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Fair Mountain Acres

Blowing Rock, NC 28605



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Baby, It's Cold Outside!

It's barely past the first week of January and we've had two snowfalls! The first week of December brought us around 8+ inches and over the New Year weekend, we got another couple of inches. Because of the frigidly cold temperatures, both times the melt has been very slow.

According to the Farmer's Almanac, "North Carolina will experience "above-normal" precipitation and the region will have a "wintry chill, wet & white" winter."

Nick's Community News

Happy New Year from the High Country! There are lots of things going on that will interest homeowners in our neighborhood.

Winter Has Arrived!

We have had a couple of decent winter storms; some prolonged freezing temperatures, and difficult driving conditions. If you have renters, please let them and your rental managers know that we do our best to keep the roads plowed but there is usually a lag in clearance. A 4-wheel drive vehicle or snow chains are needed this time of year. Rental companies should also not call our snow removal contractor. He will only respond to a board member since we are charged for each trip he makes.

Business Updates

Cable/Internet: We continue to work with Charter/Spectrum to extend cable coverage to our neighborhood. I spoke to their survey team this week and they explained the difficulty extending the line through the neighborhood, as they need to follow the same right of way/easement as the power lines. Our goal is to talk them into digging this new line in by summer. I think I have them convinced we have the potential for 15-20 customers in the neighborhood. In the meantime, those with AT&T DSL, please do not give up your lines, as they will not be replaced. An alternate interim solution is to get a cell phone booster and use your cell phone as a Wi-Fi hotspot.

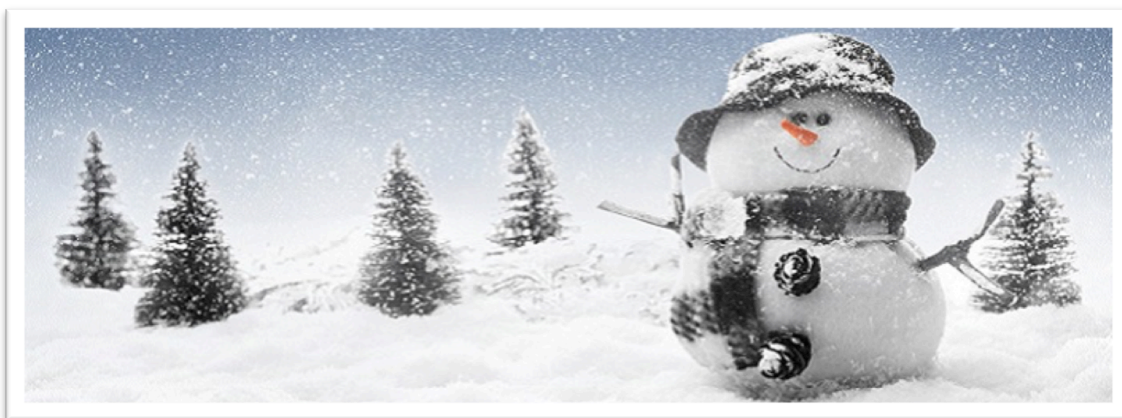
Annual Meeting: This year's meeting will be on May 27, 2018. The official meeting packet will be sent out in April. A paper ballot will be included in the packet for two important items. The first is a reaffirmation of the dues increase approved at last year's meeting. The second is a vote on updated Declarations and Restrictions document that we are working on now. Volunteers are needed to help with the review and rewrite of one of our three organizing documents. If you wish to help, please let me know. We are also seeking volunteers to serve on the board or one of our special committees. We specifically need a web master and members for our architectural review and road committees. If you wish to serve in one of these ways, please let me know.

Owners' Update

We welcome the Childress family, who bought the house at 535 Fair Park Drive. As of right now, there are no homes on the market in our community!

Feel free to reach out with news, concerns and updates.

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Upcoming Events

Ongoing Events

Sundays: Locals Night at Green Park Inn

Tuesdays: Wine Tasting at Sunset & Vine Wine Shop in Blowing Rock

Be sure to follow Appalachian Ski Mountain for lots of winter activities.

[Appalachian Ski Mountain](#)

The Blowing Rock Art & History Museum always has some ongoing special events. You can find more information here: [BRAHM](#)

Special Events

Jan 25-28: Winter Fest: Downtown Blowing Rock

Jan 27: Cork & Canvas Blowing Rock Art & History Museum

March 24: Easter Festival: Memorial Park, Blowing Rock

*Be watching restaurants and other businesses for locals' specials during the off-season.

