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P R E S I D E N T ' S C O R N E R



To all Lely Country Club Homeowners:

I, Mark Batchelor, was recently elected president of the Lely Country Club Property Owners Association by the board of directors at the organizational meeting following our annual meeting. I am looking forward to serving our great community. I have been a resident of Lely Country Club for 18 years. My wife and I originally from Philadelphia, lived on St Andrews and now Palmetto Dunes Cr. The main reason I volunteered to be on the board is because I love our community and my only goal is to keep it a great and proud place to live in East Naples. I served on our board previously and was president of Fairway Villas for about 7 years. I am semi-retired and work part-time as a realtor and at

Larson Educational Services where I am an instructor teaching real estate and community association management. I was previously a full time Community Association Manager for 14 years, managing HOAs such as Isles of Collier Preserve. I am skilled and knowledgeable of HOA and Condo statutes. As president you can be sure that our only goal is to have the responsibility of following and ensuring compliance of our Lely documents, nothing less, nothing more.

A special thanks to Tom Robustelli our ex-president and current treasurer of Lely Country Club. Tom worked extremely hard for our homeowners and deserves the accolades as well as the rest of the board of directors for extraordinary performance over the last few years.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Association is seeking members in good standing to volunteer for service on our Architectural Review Committee.

The Committee reviews all applications for exterior property improvements in Lely Country Club. Volunteers should have a general knowledge of our Covenants and Bylaws and be willing to work in conjunction with other committee members to promptly act on applications. Although experience with contracting and construction is helpful it is not necessary. The Committee's responsibility is primarily to assess the appearance of the finished project, whether it complies with LCCPOA covenants and whether it is in harmony with the aesthetics of the surrounding neighborhood. AR approval is merely one step in the process of completing a project. It is the property owner's responsibility to obtain necessary County permits, and to assure the contractor is properly licensed and insured. Those interested in volunteering are asked to contact our Community Association Manager Carolyn Sabin at CSABIN@RESORTGROUPINC.COM.



QUICK LINKS & RESOURCES

[Lely Country Club Website](#)

[Resort Management Website](#) - Management Company for Lely Country Club Property Owners Association

[Resort Management Homeowner Login](#) - Register or Login to Resort Management Homeowner Portal

[Lely Country Club By Laws](#)

[Lely Country Club Covenants](#)

[Quick Reference Need to Knows in Lely Country Club](#)

[Lely Country Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes](#)

[Approved Post Light/Mailbox Assemblies](#)

COMMUNITY UPDATES & INFORMATION

MONUMENTS COMPLETE



The project to update our four entry monuments was recently successfully completed. All electrical connections were made and the back-lit letters activated. The flood lamps have been disconnected. The monuments were repainted in the color scheme selected by the petitioners.

While no color will ever please anyone there seems to be general agreement that the neutral browns selected look good. Especially at night when the letters are back-lit the monuments give our entrances a clean, modern appearance.

The Lely Country Club Board will be discussing updating the plantings around the monuments to frame the reconditioned entry signs.

REVIVING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

If you were in attendance at our annual meeting, you heard Corporal Jim Spartz of the Collier County Sheriff's Office talk about reviving the Neighborhood Watch in Lely Country Club. If you believe this is a worthwhile endeavor please step forward to volunteer. Corporal Spartz indicated it is entirely up to our community to manage the program. Initial training will be provided by the Sheriff's Office. Corporal Spartz indicated this would simply involve a power point presentation outlining the dos and don'ts of Neighborhood Watch volunteers. Those interested in volunteering should contact our Community Association Manager Carolyn Sabin at CSABIN@RESORTGROUPINC.COM. She will pass the information along to Corporal Spartz, and will also inform the LCCPOA board of the group's existence. The group must elect a "captain" who will then coordinate whatever meetings the group decides to have. Corporal Spartz indicated there is no requirement to meet regularly. Many groups also meet remotely via Zoom or Facebook. If a Neighborhood Watch group is formed it would probably also be a good idea to appoint someone as a liaison to keep the LCCPOA Board of Directors informed of your activities. LCCPOA's Board would also purchase new Neighborhood Watch signs for our community.



