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# The Fairways Flier

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# A Message from the President ~ Don Chute



Happy Fall! And welcome back to those homeowners returning to the desert and to the Fairways! Cooler temperatures are on the way!

At a special open Board of Director's Meeting on August 22nd, I was thrilled to report that the Land Lease was ratified by every indigenous landowner as well as on behalf of the homeowners via members of the Fairways Board of Director. Things are moving along and an update as to the status and next steps is included below.

Additionally I want to welcome our new landscaping company, <u>Enviroscape Landcare</u> to The Fairways! Homeowners should notice a more consistent and thorough landscape maintenance throughout the community and neglected areas will now be attended to in the next few weeks.

The next board meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2024 at 10:00am, and I hope to see many of you there!

Regards, Don

# **LANDSCAPING** ~ Jay Center

As of August 1st, we have a new chapter in our landscape care and maintenance.



Enviroscape Landcare (https://www.enviroscapelandcare.com) will be our new vendor for land maintenance. This provider is locally owned and operated by Emilio Hernandez.

Emilio Hernandez has over a decade of experience in Management, Business Development and Customer Service with over ten of those years in the Turfgrass and Landscape Maintenance industries in both Account Management and Business Development.

Emilio is a Coachella Valley native and brings a wealth of Horticultural experience to Enviroscape Landcare. Emilio also has experience in working with local municipalities including the cities of La Quinta, Palm Desert and Rancho Mirage. Currently, Emilio oversees all aspects of Enviroscape Landcare's Maintenance Division.

He has a hands-on management style of directing all Field Supervisors and Maintenance crew personnel. His focus is to manage all projects on a pro-active basis in order to provide Enviroscape clients with the best quality landscape work possible.

As in the past, if you see something that needs attention or need to report a broken sprinkler that requires repair, please do not approach the Enviroscape crew, please email or contact Nadine Buxton <a href="mailto:nbuxton@desertmanagement.com">nbuxton@desertmanagement.com</a> so she can generate a work order.

# **DESERT MANAGMENT** ~ **Nadine Buxton** Welcome Back, Homeowners!

#### A New Season, A New Landscape

I am delighted to welcome you back to our community for another season of fun and relaxation.

As you may have noticed, we have a new landscape company, **Enviroscape**, that is now taking care of The Fairways. Enviroscape is committed to providing high-quality service and environmentally friendly practices and I look forward to working with them.

<u>Fairways Board Self-Nominations are Now Open!</u>
Do you want to make a difference in your community?

Do you have ideas and skills that can benefit us all? If so, we encourage you to self-nominate for a position on the Fairways Board of Directors.

Self-nominations are open until September 12th, and you can submit your form online with just a click of a button. Visit <a href="https://pro-ei.com/hoa/fair/">https://pro-ei.com/hoa/fair/</a> to learn more!

# The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 23, 2024.

# Fun Facts About September

- September is the ninth month of the year, but it was originally the seventh month in the Roman calendar. That's why it has the prefix "sept", which means seven in Latin;
- September is the only month with the same number of letters in its name as the number of the month. It has nine letters and is the ninth month;
- September is the month with the most births in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, September 9th is the most common birthday in the country.

New Management Office Hours beginning September:
Manager will be on-site Mon-Thu. Walk-In Hours are from
10 AM – 3 PM, closed for lunch between 12 – 1 PM. Fridays I
can be reached at the Desert Management office at 760565-7948. You can also reach me quickly at <a href="mailto:nbuxton@desertmanagement.com">nbuxton@desertmanagement.com</a> or by calling the office at
760-459-3054.



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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WED, September 18th 10:00a** 

POTLUCK-AT THE CLUBHOUSE FRI, September 27th 6:00p (5:30pm - Happy Hour)

HOMEOWNERS' ANNUAL MEETING SAT, November 23 at 10:00a

LABOR DAY Mon, Sep 2nd

ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS WED, Oct 2nd

# **LAND LEASE UPDATE**

On Thursday, August 22nd, a special Board of Directors meeting was held at the ClubHouse/via Zoom, open to all homeowners to share the status of the Land Lease and to vote in public who the signators would be on behalf of the homeowners to the Land Lease. By a unanimous proclamation, the Board voted for Don Chute and Jay Center to be those signators.

