THE BERMUDA GREENS BUGLE

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Lorrie Beaumont, President



As another exceptional season filled with excitement, camaraderie, and memorable moments ends, I'd like to extend my best wishes and safe travels to everyone heading north. To those staying in BG, I hope you are safe and well during this hurricane season. Enjoy your summer, as we look forward to reuniting in the fall to continue our work together. Until then, I wish everyone good health and well being.

Sara Catlett, Manager, CAM



CAM wishes everyone good health and safe travels over the next few months. Friday, April 24, Cintas will conduct the annual interior fire alarm inspections. A CAM representative will be available to assist with access to all units in buildings with alarms. The inspection will involve sounding of alarms and requires access to all units and areas that have building fire alarm devices.

Volunteers… The Heart of Bermuda Greens

What makes a community great? Research has shown it's the kindhearted people who are willing to help when needed. These are the people who consistently show up, bring their talents, and put in countless hours to make a community better and stronger. April is National Volunteer Month, so it's the perfect time to recognize the unsung heroes who have made Bermuda Greens an outstanding and desirable place to live and call home.

The Bugle committee asked community members why they chose to volunteer at BG. The reasons were consistently the same so here is a summary of the responses below:

To make a difference in BG and get to know neighbors better

To be sure all voices are heard

To ensure our property values are secure

To use my skills in a positive way

To be sure BG is in good fiscal shape now and in the future



Outgoing Board
Dan Ryan, Scott Fisher, Lorrie Beaumont, Melissa Fogarty, Gary Dunn



New Board
Lorrie Beaumont, Scott Fisher, Bill Smith, Gary Dunn, Melissa Fogarty



ARC
Guy Miata
Jim Menton



Long Term Planning Committee
Sue Giese, Bill Smith, Bill Clauser, Gene Johnson



Landscaping
Judy Fisher

Weekly Happenings

Water Aerobics
M-W-F @ 10:00-10:45
Continuing through June
Resuming in October

Games Nights
M @ 7-9
1st & 3rd Mondays
Concluding May 4

Bingo
M @ 7-9
2nd & 4th Mondays
Concluding May 11

Mahjongg
Th @ 1
Continues throughout summer

Upcoming Events

Ladies Summer Club
May - Movie Month
Look for details to see The Devil Wears Prada 2 and other summer events.

Bocce
League play has finished for the season. Look for Fun Bocce this fall.





Rules & Regs
Mary Moore, Mike Fogarty, Maria Senior, Carol Nucci



Social Committee
Melissa Fogarty, Mary Ellen House, Ann Callander, Maria Senior, Judi Klausa, Connie Miata, Nan Voll



Website-Communications Committee
Jeanne Menton, Sue Giese, Mary Jo DiSalvo, Nan Voll



Bocce Steering Group
Willis Faust, Nan Voll, Linda Toner, Bob Giese, Fred Demma, Dan Ryan



Games Nights
Mark Voll, Nan Voll



Ladies Club
Susan Shrewsbury, Queen Elizabeth, Sue Giese, Benjie Dudek



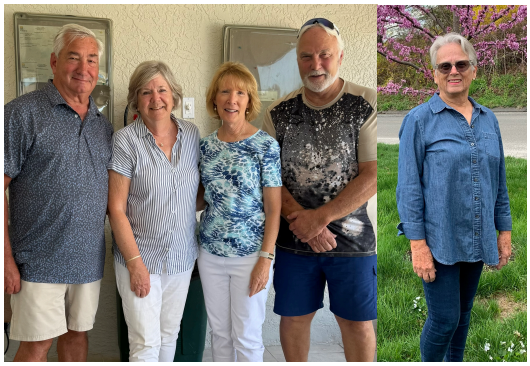
Men's Club
Willis Faust, Bob Giese



Water Aerobics
Maria Senior



Concrete Team
Gene Johnson, Dawn Smith,
Al Harte, Guy Amicon, Maria Britell



Lake Shoreline Restoration Committee
Bill Smith, Sue Giese, Judy Fisher,
Bill Clauser, Emi Lydem



Pool Furniture Committee
Cheryl Wright, Sue Giese,
Barbara Vanasse, Jeanne Menton, Maria Senior,
Melissa Fogarty, Kristin Knoll



Clubhouse Renovation Committee
Sue Giese, Bill Smith,
Bill Clauser, Linda Toner, Dan Ryan

BG Board & GIB News



- A Board Meeting was held prior to the Annual Members Meeting on Tuesday, April 21.
- March Minutes and Financials were approved. Both are available on the website.
- Approved the purchase of an Emergency Phone for the pool lanai.
- Approved a contract with Broadband Strategies Group to renegotiate the Comcast contract.
- Approved moving forward with Grant Performance Grading for the Lake Shoreline Restoration Project after attorney review of the contract.

