

BERMUDA GREENS BUGLE

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we indicated earlier we have changed management companies effective 1 March. We have a new property manager, Deborah Shelby from Towne Properties. When you are in the vicinity of the Clubhouse please stop in and say hello.

With additional guests visiting our residents parking will continue to be at a premium so be as accommodating as possible. Also, exercise extreme caution when traveling along Imperial GC Blvd due to the abrupt nature of traffic conditions.

With Game Night, Bingo, and Bocce in full swing there are a number of activities to enjoy in addition to the Social events underway. More details will follow in other sections of the Bugle.

As we approach our Annual meeting on 19 March watch for emails highlighting the rsvp and proxy calls to make for a smooth registration & voting process.

Fred Demma, President

FROM THE PROPERTY MANAGER

No report at this time. See President's Report.

Deborah Shelby, Property Manager

TREASURER'S REPORT

Income though 31 January 2018 is over budget by \$2,054 due mainly to lease, and new application fees. Also included was a \$750 insurance claim due to an auto crashing into a carport support last year.

On the expense side all major line items are below budget. This is due in part to late billing of our vendors. Also Guardian is in the process of switching over to a new accounting system. This has led to late billing of the Jan homeowner quarterly fees. We have about 57 unit owners that were over 30 days late. Of these 5 unit owners are over 60 days late. No late fees will be assessed to those homeowners who were 30 days late.

The Reserve at the end of Dec 2017 was at \$677,976. We expended \$221,726 for Clubhouse Renovation, Power Washing and Road engineering. In addition some irrigation and Plant replacement occurred due to the road repair. Also we added \$130,000 to the Reserve. We plan to add \$150,000 to the Reserve in 2018. Guardian has not provided us with a report for the Reserves for Jan 2018.

Rob Blagg, Treasurer

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Work is continuing on updating the Reserve Study, led by Pete Asimakopolous, with the current focus on establishing a sustainable maintenance plan for the roof tiles. The long awaited website is in the process of being populated with information and should be ready for release to residents soon. Watch your email and kiosks for further communications.

Sue Giese, LRPC Chair suegiese@gmail.com

RECYCLING

Recycling Facts

<u>Paper</u>

Americans throw away enough office paper each year to build a wall 12 feet high from Seattle to NY a new wall each vear. Making paper from recycled paper reduces the air related contribution to pollution 95%. Recycling a stack of newspaper just 3 feet high saves one tree.

Cardboard

Recycling one ton of cardboard saves 46 gallons of oil. Over 90% of all products shipped in the US are in corrugated boxes.

Nearly 80% of all retailers and grocers recycle their cardboard.

Please break down or flatten your cardboard boxes when you put them out with your recycling for Friday pickup. Remember, cardboard is recyclable, please do not put it in with your regular trash. And again, no plastic bags in the recycling bin. You may recycle plastic shopping bags at your grocers.

Emi Lydem

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Irma cleanup continues. There are still stumps to be removed, sod to be planted where stumps were removed and sadly palms removed as they had died Post Irma.

We continue to lose palms to

Ganoderma. Ganoderma butt rot is caused by the fungus Ganoderma zonatum. The fungus degrades the lignin in the lower 4 - 5 feet of the trunk. All palms are considered a host of this fungus. It is a relatively new and lethal disease of Florida palm trees. The disease was first discovered Florida in 1994 and now is found throughout the state. It cannot be said with certainty that there are any palm trees resistant to Ganoderma butt rot.

The fungus most often invades the palm through a wound at the base of the tree. It quickly works its way through the trees butt area essentially rotting the wood. Once the fungus has worked its way from the center of the tree to the surface, it forms a "conk", or whitish mushroom like growth which grows to form a horizontal disc.

Unfortunately there currently is no effective treatment for Ganoderma butt rot. By the time the conk has appeared the tree is dead and must be removed.

It is not possible to diagnose a palm as having the disease without the conk. Therefore, there is no way to be sure you are not purchasing and planting a palm already infected by the disease. It is thought the fungus can remain in the soil for up to eight years.

As we go through the month on March many folks will be heading north. Please remember to remove all annuals you have planted, bring in any pots or decorative garden items. Plant materials meant for the garbage are to be placed in paper bags and will be picked up with Friday's trash.

Emi Lydem & Steve Smith, Chairs Landscape Committee

BOCCE

Well! It's March and only 2 weeks left in this year's Bocce league. We have had a great season with much exciting play. Seasoned players and new one have displayed good skills with very competitive matches for players and fans. The standings are very close and we should see an exciting playoff and championship.

The playoffs are Monday and Tuesday March 12 & 13 with the championship on Thursday March 15 with pizza plus to follow. Hope to see many fans there to cheer on the players.

The Bocce dinner is Thursday March 22, guest may attend for \$15.00 please email names

by Monday March 19 and pay by that date. Week 8 standings will be sent after Fridays match.

Bob Giese, Bocce Steering Committee

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Don't know where our winter has gone but we the Social Committee hope everyone has enjoyed our past events.

Our Pancake Breakfast is fast approaching, it will be March 10th. Last year was our first and it got favorable reviews, so we will try our best to make this one as good or better since we are more experienced now.

Our end of the season around the pool party will be on April 7th. We will have the Rib Roast since everyone enjoyed it last year. Aside from the ribs there will be chicken, pork and sides YUM.

As always, check the kiosk for details

Tommie and Marilyn co- chairs

BINGO

Just a reminder that Bingo is now the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month rather than every other Monday. Next Bingo night is March 12th. Followed by March 26th.

Dan Howard, Coordinator and Caller

GAME NIGHT

Just a reminder that Game Night is Tuesday March 6th in the Bermuda Greens Clubhouse from 6:30 to 8:30. Please come out and join your friends and neighbors for a fun night of cards and Yahtzee. Snacks will be provided. BYOB. Please email Nan Voll at mail4nanv@att.net for further information.

Nan Voll, Coordinator

BERMUDA GREENS MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club has had a break this season. It is time to get back on track. Let's have a meeting on Tuesday morning March 6th at 9:00 o'clock in the morning. There are a lot of current events that need our attention. Let's get together and see if we can come up with some solutions to the country's problems. Coffee and sweets will be available. Don't forget your \$1 donation.

Questions: Call Dave Bearce 596-9638

POKER NIGHT

Dealer's Choice poker is played on Thursday evenings from 7 to 10, in the Club House. Sixty Chips costs \$3.00 to start. These should last anywhere from 1 hour to all night. Depends upon your luck. All residents and guests are invited.