

# Indian Creek Ranch

## Emergency Contacts

### Fire

Rocksprings  
(830) 683-4111  
Barksdale  
(830) 234-3473  
Camp Wood  
(830) 597-6100

### Border Patrol

(830) 683-2255

### EMS

Rocksprings  
(830) 683-3305  
Camp Wood  
(830) 597-4200

### Sheriff & Highway Patrol

(830)683-4104



## Ranch Contacts

<b>President -</b>	<b>Mike Hoffman,</b>	<b>(713) 301-7088,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:mwh1113@hotmail.com">mwh1113@hotmail.com</a></b>
<b>Vice President -</b>	<b>Bill Wilson,</b>	<b>(210) 658-6814,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:wilsonwr@earthlink.net">wilsonwr@earthlink.net</a></b>
<b>Secretary/Treasurer- Wildlife Mgmt Committee Chairman –</b>	<b>Robert Lenz,</b>	<b>(512) 657-0854,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:Robert_Lenz@Dell.com">Robert_Lenz@Dell.com</a></b>
<b>Security Committee Chairman -</b>	<b>Randy Wood,</b>	<b>(830) 683-4537,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:rw09176997@yahoo.com">rw09176997@yahoo.com</a></b>
<b>Webmaster -</b>	<b>Dan Himmerich,</b>	<b>(512) 656-4748,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:ICRSecurity@gmail.com">ICRSecurity@gmail.com</a></b>
	<b>Philip Nelson,</b>	<b>(210) 863-0360,</b>	<b><a href="mailto:PNelson@newtek.com">PNelson@newtek.com</a></b>

## President's Report

It is hard to believe but this is our tenth year publishing the ICR newsletter. In fact it was ten years ago this month that I bought my acreage in ICR. We have come a long way in the last ten years -- together we have made ICR one of the premier private wildlife ranches in Edwards County.

As we mentioned at our annual meeting last year, the Association would like to request your help in



conducting a survey on the Elk population during the months of July and August. An Elk survey sheet is sent with this newsletter, along with instructions to make the survey as easy as possible.

The idea is to determine our elk population and enable us to better manage the elk herd on the ranch. Please take the time to print copies of the attached sheet, read the instructions, participate in the survey, and send your sheets to Randy Wood by September 5, 2013. Observations can be recorded both by direct sightings or by game cameras. Individual landowner results will not be



made public, just the summary for the whole ranch.

Our annual meeting is scheduled for the first day of bow hunting season, which is

normally the first weekend of October, look for the exact date in the next newsletter. This year's meeting is important because we will be electing new Board members and voting on some important changes to our Deed restrictions. Please make every effort to participate. A proxy system will be employed so that the members that cannot attend will be able to vote.



Mike

### *Vice President's Report*

Hope everyone is having a good Spring! Although we've had some rain at the ranch, it hasn't been enough to help stem the current drought. We can expect the deer to consume a lot of protein until the situation improves.

The signs reminding folks to



turn off their valves seem to be having a positive impact – we have found very few valves open while checking water problems at the ranch. Having said this, we continue to have problems in Phase 1 with the water system being emptied on a regular basis. This problem is compounded as air gets in the pressure tanks when the water storage tanks become empty. We have checked the Association lines and all of the valves and everything appear to be ok. There must be a leak on someone's property and when they open their valve to the road, it drains the system. When the problem is reported (typically after a weekend), the landowner has already closed the valve and there is no way to tell what caused the tank to

be drained. If you have property in Phase 1, please check your lines to ensure there are no problems. The deer need this water desperately during drought periods and we can't provide it if the system continues to be drained.

We have attached the current landowners list. Since many of



the entries haven't been verified in years, I would like everyone to contact me regarding your particular information (even though it may be correct). You can email me at [wilsonwr@earthlink.net](mailto:wilsonwr@earthlink.net).

My goal is to have all information verified before this year's annual meeting. I will attempt to contact all

landowners that don't respond. We need to ensure that we have a good list to make sure everyone is aware of important issues at the ranch.

