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6th	Landscape - 7 p.m. at WP
8th	ARC - 6:30 p.m. at WP
11-12th	Marana Dumpsters at WP
19th	Happy Father's Day!
21st	Board of Directors Meeting 6:45 p.m. at CC
22nd	ARC - 6:30 p.m. at WP
25th	CRCA Office Open
	9am - 1pm

President's Message by Peg Bracken

We had a new arrival this April... our Community Manager Ashley gave birth to a healthy and gorgeous baby boy, welcome Everett Boykin! We wish the family all the best.

The 2022 CRCA Easter Festival had a great turn out and we hope all who attended enjoyed the day. Our management team did a great job in being extra cautious this year due to COVID, and I am happy to say it was a success. Thank you to all who volunteered their time as it is much appreciated.

Another reminder for those who have pets, please keep your dogs on a leash and pick up after them while visiting Windmill Park. Not everyone has a pet, and this way the park can be enjoyed by all. Also, there are no pets allowed on the baseball field. CRCA does not have a designated dog park, however, there is a large dog park located on Silverbell Rd. and Cortaro Rd. at the Crossroads Park that I'm sure your furry pals will enjoy.

The Windmill Park pool opened as scheduled in March and the weather has been great, it's nice to see so many people utilizing the pool. The Community Center pool will be opening on May 16th, and I am sure with Memorial Day coming and kids being out of school the center will be well used. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the pool rules on page 6, and if you have any questions feel free to ask the pool monitors or office staff. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Happy Memorial Day!

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Association Dues **Reminder**

It's that time again...the semiannual assessments are due May 1st. The grace period extends through May 15th before late fees are applied. Thank you to all who have already paid their assessment. Payments can be made online,



mailed to the office in the form of a check or money order, or placed in the drop box located at the office (check or money orders only).

To pay online please visit www.crcatucson.com to access the secure management portal website. If you need assistance with your password, or if you would like to discuss a payment plan, please contact the office at (520) 297-7600.

Monthly payments break out to less than \$30 per month and many residents find this monthly rate to be more manageable than paying the lump assessments twice per year. If you would like to begin monthly pre-payments, please contact our office at (520) 297-7600 for more details.

Learn to Swim

Did you know that swimming lessons are available in Continental Ranch? For over 16 years, CRCA has partnered with Saguaro Aquatics to provide swimming lessons to Continental Ranch



residents. Residents who participate in the swimming lesson program enjoy competitive pricing, small class sizes, and the convenience of lessons held close to home. Saguaro Aquatics has committed to keeping class sizes small so that students receive a high level of personal attention from their instructors. Lessons are held at the community center pool on Coachline Blvd, across the street from the skate park. Registration is handled directly between residents and the swimming lesson company. If you would like more information, please contact Saguaro Aquatics at (520) 638-8040.

March and April Recap: Board Meeting at a Glance

The following are highlights from the regular meetings of the Board of Directors held March 15, 2022 and April 19, 2022 at the community center. Completed minutes will be posted to the website after they are approved at the next appropriate meeting. A copy of approved minutes may also be requested from the office. Recordings of all meetings will be retained for a period of 30 days following posting of approved minutes to the website.

Board Actions

At the March 15, 2022 meeting, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved use of the Sonoran Vista common area for A wedding ceremony; approved installing a backflow at the Mesquite Grove common area; approved artificial turf installation and replacement in Windmill Park pool area; approved contract amendment with HOA Management Solutions effective April 1, 2022; approved the renewal of Saguaro Aquatics swim lessons for 2022; approved proposal from E-Konomy Pool to touch up deck at Windmill Park pool; approved Sovereign Electric to install a security light above trash can area of the community center;

approved Tree Frogs Playground Co. to replace park furniture and playground equipment at the Sonoran Winds park and to replace park furniture at Phobos park; and approved CRCA Management to send out a survey to Parcel 51 homeowners regarding parcel name change.

