

KAHANA RIDGE

NEWS LETTER SEPTEMBER 2013 Third Quarter 2013

Firebreak Along the Mauka Old Pineapple Field (Kahana Ridge Rd.) Homes

The Board has requested that Maui Land & Pineapple Co. plow or cut a firebreak strip in the weedy area above our subdivision to prevent or hinder any brush fires that might threaten Kahana Ridge homes. ML & P have been very accommodating to us in the past.

Hopefully, the KR homeowners adjacent to the ML & P lands are as accommodating and will remove their goods and materials from ML & P property prior to the installation of the firebreak.

The owners/tenants living in the homes adjacent to the firebreak will be given advance notification of the day the firebreak installation will occur so they can close up their house to prevent dust from entering.

Open Garage Doors

Please be aware, nightly open garage doors invite burglary, theft, and vandalism of your automobile, your property and your neighbor's property. The Association encourages you, as property owners or tenants to close your garage door overnight. Failure to close your garage doors overnight will result in a reminder letter to the property owner/landlord. For the year-to-date we are approaching 100 garage doors left open. Maybe we should give some kind of award for the most times. Any ideas?

Please kokua and close your garage door at night, thus protecting your valuables as well as your neighbors'.

Construction Modifications

Our CC & R's require a form to be filled out and submitted to the Architectural Design Committee prior to beginning any repainting, construction of additions, installation of solar equipment or other type of rebuilding to the exterior of your home. This is to insure we all are in compliance with the Kahana Ridge CC & R's Exhibit C – Design Standards (Questions Call Site Manager at 250-4384)

Haul Cane Road Bougainvillea Planting

Phase 2 of the Haul Cane Road Beautification Project is underway. Additional non-white blossomed Bougainvillea (we have an over-abundance of white blossoms) is to be planted in the gap spaces in between the cut Ironwood over the next month period. An addition drip irrigation line is to be installed to insure adequate water is available for the newly planted Bougainvillea.

Hoohui Road and Kahana Ridge Drive Intersection Stop Signs

Please be aware that many times not all drivers are adhering to the posted stop signs, at our upper intersection and often do not stop. Children from the Kahana Villas, as well as our subdivision, often play in the two parks. We ask that you obey the posted stop signs, and come to a complete stop. Children living in the area could be injured by the non-compliance at this intersection

Honeybee Disappearance

The Western honeybee *Apis mellifera*, is disappearing all over the United States. These bees, which pollinate 100% of the almonds, 90% of the apples, asparagus, avocados, broccoli, blueberries and onions, as well as 80% of the cherries, cucumbers, celery, and plums we eat, are suffering from a condition known as colony collapse disorder.

One third of the honeybee colonies on the mainland collapsed last winter, and the die-off is accelerating. There are two main culprits: the Varroa mite, a parasitic mite, and certain pesticides. Research seems to point to certain pesticides known as neonicotinoids, which usage can be controlled, the Varroa mite is the most destructive problem. Maui and Kauai, the only two places in the entire U.S. are free of the Varroa mite. Maui, because it is Varroa mite free, has become the source for the vital queen bees that re-start destroyed colonies. Maui ships thousands of these queen bees to the mainland.

Maui's bees are suffering from insufficient food supplies because of the drought and blossoming palm trees at resorts and associations such as ours have become a major source of food for the bees. Bee keepers in Maui are asking everyone to leave the blooms on the palm trees until the bees have completely worked them for all the pollen.

For this reason, you may notice the white blooms on the palms on Ho'ohui Rd. are not being removed by Cutting Edge until the bees have removed all the available pollen.

If you have palm trees blooming on your property, please leave the blooms in place until the bees are no longer working on them. Thus Kahana Ridge can do its part to save the bees. Mahalo.

Asphalt Street Seal-Coating

Boardmember Zajac just completed another evaluation of our street seal coating and reviewed his findings with the Board as well as local asphalt seal contractors. Our current practice of sealing the cracks, however ugly, is preventing moisture from undermining the asphalt thus delaying asphalt replacement or repaving. The opinion is that we are good for an estimated two more years of life before seal coating again. Current quotations for seal coating and repainting range from \$98K-\$112K.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Board of Director Meetings – Royal Kahana Resort Surf Room

Quarterly Meetings are scheduled for 11:00 A.M on the following
FRIDAYS in 2013 –, October 18th, and in **2014** on January 17th, **and** March 21st.

Annual 2014 Meeting – Saturday April 26, 2014

Napili Kai Beach Resort - Aloha Pavilion - 5900 Lower Honoapiilani Rd,
Lahaina (Napili) HI 96762 - 9:30 A.M. Registration, 10:00 A.M Meeting

House Rules Summary

A Kahana Ridge Association two page House Rules summary, is attached for owners and their renters. Owners may want to pass this on to renters and/or property managers.

See House Rule Summary attachment