



MAY 2017

**WPOA**

WINTERGREEN PROPERTY OWNERS  
ASSOCIATION

Dear WPOA Owners,

Winter came and went with only minor snowfall, while this is not great news for the resort, it was well received by snow removal crews and likely many of you. Lack of snow provided an opportunity to get a jump start on many outdoor projects that would normally have been delayed. As temperatures warm, please be on the lookout for our crews and contractors doing work. Some of this work includes:

- Guardrail replacement
- Culvert pipe replacements
- Surface treatment, paving, crack sealing and line painting
- Ditch and storm water repairs - compounded by over 4 inches of rain overnight May 5th
- Mowing along roadsides and common areas

Your Board of Directors and WPOA staff continue to be engaged in the Atlantic Coast Pipeline. In March, WPOA hired Waldo and Lyle to represent our interests in the eminent domain condemnation fight against Dominion and Atlantic Coast Pipeline over the WPOA property located at the entrance to the mountain community. Working with Friends of Wintergreen, WPOA continues to communicate with FERC and other government officials through numerous filings, reports, and intervening comments that support our concerns and opposition to the current pipeline route. With the help of Friends of Nelson, Friends of Wintergreen, Nature Foundation at Wintergreen, and others, we continue to challenge the current route in an effort to minimize the negative impact on our community. Should your schedule permit, Friends of Wintergreen is planning to provide an update on the pipeline and welcome your participation. In addition to a general update, Waldo and Lyle will attend to provide an update on the legal fight and what owners can do to protect their interests. The meeting is scheduled for **Memorial Day Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** at 10am in the Skyline Pavilion. Please register for the meeting at [www.friendsofwintergreen.org](http://www.friendsofwintergreen.org).

Effectively communicating with all our members remains an important goal for WPOA. This newsletter includes a section with important information regarding our "Alert Wintergreen" system. WPOA uses this system to send both emergency alerts as well as general information. Alert Wintergreen is an incredible tool and we need your help in making it even better. Unlike a standard email account, Alert Wintergreen allows WPOA to easily send specific messages to specific owners based on property location and the owners interest. Owners will enjoy the flexibility to receive messages across 3 platforms: email, text or phone recording. Please take the time to read the section on Alert Wintergreen and help us inform you.

WPOA also continues to use our website: [www.wtgpoa.org](http://www.wtgpoa.org) as a tool for sharing information. Please take the opportunity to explore the site and make it a regular source when you are looking for information about our community.

Looking ahead, three board positions are coming open this Fall. For those of you who would like to serve, an application and other details are included in this newsletter. In coming months, WPOA will share additional information about the nominating process and later a list of those individuals who come forward to run. Community involvement is incredibly important, we welcome those who have an interest in serving on the WPOA board.

*John Coy*

President, WPOA Board of Directors

## *Pool Season has finally arrived!!!*

We would like to remind you that the Chestnut Springs and the Rodes Farm pools will be opening on Memorial Weekend Saturday **27 May, 2017** at 10:00 am and are available to all property owners and their guests with the proper identification.

All owners can obtain their permanent pool passes through our office Monday through Friday by contacting Rhonda Proffitt at 434-325-8526 from 9:00 am. to 5:00 pm. If you have already obtained your WPOA customized passes, these passes are good for as long as you are a property owner at Wintergreen and there is no need to renew them. If your passes become lost, there will be a \$5.00 charge for a replacement.



We have several BBQ grills and picnic tables around the Pavilion at Chestnut Springs and Rodes Farm. We have also purchased a gas grill for both facilities. There is a \$5.00 fee for the propane tanks. The lifeguards will have the propane tanks upon request.

If you are looking for all day entertainment Rodes Farm is the facility for your family. We not only have a covered pavilion, we also have a kiddie pool, adult swimming pool, two horseshoe pits and a tennis court. There is also a fishing pond with a deck (catch and release) for your enjoyment.

The Chestnut Springs/Rodes Farm pavilions can be reserved for private functions. To reserve either pavilion, you can contact Ceason Morris at 434-325-8524 Monday through Friday from 9:00 am. to 5:00 pm. NOTE: Only the pavilion can be reserved. The pool will remain open to the public during your event.

