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Fun in the Sun

Just like Natures Resort, Fun in the Sun (FITS) is growing! About 12 years ago it started as a two day weekend affair. At that time its main object was to draw people to the very new Natures Resort. As the years went by more competitions were added to FITS, and it became an extremely busy, fun filled weekend. Natures Resort continued to grow and eventually we simply had "no room at the inn" to accommodate the people who came for the FITS weekend. For two days we had campers doubled up in the pull throughs, dry camping in the parking area and poked into every nook and cranny that we could find! We had outgrown FITS and the decision was made to drop it.

Then Rick (who is no longer with us) made a wonderful suggestion: Perhaps we could still have FITS, but keep it as an in-house event, and spread it over a week. Everyone thought this was a great idea and three years ago the first week long FITS was scheduled. As Rick was unable to coordinate it, Tom (Lot #309) stepped in as coordinator.

The first extended FITS was a huge success, and everyone agreed that it should be re-instated as an annual event. Tom has continued to do a wonderful job coordinating it, setting up the event schedules and making sure that everything runs smoothly. Our members have been fantastic in stepping forward to head up the individual events, and they too have done a great job. People have also made suggestions for additional events and FITS continues to grow.

This year FITS stretched over 10 fun filled days. More people than ever before signed up to take part in the activities, which meant that some of the competitions lasted longer than originally anticipated. This is not a bad thing - It is just proof that FITS is enjoyed by all, and perhaps next season it will need to be longer than 10 days??

FITS is a lot of fun whether you take part or not. Some of the competitions are quite intense, other are more for a good laugh, whether participant or spectator. But the theme throughout FITS is to have fun, and even the intense competitions are surrounded by a light, fun atmosphere.

Natures Tales is not long enough to name all the names of everyone who worked to make FITS a success, but we thank Tom, all of his coordinators, all of the participants and all of the spectators for making this such a wonderful fun event.

Winners are as follows:

Petanque:

1st Place Team: Ken #6, Jannie #308,
Leonard #PT-4
2nd Place Team: Tommy W, Wilma & Ben
#14
3rd Place Team: Russ #212, Janet #56,
Alain #PT-6

Raft Races:

1st Place: Pete & Becky #228
Best Effort: Mark & Patty #4

Darts:

1st Place Team: Rubber Puckers, Steve #71,
Margie #72, Greg #36,
Mark#4
Highest Score: Team Toxic Ninjas with a
108; Julie #300

Ladder Golf:

1st Place Team: Jim #11 & Cat #52
2nd Place Team: Greg #36 & Kathy #311
3rd Place Team: John #218 & Terry #232

Euchre:

1st Place: Sue #124
2nd Place: Dave #124
3rd Place: Jean #5

Cornhole:

1st Place Team: Fern #70 & Mark #4

Pickleball:

A hard fought battle in the wind, we give credit for the 5 players who really had to work hard in the game.

1st Place: Russ #212

Wii Bowling:

7 teams; Ball Busters, Fun Buns Booty Licious, But Tox, Streakers, Cheek Squeezers & Bowling Butt Cracks competed:

1st Place Team: Streakers Mark #4, Jim #11, Don #44, Pete #228 & Pam #60

Billiards:

1st Place: Jerry #2

Volleyball:

1st Place Team "Flaky Bucks": Steve #37, Julie #300, Rene #70, Dave #124, Steve #71, Russ #212

2nd Place Team "Blue Helicopters": Hans, Lee, Cassandra, Danny, Mark, Jack

3rd Place Team "Orange Ants": Steve W, Ken, Dave M, Sylvie, Dave C, Jennifer

4th Place Team "Happy Submarines": Sylvain, Pete, Nolan, Greg, Jan, Rick

Shuffleboard:

1st Place Team: Cat & Don #52

2nd Place Team: JP #65 & Rosaire #210

Bingo:

Winner: Eva Rm#1

Mexican Train:

1st Place: Bev #60

2nd Place: Steve #37

3rd Place: Nancy #74

Horseshoes:

1st Place: JP #65

2nd Place: Russ #212

3rd Place: Dave #124

Noodle Derby:

- 1st Place Team: Brenda #231 & Sue #124

2nd Place Team: Richard #222 & Amy #233

3rd Place Team: Richard #122 & Linda #222

Blind Golf Cart Race:

1st Place Team: Stan #69 & Paula #106

2nd Place Team: Dave & Sue #124

3rd Place Team: Steve & Jan #37

Texas Hold'em:

Winner: Russ #212

Golf:

1st Place Team: Don #130 Steve #230, Pete #228, Jean Paul #65

Tidbits from Speckles, Natures Proud Cat!

My head is spinning. There is so much going on it is giving me FITS! Apparently all the activities are affecting everyone the same way because all I hear about is FITS, FITS, FITS!



I'll try to fill you in on everything that is not FITS related.

- Once again Med Check Labs visited Natures. What an economical way to get blood work done!



Relax! It's just a tiny prick!

- Steve & Jan (Lot #37) have been working hard on the addition to their house, and now that it is finished they had a house warming so that we could all tour the house and addition. It looks great and the view from their living room is great! Congratulations!
- I heard there was a Beatles Celebration - but I didn't see any beetles. However, everyone had a great time watching a

movie called A Hard Day's Night.
Another fun event

- Some people really enjoy eating cookies. Thank goodness that we have people who enjoy baking cookies.



