

Foxhall Community News – Winter 2023

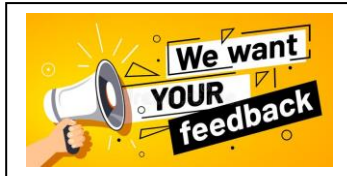


Upcoming Events: <https://www.foxhall98516.org/calendar>

FCA Board of Directors Meeting: Tuesday March 7, 7:00 PM, via Zoom

FCA Annual General Membership Meeting: April 5, 7:00 PM, Location TBD

Your Voice



Your Service



The Foxhall Board of Directors is seeking your input on the rules that govern the use of our trails. **Please respond to the survey included with this mailing or by activating the following link:** <https://foxhall98516.org/survey>

Three of five positions on the Foxhall Board of Directors will be decided at our General Membership meeting in April.

We all care about our neighborhood. If you would like to apply your time and talents to the service of the Foxhall community, **please nominate yourself or another consenting adult for a position on the Board.** A nomination form is included with this mailing or available through the following link: <https://foxhall98516.org/news>

The topic of trail use will be on the agenda at the General Membership Meeting in April. Election of three Board of Directors positions will also be carried out at this meeting. Please come and add your voice.

Also, you are welcome to attend Board of Directors meetings as a guest or contact the board if you have questions, suggestions, or concerns.

We would like all nominations in hand by March 6th so that the election mailing includes all candidates. Write-in votes will not be accepted during the election.

Being Neighborly

Our individual properties impact those around us. Many of us share a property line with the trail system. Weeds and water find their way from one place to another. Architectural standards in our covenants are intended to preserve property values through some common standards.

Does your property border a trail?



Foxhall trails are ten feet wide and maintained with mowing where needed. However, plants from your property may encroach on that space. Imagine being on horseback. Do your trees create an obstacle? Contact the Trails Committee for advice.

Do you have new structures in your future?

If you are planning an exterior house addition, new barn, garage, other outbuilding, or a perimeter fence, you must notify the Architectural Control Committee. <https://www.foxhall98516.org/architectural-committee> This will link to a request for approval and more information.

Do Your Weeds Have Class?

We have some problem plants living amongst us here in Foxhall. You may or may not notice or be bothered by them, but some have earned a place on the Washington State Noxious Weed List. Class A weeds are the highest priority for eradication. Thurston County has its own weed control board that identifies the weeds that are of most concern locally.



Tansy Ragwort is a Class B weed and must be controlled if more than 25 plants are present in an area of 20 acres or less. Tansy Ragwort is poisonous to horses, sheep and cattle.



Yellow Archangel is another Class B weed you may see here in Foxhall. It is not toxic, but can outcompete native species that are more beneficial to wildlife.

Class C weeds such as Himalayan Blackberry, English Ivy, and Oxeye Daisy pose their own threats to livestock, wildlife or property. Visit the Thurston County website for much more information on weed identification, control, free disposal and more.

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/pw/nw>

Does Your Swale Rock? Does Your Ditch Bark?

Thurston County Public Works promotes short grass in ditches and swales because it filters pollutants and prevents erosion. Rock is against Thurston County code and bark is easily washed downhill to clog culverts and cause flooding or other damage. Please read the excellent flyer available at:

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/sw/swdocuments/Ditches%20and%20Swales.pdf>

The Foxhall Community consists of privately owned lots, public roads, shared private roads, FCA owned trails, parks, and a stormwater retention pond. The retention pond has required significant expenditures in recent years. Those investments deserve protection. The Foxhall Board of Directors continues to work towards a well-functioning storm water system. Our retention pond collects the runoff from a large portion of Foxhall. The roadside ditches or swales contribute to how well storm water moves through our neighborhood.



Most Foxhall lots have a drainage ditch and at least one culvert adjoining a road easement. Please help maintain the proper functioning of our storm water system by looking after the ditches adjoining your property.

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