

# The Fairways Flier

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 21 9am PT

### POTLUCK-ALL ARE WELCOME!

June 16 6:00pm PT  
(Happy Hour starts at 5:30pm)

**FLAG DAY** June 14

**FATHER'S DAY** June 18

**JUNETEENTH** June 19

**SUMMER BEGINS** June 21

**4th OF JULY** July 4



## NEW TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Please welcome the following new members to our community!

Elizabeth Kittel & David Mehorney  
on Augusta

Kat Shon & Penny Stephenson  
on Tam O Shanter



## Greetings Neighbors~



Welcome to the first issue of the Fairways Flier and the restart of our community newsletter!

Whether you're here year around or have traveled home to spend summers in cooler climates, it is our hope that this monthly periodical will keep you informed of happenings in and around the Fairways neighborhood as well as throughout the greater Palm Springs area.

The Fairways Flier newsletter is not intended to be used as a replacement in delivering official HOA meeting notices, email blasts or Board Meeting Minutes from the Fairways Board, Committees or Desert Property Management. It is intended to be a helpful tool to keep homeowners aware of the general news of the day and other activities in and around the neighborhood.

**We would love to hear from you!** If you'd like to suggest or contribute 'articles of interest' or highlight a community volunteer, local business or exceptional vendor to the newsletter, just let us know by sending an email to Linda at [lindacarl@sullivan@yahoo.com](mailto:lindacarl@sullivan@yahoo.com)!

## SOCIAL SCENE ~Darlene Backlund

**Our May Potluck was delightful and we had 32 attendees.** The highlight of the evening was definitely the performance by **Jennifer Scott and Rene Worst**, homeowners on Paradise.

Jennifer Scott ([www.jenniferscott.ca](http://www.jenniferscott.ca)) is a Vancouver-born vocalist, arranger, and pianist specializing in jazz, blues and world music. She is considered one of the most important jazz artists working in Canada and the United States today. Jennifer has an exceptionally beautiful voice and also teaches jazz and piano at Capilano Univ. in Vancouver B.C. Her husband, Rene Worst is a Professional Bassist. They said they would entertain us again once they return to the Fairways. **Mikole E. Kaar**, a full time resident on Fairway East, also a jazz musician who plays the flute and sax, joined them for a few numbers as well.



If you enjoyed the music from that evening, wish to purchase CD's, or simply want to find out more information, hop over to their websites at Jennifer Scott - [www.jenniferscott.ca](http://www.jenniferscott.ca) or Mikole E. Kaar - [www.mikolekaar.com](http://www.mikolekaar.com).



Apparently, we have quite a few musicians in the Fairways. Please let me know if you're willing to share your talent with The Fairways at any of our upcoming potlucks or events. You can reach out to me (Darlene) at [backlund1@msn.com](mailto:backlund1@msn.com).

**The JUNE POTLUCK is June 16th.** We eat at 6:00pm but come to socialize anytime after 5:30pm-BYOB. Since there were hot dogs and buns left after the HOA BBQ, we will serve those on the 16th. Please bring salads, deserts and whatever else you would want. Even though the snowbirds have fled we will continue potlucks throughout the summer! It's a great way to meet and get to know your neighbors!



**Homeowners:** If you are renting out your unit(s) at this time, please consider forwarding a copy of this newsletter to your tenant(s) so they can stay informed of The Fairways Community events and activities as well!

## SECURITY~ Noah Weinreb

### NEW SECURITY COMPANY:

A few months ago, the HOA Board hired a new security company called **Securitas**.



Nightly, they perform mobile patrol inspections in and around the Fairways neighborhood. They also check all Clubhouse doors are secure, patrol each street and stop at each pool area to physically walk around the perimeters of the pool areas to ensure that pathway and pool lights are working properly, pool gates are closed and of course, intruders are not present in and around the areas.

### NEW CAMERA AT FRONT GATE:

Additionally a new security camera at the Front Entry Gate has been installed. This camera monitors all gate activity 24/7.

