months, leaving the department a spare to do various projects or use as a backup in case there is a breakdown. During the summer three of the trucks are used for hauling gravel and one to move equipment along with limbs and debris. There are two road graders for gravel roads, one compaction roller, two water trucks, one backhoe, one mini excavator with a rock hammer attachment, one street sweeper, one shoulder side spreader and a crack seal machine. After years of maintaining a stable budget, planning, and saving the department has most of the equipment needed to properly maintain the ranch roads.

Surprisingly, the Road Department does all their own lube, oil, and filter changes. They are also able to do much of the repair work themselves. When unable to complete this, they hire qualified mechanics. One of the 'other duties as assigned' is way off the chart of road maintenance. The crew will stop what they are doing to pick up and dispose of any dead deer reported on the roads.

As for projects specialized for the seasons, Spring, Summer, and Fall are mainly focused on maintaining roads including watering, grading, and rolling gravel roads. On a good day, the department can grade and roll about 1.5 miles of road per day. This alone takes about two and a half to three months. Their complete focus in the winter months is centered around safety. The Association is responsible for plowing and sanding roads.

Bus stops, intersections and primary roads will be plowed first after which secondary roads will be plowed. Gravel roads will not be plowed unless there are four or more inches of snow and the ground is frozen enough so as not to cause damage to the roads or equipment. Supervisor Jones has the discretion to close roads if he deems them unsafe, which usually happens due to a vehicle accident or unsafe conditions that can't be controlled. He makes every effort to keep roads open.

The Road Department costs are nearly one-half of the annual HOA Operating Budget. In addition to budgeting for the yearly operating revenues and expenses, the Road Department must also budget for replacement equipment. The thirty-year Capital Reserve Budget provides a long-range plan for upgrading or replacement of all major assets.

One of the most frequently asked questions the Road Department receives is "when are you going to pave my road?" There are no plans to pave any additional roads on Crooked River Ranch.

At current rates, one mile of road cost is right at a million dollars plus. With as many gravel and native roads as we have on the Ranch, there are often complaints about dusty, muddy or wash-board roads. Unfortunately, the weather dictates much of the condition of our roads. With regard to washboard roads, the most effective solution is to grade the road. Grading will loosen up the gravel or dirt that has become compacted and spread it around evenly, leaving you with a smooth, even road and a comfortable ride. The Road Department makes every effort to grade all ranch roads at least once each year. But it is a lost cause if our community does not do its part to prevent wash-boarding. Studies have shown that if traffic stays under 20 mph, washboards will form very slowly. So, the key to prevent washboard (for the most part) is to stay under 20 mph. On top of reducing the creation of washboards, going slower will also significantly reduce dust. While the Road Department does have to deal with complaints, our community is also grateful for their hard work and dedication to keeping our roads maintained and safe.

Please drive safely and slowly. Enjoy the beautiful scenery and views. They are some of the best in Central Oregon.



BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

September 18, 2023

- The meeting was called to order by President Vickery. All Directors were present except Directors Woolverton and Carey.
- Board assignments were made for Advisors, Liaisons, Team Members and Committee Reviews. Board Officers were elected at the September 6 meeting with the noted assignments of Kari Vickery for Nominating Committee and Kelly Davis for Budget/Audit Committee. Both are voting members of said committees.
- Ranch Enhancements Committee member Ben Johnson made a proposal to the Board to purchase four benches to be installed at the CET bus stops. The cost would be approximately \$2,200.00 plus installation costs. It was noted during the discussion that up to three of the stops may already have a bench. It was also noted that unless ridership increases, the route may be discontinued. It was determined that additional research to confirm the number of benches needed and to confirm with CET their intent to continue the route was necessary. More discussion to follow at the Work Session
- Director Erdekian reported that the Title Transfer Fee for CRR is currently \$180.00. His research has found that transfer title fees across several local HOA's vary from \$180.00 to \$500.00. He is proposing to raise the current fee. He would like to generate additional income from transfer fees rather than a dues increase. He is asking the board members to propose an increase in the transfer fee during the next budget cycle. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.
- Director Erdekian opened the discussion discussing the need for sponsorships for Ranch Events. This would also generate additional income and would help cover the costs of advertising events. He is asking for board members to bring ideas for further discussion.
- Director Erdekian stated that the Children's Clothing Drive is still in the infancy process with no firm ideas. He is looking for someone who may have experience in running a Clothing Drive to help create process and procedures.
- Director Erdekian noted that there is a proposed Gem & Mineral Show that will be held at Twin Rivers Church. They are waiting to obtain a Building Usage Permit. Details to follow.
- Director Erdekian reported that the Desert Winds Art Festival was very successful. He would like to ask the Ranch to sponsor the event. He is requesting that TOT funds be utilized. He is asking for \$500.00 for the 2023 event and \$500.00 for the 2024 event. A motion to approve \$1,000.00 from the TOT funds for the Desert Winds Art Festival was made and approved unanimously.
- Director Jones has found a grant that would provide funds to purchase a tree/brush masticator. This would enable the HOA to clear land of trees and brush and mulch the debris for easy removal. The grant deadline is October 31, 2023. A motion to apply for the grant was made and approved unanimously.
- Members Herb Parker and Carol Orr spoke.
- The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

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Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association

Mission Statement

The mission of Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association is to its members by working for the preservation and betterment of property values; by ensuring a safe, secure and clean living environment; and by the continuing improvement of the quality of life for Ranch residents.

Vision Statement

We envision Crooked River Ranch to be a place where members, staff and elected leaders all work together effectively to create a strong sense of community and maximize the quality of life for homeowners, renters and guests, so that Crooked River Ranch remains a "Great Place to Hang Your Hat."

Outreach for Veterans at CRR

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Crooked River Ranch Lions land a grant!

Doug Reinhart, CRR Lions Communication Chair

A few days ago, the Crooked River Ranch Lions were excited to break out the brand new woodchipper they acquired as part of an \$82,000 dollar grant for community fire abatement. In addition to the woodchipper, the grant included a 7 ft by 14 ft dump trailer and a wood splitter for use at the limb dump. Thanks to a great deal of grant writing work performed by Lion, Sheryl Jones, the Club is celebrating this opportunity to be an integral partner in making Crooked River Ranch safer from wildfires.

Coordinating with the CRR Fire Department and the CRR HOA, the grant allows an important community partnership to flourish in helping to prevent fires. The woodchipper will be used to grind up branches from trees that have been trimmed and/or cut down by homeowners and others to make their properties safer from fire.

Another coordinating effort with the Fire Department is underway. It will involve the use of the woodchipper to help remove potentially dangerous trees on CRR roadways such as is seen in the pictures with this article.

The terrific upside for the CRR Lions Club is that after the downed trees have had their branches removed, they will be transported to the CRR limb dump where they will be cut up into firewood. The firewood is sold to customers on the Ranch with the proceeds designated

for the CRR Lions Foundation Scholarship Fund. Residents of CRR are eligible to apply for scholarship funds to continue their education.



1 - Mike Dries, Mike O'Brien and Pat Snow assemble the new wood splitter. 2 - Mike in action 3- Chipper chipping away 4 - Tim Bell prepares to fell the tree. 5 - Going... 6 - Going... 7 - GONE ! 8 - The crew takes off limbs for chipping 9- Tim Bell saws off limbs after felling the tree. 10 - Loading limbs into the chipper

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Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser A Success, October is Fire Prevention Month

By Fire Chief Sean Hartley, CRR Staff Photos



Thank you to everyone who came out on Sunday of Labor Day Weekend for the annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. We had over 400 people attend the breakfast and the Crooked River Ranch Volunteer Fire Association received over \$4,000 in donations. It was fun to talk with people and find out how their summers went.

