

MERIFIELD ACRES LAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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CLARKSVILLE, VIRGINIA 23927

October, 1979

Dear Merifielders,

Enclosed are the minutes of the third annual MALA meeting held Sunday, September 16, 1979. Approximately 60 members were present. The following officers were elected: Helen Albrecht, President; Milton Taylor, Vice-President; Joe Panza, Secretary; Richard Morin, Treasurer.

Your attention is called to the following items of business.

1. A penalty has been added if a lien has been placed on your property. (See Statement on Liens.)
2. There is absolutely no camping allowed in Merifield Acres in spite of what some salesmen may have told you.
3. All building plans must be submitted to the Architectural Committee for approval.
4. If you rent your property, tenants must adhere to the same protective covenants as in your deed.

Committees are as follows:

Architectural - Barney White, Chm., Ken Hensley, Mary Alice Simes

Common Facilities - Fred Clark, Chm., Jean Thiel, Jos Finn, Bob Lumpkins, advisor on  
air strip

Finance - Richard Morin, Chm., Helen Albrecht, Margaret White

Roads - Margaret White, Chm., Ken Hensley Frank Simes

I attended a meeting of the Kerr/Buggs Island Lake Protective Association and the Corps of Engineers officials recently in Henderson. Discussed were many problems involved in the management of the Lake and government property around the Lake. No solutions were offered but MALA members should be interested to know that a comprehensive lake management plan is to be developed in the spring of 1980. Since the actions to be decided upon will have far-reaching effects influencing lake management and lakeside living for years to come, MALA members should keep abreast of developments and offer their suggestions to assure that any policies eventually adopted will work to the best interests of all parties concerned. The first public hearing is expected to be held in April. MALA will keep you informed as to developments. I'm sure the Kerr/Buggs Island Lake Protective Association will appreciate your help.

From another meeting of the Kerr/Buggs Island Protective Association, I'd like to pass along some good tips on crime prevention. 1. Mark all valuables with an identifying symbol. 2. Store belongings under cover. 3. In case of prolonged absence take valuables with you. 4. Report any strange vehicles. 5. Burn a light or play a radio to deter break-ins. 6. In case of a break-in, do not touch or clean up anything. Leave as is and call the sheriff at Boydton, 738-6171. We are fortunate in Mecklenburg County to have the Sheriff's office, the Clarksville Police, the Corps of Engineers, the Rescue Squad, the Fire Department, Forestry and Wildlife Departments all connected by an inter-communications system.

Many of you know that probably we shall be having mail service within Merifield Acres in the near future. If you have not already done so, and you plan to move your box or erect one for the first time, please send the name of the head of your household with your lot number and street name to the Postmaster, Clarksville, VA 23927. When we are given permission to relocate our mail boxes, of course certain government standards must be met. However, Mr. Bathurst, the postmaster, indicated that he would approve individual mail box designs which would compliment your homes. We hope that you will also place your box (or group of boxes) so that the carrier can drive on a gravel surface.

Please inform us of any change of address or change of ownership of your property. We need to keep our lists accurate and current. Please address correspondence to MALA, Rt. 1, Box 59B, Clarksville, VA 23927.

Sincerely yours, *Helen Albrecht*

## Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting of the Merifield Acres Landowners' Association

The annual meeting of MALA was held at Kinderton Country Club at 2 PM on September 16, 1979. Helen Albrecht, President called the meeting to order and introduced the 1978-79 members and officers of the Board of Directors of MALA.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The Chairman of the Roads Committee, Margaret White, reported as follows:

1. The entire road system will be resurfaced once every three (3) years. 1/3 will be done each year. Part of High Point Blvd. and all of Lake Point Drive will be resurfaced during the fall of 1979.
2. Merifield Drive will be widened and resurfaced from the "Y" to a designated point.
3. Additional safety precautions will be made at the "Y" (Merifield and Lakepoint intersection) to satisfy insurance coverage.
4. Maplewood Court, Greenbriar and Terrace Road have not been deeded to or accepted by MALA because they do not meet specifications.

Mrs. White will check into a suggestion made that we barricade and repair the dirt road that causes a safety hazard because it cuts across the air strip.

The Chairman of the Common Facilities Committee, Bill McElwee, who moved from the area, left no report. However, Common Facilities (tennis court, stable, picnic area at Oak Park and air strip) were not deeded to MALA until late in August of 1979. Legal work had not been completed at the time of the meeting. General policies authorized by the Board are:

1. The facilities are for the exclusive use of MALA members and their bona fide guests. When the facilities are being used members must accompany their guests.
2. No camping or use of recreational vehicles for "on site" housing will be permitted in Merifield Acres.
3. The picnic area at Oak Park is the only common facility which abuts the water. Swimming is at your own risk.
4. MALA does not intend to own or maintain any docks. The present ones are owned by Merifield, Inc.

Comprehensive policies concerning the operation and management of the air strip and stable will be developed by the Common Facilities Committee and mailed to each member at a later date.

Statement on Liens. Liens were placed on 50 properties because of unpaid assessments. As of this date, 8 of these assessments have been paid and the liens have been removed. No objections were made to the Board's decision to assess the property owner for the cost of removal of his lien plus 8% interest.

Statement on Mailing Policy. Because bulk mailing rates are used it is important that property owners notify the secretary or any member of the Board of Directors of MALA of a change of address or change of ownership. In this way members can be assured of receiving mailings.

### Present Status of Merifield Acres.

1. Thanks were expressed to all who contributed to the managing of Merifield Acres.
2. All letters received by MALA from members were answered.
3. There were 5 meetings of the Board of Directors during 1978 and 1979.
4. There are 75 homes completed or under construction.
5. Mail delivery within Merifield Acres is a possibility. A statement that our roads will be kept open so that mail can be delivered has been signed. No mail will

be delivered on unpaved roads. The new addresses would consist of a lot number and a street name. Example: 5 Merifield Drive, Clarksville, VA 23927.  
 6. Liability insurance on roads and common facilities and fire insurance on the stable are now in effect. No insurance is carried on horses or their riders.

The Roads and Architectural Committees were commended for their excellent work.

New Business. In response to a letter from the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce asking us to consider membership in their organization, it was moved that MALA join the Chamber of Commerce. The motion was passed by a show of hands, 16 to 13. Clarification on the number of votes that could be cast was requested. It was questioned whether there should be one vote per household or one vote for each lot owned. It was moved and passed that before the next annual meeting the by-laws will include the voting procedures and the MALA membership will be informed by mail. It was moved and passed that voting for this meeting be by members ( 1 vote per household) not by lot. Helen Albrecht will ask MALA's legal advisor for his opinion on this question.

After this discussion the meeting was temporarily adjourned for the purpose of holding the Architectural Committee meeting in accordance with the protective covenants. Barney White, Ken Hensley and Mary Alice Simes were unanimously elected to serve as members of the architectural Committee.

When the annual meeting was reconvened, the following names were put into nomination to fill the eight (8) positions open on the Board: Fred Clark, Jim Donaldson, Warren (Bob) Lumpkins, Frank Simes, Mary Helen Thompson, Margaret White, Joe Panza, Britt Drake, David Hagar and Ken Willis. Mr. Clark, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Lumpkins, Mr. Simes, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. White, Mr. Panza and Mr. Drake were elected to the Board by Written ballot. Mr. Hagar was elected as an alternate.

Announcements. The members were reminded to inform MALA of changes of address and/or name and address of new owner in case of sale of property.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Thiel, secretary pro tem

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Board of Directors 1978-1979

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