

TIMBERHILL TOWNHOUSES NEWSLETTER

NOTICES AND EVENTS AT THTA

Pool Party a great success!

A good time was had by all—a warm day, a cool pool and a number of recent and long-time residents came together for an enjoyable and tasty afternoon. The tasty ingredient was ice cream and while not too many ventured into the pool, some did and the overall atmosphere was relaxed and fun. Thanks to the Community Connections committee for hosting!

Nutria on parade

Yes, it turns out we have some unexpected visitors. At some point in Corvallis history, nutria, not native to Oregon, were brought here as a commercial product. Nutria is a rodent and lives in and near water (e.g., the creek running through our property).



The nutria industry went bust and the people involved simply turned their stock loose. Well, it's the old story—the nutria thrived in the Oregon ecosystem and their numbers have impacted various native species and have caused various problems for humans. The critters have been seen around the creek. We have contracted with Good Earth folks to trap and remove them (no idea how long this will take). The captured nutria will be euthanized because they are an exotic invasive. If you have questions, contact members of the Maintenance Committee.

More Invasives (if only nutria ate ash borers...)

THTA Ash Borer – an inventory of ash trees on the property (65) has been made. At present there is no sign of infestation, but, like death and taxes, ash bores are coming....



Emerald Ash Borer Sites

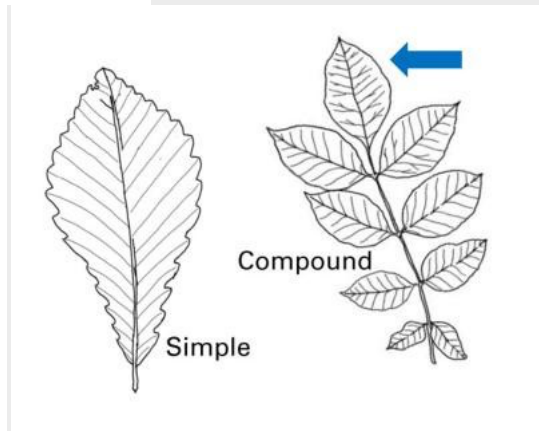
<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/collection/emerald-ash-borer-resources>
<https://oregon-eab-geo.hub.arcgis.com/>
<https://www.oregoninvasivespeciescouncil.org/eab>

Signs of Ash Borer Damage



Ash Leaves

- Pinnately compound (multiple leaflets that attach symmetrically to a central leaf stalk)
- Odd number of leaflets (typically 5-9) with a terminal leaflet at the end of the leaf stalk
- Deciduous (drops leaves in fall)
- Outer edges can be smooth or serrated (finely toothed)



As you can see, we have challenges. Remember the old saying, “Nature red in tooth and claw” (and insects).

Have a great June!