Speaking of summer being over, October is Fire Prevention Month. This year's topic is "Cooking safety starts with you! Pay attention to fire prevention". According to the National Fire Protection Association cooking is the leading cause of home fires. Nearly half of home fires involve cooking equipment, especially cooking equipment that is left unattended. Cooking fire prevention recommendations include:

- Always keep a close eye on what you're cooking. For food with longer cooking times, such as those that are simmering or baking, set a timer to help monitor them carefully.
- Clear the cooking area of combustible items that can burn such as dish towels, oven mitts, food packaging, and paper towels.
- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove.
- Keep a lid nearby when cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner.
- Create a "kid and pet free zone" of at least three feet around the cooking area and anywhere hot food or drink is prepared or carried.



Keep an eye on our website and social media for more fire prevention tips throughout October.

In August CRRF&R responded to 53 calls for service. This included three (3) fire responses, forty-one (41) medical calls, and nine (9) service/good intent calls. Please remember if you have an emergency call **9-1-1**, tell them you live on Crooked River Ranch and whether you have a medical or fire emergency. Always answer all of the dispatchers' questions, they will update us while we are responding.

In September CRRF&R held two **Coffee with The Chief** events to answer questions about the local option levy, how the district is staffed, how calls are handled, defensible space, and evacuation tips. Keep an eye open for more Coffee with the Chief events and come get your



questions about the fire district answered. If you want more information about the local option levy visit crrfire.org and click on "Levy Information".

As always if you would like to know more about CRRF&R or have comments or concerns, please drop in, call, or visit us on our social media (Facebook, Instagram, or Nextdoor).

Our regular Board Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at the fire station. These meetings are streamed via the Zoom platform and information is available on our website:

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CRR is a wonderful place to get some exercise by taking a walk.



Please be mindful that shoulders on our roads are limited. Watch out for our community walkers, slow down and drive appropriately. Thank you for watching out for your neighbors!

TIPS from: Coffee with the Chief by: Bob Beverage

- Emergency, do not call CRR Fire and rescue directly, call 911. Depending on call outs there may not be anyone there.
- Down load **Watch Duty** app for fire alerts, locations and evacuation information.
- Sign up for Frontier and Deschutes county alerts. This can be done through the fire dept web site.
- When calling 911, **when they answer ask to be directed to Deschutes dispatch**, other wise the call goes to Frontier dispatch in Condon, Oregon and the response is not always as fast.
- During an emergency evacuation always go to the designated shelter or evac center. Check in and leave your contact information and if you are not staying at the center, where you will be staying. This allows family or friends out of the area to call and find out if you are OK and where you are, this is important if they cannot reach you through normal means.



CROOKED RIVER RANCH CRIME WATCH AUGUST 2023

There were 1,159 county wide calls made to Jefferson County Sheriff Department in the month of August. CRR actions and calls for service: 124.

Of a total of 95 incidents in the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department [Press Log](#) for the period July 31, 2023, through September 4, 2023, seventeen (17) involved Crooked River Ranch.

- **July 31** - a Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of missing funds from a bank account with a known suspect from a resident on SW Spur Pl.
- **August 6** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office responded to a residence on SW Dove for the report that a resident, was at this