WHAT'S COOKING

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE CUPCAKES



INGREDIENTS

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, plus 2 tablespoons
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon coarse salt
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, room temperature
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
4 large eggs, room temperature
1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
6 tablespoons sour cream, room temperature
2 tablespoons good-quality strawberry jam
12 ounces strawberries, finely chopped, plus more thinly sliced, for topping
Lightly sweetened whipped cream, for topping

DIRECTIONS

Step 1: Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Line two 12-cup muffin tins with paper liners. Whisk together flour, baking powder and salt. Cream butter and sugar on medium-high speed until pale and fluffy, about 8 minutes. Add eggs, one at a time, beating thoroughly between each addition, scraping down sides of bowl as needed. Beat in vanilla. Reduce speed to low; add flour mixture in 2 batches, alternating with sour cream and beating until just incorporated.

Step 2: Divide batter evenly among the tins using a 1/4 cup measure or ice cream scoop. Tap pans and smooth tops with an offset spatula or the back of a spoon. Bake until a cake tester inserted into the middle comes out clean, about 30 minutes. Let cool on a wire rack, about 30 minutes.

Step 3: Whisk the jam in a small bowl until smooth. Fold in chopped strawberries. Using a melon baller or teaspoon, scoop out a hole in the center of each cupcake. Fill with 1 to 2 teaspoons strawberry filling. Top with whipped cream and a slice of strawberry. Serve immediately.



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LCCPOA ANNUAL MEETING

Our Association's annual meeting was held on February 21 at Lely Presbyterian Church on St. Andrews Boulevard. A recording of the complete meeting program can be viewed at <https://youtube.com/live/lifKqUzc3Eg>.

Attendance was again well below the 230 property owners required for a quorum, so no official business was conducted by the membership. However, those in attendance and the several members who viewed the live broadcast via the above YouTube link were treated to a great speaking program.

District 1 Collier County Commissioner Rick LoCastro spoke about his experiences and travels around the District since his election in 2020. Commissioner LoCastro urged residents to sign up for his newsletter distributed via email. He said citizens can relay issues to him by responding to the newsletter and he will always respond. The Commissioner gave residents an update on the progress of several projects in the District, including the planned water and sewer line upgrades coming to the Lely community.

The project is currently in the early design phase. No actual construction is likely within the next year or so. He said Lely residents will have an opportunity to comment on the project design. "We don't just start digging up your neighborhood." While anyone can speak at public sessions, he suggested it would be most effective if a small group representative of the majority of the neighborhood would testify.

Commissioner LoCastro was followed by Corporal Jim Spartz of the Collier County Sheriff's Department. Corporal Spartz discussed the status of policing activity in Lely Country Club. Surprisingly the number one "call" to the Sheriff's Office from our neighborhoods were erroneous 911 calls - what he referred to as "911 hangups". There were 49 such calls from Lely Country Club between October 1 and our meeting night. He said the issue is not limited to our neighborhoods. Recently the Sheriff's Office received over 125 "hangups" in a 24-hour period. Overall, he reported that our Lely neighborhoods are safe and secure. He agreed we would benefit, however, by reviving our Neighborhood Watch program. Those volunteering for the Watch would elect a captain. Then Corporal Spartz would meet with the group to explain the "dos and don'ts" of Neighborhood Watch. "It's all about keeping eyes and ears out there" he said.

Commissioner LoCastro and Corporal Spartz stayed on to answer questions from the members and left business cards with contact information.

After the speaking program President Robustelli gave an annual report informing residents of all that was accomplished this past year. Treasurer Waganer presented information on the Association's financial position. There were no matters requiring a vote of the general membership and the meeting was adjourned. Our Board then conducted its annual organizational meeting and elected the following officers for 2023: President: Mark Batchelor, Vice President: Greg Johnson; Secretary: Jason Donahue and Treasurer: Tom Robustelli.

2023 - 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mark Batchelor - President
Greg Johnson - Vice President
Tom Robustelli - Treasurer
Jason Donahue - Secretary
Lutz Jacob - Director/ARC



Jackie Waganer - Director
Wil Rudman - Director/ARC
Dan Kokora - Director
Karen Poufcas - Director
Jerry Golf - Director



QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

"BE KIND TO ONE ANOTHER."
ELLEN DEGENERES