

Nutsedge and Seasonal Lawn Transition

As we move into warmer weather, perennial ryegrass begins to decline while bermudagrass starts to reestablish. These same conditions also bring nutsedge out of dormancy, and it is now actively growing throughout the community.

Nutsedge grows significantly faster than surrounding turf, making it noticeable 2-3 days after mowing. Two sitewide treatments are scheduled for this summer, with the first planned for May. In the interim, heavily infested areas will be reviewed and spot treatments may be applied as appropriate.

Because treating turf under stress can result in rapid decline of the desired turf, timing remains critical. We are actively monitoring conditions to ensure treatments are applied effectively.

Thank you for your understanding.



Private Irrigation Controllers – Homeowner Responsibility

Homes with privately installed irrigation controllers, whether installed by a current or previous homeowner, are maintained by the homeowner.

Homeowners are responsible for adjusting watering schedules and ensuring irrigation does not run on mowing days (Palmer on Wednesdays and Stadium on Thursdays), as this can impact maintenance operations and turf conditions.

As temperatures increase and many homeowners travel during the summer months, it is important to plan ahead. Irrigation staff do not adjust private controllers, so homeowners should ensure their systems are properly programmed prior to any extended absence.

If you are unsure if you have a private controller, please submit a work order and the Association can assist in verifying this.



WATCH FOR RATTLESNAKES



Rattlesnake Safety

As temperatures rise, we've begun receiving reports of snake sightings. This is typical for the warmer months, when snakes become more active and seek out cool, shaded areas. These areas include around pool equipment, barbecue grills, and under dense bushes.

Please remain alert when enjoying outdoor spaces such as patios, courtyards or walking around the property. We strongly advise against leaving children or pets unattended outdoors.

To help deter snakes, avoid leaving food outside, as it can attract rodents, which in turn attract snakes, their natural predators.

If you encounter a snake, do not attempt to handle or remove it. Instead, please contact Animal Control at 760-343-3644 for safe and professional assistance.

Thank you for helping keep our community safe and aware.





Spring Cleaning

Following up on our March newsletter regarding the “Winter Organize and Purge,” we’d like to encourage homeowners to continue taking advantage of the spring season to clean and organize garages and storage areas.

As a reminder, garages are intended for vehicle parking, and keeping them organized can help ensure they remain functional for their intended use. Please note, the Association’s CC&R’s Article VII, Section 9 require that the garage be used to its maximum capacity for parking vehicles.

Burrtec offers several services that can help make the spring-cleaning process easier:

- **Bulky Item Pickup:** Requires at least 48 hours advance notice. To help ensure service early in the week, homeowners should plan to contact Burrtec by Thursday of the prior week.
- **Additional Waste Collection:** Up to four (4) 32-gallon bags may be collected, up to four times per year, with advance scheduling.

Please also remember that items should not be placed in common areas or set out prematurely.

To schedule service or for additional information, please contact Burrtec Waste

Phone: 760-340-2113

Email: customerserviceco@burrtecdesert.com



Golf Cart, Electric Vehicle, Electric Bicycle & Battery Safety Reminder

Proper safety precautions when charging and storing golf carts, electric vehicles and electric bicycles are essential to help reduce the risk of fire.

Homeowners are strongly encouraged not to leave golf carts plugged in and charging unattended, especially while away from home for extended periods.

Recently, a residence in Res I experienced a fire in the middle of the night. Fortunately, the fire department responded quickly with four engines, and the fire was contained before causing total loss of the home and attached units. At the time of the incident, seven family members were inside the residence, and all were able to evacuate safely without injury.

Preliminary findings from the fire department indicate that the likely cause of the fire was a lithium battery in a golf cart. While we are grateful that the damage was limited and no one was harmed, this incident highlights the importance of practicing safe charging habits.

Residents are urged to remain vigilant and take appropriate precautions when charging golf carts and other battery-powered vehicles.

Additional safety recommendations include:

- Use only manufacturer-approved chargers and equipment
- Ensure charging areas are well-ventilated and free of combustible materials
 - Avoid using damaged cords, plugs, or batteries
 - Do not store items around or on charging equipment that could restrict airflow

Taking these precautions can help prevent overheating and reduce potential fire hazards.

Thank you for your attention and proactive intervention to avoid a fire hazard.