### *Location of both pools:*

The Chestnut Springs Pool and Pavilion/Playground: **94 Timber Camp Drive (MTN)**

Rodes Farm Pool, Pavilion and Tennis Court: **1070 Rodes Farm Drive (VALLEY)**

### *Opened from:*

Memorial Day through Labor Day

### *Pool Hours:*

Opened from **10 am** until **8pm** daily (Lifeguards leave at 6)

Closed Thursday from **6 pm** until Friday at **10 am** for maintenance

### **Attention**

Lake Monocan is owned by Wintergreen Pacific LLC. For information please contact the member's office at 434-325-8270 or the Lake's main office at 434-325-8181

**Open reservation dates for the Chestnut Springs and the Rodes Farm pavilions only can be viewed at [www.wtgpoa.org](http://www.wtgpoa.org).**

**You can reserve the pavilion by contacting Theresa Harris at 434-325-8530 or Ceason Morris at 434-325-8524.**



## Tuckahoe Club House

*Summer is fast approaching, and we want to remind you the Tuckahoe clubhouse is a wonderful resource for any event.*



*Here are a few TCH rules:*

1. Tuckahoe clubhouse is a non-smoking facility open to Wintergreen groups and clubs.
2. A group or club may reserve a time slot throughout the year or a single use. To view the calendar for reservations visit [www.wtgpoa.org](http://www.wtgpoa.org) and under the calendars link click the option for pools and Tuckahoe. To make a formal reservation call the WPOA office from 9am to 5pm Monday through Friday. A \$75 deposit is required for group serving food or drinks.
3. The entrance door is located on the North end (left side) of the building. The front door will not be used as an entrance for WPOA during school hours. The front door, side door, and interior door use the same key. Keys are available at the WPOA office.
4. An interior door leads from our main room to the library, kitchen, and bathroom. It is kept locked for safety of the daycare children. It can be unlocked with the same key as the outside door.
5. When using the bathroom, please knock before entering to be sure a child is not using it. The bathroom does not have a lock for the children, but there is a deadbolt lock for us placed beyond the children's reach.
6. The building has only a fire alarm system. Users should be mindful of the dual use of the building by WPOA and the daycare children. Never use the front door because this activates an alarm intended to alert daycare staff.



7. You are expected to clean the room following use to assure readiness for the daycare children. The bathroom will be cleaned daily by the WPOA staff.

8. Cleaning supplies will be available on site: vacuum cleaner, broom, dustpan, trash bags, and cleaning products. Users are expected to leave the room in the same condition as they found it. Should users find it not in order, they should inform Theresa in the WPOA office when returning the key or by phone.

9. Tables and chairs may not be "borrowed".

# Reporting Only Good News!

*By Wintergreen Fire Department and Wintergreen Rescue Squad*

Wintergreen Fire and Rescue have both experienced a recent uptick in volunteerism. So much in fact that if trends continue our volunteer hours will increase by 20% in 2017. We're also well underway towards the development of an "auxiliary" which will support both organizations. Thank you!

A new ambulance is on order with hopes of it arriving in time for the annual WPOA meeting in November. Work continues to pay down the debt on our 2014 Pumper/Tanker.

Our Community-CPR and first-aid classes have been very successful. Obviously the more "helpers" we have in the community the better off we all are.

Our April Open House at the Stoney Creek station went very well. Quite a few people took advantage of the wonderful weather and strolled by to participate.

Many owners have logged-on and updated their contact information in the Wintergreen Alert System. WPOA is now consistently reaching over 1,000 owners each time a notice is sent.

As you drive around the community, you see more and more of the brown reflective house number signs. These signs can be purchased at either station. They're critical when we need to find you quickly, especially in fog.

Each year there are more people asking for your financial contributions at Wintergreen. Fortunately, our supporters have remained committed. Our fund drives for both the Fire Department and the Rescue Squad have remained constant for the past few years. Typically we barely make the goal. The cost of everything has risen. At some point, we will simply have to raise the fund-drive goal. For now though....success and happiness!

Thank You!

The Wintergreen Volunteer Fire Department and The Wintergreen Property Owners Volunteer Rescue Squad are both non-profit organizations.

If you would like to mail in a tax-deductible donation, please make check out to **WVFD OR WPOVRS**, and mail to:  
P.O. Box 711  
Nellysford, VA 22958

To contact the department for non-emergency purposes:

Mountain Station: 434-325-2200 x 9273  
Valley Station: 434-325-8538  
Chief: 434-325-8536  
Assistant Chief: 434-325-2200 x 9270

## Wintergreen Property Owners Association – Messaging and Emergency Alert System

Over the last few years, WPOA has provided information to owners about the important role our Everbridge “Alert Wintergreen” notification system plays in communicating to all of you. Consider this another plea, Alert Wintergreen is a GREAT tool and WPOA needs your help in making it more effective.

