

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

Recreation Center Director Report Annual General Meeting Sept. 29, 2026

My role is responsible for ensuring the assets of the DCHA are maintained and replaced as required and helping where needed.

- Desert Cove is fortunate to have an active and responsive Refundable Recycling Program. My role includes developing a coverage schedule for the team and distributing the monthly honorarium. We have a great team of volunteers but are always looking for more help. If you can spare a few hours per month, we would love to have you join our group. It is an easy job and very rewarding. All money collected from recyclables is donated to the Vernon Jubilee Hospital Foundation. This year's donation will be a fabulous amount of \$8300. I would like to express my appreciation to our community for their support. Thank you all for your generosity in donating your Refundables for a very worthy cause.
- Along with my fellow board members, I was involved in the preparation of the Remembrance Day Ceremony as well as delivered a talk during the Ceremony.
- I arranged for a speaker to conduct a session on Estate Planning and End of Life preparation. This was a popular event last year that resulted in a lot of people setting up further discussions to plan for their final arrangements. We were pleased to be able to offer it for the second time this year.
- I arranged for a demonstration on how to use your fire extinguisher and an opportunity to get your fire extinguishers recharged.
- I was also pleased to assist the Desert Cove First Aid Team and be able to update you on the team's activities.
- For more than a decade, residents of Desert Cove have been well served by volunteer members of the community who are ready to answer your call for help at any time of the day or night. All First Aid team members hold a first aid certificate and have taken advanced training as well. They are trained to assess a patient, check blood pressure, pulse and oxygen levels. They can stabilize an injury, dress a wound and care for you until the Ambulance arrives. They are all trained in CPR and the use of the AED and have access to the necessary equipment.
- Since April 2026, the DC First Aid team has responded to nearly 50 calls. That means that in the past 5 months, 50 Desert Cove residents have relied on the services of our volunteers to help them in an emergency. It could be you next.
- An updated Emergency Contact List has been delivered to every home in the Cove. Be sure to read it and put it where you can easily find it in an emergency.
- Our Team consists of:
- **Dot Bishop** – Team Coordinator,
- **Vikki Jane** has over 40 years experience as an RN in the areas of transitional palliative care, dementia and wound care.
- **Kelly Bodie** has experience in Critical Care, Emergency Room, Intervention, Radiology, Intensive Care, Oncology, Wound Care and Pediatrics.

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- **Terry Hunt** has 29 years of service as a Fire Fighter and as a Fire Hall Captain. He is an Emergency First Responder and served on a Hazmat Team for 10 years
- **Gord Harland** has 40 years experience in Workplace Safety.
- **Denise Harper.** She says she has been a First Aider since CPR was called External Heart Massage.
- A round of applause for these selfless volunteers.
- In addition to the above, I have provided support for many of the special events sponsored by the DCHA like the inventory count, Flu Clinic and other social activities.
- Respectfully Submitted,

John Bishop

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