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Fun in the Sun!

In the past Fun in the Sun was held over a weekend. This meant that some of the competitions had to be played at the same time, and participants would have to choose which they would enter. Although the weekend was greatly enjoyed, it was hectic, and people felt that they were rushing from one activity to the next.

Last year it was decided to try a new format stretching Fun in the Sun over a whole week, with only one competition being held at any given time. None of the competitions were governed by time, and this certainly created a more relaxed environment. We were also able to add some new events. Wii Bowling, which has become popular at Natures, was a huge success, and is expected to be played again next year. Another new competition, the Corn Toss, had to be moved into the clubhouse due to rainy weather. It was also well received.

The Blind Golf Cart race was a laugh a minute - fun for both the participants (victims?) as well as the spectators, who were all back seat drivers.

All the competitions ran smoothly and efficiently because of the hard work put in by the overseers and event coordinators:

Tom (Pat)	Overseer
Tinka	Assistant Overseer
Pam (Rick)	Euchre
Jim (MaryAnn)	Wii Bowling
Cindy (Randy)	Petanque

Dave (Judy)	Bingo
Ken (Janet)	Corn Hole
Frank & Ruthi	Blind Golf Cart Race
Steve (Jan)	Volley Ball
Dave (Judy)	Texas Cards
Dave (Judy)	Shuffleboard
Randy (Cindy)	Billiards
Jean (Bob)	Horseshoes
Hans (Hermien)	Soccer Kick

Many thanks go to the overseers, all the event coordinators, and everyone who contributed to make Fun in the Sun such success. A great time was had by all, and already new ideas are being hatched for additional competitions and events for the next Fun in the Sun.

Fun in the Sun winners are as follows:

Texas Cards:	Cindy (Randy)
Billiards:	Marvin (Diane)
Shuffleboard:	Steve (Jan), Rebecca (Willis)
Bingo:	Judy (Jim)
Wii Bowling:	Fern (Rene), Judy (Jim), Linda (Pete)
Petanque:	Jim (Judy), Ken (Janet), Pam (Bev), Fern & Rene
Volleyball:	Dave (Alice), Steve (Paula), Steve (Julie), Patty (Russ), Gilles (Estelle)
Cornhole:	John & Delores
Euchre:	1 st : Al (JoAnn) 2 nd : Mel 3 rd : Bob (Jean) Nolan
Blind Golf Cart Race:	Don & Cat
Soccer Kick:	Cancelled due to rain
Horseshoes:	Cancelled due to lack of interest

***Tidbits from Speckles,
Natures Proud Cat!***

What a busy time we are having! Dances, potlucks, Fun in the Sun competitions. Wow, it's difficult to keep up with all that is going on!



- Have you seen the addition to Al & JoAnn's house? It was done a couple of months ago, but I was so busy that I forgot to mention it. I wonder what they use it for?
- Mel & Randy and their helpers did a great job hosting the Super Bowl Party. Thanks everyone. It was an exciting game for all, no matter which team was favored!
- The big cement truck was back again pouring a slab for Tim and Kathy. They set their lot numbers in the cement. What a great idea!
- Lots of people are enjoying Saturday Night Movies in the clubhouse. There's even free popcorn to make the evening complete!
- There were lots of people who worked on decorating the clubhouse for Valentine's Day. They did a wonderful job.
- The Valentine's Dance with music by 'Party of One' was great. Thanks to Cindy & Randy and all their helpers for the time and effort that they put into making it such a success.
- Have you seen all the new lights? First new, huge lights in the clubhouse and now new, bright lights in the bathrooms as well as the weight room. Check them out – but don't forget to take your sunglasses!
- Randy (Cindy) arranged for MedCheck to come to Natures. That is such a convenient and inexpensive way to get blood work done. Thanks Randy!
- What a fright we all got when Bernie had a bad spell. Quick acting people called 911 and helped Bernie and Velta until the ambulance arrived. I'm happy to report that Bernie is back at home, all bright and cheerful.
- So many sheds came into the park. It seems that people are settling into the new super-size lots. Dan & Karen, Larry & Loupe, Jay & Lee, and Tom & Pat all have new sheds.
- Mike & Karen did a great job hosting the Dance with the Renaissance Rockers. Thanks guys!
- It's so nice to have yummy soup suppers again. Thanks to everyone who has made this possible.
- People are playing musical lots again. Hans & Hermien bought Bill & Marge's house on Lot 18, and Don & Cat bought Hans & Hermien's house on Lot 52.
- Ron & Jill, Lot 130, have made their lot so pretty. When you walk by check it out.

- Cindy won the Gold Medal in her Golden Age Olympics Doubles Bowling. Congratulations Cindy!
- I never saw anything so crazy in my life. People driving golf carts with blindfolds on! Some even had crazy hats And everyone yelling and screaming about which way they should turn. I wonder why they didn't just take the blindfold off?

That's all from me! Have a purrrrrfect March.



March Special Events

Please check the bulletin boards for additional information on all these activities.

- 3rd** Movie Night – Clubhouse – 6 p.m. Enjoy a good movie and help yourself to free popcorn.
- 5th** Blood Drive – The Bloodmobile will be visiting Natures. Please consider signing up to donate live saving blood. If you have questions, see Bruce, Lot 19
- 6th** Men's Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Meet outside the clubhouse
- 6th** Yard Sale – Clubhouse
- 7th** Yard Sale – Monte Cristo Road
- 8th** Baked Potato Bar – 5:30 Please sign up
- 11th** Birthday & Anniversary Celebration 6:30 p.m. – Meet in the Clubhouse for cake and ice cream and celebrate all the March birthdays and anniversaries.
- 13th** Ladies Day Out
- 13th** Free Appreciation Dinner & Dance. 5:00 p.m. Meal catered by Furr's Restaurant and music provided by 'Texas Country Band'. Please sign up for this as soon as possible.

- 15th** Fund Raiser Meal – 5:30 Sign up
- 17th** Members Meeting 9:00 a.m. Free Donut and Coffee. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

21st Pot Luck – 5 p.m. Please sign up

23rd Dance with Ruthi

Weekly Activities

- Bicycle Ride** 9:00 a.m. Thursday
- Bingo** 6:15 p.m. Friday
- Breakfast:** 8:00 – 9.00 a.m.
Wednesday Biscuits & Gravy
8:00 – 9:15 a.m. Saturday. See bulletin board for menu
- Campfire** 5:00 p.m. Friday Bring whatever you need and cook your hotdogs over the fire.
- Line Dancing** 7:00 p.m. Wednesday
- Mexican Train Dominoes** 6:30 p.m. Wednesday
- Michigan Rummy** 1:00 p.m. Thursday
- Old Time Radio** 4:00 p.m. Thursday Lot 102
- Petanque** 2:00 p.m. every day
- Spanish Conversation** 3:00 – 5:00 Thursday
- Stick Rummy** 7:00 p.m. Sunday
- Stitch & Chat** 1:00 p.m. Friday
- Water Aerobics** 10:00 a.m. Monday Wednesday and Friday
- Western Dance Lessons** 7:45 p.m. Wednesday
- Water Volleyball** 2:00 p.m. every day, weather permitting.
- Wii Bowling** 3:45 p.m. Tuesday
- Yoga & Pilates** 10:00 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday