

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

Social Directors Report Annual General meeting, September 17th, 2024

Good evening, for those of you who don't know me, my name is Kathy Burwell, and I am your Social Director.

My role requires me manage all bookings in the Recreation Centre. In consultation with the Event and Program Coordinators, I set up and maintain the Special Events and Weekly Social Calendars. I provide the coordinators with the guidelines and support required to run their events successfully. We try to come up with ideas that make this a fun and active community. I also liaise with Desert Cove Administration for hall rentals.

As recommended by the members at our last General Meeting, we have increased the amount non-members pay on ticketed events.

Its wonderful to see so many folks coming out to enjoy themselves at all the events that have been going on. And it is especially nice to see our new folks getting involved as well.

Since our AGM last September, there have been 52 weeks of exercise classes, card games, and other speciality group gatherings. For example, approximately:

- 450 Exercise Classes
- 340 Card Games
- The Quilters & Sewing Group met 57 times
- DC Music Jammers met 48 times
- 40 Bingo nights

In addition to the weekly events, are the numerous special events:

- Garage sale and holiday market
- 7 Dances
- 7 Dinners
- 8 Special occasion celebrations
- 13 Socials/music nights
- 5 Wine tasting events
- 10 Card bingos
- 3 Crib tournaments
- Christmas parade

Some of the health and safety events included:

- Flu Clinic
- Fire Smart Presentation
- Fire Extinguisher Demonstration
- 2 Pet First Aid Courses
- 2 Sessions of Hearing tests
- 12 Blood Pressure Clinics

Commemorative events included:

- Remembrance Day Ceremony
- 4 Celebrations of Life

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Although not all events may have been mentioned above, these alone total approximately **1000 events this fiscal year!**

On behalf of the Covians who enjoy these many activities and events, our heartfelt appreciation goes out to all the incredible volunteers who make these events happen!

The next 3 months to the end of 2024 will continue to be busy with a full calendar, and then it will be time to start scheduling for the new year.

The Special Events Calendar is a work in progress, and members are encouraged to bring their ideas to me and consider coordinating future events.

Thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Burwell
DCHA Social Director