Although I will miss this year's Spring Gathering, I look forward to seeing you at the ranch. Give me a call if you'd

like to get together some time. We try to go down every 3-4 weeks.

Bill



### *Wildlife Committee Report*

Not much to report on the Wildlife side. We are hurting for rain. Some short green grass up as a result of two half inch showers about 3 weeks apart. That moisture is



long gone. Deer are lining up at the "feed trough" even though the bushes have young growth for browse.

I have heard of a "new" method that supposedly allows a property owner that does not have an Agriculture tax valuation (exemption) to qualify for such within two years. This may be of interest to the dozen or so ICR landowners that have lost the Agriculture (wildlife) "exemption". The difference in taxes is approximately \$2000 per hundred acres per year. This "new" approach is called the Texas EcoLab Program and is being



marketed by a partnership of a consulting firm and a law firm. If interested, you can find information at [plateau@plateauwildlife.com](mailto:plateau@plateauwildlife.com) & [www.BraunGresham.com](http://www.BraunGresham.com).

Turkey season is about over and we still have an abundance of the big birds. I heard of one hunter that harvested a 20 pound bird.



Hog harvests are spotty. Some folks have seen numerous animals while I have seen none and have been months without one in a trap.

When you come out, be sure to walk all your water lines -- we have lots of squirrels and porcupines that seem to love black plastic pipe.

Enjoy the spring weather while you can. It will get hot shortly.

Randy



### *Treasurer's Report*

Thanks to everyone that helped to resolve our lost checks issue, we are sorry that this has occurred and really appreciate your help and understanding.



There are nine landowners out there that have yet to pay their dues. If you are one of those please send them in to me as soon as possible.

Robert



## Financial Report

### Income and Expense Report - 2013

#### The Owners Association at Indian Creek

1-Apr-13

	2012	1Q2013	2Q2013	3Q2013	4Q2013	YTD	Budget	Remaining
<b>Balance brought forward from 2012:</b>		<b>\$57,389.53</b>						
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$34,145.00</b>	<b>\$17,859.70</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$17,859.70</b>	<b>\$32,672.52</b>	<b>\$14,812.82</b>
Annual Assessments	\$34,145.00	\$17,859.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,859.70	\$32,672.52	\$14,812.82
Special Assessments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$21,136.00</b>	<b>\$857.77</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$857.77</b>	<b>\$47,672.52</b>	<b>\$46,814.75</b>
Road Work	\$11,375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Water System Maintenance	\$3,626.50	\$163.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$163.64	\$20,000.00	\$19,836.36
Wildlife Biologist	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Electric Bills	\$2,661.29	\$694.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$694.13	\$3,000.00	\$2,305.87
Annual Meeting	\$2,661.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Grounds Maintenance	\$245.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Property Taxes	\$467.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Administrative Expenses	\$98.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Attorney Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Unallocated	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,372.52	\$5,372.52
<b>Current Balance (excluding reserve):</b>		<b>\$46,391.46</b>						
<b>Emergency Reserve</b>		<b>\$28,000.00</b>						
<b>Amount available for 2013</b>		<b>\$74,391.46</b>						

## Security Report

Folks, after quite a long while without any reported burglaries, this happened sometime between March 1 and March 21. The perpetrators used a chiminea tool as a lever to rip the security (not!) bars off the wall. They then proceeded to break out a window to gain entry. Once inside they ransacked the



place, ultimately making off with 2 camo backpacks, 1 tactical and 1 D-cell mag lite, an iPod, soda, food, and a pair of boots. They left the scotch. :) Please increase your vigilance and pay close

attention to things that seem out of place. Report crimes to the Sheriff's office, and suspected illegal aliens to the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol.

Dan

*Miscellaneous Business*

**CALENDER - Upcoming Events**

**Contractor Gate Combination Changes for 2013 - April 29, May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26, September 30, October 28, November 25, December 30.**

**Annual Meeting - First weekend of Archery Season, 2013 - Exact date to be confirmed.**

**ICR Website address: [www.Indian-Creek-Ranch.org](http://www.Indian-Creek-Ranch.org)**