•The Annual Meeting was held after the BOD Meeting. One hundred and fifteen units cast ballots. Ballots are tabulated electronically. Bill Smith, Scott Fisher and Lorrie Beaumont were elected to hold the three open positions. Gary Dunn will serve as President, Lorrie Beaumont Vice President / Secretary, and Scott Fisher Treasurer. Melissa Fogarty and Bill Smith will serve as Directors.

•In GIB News a search is on for a volunteer from any of the Imperial communities to step up and take on landscaping that the GIB is responsible for maintaining. Additionally, they will explore the costs to add white lights around the palm trees that will be there year round, to enhance the Imperial entrance on 41. Contact Gary Dunn if you are interested.

Rules and Regulations Committee Shares its Purpose and Progress



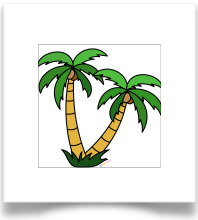
The R&R Committee was set up in the Declaration of Condominium documents to maintain safety in Bermuda Greens. When called upon by the Board of Directors, committee members research Florida State Statutes, Collier County Laws, and BG documents for clarification of issues important to our owners.

So far this year, issues addressed have included pool rules, road safety, guest parking regulations, and more.

According to Carol Nucci and the R&R Committee, “these issues are similar to those in the past and our goal is to continue to work with the board to let owners and visitors know the rules and how to help keep BG safe.

Around the Grounds

Show A Little Love for Our Lawns … Keep Bermuda Greens Beautiful



In Bermuda Greens, the grass is St. Augustine, known for its coarse, wide, flat blades with a gently rounded tip. It forms a lush, dense, dark green lawn that enhances the beauty of our community. This grass spreads quickly, which you may notice as runners fill in sparse areas. Well-suited to warm, humid climates, St. Augustine is also valued for its strong tolerance to salt and periods of drought. However, it has a low tolerance for heavy foot traffic and wear.

Those from northern regions may find this surprising, as we’re accustomed to grasses that are more durable and well-suited for walking and playing. With this in mind, everyone is kindly encouraged to use sidewalks and other solid surfaces whenever possible. Please consider parking farther over in your driveway to allow for more solid surface walking space which will help protect our lawns.

Judy Fisher and the Landscape Committee thanks all residents and guests for caring for and preserving the beauty of our community landscape.
If you have a landscape issue or question, we encourage you to submit an inquiry through the BG Website Quick Links on the Homepage. These reports help us respond quickly, keep our plants healthy, and maintain the high standards we all enjoy and expect.

The Architectural Review Committee Shares Progress and Plans for the Future



The Architectural Review Committee, (ARC), provides an essential service by protecting property values, ensuring fair and consistent standards, and maintaining community appearance, which helps reduce legal and fiduciary risks.

This past year, the ARC made key improvements to streamline the application process and offer faster response times. Chair Jim Menton said, “the committee successfully reviewed 30 applications with a 93 percent approval rate and an average review time of just two days.” Hurricane shutters, windows, flooring, and remodels were the most common project types reviewed.

Jim and Guy Miata plan to continue efforts to reduce review times further, update guidelines for lanais and windows, and increase homeowner education through a community meeting.

Long Term Planning Keeps Eye on Future and Puts Projects into Action

The Long-Term Planning Committee includes Co-Chairs Sue Giese, and Bill Smith, Board Liaison Dan Ryan, and Bill Clauser. Gene Johnson has now joined the committee as well. Recent members earlier in the year included Linda Toner and Marilyn Demma.

Many projects were managed by the committee over the past year. Work was completed reviewing the Reserve Study commissioned in 2020. From there, a Reserves Cash Flow Statement was developed providing better planning for the Board and the community for significant capital projects in the future.