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- **August 7** - A Deputy was dispatched to SW Business Circle for the report of one neighbor pointing a firearm at another neighbor during an altercation. After further investigation, a resident was taken into custody and lodged at the Jefferson County Jail without incident.
- **August 7** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of a cold motor vehicle crash that occurred on private property near SW Meadow.
- **August 7** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office received a cross examination report from the Department of Human Services. The report did not disclose any crimes at this time.
- **August 8** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy received information of a violation of a court order. After and investigation, a resident on SW Dove was arrested for violating a court order.
- **August 10** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy conducted an investigation at the Jail. Upon investigation, a resident of Crooked River Ranch was charged with five counts of Contempt of Court.
- **August 17** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office assisted a DHS case worker with an attempted home visit after receiving a cross report regarding children living in Crooked River Ranch.
- **August 20** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy arrested a resident of Crooked River Ranch for Driving Impaired.
- **August 21** - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office received and reviewed a forwarded report from Redmond PD and a DHS Cross report regarding an investigation of possible historical abuse of a child in Crooked River Ranch.
- **August 22** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a loose dog on SW Sand Ridge Rd. The dog was located and transported to the Humane Society.
- **August 22** - A Detective received and reviewed a DHS Cross Report regarding a family in Crooked River Ranch. No crimes have been identified. DHS closed their case at screening.
- **August 23** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of a violation of a restraining order on SW Chickadee.
- **August 27** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy investigated a single vehicle rollover crash on SW Chipmunk.
- **August 28** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took possession of a found firearm on SW Chinook, and entered it into the property system.
- **Sept 3** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy responded to a verbal domestic dispute at a residence in Crooked River Ranch. A call was made to the Dept of Human Services - Child Protective Services, as minor children were present.
- **Sept 4** - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office received and reviewed a DHS Cross Report regarding a child in Crooked River Ranch. No crime has been identified; the child now lives in the city of Bend.

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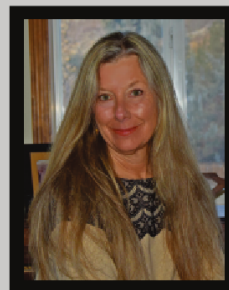
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Looking Forward to Fall at the Heritage House

By: Al Albin

The CRR Senior Group had planned to hold our annual picnic on August 17th. The picnic was re-scheduled to September 7th due to the very high temperatures predicted for the middle of August. As it turned out, smokey conditions transformed the picnic into a social gathering inside. Greg Hays prepared a very fine luncheon of beef brisket, mashed potatoes and gravy and copper pennies. Root beer floats were prepared for dessert.

The Back Porch Food Pantry hours have been changed to all day Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM. The Desert Wind Arts Fest was held on September 3rd. The Heritage House was open during the Arts Fest with at least one hundred people participating in the guided and narrated tour of the history of the Heritage House by Barbara Lokting and Al Albin. The Arts Fest was a perfect opportunity to introduce new residents of the Ranch as well as people who have been here for a while to the Heritage Ranch House. The tours emphasized the value provided by the House as a community resource as well as the historical legacy preserved by and within the House.

We have some special luncheons this month. Kevin Smith will speak at our luncheon on October 12th. Keven will present a program about his career as a Navy photographer and as a photographer for President Lynden Johnson and his family.

Halloween is the theme of our regular Thursday luncheon on October 26th. Costumes are encouraged and monetary prizes will be awarded in three categories: Scariest, Funniest, and Most Creative costume. We hope to see you there.

Our Thursday luncheons have become important events for people to gather, enjoy each other's company along with some good food. A lot of time and effort goes into preparing and serving the luncheons as well as setting up for the luncheons and cleaning up afterward. We are very fortunate to have generous volunteers who help make these events happen. Last month Jim Shores, who has prepared several of our luncheons, presented Mike and Jean Duhigg with a certificate of appreciation for the gift of their time and energy, working quietly in the background preparing for our luncheons and other events.

We have been taking advantage of these nice fall days to busy ourselves around the House.

A considerable effort was put into cleaning the outside of the house of the dust and cobwebs that have accumulated over time. The Back Door Food Pantry was thoroughly cleaned. We thank our volunteers, Lynn, Valerie, and Leslie for their considerable efforts in completing those tasks. We are very grateful to the many volunteers who provide the services necessary to make our events and activities happen.



Greg Hayes, Chef for the day with Jo Ellen Silva assisting



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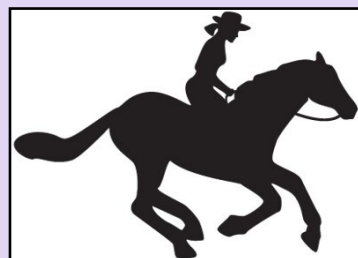
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Horse People !