At the April 19, 2022 meeting, the Board approved several Covenants Committee recommendations for fines and pool use suspensions for various unresolved violations; approved proposal from AAA Landscape to plant (3) fruitless olive trees and (1) concrete bench at the Mesquite Grove common area; approved changing the name of Parcel 51 from 'Richmond Estates' to 'Bobcat Pass Estates'; Approved proposal from Territorial Sign Co. to repair Desert Vista damaged monument wall; and appointed Nominating Committee members.

Manager's Report

The community manager and assistant manager provided their reports to the board which included the status of all projects recently completed and/ or currently underway since the previous Board meeting.

Thinking of relocating or selling your house?

Before a house changes ownership, the HOA is requested to provide a disclosure statement specific to that property. An inspection is completed, and any HOA issues are noted. All these issues, however minor, must be corrected by the time of sale or purchaser can agree to correct issues within 30 days of closing date. This disclosure statement will not only include things that are non-compliant, but things such as faded paint or changes made to the property since your purchase that should have had prior ARC approval but did not. In many cases, it is just a matter of filling out an ARC form and waiting for approval for a change. If this report is requested early



in the process, it is usually a simple matter to get the violations corrected. The prospective new owner can then be provided written assurance that the home is in full compliance with HOA governing documents.

If you have made any exterior changes at your home without obtaining ARC approval, submit the required ARC paperwork now so that these issues are all resolved well in advance of your listing your home for sale. Examples of items we are finding owners have not submitted ARC applications for include: sheds, pergolas, gazebos, patio enclosures, above ground spas, play structures, security screen doors, hardscape additions in the front yard, etc. Please contact the CRCA Management office to receive instructions on how to submit an ARC application.

CRCA Board of Directors

There are three seats on the CRCA Board of Directors which will be up for election at the Annual Meeting on October 25, 2022. The positions coming open are currently held by Peggy Bracken, Doug Childress and



Connie DeLarge. The CRCA Bylaws guide the steps and timeline for the election.

Anyone wishing to run for the Board in this year's election needs to fill out the Application for Candidacy form and turn it the office no later than June 15th. Continental Ranch is a strong and vibrant community. Its success depends on the volunteers who donate their time by serving on the Board of Directors. Apply for the Board and be a leader in your association.

$\ensuremath{\textbf{CRCA}}$ - Application For Candidacy To The Board Of Directors

(Please Use	e Additional Paper If Needed)
Name:	
Address:	Phone number:
Number of Months/Years lived in CRCA:	Is your CRCA account balance current?
CRCA Committees Served on with dates:	·
Hobbies/Interests:	
Motivation to run for Board:	
What are the items you wish to achieve while yo	u are on the Board?
	ds governed by the CC&Rs. The Board of Directors is required low would you approach your fiduciary duty in applying rules
duty to uphold them. YES NO I understand the time commitment of the position	Guidelines and understand as a member of the Board, I have a on including attending monthly meetings of the Board and up ad this commitment of time may range from 6 to 12 hours per
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	line Blvd. Tucson, AZ 85743
	tal.Ranch@yahoo.com
Fax	x: 520-297-7917

2022 Easter Festival

April 16, 2022, marked the 11th Continental Ranch Easter Festival event! Since we haven't been able to host this event for almost 2 years due to COVID-19, we were so happy to see everyone in the community out and about again. We saw over 1,200 residents in attendance!

A big thank you to the Boy Scouts from Troop 219! Every year the Boy Scouts and their troop leaders help make this Easter event a great success, and we appreciate all their efforts and participation. From setting up, to Bunny volunteers, helping with the games out on the field, and clean-up, we couldn't do it without you boys!

We want to give special thanks to the CRCA residents who generously volunteered their time and contributed to making this special event possible. The 2 days of set-up and clean-up are long, hot days with lots to do, and your



time and efforts are appreciated by all. With that, we also send a big thanks to our friends at AAA Landscaping for their hard work setting up for our Easter event and cleaning up afterwards, as well as for their generous donation of movie tickets which were used to reward the hard-working Boy Scouts. And of course, we can't forget to thank our vendors who provided food, drinks, and plenty of festivities for our guests. The petting zoo returned this year and delivered tons of fun for the whole family along with great photo opportunities. The talented face painters and balloon artists were back again too. And our favorite magician, Magical Mr. B, returned to the Ranch to blow the minds of his young audience with his entertaining magic tricks!