Multiple projects were completed through the establishment of subcommittees. These included the Clubhouse and Bathroom Renovation and Pool Furniture replacement. The Lakeshore Restoration Committee has spent considerable time exploring the required lake shoreline remediation that will replenish our shoreline from erosion, meet current statutes, and prevent future erosion. Many ponds around SW Florida have been visited and solutions researched. Three bids were obtained and Grant Performance Grading has been approved for this project.

In addition, a subcommittee was formed to evaluate, establish and prioritize critical concrete issues and needs throughout the community, The results of this subcommittee's extensive work will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Looking to the future, LTP will continue to update cost estimates for Reserve items planned for the next 25 years. Finally, recommendations will be developed for a plan to ensure funding future projects and clarify any other items that may be needed.



Social Committee Asks Where the Season Went and Looks Back at the Fun

Record breaking attendance was reported for the end of season social event, Under the Tuscany Sun. The food, catered by New York Pasta and Pizza, was a big hit. Even a sudden downpour brought out the best of BG as the party quickly moved inside thanks to everyone helping. Spirits were high thanks to popular music by DJ Mitch who kept the party going strong.









To top off the season, Tax Day was celebrated April 16 with a Thank God Tax Day is Over Bar-B-Que. Burgers, hotdogs, brats, and pulled chicken were served as an impressive number of residents and guests gathered to break bread and share good times. A special highlight of the evening featured televised photos of many past and some current residents having fun at BG social events.

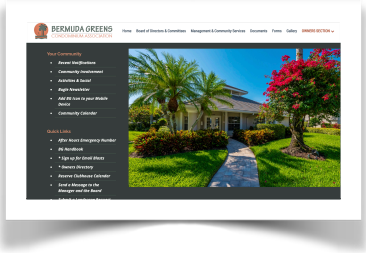




As a reminder, Connie Miata said, “along with the AED apparatus and a first aid kit, a choking device has been added in the Clubhouse.” The Social Committee hopes to offer a CPR class next year.

The Social committee also welcomed their newest member, Judi Klausa, F-11, and look forward to putting her talents to use. The Committee thanks everyone for taking part and asks for ideas and suggestions for future events and activities.

Website and Newsletter Committee Work to Keep BG Communication Up to Date



This season, under the leadership of Sue Giese, Mary Jo DiSalvo, Jeanne Menton and Nan Voll, the committee focused on keeping the website accurate and timely by posting approved monthly financials and minutes for all BOD meetings. In addition, the committee updated information for Compass Rose and Gate Access, floor plans for unit layouts, and a Checklist for Closing Units.

In the Owners Section, under Minutes and Financials, documents including Insurance, Committee/Club Financials and Active Contracts were added. The Owners Section now requires a Password for secure access. Contact CAM if you need the Password.

To make it easier to complete forms in the Forms Section, all were updated with fillable PDFs or an online form.

The Bugle and feature articles now accessible on the Home page.

The Website Committee is aware that the Owners Directory is outdated and is exploring ways to update and maintain it regularly in the future.



Finally, all eBlasts for Community related activities are sent through the web service that supports the website. All Board and Management related eBlasts are sent through CAM.

The committee brought back The Bugle in 2025 and published issues in December, January, March, and April of 2026. Issues are planned for the summer and fall. The Bugle will continue this schedule in 2027.

The mission of the Bugle is to share news, events and stories that feature BG residents, preserve our history, and foster a positive, healthy, and inclusive community. Sue said, “the committee is grateful to all who have contributed such great written content, photos and ideas.”

Look for a survey this summer to share your feedback and suggestions on what you would like to see in future editions of The Bugle and on the Website.

Don’t Bocce it Up Ends Successful Bocce Season as Champions



A Quattro of winning teams resulted in a competitive conclusion to a successful bocce season. Willis Faust said, “it came down to the final few games to determine our top four teams.” The number of spectators grew each day of the playoffs and included bocce players, family, friends and neighbors as the play grew increasingly competitive.

Don’t Bocce it Up and *Chowda and Cheesesteaks* were paired for Game One. *NYKY* and *Flying Bocce* played in Game Two. The winner of those games, *Don’t Bocce it Up* and *Flying Bocce*, played in the championship game. Play was exciting and it took all three games for *Don’t Bocce it Up* to claim victory. Congratulations to *Don’t Bocce it Up* team members Chris Greider, Peggy Blake, Ron Mucci and Captain Bill Clauser..