Other information shared was:
• All indigenous landowners have now signed the lease and the (2) Board signators were scheduled to sign the Lease shortly thereafter;

No loan was needed to pay the upfront fee (as stipulated in the lease) as a majority of Fairway Homeowners had paid the special assessment.

In the coming months, Homeowners should now expect to each be individually contacted by the HOA Laywers to sign individiual agreements and receive additional information and details.

#### FACILITIES ~ Kirk Gardner

# Clubhouse

The Board selected a new service vendor, **Home Cleaning Centers of America**, to clean the Clubhouse. The weekly cleaning fee is \$185 which includes the patio area and a bi-monthly cleaning of the pool furniture.

#### **Facilities**

Numerous lampposts and landscape lights needed bulbs replaced or the actual fixtures changed out. Typically, this would be performed by the landscape vendor with some adjunct service provided by the committee. It is unclear if this service is "in contract" or not. Nadine is going to review the contract and discuss with Enviroscape.

A lamppost on the corner of Wack Wack was somehow caused to fall to the ground. No hard evidence was available as to how this occured but it will be reinstalled as soon as possible.

If you observe lighting that needs to be serviced, please let Nadine Buxton know and if possible place a Yellow flag from an adjacent dumpster enclosure by the fixture.

1550 Spyglass reported a large separation in the stucco adjacent to their fenced area sliding door. It appears the original stucco over wood fence failed at a corner post causing the stucco where the fence attached to the unit to pull away from the wall studs. Vantage Point Construction will do an inspection to assess and advise what repairs are required.

Linda Sullivan suggested and followed up with purchasing additional traffic safety signage. When cooler temperatures arrive, 15 MPH maximum speed signs and proper circle roundabout direction signs will be located at strategic positions to remind drivers to obey traffic regulations. Everyone's safety is a major concern but especially pedestrians and bicycle riders put in possible jeopardy by errant drivers.

An irrigation system controller on Spyglass was powered by an adjacent units outside power plug for unknown reasons. The power was interrupted causing extensive drying of the area. When discovered, Woo Electric found a new common area power source and installed wiring to the controller. The repair ran \$750 which was very reasonable for a new power line. The system was run 5 times a day for the next few days to restore the dried out vegetation. Enviroscape is monitoring the area closely. A fruit tree that died will be removed and replaced. New homeowner, Julie Wiseman, very graciously allowed the HOA to use her outside power plug while the power line was being repaired.



#### <u>Pools</u>

Our pools have been experiencing service needs due to aging equipment. Pool 5 developed a leaking clorinator during a weekend that caused the circulation pump to shutdown. Fortunately, a homeowner noticed that the pump was not working and notified Desert Management. JJB Pools replaced the leaking clorinator first thing Monday morning resolving the issue.

**Pool 2** experienced a overfill condition due to the auto fill float failing. The committee was able to install a new float mechanism resolving the issue. *If you are concerned about an issue with one of our (8) pools please contact Desert Management so Nadine can generate a work order for evaluation and repair.* 

# **Tennis, Pickleball & Basketball**

The Board has approved that the tennis, pickleball and basketball courts are due to be resurfaced mid September - October.

#### **Carports and Roofs**

The various beam replacements at 6056 Fairway Circle and 1756 Firestone Plaza were completed by Vantage Point Construction as agreed. Additionally, repair of the fire damaged roofs at 1550 & 1558 Spyglass have been completed by Western Roofing and are scheduled to be inspected.

# SOCIAL SCENE ~ Linda Holt



# POTLUCKS AT THE CLUBHOUSE BEGIN AGAIN THIS MONTH!

Our first potluck of the season is scheduled for Friday, September 27th and starts with a Fall theme. As always, bring your favorite dish to share with neighbors - happy hour starts at 5:30pm and dinner at 6:00pm!