Unlike a normal email based communication program, Alert Wintergreen can provide emergency and non-emergency updates directly to you across 4 platforms, totaling 17 different ways. Email, text, cell phone messages and land line messages can all be used as methods for communication at the same time. If you want every member of your family to receive a text message, email, and phone message when a wildfire is headed your way, this system can do that. The system is also smart enough to allow messages to be sent only to those property locations needing the information. Example of how sorting by location can help include; non-emergency water and power outages confined to a certain area or a fire emergency where only owners in the immediate area need to be notified. Alert Wintergreen can make contact with all 4,000 owners in approximately 10 minutes, our older email only system had zero flexibility and would require almost ½ of a work day to get an email out. The vendor we use to provide this service is “Everbridge”.

One final plus, unlike a normal email based system, **YOU** are in complete control of both how we make contact and when we make contact. Any change you make to your preferences at the Everbridge website will be effective as soon as you press send. If you want non-emergency messages to go to your email only, it will do that. If you want emergency alerts to include a text and a phone call, it can do that. You’re in control.

Because Everbridge can accomplish so much more than a regular email system, WPOA is moving towards Everbridge as the single platform for communicating/emailing owners, both emergency and non-emergency messages. **For this to work for your benefit, you must opt-in to the Alert System and keep up-to-date contact information in the WPOA database. If you have not yet received test or warning messages, then you need to contact Rhonda Proffitt at 434-325-8526 or Mike Riddle at 434-325-9271 to set up your account. WPOA is happy to help you get your account configured.**

Looking ahead, WPOA will be sending “Non-Priority” messages such as reminders about the upcoming property owners meeting, road work, and other important “email type” messages through “Alert Wintergreen”. The delivery of these messages is set up to be far less bothersome to the owners, because each of you can control the delivery methods.

To keep the system up to date and functioning properly, effective communications require message receipts to be verified. Phone and email messages require pressing a button to confirm you actually received the message. Your confirmation to our message tells the system it made contact and confirms WPOA has the correct contact information. Examples of how to confirm a message are included below.

### **Message by Phone**

When answering the phone, the recipient will hear

“Hello. This is a non-priority message from Wintergreen Property Owners Association. After listening to this message, please follow the prompts to confirm receiving this message. Press 1 to continue. Thank you.”

After 1 is pressed, the message is relayed. OR "Hello. This is a priority message from Wintergreen Property Owners Association. Press 1 to continue." After 1 is pressed, the message is relayed. At the end of the message, the recipient will hear “Press 1 to confirm receipt, press 2 to replay the message.” 2 can be pressed as many times as necessary. When 1 is pressed, the recipient will hear “Thank you, your response has been received. Good bye.”

### **Message by Email**

The message will be received in the email inbox. Click on the link to acknowledge receipt.

The recipient will be automatically taken to the Everbridge website. A message will appear “Thank you. Your response has been recorded in our Database for the broadcast!”

**Big thanks in advance to all of you who embrace this system. Doing so helps WPOA better provide for your safety and keeps you in the loop on what is going on.**

## Stocked Trout Pond in Stoney Creek – NEW!

WPOA is pleased to announce the stocking of 500 rainbow trout (ranging in size from 12-14 inches) in one of the Stoney Creek ponds. The stocking was facilitated by the WPOA in coordination with the Wintergreen Sporting Club on March 10th.

### Rainbow Trout Stocking in Stoney Creek: WPOA-Issued Permits Needed

March 01, 2016 / WTG Sporting Club

The Wintergreen Sporting Club is pleased to announce the stocking of 500 rainbow trout (ranging in size from 12-14 inches) in one of the Stoney Creek ponds. The stocking was facilitated by the Wintergreen Property Owners Association in collaboration with WSC on March 10th. A team of WSC volunteers are feeding the trout.



Wintergreen Property Owners fishing wanting to fish the Trout Pond are required to display a special angling permit. Wintergreen Police will be regularly checking the property. The permits are available from WPOA Monday through Friday from 9-5pm.

The stocked pond is one of the results from the [six-pond research project](#) completed in the fall of 2015 by WSC in cooperation with Lynchburg College and WPOA. The trout pond, located immediately adjacent to Lake Monocan and at the drainage end of a three-pond series, was selected for the stocking because of its numerous physical and biological attributes. The trout pond has signage in place designating it as a special fishing area.

The trout pond was open to fishing on March 3rd, 2016 by all Wintergreen property owners, their families, and guests. The new trout pond can be accessed via Sawmill Creek Drive or Lake Monocan Park (if resort member).

