

THE CHIEF'S CORNER

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BBRPD Launches a Bike Registration Program

"Which bike is mine?"

On occasion someone renting a property uses the provided bicycle to ride to the Glaze Meadow Recreation Center to enjoy the facility. When they come out they forget where they parked the bicycle. They may remember it was a green Trek but as they look at the sea of bicycles there are a few green Trek bikes to chose from. Luck is not in their favor and they ride the wrong one back to the rental home.

"This isn't our bike!"

Of course you come to your home and recognize that the green Trek in the garage is not yours. Sometimes one of your bicycles is missing altogether.

Every year in September the Black Butte Ranch Police Department works with the bike shop to find the homes for the extra bikes that have been abandoned at various locations. We have had a lot of success and, in the end, found only a couple of the bicycles had been stolen.

This year the Black Butte Ranch Police Department has launched a Bicycle Registration Program. The Program is designed to identify the proper home and owner of registered bikes. Here's how it works. When you register a bicycle we attach an individually numbered sticker to the bicycle and record the make, model and serial number of the bicycle.

This allows us to determine where a bike belongs and return it to the proper home based on the numbered sticker we attach. If the bicycle is stolen we already have the serial number on file and can enter the information into the National Crime Information Center and increase the possibility of it being recovered. It also helps with the prosecution of prolific bike thieves.

"How do I register?"

To register your bicycles you can bring it to the Police Department during any weekday or contact an officer at 541-693-6911. You can also bring your bikes to the Glaze Meadow Bike Shop and the staff there can get them registered.



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