### ALERT! ALERT!

There have been a few instances of nonresidents wandering into the neighborhood or residents' cars parked in carports that were left unlocked having items missing from them. Please be sure to always lock your cars especially overnight and if you see someone suspicious in the neighborhood, call the HOA office or police below.

Also at times the Front Walkthrough Pedestrian Gate has been left propped open. It should not be. When exiting or entering through the gates, if you see the Front Pedestrian Gate propped open, please consider stopping and closing the gate.

#### ***If you see something - say something:***

- During daytime hours:  
**Rhianna/HOA onsite office:**  
(760)459-3054
- After Office Hours & Weekends:  
**Securitas Dispatch to site:**  
(888) 754-9326  
**To reach the officer on duty:**  
(858)289-7016  
**Palm Springs Police Department:**  
Emergency: 911  
Non-Emergency: (760) 327-1441

## LANDSCAPE~Jay Center

Spring is in full swing and we have had some amazing weather that has promoted our landscape to wake up from winter dormancy. With a fair amount of rain this last winter and spring, watering of grass and shrub beds has increased to two times daily based on the guidelines of Desert Water Management. As the weather begins to warm you will see a slowing in hedge and shrub trimming to prevent undue stress on vegetation.

The landscape committee has recognized areas of improvement that need attention. We are committed to addressing these areas in a timely manner, working with our landscape maintenance supplier, Exceptional, and Desert Management to assist with fixing these deficiencies. Your support is appreciated as a community. If you see a broken sprinkler, place a flag, and or contact Rhianna.

Lastly, The Fairways Landscape Committee would like to give a warm thank you to **Scott Alles** for volunteering his time and efforts to more detailed areas of our landscape maintenance and to the beautification in our development. It takes a village to continue and support the look of our Fairways landscape.



### THE FAIRWAYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION IN NOVEMBER!

Applications are now open for any and all owners to run for openings to be on the Board of Directors for the Fairways Community!

The election will be held on November 18, 2023 but you must submit your application and notify the Association no later than Monday, August 28, 2023, of your desire to run for the Board of Directors.

Notice and applications were emailed/mailed to each homeowner, however for more information, please contact Rhianna at [RBeverly@DesertManagement.com](mailto:RBeverly@DesertManagement.com) or Erin Mason at [erin@nlbconsultingfirm.com](mailto:erin@nlbconsultingfirm.com).

## FACILITIES~ Kirk Gardner

Throughout the Spring, the Clubhouse Facilities Team (**Geoff Cross, Bill Albert, Kirk Gardner and various project specific community volunteers**) were very busy with various projects throughout the community:



- **Pool #5:** Installed Desert Scape rock and Weedloc around the exterior pool enclosure. Able assistance was provided by **Rich Herbert, Frank Perra and our on-site landscape crew**. As a thank you to the crew and volunteers, lunch was provided from the local restaurant Goody's.
- **Perimeter Security Lighting:** Three perimeter wall security lights were purchased and installed that are now the standard. These walpac lights have three intensity settings to allow for adjustment in locations where overly bright security lights may be intrusive.
- **Repainting/Repair of Brick Columns:** **Geoff Cross** has been engaged in a project to repaint the brick columns thru out the Fairways. It is an ongoing project that will take at least next season plus to complete. Geoff also repaired 4 brick columns at a minimal cost of \$20. Had this repair been completed by an outside vendor, it would have cost the HOA \$1000.
- **Landscape Shed Secure:** The landscape shed, that had previously been broken into, was upgraded with two new security bars that are 10' long which is 4' longer than the originals. These new ones are very hard to breach and disconnect the retainer pins like the shorter old ones. **Bill Albert, Geoff Cross, Rich Herbert and Frank Perra** completed repainting the shed with Bill reworking the lighting so it now has night security lightning and work lights.
- **Unit Secured:** **Bill Albert** secured a problematic unit that was being broken into by intruders. He and his wife resolved a repeat intruder issue by suggesting a viable option that virtually eliminated further intruder issues.