**The rules of use for the pond are straight forward.**

(1) Every property owner wishing to fish at this pond must have a WPOA-issued special fishing permit. The permit, conspicuous orange in color, must be displayed at all times when fishing. This requirement applies only to this trout pond. (No permits are required for any of the other WPOA ponds.)



Permits will be available at the WPOA Community Office Building. Keep in mind that all anglers, whether fishing at this specially designated trout pond or elsewhere in Stoney Creek, must also have in their possession a valid [Virginia fishing license](#).

(2) Family members and guests are welcome to fish, but they must be accompanied by a property owner who is displaying the WPOA-issued special fishing permit.

(3) Each authorized angler may keep one trout per day. All other trout that are caught must be safely released, which means minimizing trauma or damage to the fish.

(4) To minimize trauma or damage to fish, only single, barb-less hooks are allowed. If you normally use barbed hooks, you must use pliers to pinch and remove the barb. There are no exceptions to this rule.

(5) Flies, lures, and live bait may be used, so long as the rules above are heeded. However, it is the hope of the WSC that members will use the opportunity of this trout pond to learn or hone their fly-casting skills.

(6) All anglers at the trout pond are asked to report their total trout catch and indicate if a trout was kept as permitted, by emailing that information to the special email address shown on the WPOA-issued fishing permit. We encourage everyone to do this. Knowing catches and takes are essential if we are to properly manage this pond now and into the future for our mutual enjoyment.

(7) Protecting this pond and its trout for the enjoyment of all Wintergreen Property Owners and their families and guests is paramount. Accordingly, exclusive access to and use of this trout pond by property owners and their families and guests will be protected and strictly enforced by Wintergreen Police. Police patrols to the pond will be visible and frequent. Additionally, we ask all club members when using the pond to be alert to unauthorized anglers and to report violations of trespass immediately to the Wintergreen police. This is our resource to enjoy and to sustain. WSC asks everyone to chip in to protect it.



## DOLLAR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION IN NELLYSFORD

There have been a lot of questions about the construction that has started on the vacant property between the Wells Fargo Bank and the UVA Credit Union. What's going there? What will the building look like? Will it detract from the neighborhood? What has the Architectural Review Board (ARB) done about this project?

Under the Wintergreen Master Plan, that property was designated for commercial retail use. The Broadway Group, a developer and construction company out of Huntsville, Alabama, purchased the property to build a Dollar General Store. Their proposed use of the property was permitted under the Wintergreen Master Plan. Since the retail use was allowed, the ARB could not simply deny the application from the Broadway Group.

The ARB could, however, control what the design of the store would look like to make sure that the building would "fit" with the neighborhood and be aesthetically pleasing when completed. The first several designs that were submitted to the ARB were rejected. The board members felt that the typical Dollar General Store design was not a good fit for the neighborhood. They required the developer to submit revised plans according to guidelines and suggestions provided by the ARB. After several submittals and reviews, the ARB approved the final design of the building. Architectural renderings of the final design are included with this article.

The ARB also required landscaping plans that would improve the exterior appeal of the project and provide some separation of the property from the golf course and other properties to the rear of the project. The signage on the front of the building will be restricted in size and color as will the pedestal sign in front of the building. Landscaping will also be required around the base of the pedestal sign in front of the store.

The objective of the ARB was to have a project that would blend with the commercial buildings to either side of it. The board members and staff spent many hours with the developer to make sure this objective was met.





Save the date! Friday June 9, 2017

This year the annual Nature Foundation Dinner and Auction will once again be held at Bold Rock Cidery, Friday June 9, with the golf tournament following on Friday September 8. A catered dinner is being planned with one of the area's leading caterers. A live auction will round out the evening along with a silent auction. More information will follow later in the spring. This is an evening not to miss!

The Auction committee is hard at work assembling an enticing array of items for the live auction include spectacular vacations, fun excursions and spa packages just to name a few, so save the date, come and bid, and support the Nature Foundation's ongoing operations, including archaeology research, educational outreach to regional schools, activities such as hiking and the many other services the Nature Foundation provides to the surrounding communities .

For further information contact the Wintergreen Nature Foundation at (434)325-7451 or Visit [www.twnf.org](http://www.twnf.org)





## A Relaxing Musical Retreat

Cool summer breezes, breathtaking views, and the finest wineries, breweries, cideries and distilleries in Virginia will sweep you away when paired with the concerts and events of the Wintergreen Summer Music Festival.

With an all-access [Weekend Pass](#) (only \$105!) and a 20% discount on best available lodging at Wintergreen Resort, you just might escape to the mountains for more than one Wintergreen Weekend.



