

Deer Creek Ranch Parks & Lakes Association

Annual Meeting: 10AM Saturday, June 10, 2023

Deer Creek Ranch Lower Lake, Dripping Springs, TX



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Membership

Park land and lakes are association owned amenities intended for the enjoyment of its members. Dues are essential for being able to afford to maintain such a valuable community asset. Membership is \$125/yr or \$12.50 as an online subscription. If the fee represents a financial hardship, we also offer volunteer opportunities to obtain an annual membership.

Deer Creek Semi-Annual Meeting Agenda

Location: Lower Lake

10am Saturday, June 10th, 2023

Meeting starts (10:00AM)

We observe Robert's Rules of Order Welcome to the first Deer Creek Ranch Parks and Lakes Association (DCRPLA) meeting of 2023! This is our annual meeting. The board meets the third Wednesday of every month, at 7pm, in accordance with bylaws in order to handle ongoing business. Every meeting is open to members, but the annual meeting held at 10am the second Saturday in June, is usually the most attended.

10:00 – 10:10: Member & board introductions

Finances (10:10AM)

The association is entirely volunteer-run and is a not-for-profit organization that must reinvest 90% of its annual program revenue back into the community. As a result of tireless work over the last few years, the association has dramatically reduced ongoing expenses, while increasing membership. As a result, the association is in good financial shape and should remain so into the foreseeable future. Membership currently stands at 160 active members.

- **10:10 – 10:20** Profit & loss statement for 2023
- **10:20 – 10:25** Summary of ongoing operating costs
- **10:25 – 10:30** Details of 90% expenditure threshold
- **10:30 – 10:45** Project opportunities for Remainder of the Year

10:45 – 11:00 Updates maintenance and Park Projects

- **Repairing & Resetting the Dock:** We finalized a contract at the end of 2022 to repair the park swimming platform and install new anchors (Drove in two pilings to refusal). The dock is ready for use!
- **Brush Burn:** Freeze debris collected on park beautification day was successfully disposed of.
- **Year End Gifts:** Appreciation gifts were given to a handful of members who have helped bring our events life.
- **Tax Return:** 2022 IRS Tax return was filed for the association.

11:00 – 11:05 Review of Events from 2023:

1. Park Beautification Day
2. Easter Egg Hunt

11:05 – 11:15 Upcoming Events:

1. 4th of July Event - Scheduled for July 1st starting at 5pm
2. Santa at the Park

11:15 – 11:30 Looking ahead

With optimistic prospects for reasonable ongoing program revenue into the foreseeable future, the association is likely to be in a position to tackle one major project each year and a few smaller ones. In fact, it is vital that such projects be pre-planned in order that the 90% expenditure threshold be met each year. For 2023, the following projects are all possibilities. Please reach out if you can volunteer for any of these projects:

- a.) Repairing gate entrance
- b.) Landscape beautification / tree pruning / tree & bush planting / road maintenance
- c.) Improving the volleyball area

d.) New signs/banners for park

e.) Membership drive event

11:30 – 12:00 OPEN DISCUSSION

Looking ahead

Whether you are a member or not, the park affects the overall community aesthetics, accessibility, and property values. Catastrophic failure of the dam has the potential to destroy homes downstream and its recent extensive maintenance has allowed Lake Travis ISD to have consolidated routes that transport all students in the neighborhood. A well maintained park provides many opportunities for members to enjoy nature and the outdoors. A positive overall outlook and involvement ensures good things continue to happen for the community.

The association requires a committed board. Toward this end, it is vital that members of the community step up for service roles. The existing board is ready to train potential new board members to step into positions of leadership or serve the community as members at large. A number of residents have stepped up over the years and we are looking for new members willing and able to serve their community. Interested? Let us know or email dcrpoa@gmail.com.

Contacting Us

The association meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Any item for board consideration should be introduced at a meeting. For general inquiries, reservations, and updates, it is best to email dcrpoa@gmail.com. We make every effort to respond in a timely manner, but please be patient.

Social media is not an appropriate channel to communicate grievances or any other matter related to the association. It is not a channel that lends itself to productive communication, is frequently trolled by non-members, and we simply lack the resources to properly monitor it. Please direct any social media postings related to the association to communicate through email, phone call, or attending a meeting.