



# Elk Ridge Bugle

## Year 2002 Edition

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The City Council would like to remind us of the Utah state Law for ATV's.

### **Age and License Requirements:**

No one under eight years of age is allowed to operate any OHV on public lands, roads or trails in Utah. Resident operators eight through 15 years of age may operate provided they possess and Education Certificate issued by Utah State Parks and Recreation. Resident operators 16 years of age or older may operate an OHV if they possess either a valid driver's license or an OHV Education Certificate.

### **Helmet Requirements:**

Properly fitted helmets, having at least a "DOT Approved" safety rating for motorized use are required of all OHV operators and passengers under the age of 18 years. All OHVs are required to have certain equipment in working order while being operated in Utah, including:

- Brakes sufficient to stop and hold the machine
- A headlight and taillight while being operated between sunset and sunrise
- A muffler and spark arrester (snowmobiles are exempt from the spark arrester requirement).

### **Registration:**

Any OHV being operated or transported on public lands, roads or trails of the state of Utah must display a current OHV registration sticker. These stickers must be attached to the OHV in a visible location as follows:

- ATV's and motorcycles- on both sides of the gas tank or on each fork.
- Snowmobiles- on both sides of the pan or hood.
- All other off-highway vehicles- on the front and rear of the vehicle.

### **Prohibited Uses:**

Currently registered off-highway vehicles may only be operated on public lands, roads and trails that are signed or designated open to OHV use, or on private property with the consent of the owner or person in charge. It is illegal for any person to use an OHV in connection with acts of vandalism, harassment of wildlife or domestic animals, or in the commission of a crime. It is also illegal for anyone to operate any OHV in such a manner as to damage the environment by excessive pollution of air, land, or water, or to abuse the watershed, impair plant or animal life, or created excessive noise. It is the operator's responsibility to know which routes are open to OHV use. Remember that congressionally designated wilderness areas are off limits to all mechanized travel. Respect private property by obtaining permission from the landowner before entering.



## Lost and Found

We have a scooter that was found at the Church parking lot and a knife was left at the ball field. If either or both of these things, depending on how forgetful you are, belong to you, you can contact the city office and we will return them to you.

Although the Mayor is having a great time with the scooter!!

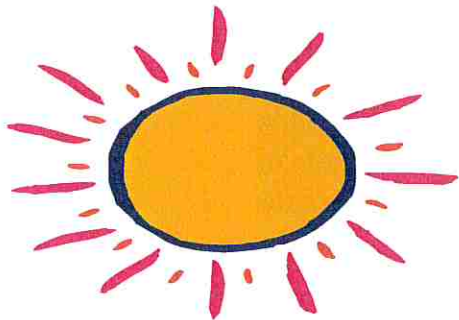
### **Planning Commission Update**

The planning commission would like to remind you that any damages caused to a construction site by children are the responsibility of the parent.

Please supervise your children in these areas or advise them to keep away from them altogether.

### **Office Equipment at a great deal!! Free!!**

The city has some older office equipment that we would like to get rid of. If you are interested, please come by and take it away.



Enjoy the last month of Summer!!

### **Fire Department Spotlight**

Darrell Hodges has been a firefighter for 2 years now. He and his wife Martha, have been married for 14 years and have 3 children; Ben 12, Sam 10, and Natasha 8. Darrell works as a medical supplies salesman and enjoys mountain biking, rock climbing and camping. Darrell has also been involved with several triathlons. He would like to see Elk Ridge continue to be a small town and a safe place to raise our children.

We really appreciate Darrell and his family's service to our town!!

### *Keeping your grass green*

If your grass seems to be dying and you think you are watering enough, you may have a problem with white moths that turn into beetles. The only way to deal with this problem is to apply diazinon. 2x about a month apart. Call extension services for the kind of diazinon.

## Fire Department Update

Mayor Fritz asked me recently to update the city residents on the emergency services and what we are accomplishing with regards to those same services that benefit the city.

As many of you know the city purchased a used, but very new pumper truck last year that has the capabilities to meet our city requirements for many years to come. Our ongoing training program in conjunction with surrounding cities is enabling us to state qualify our firefighters to the Firefighter I level of training.

We are also working with outside agencies to put together our own burn room. This training prop will allow us to train more realistically with real fire and smoke on a more frequent basis to get our personnel ready for any structure fire within the city and surrounding area.

We have had very few fire calls this summer and thanks to all our citizens for the support of the fireworks ban. I know it isn't fun for the kids and my own want to have the summer fireworks show in front of the house but when we all saw the devastation locally and nationally we better understand the concern for safety.

In light of a couple fires recently please continue to make the effort to be safe around your homes. Keep dangerous items out of reach of small children and educate your family members on what to do in an emergency.

A lot of recognition also needs to go out to our city medical services. Our EMTs are currently covering our city with medical support 24-7. We have had numerous medical calls over the past few months ranging from bee stings to severe head trauma resulting in death. We all hate to see medical emergencies, however I am very glad our EMTs volunteer their time to provide this valuable service to the city residents. We have seen so many times the calm that comes to a family or scene when someone from EMS is there to help. With our ambulance support coming from Payson in 10 to 15 minutes from the time you call, our EMTs are able to provide support usually within 3 to 4 minutes and in most cases have everything ready for the ambulance when it arrives making the response even faster. I for one am glad I know they are so close and on their way.

I also appreciate the citizen support for the department 4<sup>th</sup> of July Breakfast. Your coming out does help us and better supports the city. I hope we all have the rest of a safe summer and Thanks again for your support.

Seth Waite

Fire Chief, Elk Ridge Fire Department.

## 3 Steps -To Family and Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness

What will you do when an Earthquake hits us?

How will you provide emergency care to your loved ones?

Our EMS Systems will be overloaded for days!

What if your food storage and or water storage is buried or destroyed?

What if your loved one is trapped under debris?

You wait weeks upon weeks for your utilities to be turned back on after an earthquake, only to find out your house was safe enough not to have turned them off!!

How will we know when to evacuate in case of a wildfire?

How will we communicate to our EMS Systems when all our phone lines are down?

These are only a few questions we all want comforting answers to.

**The 3 steps to Family and Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness Plan** answers these questions and more. Please call one of these committee members for more information and get involved!!

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