For future, there will be no potluck in November 2024 due to the Holiday Bazaar, scheduled for December 6, 2024. On that note, we are looking forward to your various displays of homemade items and treasures. Tables are \$10 each so start planning now. All are invited to participate. Details to follow.

#### SECURITY~ Noah Weinreb

The month of August seemed very quiet here at The Fairways. No reports of Safety or Security concerns have been reported.

SECURITAS

AHEAD

Securitas has been conducting their nightly patrols and have reported no unusual activity on property. Your neighbor may be away for the Summer Season so please continue to keep a watchful eye. If you notice packages sitting for a long period or any unusual activity, please report it to Nadine Buxton, our Community Manager. Thank you! Here's wishing everyone a safe and hopefully cooler September!! Stay Safe!

# STAY INFORMED...

Here a few interesting websites and apps you might choose to access the next time you see first responders in the area or feel the earth moving:



Palm Springs Police Activity in the Area

This website catalogues all active service calls for first responders by date, time and address throughout the Palm Springs areas. If you see something in the community and are curious;, click here:

Active Calls for Service

https://www.palmspringsca.gov/government/departments/police/active-calls-for-service

USGS Earthquake Activity

These last few weeks, California has felt a few ratlles, rolls and jolts. And at times, you might just be curious if that rattle, roll or jolt was indeed an earthquake or just a low flying aircraft overhead or the wind. Sometimes it's just nice to know it's not your imagination!

The USGS has a website that lists all recent eathquake activity throughout the world with time, epicenter and magnitude. You may personalize the website to your area if desired.

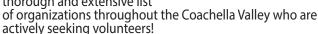
<u>USGS Latest Earthquakes</u> <u>https://earthquake.usgs.gov</u>

Additionally, a newly developed app for the California, Washington and Oregon areas, called MyShake (available at the APP store) for your SmartPhone or Smart Device provides you with an early warning of a potential earthquake of magnitude 4.5 or greater happening several seconds before shaking starts.

# **Volunteer Opportunities in Palm Springs**

Are you looking for opportunities to volunteer throughout the greater Palm Springs area but perhaps don't know where to begin?

The Palm Springs Post - a local and free publication for the Palm Springs and Surrounding Communities - recently published a thorough and extensive list



To read the entire article and access the full list of organizations with contact information, <u>click here!</u>

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.

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!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN**

• VillageFest Downtown Palm Springs Every Thursday: 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 Pavillion
 Every Saturday: 8:00am - 1:00pm

• PSUSD Diversity & Racial Equity Conference
Palm Springs Convention Center September 7 - Various Times

Business Expo & Taste of Palm Springs
 Indian Canyons Golf Resort - September 18

• Rock the Park Free Concert - Downtown Park-Palm Springs 'The Dreamboats' (1950's style)- October 5 at 6:00p

 Palm Springs Vintage Marketplace
 NEW LOCATION: 356 N Calle Encilia, Palm Springs, (north of Aqua Caliente Casino in Palm Springs)
 7am - 2pm October 6

More events can be found at the <a href="https://thepalmspringspost.com">https://thepalmspringspost.com</a>

#### **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

The Fairways Homeowner Portal
<a href="https://portal.goenumerate.com/login">https://portal.goenumerate.com/login</a>
The Fairways Website
<a href="https://www.fairwaysps.com">www.fairwaysps.com</a>

Nadine Buxton-Association Manager (760) 459-3054 (Fairways on Site Office) (760) 565-7948 ext 226 (Rancho Mirage Office)

Desert Management - 24-Hour Message (760) 565-7948

Securitas Property Security

After Hours: (858)289-7016

Palm Springs Police Department
Emergency 911 or (760) 327-1441
Non Emergency (760) 323-8151
After Hours 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: E (760) 327-1441 or non -E (760) 323-8151
Community Resource Officer (760) 416-5743