



# Community Newsletter

## November 2022

*The jewel of Rancho Mirage since 1973*

**President: Sean Chuckas**  
**Vice President: Ken Burdette**  
**CFO: Don Underhill**  
**Secretary: Judy Chown**  
**Member at Large: Bill Cunningham**

### From our HOA President

November is election time around the country. It is also time for nominations to be made for the Los Cocos HOA Board of Directors. There are 3 open board positions this term. The board position is for a term of 2 years. The election will be held at the Annual Meeting February 11, 2023 at 10 a.m.

If you are interested in helping run and enhance the community, please submit your nomination form by Wednesday, November 30, 2022. Your nomination form must be submitted to our property manager, David Schuknecht at PPM. If you want to assist in one of the community committees, we have two that are open for people wanting to assist. They are the Architecture Committee and the Landscape Committee. Both are advisory committees to the board.

### The Architectural Committee:

Provide oversight, assessment and evaluation of all activities and projects that impact any improvements on the property, whether related to HOA common areas or homeowner exterior home improvements. In addition, they ensure that all Architectural Modifications conform to the plans approved by the Committee and or Board. The Committee can recommend Architectural Rules to the Board and will perform other duties requested by the Board or imposed by the governing documents concerning common area spaces.

### The Landscape Committee:

The Landscape Committee recommends policy and advises the Board on all aspects relating to plans, proposals, and activities in common area spaces. The committee provides oversight, assessment and evaluation of all activities and projects that impact landscaping in common area spaces with specific focus on landscaping initiatives. They develop proposals for the renovation of common area spaces with attention to sustainability, maintenance, aesthetic, and water conservation. They also provide a suggested list of plant materials for use by homeowners and comply with all provisions of the Association's Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions along with the Association's Bylaws and Rules and Regulations.

Nomination forms for both the board and committees are located on the Los Cocos Website: [www.loscocoshoa.com](http://www.loscocoshoa.com), along with directions on the submittal process.

Sean Chuckas  
HOA President

### 2023 HOA assessment is \$650.00

The BOD has spent considerable time developing the Los Cocos 2023 budget and has determined that the monthly assessment will remain the same and will be \$650.00 per unit per month.

Assessment - Operating	\$497.00
Assessment - Reserves	\$153.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650.00</b>

We finally had to bite the bullet and catch up with inflationary pressures, in all categories. Also, we have to provide funds for what are going to be ongoing landscape priorities, that we know are coming in the year 2023. It was mandatory to provide funds in order to adequately cover our anticipated needs.

**Los Cocos  
HOA Board of Directors meeting  
Tuesday, November 29th  
To be held virtually**

To join the meeting:

<https://8x8.vc/personali52086/david.j.schuknecht>

To join by phone instead:

+1 209-844-4600, ,24452883#

**Meeting link is always available in the owner's  
section of the website**

All homeowners are invited to attend HOA meetings, whether they are held at PPM or at the Los Cocos Clubhouse. The first portion of each meeting is the homeowner's forum. During this time homeowners may ask questions of the Board or make comments concerning the agenda items. After this initial period, homeowners may stay for the remainder of the meeting, but are asked to remain silent.

**Approved minutes and meeting agendas are posted  
in the homeowner's section of the Los Cocos  
website**

[www.loscocoshoa.com](http://www.loscocoshoa.com)

### **Landscape Committee News**

Dear Los Cocos Residents,  
What a year it has been for landscape. We are nearing completion on two major projects. The turf conversion project consisted of removing grass in 40 different locations and converting to drought resistant landscaping. The Ficus hedge project started with the removal of the pyracantha hedge and grass and replacing with Ficus along the inside of the DaVall privacy wall. Earlier this year we completed the DaVall turf conversion project. This project was the removal of all the turf along DaVall drive outside the privacy wall and replacing with drought resistant plants. The drought tolerant plants are starting to flourish on DaVall drive. The new plantings inside the community will take about one year to get established as well.

We have one last project to discuss before 2022 comes to a close. We need to complete work on

the center island at the entrance. Three proposals will be presented at the December Town Hall meeting. These will be sent to the homeowners for feedback. The committee will then make a recommendation and submit it to the board for a vote.

Thanks again to all of you who have endured the months of construction. We will have three major projects completed and a fourth underway before the end of 2022.

Rod Jacobus  
Landscape Committee Chair

### **Emergency Preparedness Radio Test Tues, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>**

The Rancho Mirage Emergency Radio test will be held at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Don Underhill with questions. Thank you to Karl Schmidt for managing Radio No 1 and to Don Underhill for managing Radio No 2.

### **Los Cocos Emergency Preparedness**

Everyone has emergencies on their minds. Our emergency will be a potential earthquake. Los Cocos participates in a monthly emergency radio test. Have you ever attended, and do you know how the radios work? Do you have your emergency earthquake kit ready? Do you have a CURRENT family emergency exit plan? The plan is unique to each resident. Your plans should include the following:

- Where to go if your unit is severely damaged in an earthquake or other emergency. Answer: The clubhouse first, and the tennis/pickleball court if the clubhouse is damaged.
- Where to meet your family members in the event of an earthquake? Choose at least two places, one close by and one farther away.
- Have all family members memorize the telephone number of a relative living outside of your area. Have everyone call the same relative and indicate their status. The designated person can then relay messages to your family.

Do you already have an AM/FM emergency radio? Remember to have a fresh supply of batteries on hand near the radio. **Note: Solar radios use NO batteries.**

### **Burrtec News**

Changes-New Trash and Recycling Carts Starting the week of November 7<sup>th</sup>. You have received a letter of explanation from Burrtec and two TAKE ME stickers. Please place these on the carts that you wish Burrtec to remove. Please begin to use your new carts upon receipt.

Burrtec has agreed to have a zoom conference call for Los Cocos tentatively set for Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> to answer questions and to give us further information on this new process.

**Please look for an email from the Board with a link and more definitive instructions.**

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME  
ENDS NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> -**



***DON'T FORGET TO FALL  
BACK 1 HOUR.***

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

**LOS COCOS**

**"MEET AND GREET"**

*Saturday, November 12, 2022*

*5:30 pm at the Clubhouse*

*Organized by the Entertainment Committee*  
After two year's hiatuses, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are bringing back our popular community gathering.

This Los Cocos activity is organized by the entertainment committee and has become a much-anticipated annual event where we open up the "season" and welcome back old friends.

***Please BYOB and bring a dish to share.***  
Plates and utensils are provided.



**Ladies of Los Cocos Luncheon  
Friday, November 18th**

Please meet at the Clubhouse at 11:30 am  
To carpool to the restaurant  
Lunch is at 12 noon

**PLEASE JOIN US**

**Serving Your Community**  
*Something to ponder --*



**WE WANT YOU!**

At the February, 2023 Annual Homeowners Association Membership Meeting, the membership will elect **THREE** members to the Los Cocos Board of Directors.

**A self-nomination form is available on the Los Cocos website under the homeowner's section.**

**Please carefully consider how you can use your time and talent for the good of the community.**

**Return your self-nomination form today:**

**David Schuknecht**

Los Cocos HOA

C/O Personalized Property Management

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If you have questions regarding what is involved with being a board member, please contact a member of the current board.

**LOS COCOS OWNERS**  
**HAVE YOU SIGNED UP TO ACCESS THE OWNERS SECTION OF THE WEBSITE?**



**It's where all of the best information is located.**

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