

The Lambeth Riding Home Owners Association Board Policy and Practice Memoranda

The following memoranda state policies and practices the Board has established and ordinarily follows. They are informative, and a guide to later decisions, but they are not binding like bylaws – in any given case the Board or an officer may for various reasons do otherwise.

1. Multi Community Crime Watch.

(Adopted March 13, 2012)

a. The Board has agreed to participate in the recently organized Multi Community Crime Watch ("MCCW") for our area of New Castle County, and will send Lambeth Riding residents e-mail reports about nearby crimes and suspicious incidents. The Board normally won't so report on anything outside our immediate area, bounded by Limestone Road, Paper Mill Road, Corner Ketch Road and the Pennsylvania state line. Events in Lambeth Riding, Bridleshire, North Star, Ainsley Woods and Jarrell Farms ordinarily will be reported, except those that seem trivial. Normally the Board will circulate only information received from MCCW or from Lambeth Riding sources known to be knowledgeable.

b. Three officers – the President, the Treasurer and the Secretary – are authorized to send such e-mail reports. They will function as a committee of three when convenient, but any two can normally act without the third, and in case of unusual urgency any one of them may act unilaterally.

c. To avoid bothering residents unnecessarily, the officers will send such reports selectively and sparingly based on distance, the importance or severity of the episode, and the apparent reliability of the report. Such reports normally will contain only:

i. A short and plain statement of the episode, such as:

"Thursday a neighbor on North Star Road had a GPS unit stolen from a car that was left unlocked in the driveway".

ii. A short and plain recommendation containing police phone numbers. Normally this will say only the following:

"Please be alert and report crimes and suspicious activity to county police. In emergencies phone 911, otherwise 573-2800. Or, send an anonymous text message to 847411 (TIP411). Begin your message with NCCPD. Also, report such matters by e-mail to board@lambethriding.org, so the board can if appropriate send an alert to the Multi Community Crime Watch.

Lock your cars, garages, doors and windows. Avoid confrontations with suspicious persons. Consider taking notes about suspicious happenings, photographing strangers and/or their vehicles and noting license plate numbers, when and if you can safely do that.

Also, the County Police offer a valuable Burglary Prevention Seminar at <http://www2.nccde.org/police/documents/bulletinsdocuments/BurglaryPreventionSeminar.pdf>".

2. E-Mails To The Community Upon The Death Of A Resident.

(Adopted March 13, 2012)

The Board will send an e-mail notice to the community regarding the death of a Lambeth Riding resident if requested by the family of the deceased. Other such requests will be considered on a case by case basis.