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# **The Riviera HOMEOWNERS NEWSLETTER**

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## FEBRUARY MEETING TOPIC IS UP IN THE AIR!



Everything you ever wanted to know about aviation ... but didn't know whom to ask! All the answers will be available at the February 7th meeting at Parkway School, 8:00 p.m., because RHA has invited everybody who is anybody in matters concerning the effects of aviation on the Riviera.

As a recent newsletter noted, the interrelationships of aviation affairs with our community are complex because they involve a number of agencies, both Federal and municipal. All the responsible agencies will have representatives present at the February 7th meeting to answer your most piercing questions.

Mr. Paul McAfee, Chief of Operations of the Air Traffic Branch of the FAA will show an informative film entitled "Can We Have a Little Quiet?"; we will then open up the meeting to questions on aircraft-related affairs directed to a panel including, in addition to Mr. McAfee, the control tower chief of the Torrance tower, a representative of the Los Angeles Tower control center, the Torrance airport manager, and a member of the Torrance airport commission. This group spans the entire spectrum of aviation matters related to Riviera homeowners, and anyone who has been or expects to be the least bit concerned with these subjects should not pass up the opportunity to attend and get answers.

No greater opportunity to question so many responsible officials at once will come along for some time, so we encourage you to attend and make sure that the audience is not outnumbered by the panel.

• **Issues and Information of Importance to the Riviera** •

FROM YOUR RHA PRESIDENT

The Planning Commission and City Council have been studying the problems of hillside development. Since this very closely affects Riviera residents, the Association has been following closely developments in this area. In response to a Planning Commission recommendation of a moratorium on new construction in the hillside area because of traffic problems, reduced garage setbacks, and aesthetic problems, the City Council extended its moratorium on construction along Vista Montana and, in addition, repealed a section of the building code dealing with garage setbacks. This section of the code allowed a builder to place the garage five feet from the front property line on sloping lots. Many homes have been built all over the Riviera under this provision. The Planning Commission and City Council both felt this provision causes serious traffic problems. Repeal of this section effectively places a moratorium on hillside construction since almost all new construction uses this provision.

The Planning Commission is currently studying the entire problem of hillside development prior to its making recommendations to the City Council. One approach being seriously studied is to rezone the entire hillside area to provide for Planning Commission review of all construction whether it be new homes or major additions to existing homes. In part, this would supplant the present Art Jury. Such things as architectural compatibility of additions, interference with vehicle visibility at curves and intersections, and adequate off-street vehicle storage areas would be reviewed by the Planning Commission. Your Association has observers at all Planning Commission and City Council meetings and will make every effort to ensure that any action taken will be in the best interests of all the residents of the Riviera. I would appreciate letters from you all concerning your ideas and feelings concerning this matter.

... Joe Clukey

THE BREEZES KEEP BLOWING

An RHA member writes that blowing "throwaways" ... those gratis advertizers you find on your lawn each week ... have been a nuisance to him and his neighbors. He passes on the information that anyone may call the Daily Breeze (not the only guilty publication, by the way) circulation manager (370-5511 or 772-6281) and request that your address be deleted from the Advertiser route.

## BY-LAW CHANGES TO BE VOTED

On December 13, 1971, the Executive Council of the Association approved a comprehensive amendment to the Association By-Laws. Adoption of the revised By-Laws requires a two-thirds majority vote of the membership at any regular meeting if at least seven days' notice shall have been given the membership prior to such meeting. At the meeting scheduled for February 7, 1972, copies of the revised By-Laws will be available for the membership's consideration. The significant changes are:

1. Boundaries of the area served by the Association are confined to the Torrance area known as the Riviera, excluding any Palos Verdes area.
2. Membership in the Association is open to any resident or owner of property situated within the area. Residents who do not own property are deemed "Associate Members", without voting power. (Clarified)
3. An honorary life member may also be an active or inactive member if otherwise qualified. (New)
4. The executive council is re-defined to include six officers and six members-at-large. (Clarified)
5. Any executive council member who shall miss three successive or four total executive council meetings shall be removed from office, his successor for the remainder of his term selected by the executive council.
6. The second vice-president, rather than the corresponding secretary, is to maintain a membership roster and to preside in the absence of the president and the first vice-president.
7. The corresponding secretary will no longer automatically serve as publicity agent. (Such duty will be by appointment of the executive council.)
8. Regular and special membership meetings have been re-defined for clarity.
9. Newly elected officers assume their duties immediately upon the close of their election in March, instead of the next succeeding meeting. (This eliminates a loophole in continuity of administration between the March and April meetings.)

Other minor grammatical and syntactical changes have been made, mainly to eliminate ambiguities and make more understandable the By-Law provisions.

Robert White, By-Law Chairman

NOISE SURVEY



A preliminary report from Bud Skolich on results of the noise survey (December newsletter) indicates that of the total of 60 replies (approximately a 2% return) he has received to date the overwhelming majority tap minibikes and motorcycles as producers of the most annoying noise in this area. We will have a full tabulation of the survey results next month. In the meantime, perhaps it would behoove cyclists to be good neighbors and to remember the applicable laws: It is illegal to operate an unlicensed vehicle on public property and all licensed vehicles must be equipped with a proper muffler.

RHA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

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| Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Brucks       | Via Pasqual           |
| Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Booker           | Vista Largo           |
| Capt. Glen G. Jordan                | Via del Collado       |
| Mrs. Virginia Rouen                 | Via Mesa Grande       |
| Mrs. Joan Izuel                     | Vista del Parque      |
| Prof. and Mrs. Harris E. Moore, Sr. | Calle de Arboles      |
| Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Rimmey          | Paseo de Pavon        |
| Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fradkin            | Paseo de las Tortugas |
| Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldhammer       | Mesa Street           |
| Mr. and Mrs. Eric Sluyter           | Via Alameda           |
| Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sibley           | Avenida Atezada       |
| Mr. and Mrs. John L. Woolley        | Via Corona            |
| Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Monan           | Paseo de la Playa     |
| Mr. and Mrs. R. Mordini             | Calle Miramar         |
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