More Cookies for the Crowds!

- Our first ever - A Block Party at Sandy's. I think almost the whole park was there, and I had to be careful so that I was not stepped on! DJ Steve did a wonderful job and I suspect that this is going to become another special annual event.
- The theme at the Block Party was Funny Hats - and there were some crazy hats there. Jim was awarded first place for his. I sure hope the nickname "Butthead" doesn't stick, Jim.
- Big Bill's open house coincided with the Block Party so we all had the opportunity to see the work he has done in and around his house. Looks good Bill!
- The Super Bowl wasn't all that good and neither were the commercials, but that didn't stop everyone from having a great social time at the Super Bowl Party! The winners of the Super Bowl Pool were:
1st Qtr. Bernie Lot#32 \$ 75.00
Half Time Ron Lot#53 \$100.00
3rd Qtr. Tom Lot#309 \$125.00
FinalScore Ellis Lot#108 \$200.00
- So much love in the air! The Valentine's Dance was a knockout, and DJ Two Dog Bill did a great job of keeping people on the dance floor. Thanks to Ken & Terri and Ken & Barbie for hosting the event.



DJ Two Dog Bill

- Racing fans watched the Datona 500 on the big screen in the clubhouse. 1st place with 76pts- \$50- Janet #56 - 2nd place with 71pts- \$30- Ellis #108 - tie for 3rd - with 61pts each- Nancy #74-\$15- Hagar # 233-\$15.

That's all from me! There are more things to report but I'm just too tired. I'll tell you about them next month.



Introducing our new maintenance Technician.

You've seen him around, but you probably haven't heard him! Albert, our new Maintenance Technician, is on the shy side, but is learning that we don't bite or at least not much. Working in a nudist environment is new to him, but he is adjusting well, and in time will have cheery Hello's for everyone. In the past two months Albert has learned a mega amount about the pools and all the other areas for which he will be responsible and is fast becoming a part of our family. We hope he will remain with us for many years.

Please remember that Albert works for Natures Resort until 3 p.m. each day. If you have something that you would like Albert to help you with, all arrangements regarding what you want him to do and remuneration should be made directly with him, and work should be scheduled after his regular work hours.



Albert, our Maintenance Technician

Weekly Activities:

- Aerobics:** 8:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday. Clubhouse
- Bible Study:** 10 a.m. Monday
Card Room
- Bicycle Ride:** 9 a.m. Thursday
Meet outside the clubhouse. See Bulletin Board for details.
- Bingo:** Clubhouse Friday
6:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. Sales
7:00 p.m. Bingo starts
- Breakfast:**
8:00 a.m. 1st, 2nd and 4th Saturday
7:45 a.m. Every other Wednesday
Clubhouse
- Bridge Lessons:** 12:30 p.m. Monday
- Campfire:** 5:00 p.m. Friday Fire Pit
Bring a drink and the makings for cooking hot dogs on the fire
- Cards:** 7:00 p.m. Every night.
- Dance Class:** Tuesday Clubhouse
7:00 p.m. Line Dancing
7:45 p.m. Partner & Group Dances
8:15 p.m. Couples Two-Step Lessons
8:45 p.m. Couples Country Waltz
9:15 - 10 p.m. Music by Request
- Darts:** 7:00 p.m. Saturday
Billiard Room
- Dominoes:** 6:45 p.m. Thursday
Card Room (Mexican Train)
- Euchre:** 7:00 p.m. Monday
Card Room
- Karaoke:** 7:00 p.m. 1st Thursday and 3rd Sunday of each month
- Men's Breakfast Out:** 8:00 p.m. Every other Tuesday
- Petanque:** 2:00 p.m. Every day.
- Social Hour:** - 4 p.m. Wednesday Sandy's
Bring your own refreshments.
- Water Aerobics:** 1:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
Main Pool
- Water Volley Ball:** 2:00 p.m. Every day
Volley Ball Pool
- Wii Bowling:** 3:45 p.m. Tuesday

March Special Events

- 1st** 8:00 a.m. Breakfast in a Bag
Noon- 2 p.m. - Pad Party & Home Warming at Dave & Sue's (Lot 124) and Barry & Peggy's (Lot 126)
- 2nd:** **Deadline to sign up for the Owners Appreciation Dinner/Dance**
- 3rd:** 9:00 a.m. Blood Drive Sign Up required
7:00 p.m. Bluegrass DVD
- 4th:** 7:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Dance
- 6th:** 5:00 p.m. BBQ Hamberger
- 9th:** 6:30 p.m. Join us as we celebrate the March Birthdays and Anniversaries with cake and ice cream
- 10th:** 5:30 p.m. Owners Appreciation Dinner Dance. Bring a towel to sit on and a smile to share.
- 14th:** Craft & Vendor Fair. Take advantage of the opportunity to buy unique gifts for your friends and family up north
- 15th:** 9:00 a.m. Members Meeting. If you are at Natures, you are a member. All members are encouraged to attend. Complimentary coffee and donut.
- 17th:** 7:00 p.m. Dance Music by Walter Plante
- 24th:** 7:00 p.m. Dance
- 25th:** In-house Garage Sale
This is a great opportunity to get rid of the stuff you no longer want (and buy something that someone else doesn't want!)
- 26th:** Monte Cristo Road Garage Sale