

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

Data Management Director's Report General Meeting – April 28th, 2026

Good evening, I am Kate LaForge. My husband, Bill and I have lived in the Cove since September 2023.

I have been in the role of Data Management Director since the end of April 2025 with my term ending in September 2027.

I continue to enjoy my duties and being part of a very active organization with a great bunch of hard working volunteers. I doubt you could find a more active community to live in!

Resident Updates to the Database:

- So far in fiscal year 2025/26/ we have had **37** new residents bringing our current total to 801. In fiscal year ending 31 August, 2025, we had a total of 54 new residents so I feel we are well on our way to exceeding last year's total.
- Keeping the Resident Directories up to date keeps me busy.

Membership and Dues:

- To date, we have 653 active members and in addition another 53 are inactive (did not pay dues in 2025/26).

Events:

- Having a look at our Upcoming Events Calendar and Weekly Activities, its clear we are a very busy community. Many of these events require posters, tickets etc. which is part of my role.

Tickets and Member lists:

- The new approach to ticket production certainly has smoothed things out for me. From 01 Sept 2025 to 22 April 2026, I have produced 1,187 tickets, already more than last year and we are only 8 months into this fiscal year.

Cost Savings

- We reviewed our anti-virus program and discovered that we were paying a premium for functions we didn't use, reducing the cost by approximately \$84. for one year ending August 2026.
- Our website cost rose significantly this year to \$553.19 USD. With some negotiation, I was able to reduce this to \$376.32 CAD including taxes for 2 years ending Dec 2027.

Website Maintenance:

- Besides the regular updates necessary on the website, you may have noticed the addition of the weather for our area on the home page. This was offered for free so why not?
- With some help from Sue Jolly, we changed the format for the list of Local Services and Businesses from a list to a table. I hope you find this format a bit easier to navigate. I'd be interested to know how many people check this out when looking for service providers. Any and all comments are welcome!

Thank you!

Kate LaForge
Data Management Director