The committee is now off site at our various summer locations but we will be back in October. We will be focused on repainting/repairing the lamp posts, curbs and parking lot striping as well as the Clubhouse patio area as these areas are highly visible and need to be kept in good order.

## DESERT MANAGMENT ~ Rhianna Beverly

Rhianna is now working weekdays in the on-site HOA offices, located just to left of the main Clubhouse doors. The on-site office is open Monday- Friday from 10am to 4pm. (Closed for lunch from 12pm-1pm.) **The on-site phone is (760) 459-3054.**

When the on-site office is closed, Rhianna is still available at the Desert Management office at 42-427 Rancho Mirage Ln. Rancho Mirage Ca. 92270, via email at [RBeverly@DesertManagement.com](mailto:RBeverly@DesertManagement.com) or at (760)862-1202 ext. 228.

If there is an after-hours emergency for property related issues, please contact Desert Management's 24-hour Answering Service at (760) 862-1202. Medical and other safety emergencies should call 911 or the local police and/or fire departments.



**Red Imported Fire Ant Treatment has been scheduled in our community for Tuesday, June 16th!!**

- On June 16th, between 6:30a-1pm - treatment for red ants will be occurring.
- Know that control products are water soluble and will render ineffective when in contact with water, and are made at a very low dosage: enough to kill an ant but will not harm pets.

## POOLS~Steve Hannegan

As the Summer heat sets in, just a couple of pool reminders:

1) Pool heating has been turned off and is not scheduled to be turned back on until approximately October 1st. However with hotter days coming, the pool temperatures heat up quite nicely especially in the late afternoon/early evening providing refreshing relief from the desert heat! And 2) please be advised that the pool and spa areas are not monitored by the HOA. For health and safety reasons, children are not allowed in the pool and spa areas unsupervised and need to be accompanied and under the direct supervision of an adult 18 years and older at all times!



## SPORTS & GAMES~Darlene Backlund

### FRIDAY GAME DAYS:

Afternoon games at the clubhouse started on March 31st and into April. Unfortunately, there did not seem to be enough interest at that time to keep it going so we have decided to wait until Fall to bring it back. The "we" are co-chairs **Michael Canning & Darlene Backlund** plus committee member, **Janice Albert**. Please realize



the clubhouse is available with games, ping pong, and books for anyone who wishes to use it. Your common key will open the door to the clubhouse. Please just be sure after using it, you shut **ALL** doors tight.

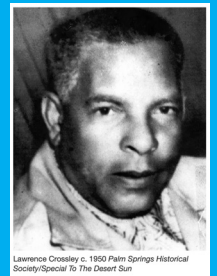
## Who Knew? ~ Who is Lawrence Crossley & Why is a Street Named After Him?

After living in The Fairways for almost a year now, I have often pondered this very question each time I drive through the entry gate and turn onto Lawrence Crossley Drive. Here's what I found out ...

### Lawrence Crossley (1899-1962) – Palm Springs' First Black Entrepreneur

Excerpts below were written by Barbara Beckley for Visit Palm Springs (<https://visitpalm Springs.com/lawrence-crossley-makes-mark-in-palm-springs>)

"Smart and ambitious – New Orleans trumpet player Lawrence Crossley saw opportunities in Palm Springs early on, relocating from The Big Easy in the 1920s with his wife and two daughters to take a position as chauffeur to Prescott Stevens, owner of the El Mirador Hotel. Recognizing Crossley's business sense, Stevens quickly promoted him to assist in the development of the hotel and to design Palm Springs first 18-hole golf course, the El Mirador Golf Course...Later, he became superintendent of grounds for the Palm Springs estate of wealthy New York attorney Samuel Untermyer, now The Willows Historic Palm Springs Inn. These and other corporate moguls encouraged Crossley to invest for himself, which he did — with stellar success. Crossley started his own water business, the Tramview Water Company; opened a small café and a laundromat...As a well-established and respected mover and shaker, Crossley also worked closely with the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians and was active in civic affairs on behalf of school bond issues and the College of the Desert..."