### A BEER STEIN FULL OF MOZART

July 14-16

Mozart and Mendelssohn. Devils Backbone and Veritas Vineyards & Winery.



### A CZECH, A RUSSIAN, AND EIGHT CONDUCTORS WALK INTO A BAR

July 21-23

Our favorite Russian returns to lead a fiery performance of Shostakovich Symphony No. 9. Plus, a cello concerto, chamber music from the movies, and more!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE UPCOMING EVENTS, FEEL FREE TO VISIT

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

[Reminder: Mountain Mail Box Holders](#)

Renewal letters have been mailed to all RR 1 box holders. Renewal fees are due on or before **May 30, 2017**. All unpaid accounts will have boxes closed and locks pulled on **June 10, 2016**. New fees apply if closed.

Also, there are now a limited amount of 11 x 5.5 inch boxes available at a yearly fee of \$125.00

For addition information regarding Mt. Mail Boxes please contact Rhonda Proffitt with the Wintergreen Police Department at 434-325-8526.



**BE BEAR SMART**

It's time for the bears to reappear after their winter's sleep here in the forests surrounding Wintergreen. We who are the human neighbors have tasks to do to prepare for their reappearance.

**PLEASE REMEMBER, TOGETHER WE CAN PREVENT BEAR PROBLEMS:**

- Take all bird feeders, suet feeders, and humming bird feeders down and keep them down until December 1
- Do NOT leave any garbage or trash in construction dumpsters
- Leave garbage in WPOA dumpsters or in bear-proof containers only
- Do NOT leave food in automobiles
- Keep automobiles, 1st floor windows and doors of homes locked
- Pick up pet food
- Clean the outdoor grills often
- Never intentionally feed a bear

**For information and links visit:**  
[www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/bear](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/bear)

It is very important that we follow the guidelines above to keep our bears wild. For general information, bear management and additional bear information, visit [www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/bear](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/bear). Please report any bear entries, damage, or sightings in your area or property to the Wintergreen Police Department dispatcher 434-325-1106, they will send an officer to investigate and do a report if necessary.



## Nomination for the WPOA Board of Directors

The WPOA membership will be electing three (3) members to the WPOA Board of Directors this fall at the annual meeting. Those elected will serve a four (4) year term beginning in November 2017.

Being a member of the WPOA Board means that you will take part in guiding the affairs of the Association by providing policy, guidance and direction to the Executive Director and staff. Elected members will be expected to attend at least six (6) regularly scheduled meetings annually and to participate as a member of at least one (1) of the several WPOA committees.

This is the time for active community minded people to take the opportunity to participate and become involved in the governing of Wintergreen.

Property owners in particular who have been active in the Mountain Homesteaders, the Wintergreen Valley Association or a condominium regime are encouraged to complete the attached application.

We emphasize that all property owners who are community minded and are inclined by desire and / or background to be of service to their fellow association members should seriously consider becoming a candidate for election to the Board. Please complete the attached nomination application and return it to the Nominating Committee Chairman, C/O WPOA, 88 Wintergreen Drive, Roseland, VA. 22967-2162.

**Applications must be received no later than August 12, 2017**

**Application**

**Wintergreen Property Owners Association**

**Director's Position on the WPOA Board**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Wintergreen Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list current or previous involvement in Wintergreen Affairs, if any.

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Explain why you wish to be a WPOA Director and what you feel you could contribute to the organizations operation on a separate page. Please limit your remarks to 250 words or less which will be included in the Annual Mailing Packet.

**Thank you for your interest! You will be hearing from us shortly.**

# WPOA NEWS

**Wintergreen Property Owners Association  
88 Wintergreen Drive  
Wintergreen Resort, Va. 22967**

**Phone: 434-325-8530**

**Fax: 434-325-1464**

## *How to get a Wintergreen WVA AND MHA Member Directory.....*

*You must be a member of the WVA and MHA to receive a phone directory.  
Please see the information listed below if you wish to become a member of one of these  
associations.*

**Wintergreen Valley Association:**

**P.O. Box 173  
Nellysford, Va. 22958**

**Treasurer: Helen Lindsay 361-1542  
htlindsay@verizon.net**

**Directory: Joe Steele 361-1597  
jasteele@att.net**

**Mountain Homesteaders Association:**

**RR 1 Box 508  
Roseland, Va. 22967  
<http://wintergreenmha.org>**

**Treasurer: Camille Kurtz 325-7276  
ckurtz@erols.com**

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT  
WINTERGREEN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**



**We're on the web!!  
[www.wtgpoa.org](http://www.wtgpoa.org)**