A special thanks goes to the referees of the Championship games who made tough calls, kept score, enforced rules, and ensured fair play. They include Dan Ryan, Nan Voll, Merv Matier and Jan McCloskey.





Old Court



New Court

As always, an end of season party at the Clubhouse followed the final game. Approximately 64 players enjoyed subs, chips and cookies and medals were awarded to the champions.

Get ready to roll! From splinters to a new bocce court, it is nearing completion and will be ready in the fall. The Bocce Steering Committee thanks everyone for their support and looks forward to next season.

Bingo and Games Night Make Monday's Funday's in BG

All are welcome every Monday night at 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse for some good old-fashioned fun. Serious competitors and not so serious players enjoy bingo, cards, dominoes, poker, and board games. Hosted by Nan and Mark Voll, this popular event has existed for several years. The purpose of Games Night is to offer an opportunity to get to know your neighbors and play games.



On Monday, April 5, excitement was in the air when Maria Senior made domino history with a three-peat. One game lasted 54.5 minutes and all domino tiles were played.

Al Harte was the biggest winner at the nickel/dime poker table and was so excited he left without his phone.

At the card table, multiple competitive games of 7, 13 and Skip-Bo were enjoyed.

Treats including popcorn, ice cream sandwiches, brownies, and candy were a highlight of the evening. Mark Voll reminded everyone that "there is no me in diet."

Men's Club Sponsors Candidates Forum … and Holds Final Meeting of the Season



As in the past, The Men's Club sponsored the COA Candidates Forum on March 25. Willis Faust served as moderator for the event which was well attended. Six candidates each presented their backgrounds and explained why they were running before taking questions from the moderator and the community.



The Men's Club, organized by Willis Faust and Bob Giese, has been well attended this season and included a wide range of topics presented by resident experts. The final meeting of the season was held on April 9 with 22 in attendance. Everyone shared their brief life stories as a way to get to know each other better while enjoying coffee and snacks.

Meetings will resume in January, 2027. Willis said, "all men are welcome to come, hear about and discuss topics of interest, enjoy coffee, snacks, and camaraderie."

From Golf Visors to Easter Bonnets…the Ladies Club Wears Many Hats Well



The BG Ladies Club recently showed off their putting skills in a round of miniature golf at Volcano Mountain. There were several Holes in Ones, many errant shots, and lots of great laughs. And, in keeping with the saying, "Life is short, eat dessert first," the ladies enjoyed ice cream *before* lunch at the Lake Park Diner.



The April closing luncheon celebrated Spring with a lovely Easter Bonnet Tea prepared by Susan Shrewsbury. In their "Easter bonnets, with all the frills upon it," BG ladies looked beautiful. Tea was served to each guest in their own unique china teacup. The menu featured handmade scones, tea sandwiches, a variety of sweets and cute Easter Bonnet favors. Susan Shrewsbury has done the tea party many times through the years. She said, "the tea party is a favorite tradition that is always well attended and fun for everyone."







Easter Bonnet winners were selected by impartial guest judges, who said, "judging was difficult with so many beautiful bonnets from which to choose." Winners received great prizes and included Jeanne Menton, Susie Harte, Patti Leyhe and Connie Miata, The grand prize winner was Lorrie Beaumont. And everyone was thrilled to see Queen Elizabeth!

Benjie Dudek and Sue Giese agreed that it's been a fun year, and they look forward to next season.



Do you know … What the Black and White Circles on the Mail Kiosks Mean?

If you've ever wondered why the black and white circles appear on the mail kiosks, you're not alone. Unless the wind blows them off center, here is the real reason for the color code. White means the mail hasn't yet been delivered that day. If the circle is black, it means the mail has arrived.

When you are walking past in the early morning, feel free to close the disc so everyone will know the mail has not yet been delivered.

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The Bugle and feature articles can be found on the Bermuda Greens website Home Page under The Bugle. Your story ideas, content, and photo submissions are appreciated. Suggestions may be sent to News4BG@gmail.com

The Bugle committee members are Mary Jo DiSalvo, Sue Giese, Jeanne Menton and Nan Voll.

Owners, please share with your tenants and guests.