

Cocopah Gazette

February 2021

Notes From Darrin Fields:

Dear Cocopah RV & Golf Resort Residents,

As we all struggle to deal with COVID-19, I want to thank each of you for your adherence to our social distancing and masking requirements. I appreciate that it is a challenge, but I and each of your neighbors appreciate your consideration.

Speaking of thanks --- I have so many of you to thank this month. Our residents are the greatest! When you see a need; you step up to the plate! I am humbled by the group of residents who have volunteered to help in golf course maintenance. You have taken on the gophers and they be gone! You are so enthusiastic in your mission; I and every resident appreciate your efforts. Sincerely, I thank you.

More thanks to the Beautification Group of volunteers who have taken on the task of trimming flowers, weeding, and many more tasks to ensure that our community looks its best. Thank You!

That said, while volunteers from the Beautification Group in coordination with our Maintenance Department are helping to maintain our gardens, we must require that no one remove plantings or clippings without authorization. Please, if you would like a clipping to plant in your spot or think that an area is overgrown, let us know in Administration so that we can deal with the issue.

On the "nag" list – I would like to remind everyone that it is never okay to "cut-through" sites, occupied or unoccupied. It is never okay to remove items from a site. This season, when many of our friends are unable to travel to Cocopah RV & Golf Resort, our absent friends are

especially stressed about the conditions in their "winter home". We must all respect individual sites and look out for each other. When you send photos to our distant friends, please include some that show that we are maintaining our resort in the best possible way and that we look forward to the end of this pandemic so that they will be able to join us next season. (And please be kind; do not brag that our daily temperatures are in the moderate range while some of our friends are experiencing temperatures of -27 Fahrenheit (or -33 Celsius.) Please do not whine about our recent rain. We are so fortunate to enjoy our Cocopah RV life.

And speaking of rain, I have directed Bradley to ensure that we STOP irrigation during rainstorms. We do not want to swamp our golf course. We have recently acquired new reels for our mowers; you can expect that we will be able to cut the greens closer.

In my spirit of thanks, I want to thank Mike Fila, the Director of Emergency Management for the Cocopah Tribe, for all his help in enabling our resort to continue to function during this pandemic. Under Mike's guidance the Cocopah Tribe has recently provided us with two additional ionizer sprayers to cleanse indoor spaces and two more face recognizing temperature checks (now located at the Administration Office and the Golf Shop) to pre-clear individuals before entering indoor spaces. The Cocopah Tribe is invested in keeping us safe.

Lastly, I want to thank you – each of you – who continue to support the Cocopah RV & Golf Resort. I appreciate each of you who choose to golf on our Golf Course frequently, who choose to eat at the 19th Hole Restaurant, who choose to frequent the Hamburger Night and the Friday

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Night Supper at the Cantina. You are important and each of you and your participation make Cocopah RV & Golf Resort the special place that it is.

Thank you,

Darrin

GOLF SHOP



RANGE BALLS AND BASKETS

Please remember that range balls and baskets are not permitted to leave the driving range. Golfers should purchase only the number of balls they intend to hit at one time. Golfers should never carry range balls in their golf cart or take them home.

RESORT GOLF EVENT #4

Resort Event #4 will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2021. It is a two-person “pick-your-partner” team combined with another two-person “pick-your-partner” team. The best score of the two teams will be used to determine the four-person team’s best net and gross scores

per hole. The teams will be assembled from similar handicap groups. Thus, players will play with and against other players with similar handicaps. The two-person partners will be adjusted to be within 7 strokes: flighted net and gross awards. Entry cost is \$20 per player. Each player will receive one red ticket for the year-end drawing. Sign-ups end Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 4:00 pm. There are special prices on Resort Event Golf Green Fees of \$29.00 using a private cart or \$31.00 using a Cocopah RV Golf cart.

RED – BLUE GOLF CHALLENGE

The annual 18 Hole Red-Blue Golf Challenge will be held on Saturday, February 20thnd. The event is a two-person scramble, match play, limited to 144 players. The team captains are representatives of the Cocopah 18 and 9 Hole Men’s and Ladies’ Golf Clubs. Teams for match play are picked by the captains. Play will be a morning shotgun start. Challenge fee of \$10 includes prizes. There is no lunch this year. Half of participants will win prizes of Golf Shop credit. Sign up Sunday, February 7 through Sunday, February 14 in the Golf Shop.

RESORT GOLF EVENT #5

Resort Golf Event #5 will be held on Saturday, March 6th. All players must have a verifiable handicap. A verifiable handicap is obtained through either a player’s participation in the local Cocopah golf clubs (9-hole men or women, 18-hole men or women or by providing a current USGA or RCGA identification number and handicap index). The format is a 2-person better-ball (better score of the two partners); pick your own partner (within a handicap difference of 7);

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flighted net and gross awards. Entry cost is \$20 per player. Players will receive one red ticket for the year-end drawing. There is a special tournament greens fee of \$29 per player using a private cart or \$31.00 using a Cocopah RV Golf cart. Sign-ups begin Tuesday, February 23rd and end Tuesday, March 2 at 4:00 pm.

LADIES 18 HOLE GOLF CLUB

The Cocopah 18-hole Ladies Golf Club has had an active season. Although unable to hold club gatherings due to Covid, the group has found fun ways to socialize. In December, the group celebrated the Holidays on “Santa’s Trail”. There were five fun stops along the way with food, beverages, and gifts along the trail.

Ace of the month winners for November were Di Plumb, gross and Denice Hebllich, net. In December, the gross winner was Kathy Schmitt, with Carol Poirier wining net. The January winners were Sharon Duncan, gross and Nina Nyman, net.

In early January, Bev Baker and Gina Brown represented the Club at the State Medallion Tournament. On January 23, the Club hosted the 9 Hole Ladies Golf Club in a fun mixer.

CANTINA

Join the Cantina on Tuesdays at 4:40 pm for Hamburger Night. Hamburger and chips for \$5.00. On Fridays the Cantina features a rotating special menu item for supper beginning at 4:30 pm. Look for the Weekly Happenings announcement for that week’s special.

WALK, TALK & SHOP

Cocopah hosts **Walk, Talk & Shop** on the first Saturday of each month. **Walk, Talk & Shop** is a community sale where residents sell items at their site and shop at other sites in the park – a great big community yard sale. Items are usually put outside either on the driveway or deck so that when driving by the items are easy to spot. Larger items such as furniture may be announced with a sign. Sellers should have items displayed by 8:00 am. The sale continues until noon. This is also an opportunity for residents to offer “Free” items to fellow residents. On Saturday, February 6th, get in your golf cart and drive the roads of our community looking for the perfect find. The next opportunity will be Saturday, March 6th, 2021.

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