We would also like to thank the following businesses that donated towards this event: Marana Fire Department, Marana Police Department, Town of Marana, and Walgreens (Ina/Thornydale and Twin Peaks/Coachline).

Marana Food Bank received a total of \$100 in cash donations from our vendors, and over 500 pounds of food donated from our residents.

Our Easter event continues to be a pinnacle event for Continental Ranch and brings a lot of joy to the residents every year. The CRCA management team and Board of Directors hope that everyone had an awesome time.



CRCA Swimming Pool Rules

Accounts past due will have their pool key card turned off until payment is received.

- 1. Association rules, regulations, and all posted signs must be followed. Lifeguards are not on duty. Swim at your own risk.
- 2. You must conduct yourselves safely and in a manner that does not interfere with the enjoyment of the pool and spa by all participants.
- 3. Pool Staff and others designated by the Board of the Directors have the authority to enforce these rules, and not allow entry to those not willing to abide by them.
- 4. The Windmill Park and Community Center swimming pools are only for the use of residents and their guests who must be accompanied at all times. Limit of 5 guests per card holder. Authorized staff has the right to limit the number of guests using the facility on any day.
- 5. Anyone under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult in the pool area.
- 6. No one under the age of 6 may use the spa, and anyone ages 6-13 must have adult supervision to use the spa.
- 7. Proper swim attire is required in the pool. No cutoffs or street clothing allowed.
- 8. Do not prop open the gates to the pool or restrooms.
- 9. You must shower prior to entering the pool or spa. Use of soap or shampoo in the pool and/or spa is prohibited.
- 10. No diving, running or horseplay permitted on the deck or in the pool. Only use appropriate "pool toys" and flotation devices in pool area.
- 11. Do not enter the pool area if you have an infectious or contagious disease, open cuts, sores or bandages.
- 12. No defecating, urinating, spitting, or placing other foreign substances in the pool. All incontinent individuals are required to wear swim diapers and secure waterproof clothing over the diapers.
- 13. No glass containers permitted in the pool area.
- 14. No soliciting of any kind.
- 15. No food, drinks, drugs, or tobacco are allowed inside the pool area, except for water. No "vaping" (e-cigarettes, vape pens, personal vaporizers, etc.).
- 16. No pets of any kind permitted in the pool area, except for working "Service Dogs". Although Service Dogs are permitted in the pool area, they are not allowed in the water.
- 17. Please deposit all trash in the containers provided.
- 18. Abusive or harassing behavior and vandalism is prohibited: No climbing on walls and gates. No fighting. No use of the pool outside of posted pool hours or during inclement weather.
- 19. Bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, roller blades and riding toys must be parked outside the pool area.
- 20. Only use audio equipment with earphones.
- 21. If using suntan lotion, place a towel over the chair to protect it from oil damage.
- 22. Scuba equipment is not allowed except during class instruction approved by the Board of Directors.
- 23. Keep clear of swimming lanes when used by lap swimmers. Do not hang on or play with lane lines.
- 24. Do not interfere with emergency procedures, accidents or drill exercises, including handling of pool equipment.
- 25. Continental Ranch Community Association and staff is not responsible for valuables left in the pool area.
- 26. Only one card issued per household. Replacement fee charged for lost cards: 1st time \$10, 2nd time \$15, 3rd time, and thereafter \$20.
- 27. Violation of any pool rule(s) will result in a 30-day suspension of pool privileges and a minimum \$25 fine.

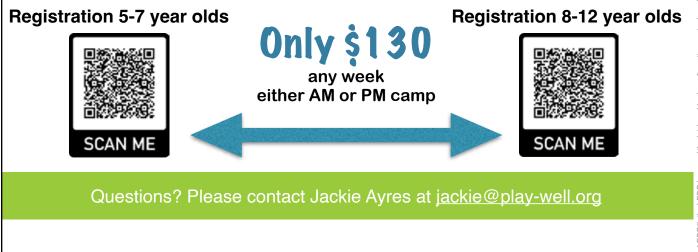


LEGO Summer Camps at Continental Ranch Community Center

Camps for ages 5-7 Times: 9am-12pm

06/13-06/17 Minecraft Engineering 07/25-07/29 Adventures in STEM Camps for ages 8-12 Times: 1pm-4pm

06/13-06/17 Minecraft Masters 07/25-07/29 STEM Explorations



Landscape Corner - May Do's & Don'ts

Thank you AAA Landscape for providing these helpful landscaping tips and tricks.