Lawrence Crossley c. 1950 Palm Springs Historical Society/Special To The Desert Sun

...In the early 1930s, Crossley acquired some five acres, near East Ramon Road and South Sunrise Way, which he developed into Crossley Court, the first-known example of land ownership by an African American in Palm Springs. He also created Tramview Village and the Eagle Canyon Trailer Village. Crossley purchased more land, this time a large tract which he subdivided in the late 1950s (in partnership with the Sun-Spa Development Corporation's President Al Casey). Built to FHA standards, Crossley Tract, as his 77-parcel neighborhood was called, featured affordable three-bedroom, two-bath homes in a variety of floorplans targeted primarily to African American families. Amenities included paved streets, natural gas and school bus service. Crossley Tract boomed. In late 1958, the first home was move-in ready. News reports show Crossley and his wife, Martha, moving into their new residence across from the model home. By 1961, 30 homes were built and bought. Unfortunately tragedy struck in 1962, when Crossley unexpectedly died of a heart attack, and Crossley Tract faltered..."

...In July of 2015, the Palm Springs Planning Commission agreed unanimously to change the name of the street that connects Ramon Road to East Palm Canyon Drive. At the time it had two names, Golf Club Drive on the south and Crossley Road on the north. The commission decided to name the entire street Crossley Road in honor of Lawrence Crossley one of the earliest African-American residents in Palm Springs..."



### Attention Pet Owners -

Due to a shortage of Veterinarians in the area our local Indio 24 hour animal emergency hospital - the **VCA Valley Animal Medical Center & Emergency Hospital, located at 46920 Jefferson Street, Indio, CA -has changed its overnight hours and is in fact sometimes closed!** If you have an animal emergency, its always best to call the Indio VCA Hospital first at 760-342-4711 or their website or facebook page to see if they are open. If not, the closest 24/7 animal emergency hospitals are: • VCA California Veterinary Specialists -

Murrieta - (951) 501-4433 • VCA California Veterinary Specialists - Ontario - (909) 321-6118 • Grand Terrace Animal Emergency Hospital - (909) 825-9350

## UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN

- **VillageFest Downtown Palm Springs**  
Every Thursday: Summer Hours 7:00pm-10:00pm
- **Free Thursdays at the Palm Springs Art Museum**  
Every Thursday: 5:00pm - 8:00pm
- **Palm Springs Certified Farmer's Market - Palm Springs Pavilion**  
Every Saturday: 8:00am - 1:00pm
- **Juneteenth Celebration - James O. Jessie Highland Unity Center**  
Sunday, June 18: 5:00pm
- **Palm Springs International Shortfest - Camelot Theater, Palm Springs**  
June 20-26: Times vary
- **Document Shred Event - Burrtec Parking Lot, Palm Desert**  
Saturday, June 24: 11:00am
- **4th of July Firework Display - Aqua Caliente Casino, Rancho Mirage**  
Tuesday, July 4th: Sunset- Arrive after 3pm - Free admission in Parking Lot

More events can be found at the  
<https://thepalmspringspost.com>

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

The Fairways Community Website <https://fairwaysps.com>

Rhianna Beverly-Association Manager (760) 459-3054

Desert Management - 24-Hour Message (760) 862-1202

### Securitas Property Security

Dispatch to site: (888) 754-9326

To reach the officer on duty: (858)289-7016

### Palm Springs Police Department

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency (760) 327-1441

Watch Commander (760) 323-8115

Shopping Cart Removal Hotline (800) 252-4613

Graffiti Removal Hotline (760) 778-8469

Animal Control (760) 327-1441 or (760) 323-8151

Community Resource Officer (760) 416-5743