

# La Costa Ridge

Community Association

WINTER 2024



*“La Costa Ridge is a desirable community with an inspiring lifestyle and great quality of life, including enjoyment of friends and family”*

## HELP IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNITY ~ JOIN A COMMITTEE

### Community Advisors

Do you have expertise in an area that could help improve La Costa Ridge and help manage costs? You can share your knowledge without being tied to regular meetings by joining our Community Advisors Committee. No monthly meetings. No long-term commitment.

The HOA can reach out to you when they are grappling with an issue where you could provide insight. It's not a decision-making role, but you can share information to guide HOA board members as they work to improve our community.

Kudos to homeowners who have assisted our association.

- \* A former Vallecitos Water District employee suggested contacting La Costa Ridge to learn about cost-saving water conservation measures.
- \* A homeowner who owned a paving company helped the HOA overcome paving complications and has offered to assist in future street projects.
- \* A community member provided a timely tip to help visitors use the call box at the gate.
- \* A resident with experience in the gate system industry has provided an inordinate amount of assistance with gate maintenance.
- \* Homeowners with experience writing contracts developed an agreement for landscape maintenance companies.

What are Your Skills?

- \* Do you write well? Can you correct, enhance, or improve newsletters?
- \* What about project management? Are you able to keep community enhancements on track?
- \* Can you help improve our website?
- \* Are you knowledgeable about electrical, plumbing, etc.?
- \* Do you know about storm drains, retention areas, etc.?
- \* You tell us. We welcome everyone. Please contact [melissa@avalonweb.com](mailto:melissa@avalonweb.com) and offer your assistance

### Interested in Fire Suppression? Join the FSIC

Today's California wildfire threat extends beyond the threat of fire itself to financial issues around homeownership. Local news stories, insurance cancellations or rate hikes, and online chatter highlight just some of the problems we face.

To help homeowners sift through the issues, La Costa Ridge HOA has formed a new committee, the Fire Suppression Information Committee (FSIC). This is not an enforcement group, but a neighbor-helping-neighbor effort. Committee members will collect information that residents can use to make decisions about their fire risk and new laws affecting homes in high-risk wildfire areas like ours.

**But we need your help.** The committee needs members to research the topics and offer a broad viewpoint. At the moment, Sigrid Tehrani is leading the drive to recruit members. If you are interested in joining the committee or have recommendations, please email [sigrid.tehrani@gmail.com](mailto:sigrid.tehrani@gmail.com)

### Communications Committee

We need help creating, editing, and improving the newsletters, please contact [melissa@avalonweb.com](mailto:melissa@avalonweb.com) and offer your assistance.

**Landscape Advisory Committee:** In memory and with gratitude to David Foster, who served on the La Costa Ridge Landscape Committee for many years. Sadly, David passed away on February 11.

## PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

### Help Keep La Costa Ridge Beautiful

- ⇒ Please do not put your waste bins out before **6:00 P.M. the night before trash pickup and bring them in by 9:00 P.M.** after trash pickup. Bins on the street are unsightly and on curved or hilly streets narrow car lanes create hazardous driving conditions.
- ⇒ **Don't park your vehicles on the street. Use your garage.**



### Be Involved

- ⇒ If there is a moving van at your neighbor's house while they are away (unless they have told you to expect one) call 911.
- ⇒ If you are bringing your waste bins in and notice your neighbor's are still out, bring theirs in too.
- ⇒ If your neighbors are going on vacation, volunteer to take their waste receptacles in and out on trash day.

### If You See Something, Say Something

- ⇒ If there is an **issue with a common area**, please notify Avalon.
- ⇒ La Costa Ridge is a **self-governing community**. **Notify Avalon if someone is not following the community guidelines.**
- ⇒ Contact Avalon at [melissa@avalonweb.com](mailto:melissa@avalonweb.com)

### Do these belong to you?



- ⇒ Dog poop is littering our community. The problem is bad enough that other residents are sending pictures to Board members. **Picking up your dog's poop** is courteous, a community rule, and more sanitary. You can **drop your bag into one of the many community trash receptacles**. Do not put it in a neighbor's waste bin.

### Don't give out your gate code

- ⇒ Help protect the security and privacy of our community. If you suspect your code has been shared, please contact Avalon management for a new one.

### Take Care of the Community Fencing

Please **avoid water** on the fences, and direct your sprinklers on your plants. Do **not allow** children to **climb** on the community fences. It is dangerous for children. The cost of repair is shared by all homeowners.

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### Sprinklers in Fire Suppression Areas

The sprinklers in the fire suppression areas are turned off to discourage the growth of plant material. They are tested annually and can be turned on if there is a fire in the area. **If you observe a fire** nearby and the sprinklers have not been turned on, please notify Avalon Management Company during business hours at (760) 481-7444 or after hours for emergencies at (800) 695-3972.

### Two Spaces Available in RV Lot

If you want to rent a spot contact Steff Camper at [NorthCounty@AvalonWeb.com](mailto:NorthCounty@AvalonWeb.com) or 760-481-7444. Spaces will be leased on a first-come, first-served basis.