By Heidi Olds

I'll start off by introducing myself, I'm Heidi Olds, my partner Mike and I moved to Crooked River Ranch from Hillsboro in early May of this year. We brought along our four dogs and my two horses.

I have to say life on the ranch is way better than we expected. We have amazing neighbors, and feel like we're on vacation every day. Everyone has made us feel welcome. Thank you!

Now, on to the horse world. The following is strictly my opinion, I have no data to back it up. I believe "horse" people possess a certain gene, which I call the "horse gene." Non-horse people might call it a genetic defect! They just don't seem to understand it. Whatever "it" is, is all consuming. It comes out of nowhere mostly affecting women, and especially little girls.

Some don't know it but they are in love with the *romance* of the horse. Yes, I believe there is an aspect of horses, their movement, their smell, soft muzzle, warm breath, etc. It pulls us in, and we never look back.

Few are fortunate enough to actually experience equine ownership, let alone be able to keep one at home on your own property. Many buy a horse with no idea of what it takes to care for one financially, physically, and mentally. The actual purchase is the cheap part. If you truly have the *horse gene* you will learn as much as you can as fast as you can and never stop seeking knowledge.

That's it for my opinion, I'd like to make this a fun, informational and interactive column. Please let me know your thoughts, what you'd like to hear about in the future, and any personal stories you would like to share.

You can email me at: horsegurl97760@gmail.com

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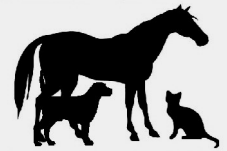
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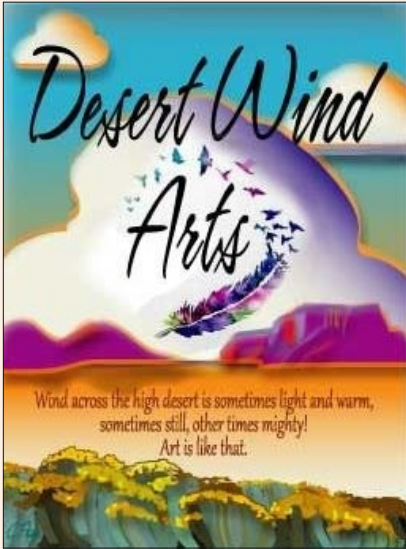
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By: Diane Nunley

What a terrific day! Twenty-four vendors and 488 guests, nice weather with only three desert wind gusts!

On the terrace was live music by Ban- Joe and Guitar Glenn, Julianna & Maddy's Blackberry Cobbler with ice cream, and Savannah Sno-cones. Budding and brilliant artists and their works, with two children's art booths, shared the gorgeous canyon setting at the dramatic ranch property at Heritage House. Artists from Crooked River Ranch and Central Oregon art groups participated. Historians gave casual tours of the 1916 ranch house, and Oregon KTVZ captured a bit of the day:
<https://youtu.be/9t1LKMKfT-4>

Most art was original paintings with prints and cards, but photography, jewelry, metal, wood, and gourd arts were in the mix as well. Next year – we'd love to add pottery, sculptures, stained glass, mixed media.

As for me, what motivates me to make this happen, what thrills my heart, is the passion for their art, all the effort to participate, the thinking and dreaming and hoping others will love their art enough to purchase it!

My own family is a combination of fine art and crafts, and I cannot help but recognize the beauty in mankind, *every* individual special with unique viewpoints of life. Sometimes all that is needed is a bit of encouragement, and a vision!