✓ Plant Bermuda lawns when soil warms up in early May. Fertilize Bermuda grass lawns each month beginning late April or early May.

✓ Mow your lawn down to half of an inch until the winter rye grass dies. This encourages new growth and is healthy for the Bermuda lawn.

✓ Every few years your Bermuda will need to be dethatched when the thatch layer becomes more than $\frac{1}{2}$ " in depth.

✓ Water grass early in the morning to minimize evaporation.

- ✓ When temperatures hit triple digits it will be necessary to schedule watering towards your most least drought tolerant, shallow rooted plants. If this becomes a daily requirement to keep the plants hydrated, consider changing to a less water intensive plant.
- ✔ Plant young citrus trees. Two to five year old trees transplant most successfully. Don't
- ✓ expect fruit for a few years. Water fruit trees on a 7 to 10 day deep watering cycle for the summer. The resulting fruit will be larger.
- ✓ For newly planted trees, protect trunk from sunburn. Stake newer trees to protect them from summer wind storms.
- ✓ Transplant cactus plants in May.

FLOWERS

- ✓ Increase water to shrubs as the weather warms. Don't water the Bougainvillea too much. You'll get bigger leaves and fewer flowers.
 - ✓ Fertilize established roses at two week intervals.
 - ✓ Remove petunias, pansies, geraniums. Plant summer flowers, such as Lantana, Vinca, Verbana, Portulaca, Gomphorena purple buddy, and Perslane.
 - ✓ Flowers will benefit from a planting mix high in organic content. Don't cheat on soil preparation for new flowers and vegetables. Add compost as needed and till in well for good soil drainage. Bone meal and blood meal are great organic amendments to add to the soil. Be sure to include a granular fertilizer that contains at least 20% phosphorus to help with root establishment. Weekly applications of liquid fertilizer like miracle grow for the first month will help establish the plants quickly.
- ✓ Plant seeds for black eyed peas, cantaloupe, muskmelon, squash, okra.
- ✔ Plant transplants for Jerusalem artichokes, sweet potatoes
- ✔ Provide shade for tomatoes. Shade cloth with 50% reduction is recommended.
- ✓ Vegetables will benefit from a rich soil mixture of compost.
 - ✓ Do not prune citrus except to remove dead or damaged wood and
 - ✓ branches obstructing pathways, views, or structures.
 - ✓ Do not use pre-emergent herbicides in an area where you intend to plant seeds.
 - ✓ Spot treat pest problems.
 - ✓ Don't use overhead spray watering for irrigating anything but turf if possible. Drip irrigation or bubbler irrigation is more efficient for deep watering of shrubs and trees.



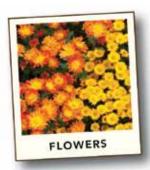
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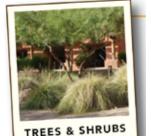
June Do's & Don'ts

- ✔ Plant your Bermuda lawns if you haven't already. Apply iron to your lawn once per month.
- ✔ If it's time to dethatch, do it during the active growing season, May through August.
 Dethatch every two years at a minimum to rejuvenate the grass.
- ✓ Pick early-maturing deciduous fruit to prevent bird damage, and ripen fruit at room temperature.
- ✓ June is the driest month, so plants may need more water. Apply mulch to the ground around heat sensitive plants keep the roots cooler and prevent evaporation.
- ✓ Apply chelated iron to bottle brush, pyracantha, silk oak, and other plants with iron deficiency symptoms.
- ✓ Heat tolerant plants can be planted right through the summer months. They will need to be watered on a regular basis until fall.
- ✓ Transplant palms, mesquites, palo verdes, and other arid shrubs and trees in the heat of the summer for best results.
- ✓ Prune bougainvillea and lantana to stimulate growth and blooms.
- ✓ Fertilize hibiscus and palms with palm tree food and keep watered. For established hibiscus, prune back about one-third of the new growth.



