

BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB www.bridletrailscommunity.org

Jump into the New Year!

Join us at the January 18th meeting. All residents of the Bridle Trails area are welcome.

Raise your questions, ideas and concerns.

Create community as we continue to protect and enhance the residential and equestrian character of the Bridle Trails area.



BTCC General Meeting Agenda

Bel-Red Corridor / Sonics Update

NE 24th Update

BTCC Purpose / Mission Statement

Bridle Trails Park Foundation

Co-Treasurer Appointment: Ambie Merritt

Socializing and refreshments

BRIDLE TRAILS COMMUNITY CLUB MEMBERSHIP

To cover annual membership dues and receive the BTCC newsletter three times a year, please send **\$20** to:

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Complimentary "New Neighbor" newsletter sent upon request

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140TH AVENUE NE PATHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT — JIM MANTELL

The 140th Ave NE Pathway Improvement Project pertains to a separated six-foot porous asphalt pathway situated along the west side of 140th Avenue NE. The Pathway continues north from NE 40th Street to the city limits. The Project completion date is currently projected for this Spring 2007. The Pathway goal is to extend safe pedestrian travel along 140th Ave NE from NE 24th Street north to the Bellevue border.

	Invitation	
	Please join us at our general meetings. Let us know what topics matter to you. What are your	
	neighborhood concerns? What would you like to have added to the agenda? Come join us!	
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Bel-Red Corridor Project — Norm Hansen

The draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is scheduled to be released on January 17, 2007. The public comment period begins 45 days prior to March 3. This document analyses four development scenarios. **Kevin O'Neill**, City of Bellevue Transportation, will present a summary of these and the next steps at our Bridle Trails Community Club General Meeting on Thursday, January 18.

After Open Houses and a public hearing in February and March, the Steering committee will meet to discuss and decide on a recommended preferred alternative. This alternative could be a "hybrid" or mix of any of the EIS alternatives. It is anticipated that the Bellevue City Council will then decide a preferred vision by mid 2007.

More information is available on the City web site at www.bellevuewa.gov/bel-red_intro.htm or contact **Kevin O'Neill** on 425-452-4064 or **Kevin McDonald** on 425-452-4558.

BTCC Key Dates 2006 — 2007		
January 16	Draft EIS due for Bel-Red Project Due	
January 18	General Meeting	
February 15	Board Meeting	
March 15	General Meeting	
May 17	General Meeting	

BRIDLE TRAILS PARK FOUNDATION — ALICE PRINCE

The Foundation hosted 4 groups of children from Cherry Crest Elementary school on nature walks in the park in mid-October. More are in the works for the future, but dates have not been set.

Dr. Joe Amaratti, renowned biologist and fungi expert led two mushroom walks in November in spite of the rain. Turnout was good and the subject fascinating. More nature walks will be held in the spring.

Ranger Mary's steering committee hosted an open house at the Acheson property on Sunday, November 19. People came in droves and their enthusiasm was exciting. Watch our web site in February and March for information about the next one.

Don't forget: our inscribed bricks make great Holiday gifts. Download an order form from our web site <u>www.bridletrails.org</u>, mail it in and we'll return a confirmation letter that you can wrap up and give someone you love.

PROPOSED BTCC BYLAWS AMENDMENT

The following resolution will be voted on at the March 15, 2007 General Meeting:

Pursuant to Article IX of the BTCC Bylaws, Art IV, Section 6 is amended to include the following addition:

The Board may elect a Co-Treasurer as may be necessary, from time-to-time. The Co-Treasurer shall share the responsibilities with the Treasurer as determined by the Board.