*Wind across the high desert is sometimes light and warm,
Sometimes still, other times mighty!
Art is like that.*



**Lens on Learning:
The Sierra Nevada Red Fox**

**Guest Speaker
Jamie Bowles,
Regional Habitat Biologist**

**October 21, 2023
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Juniper Room, Crooked River Ranch**

Jamie Bowles has worked for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for nearly nine years, starting first as a fisheries intern and working her way to a wildlife biologist after completing her Master's in 2018. She



is currently the Regional Habitat Biologist for the Deschutes watershed, including the Dalles, Bend and Prineville districts. She has worked with forest carnivore species (foxes specifically), elk, deer, bighorn sheep, cougars, bears, and wolves. When she isn't working, she enjoys spending her time with her four kids, two dogs, and two horses. She is an avid bowhunter, trail runner, and recent convert to fly fishing.

The Sierra Nevada red fox (SNRF) is one of three montane (found in high-elevation habitats) subspecies of red fox. The SNRF is found in the Cascades of Oregon and California, as well as the Sierra Nevada mountains

of California. The SNRF is one of Oregon's Conservation Strategy species, which are species that have very little known about them and/or small population size. It was thought that the montane subspecies of red fox in the Oregon Cascades was the Cascade red fox, however, during a forest carnivore survey conducted in 2012-2014, genetic results from hair samples revealed that the montane red fox was actually the SNRF. This spurred on the need to further survey the Cascades of Oregon, which began with trapping efforts in 2016. The purpose of this survey was to capture and fit the foxes with GPS collars to determine their home range size, habitat use and den site characteristics. It also allowed us to take more genetic samples to determine the genetic makeup of foxes in our study area.

***Seating is limited in the Juniper Room and registration
is required.***

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Does October 2023 Have a Full Moon?

The full moon during the month of October is traditionally called the Hunter's Moon. According to Almanac.com, it will reach its peak on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 4:24 p.m. Eastern Time, but stargazers (or *moon gazers* in this case!) will need to wait until the sun sets to see the full moon in all its glory. This is the first regular full moon we've had since May. June through September's Harvest Moons were all supermoons—but it will still be just as gorgeous.





OCTOBER 2022
Holidays & Observances

-  Saturday October 1st
Vegetarian Day
-  Tuesday October 4th
Cinnamon Roll Day
-  Saturday October 8th
Octopus Day
-  Monday October 10th
Hug a Drummer Day
-  Friday October 14th
Be Bald and be Free Day
-  Monday October 17th
Clean Your Virtual Desktop Day
-  Thursday October 20th
Sloth Day
-  Monday October 24th
Diwali
-  Friday October 28th
Frankenstein Friday
-  Monday October 31st
Halloween



October 2023



Coming Attractions in our November Issue:



Barbara Lokting

Photo of the Month -Thank you *Maxyme Lobet*



"United States is a beautiful country,
Oregon is a magnificent state, Crooked River Ranch canyon
at sunset is Out-of-this-World!"
July 9, 2023 Crooked River Ranch RV Park



Calling
all photographers.....

**Announcing the
"Photo of the Month"**

For all you photo enthusiasts, the Tele-
graph would like to introduce a new fea-
ture called **"Photo of the Month."** If you
have taken a print-worthy photo of life on
the Ranch, send it to
newsletter@crookedriverranch.com.

Please write a little blurb of when and
where the photo was taken. Include your
name so we can credit the photographer.

Photos can be of the weather, our amaz-
ing clouds, sunrises and sunsets, wild
animals, plant-life, the canyon and moun-
tain views.

Can't wait to see what you send us!

Crooked River Ranch lies on a peninsula of land near the confluence of the Crooked and Deschutes Rivers. These high desert rivers travel through miles of basalt canyons that have played sentinel to centuries of rich history. This gorgeous "River Canyon Country" plays host to those fortunate enough to live and play in this unique rural setting guarded by the majestic peaks of the Cascade Mountain Range. Golf, swimming, tennis, hiking, fishing, abundant wildlife, and a wealth of opportunities for a rich community life serve as the crown jewels in Crooked River Ranch's crown. If you are visiting us, we welcome you and invite you to stay awhile. You just might discover, as we have, that Crooked River Ranch is "A Great Place to Hang Your Hat".