- Cut back on fertilizing established roses to encourage plants to slow down for the hot summer.
- ✓ Water roses deeply as temperatures rise. Hose off roses in the early morning to increase humidity and control spider mites.
- ✓ Flowers for summer color include: celosia, coreopsis, cosmos, gazanias, globe amaranth, portulaca, zinnia, salvia, vinca (periwinkle), gomphorena, verbena, pentas, potato vine, dusty miller and angelonia (summer snaps).
- ✓ Flowerbeds will need irrigation every other day through the summer. Use ammonium phosphate in flower beds to increase and keep flowers blooming. Remove spent blooms from annual flowers to encourage new blooms.
- ✔ Plant seeds for cucumbers, squash, cantaloupe, muskmelon. Plant transplants: sweet potatoes
- ✓ Keep plants moist. Wilted leaves in the morning are a sign of moisture stress. Late afternoon wilting may be heat stress.
- ✓ Use sunscreens that offer no more than 50% sun reduction. As your melons come in, place a board beneath them. This will keep them off the moist soil and prevent insects from attacking them.
- ✔ Begin harvesting onions and garlic.
 - ✓ Don't over water. Yes, it's very hot in the desert in June, so it might seem like watering more is the answer. Not necessarily true. Water slowly (prevents run off), deeply (use a soil probe or a long handled screwdriver to check that the water is penetrating 2-3 ft. deep for trees and shrubs, and 1- 1½ ft. deep for turf & flowers), and infrequently (let the soil dry between watering).
 - ✔ Do not prune citrus during the summer.
 - ✔ Don't shade corn, squash, melons, black-eyed peas, okra, or grapes.
- ✓ Don't add fertilizer to dry soil. If you apply dry fertilizer on dry soil and water it in, the fertilizer is carried toward the roots as a concentrated solution and will burn them. Always water first, then apply fertilizers to moist soils, and then continue with the rest of the water.







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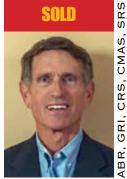
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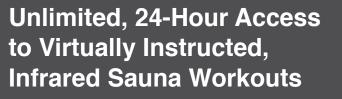
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Management's Message

It's Last Call for May 1st assessments! I wanted to put out a friendly reminder that until Monday, May 16th, we're still in the grace period for payment of assessments without a late fee. If you are unable to make it into our office during the week, please remember that we will be open from 9am-1pm on Saturday May 14th for lastminute payments. We also have a secure drop box located near the Windmill Park office door. Checks or money orders are the only acceptable form of payment in the office. To pay by credit card, make an e-payment, or set up Auto-ACH payments, please go to our website www. crcatucson.com to log into your account. If you need assistance with the website, just give us a call and we will be happy to help.

With summer approaching, so do the Monsoon rains. As much as we enjoy the little breaks from the sweltering heat, the rains bring those pesky weeds around. CRCA common areas receive a proactive spraying of pre-emergent in early June. When used correctly, pre-emergent prevents seeds from germinating in the first place, and does not affect already established plants, which means it's best to apply before the first rain. Anytime between now and the start of the Monsoon is a great time to try it out in your yard, and I would encourage residents to look into it if you haven't already.

Pool season is here, and we do our best to keep the pool facilities in top condition. If you notice anything that needs attention, please don't hesitate to let our office know. We are often able to get things cleaned up or fixed much sooner with the help of those extra sets of eyes out there. The Community Center pool opens on May 16th and our pool monitors will be back on site soon.

Congratulations to our Community Manager, Ashley, on the birth of her beautiful son! Ashley is on maternity leave and will return mid-June. Both Mother and Baby are doing well, and we look forward to her return.

Have a safe and happy Memorial Day weekend!

Paula Bellina, Assistant Manager On behalf of Ashley, Sharon, J.J. and Lyssa

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