

Bristol Lakes Bulletin

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TRAFFIC CONTROL FOR BL

The Board is in the process of obtaining a traffic agreement with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office that will allow Deputies to patrol our streets and issue tickets. The first part of this process has been completed. A Traffic Study has been completed showing we are in compliance. We will now submit this study along with the application to the Sheriff's Office. Unfortunately this process takes approximately 2-3 months.

FRONT ENTRANCE ROAD REPAINTING

The renewal of pavement markers at our front gate is nearly completed. Please be careful and patient during this time. More than likely, the front gates may remain open so please exercise extreme caution when entering or exiting. Also we have experienced lightning strikes on the residents gate scanner over the past month. The resident gate may be in the open position until the gate company completes it's repair.

LANDSCAPING CONTRACTS

Recently your Landscaping Committee sent bids out to 5 commercial landscapers who are capable of maintaining our property. There are 5 different categories on which to quote. 1. Front Entrance, 2. Lawn Maintenance, 3. Irrigation, 4. Mulch, 5. Tree Trimming. The quotes are due in September and our contract is up the first of the year.

SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

Our September Board Meeting place has been changed. Because of new library policy we were unable to book a room for September. The September Board Meeting will be held at the Palm Beach Recreation Center, 6000 Northtree Blvd. This is behind Park Vista High School. The Meeting will be between 6:30 and 8 PM

COMPLIANCE RULES

You will be able to find the Summary of Compliance Rules in your Welcome/Reference Book and on our Web site www.bristollakes.com. There is a special tab labeled Compliance Rules instead of you having to look through all the Documents.

BEEES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Recently we have had 3 problems with Bees in our neighborhood. There are many types of bees in Florida. Honeybees are protected by Florida Laws. Insect spray does not work efficiently on any bees. If you have a hive near your home it is best to call a licensed bee trapper. Our regulations in Bristol Lakes are written so that if a bee nest is found on your property it is your responsibility to get rid of them. If on Community property the HOA will take responsibility to remove them.



GATE PASSES

As a reminder, PLEASE order your gate passes from our web site www.bristollakes.com. Also our call box and resident gate box only hold 12 numbers per household. When you order either a decal or card, let us know what that is replacing. If not and you reach 12 passes we will e-mail you for the numbers to delete before we can issue new passes.



SPEEDING AND PARKING

We are sure you do not want to read this again BUT some never get the message. Please watch your speed in our community - remember they we have pedestrians and children at play. The speed limit signs indicate 15 mph.

Parking has been an ongoing problem. Overnight parking on our streets is not allowed and cars that block the sidewalks is **prohibited anytime by ADA laws (American Disabilities Act)**. We have handicapped residents who use the sidewalks.

PLEASE RESPECT OUR DOCUMENTS AND MAKE SURE EVERYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS AWARE.

ARC FORM IS NECESSARY

The Board is seeing a lot of new construction in our community. Unfortunately, much work is being done without an ARC Form, To keep our Community as it was intended, need we to have rules. These rules are not impossible to follow, in fact they are flexible. You can find most of what you need in your Welcome/Reference book or on our web pages www.bristollakes.com For certain projects you only need Bristol Lakes Board approval, for other projects you need to submit the request to the Aberdeen ARB committee. When talking to your contractor let him know that you need ARC approval. Most are familiar with this concept and can be helpful to you in filling out the form.

PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNITY AS BEAUTIFUL AS IT IS FOR OUR RESIDENTS AND POTENTIAL BUYERS

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HURRICANE SEASON

There are some interesting changes in Florida Laws regarding Contractors. Please go to the link below and copy and paste.

<http://www.campbellpropertymanagement.com/blog/2019/07/18/hurricane-season-is-here-if-you-suffer-a-casualty-you-need-to-know-about-this-new-law/>

NEW GARBAGE CANS

Our new garbage cans are set to be delivered in August or September. Remember you CAN-NOT use them until October 1st.

SPECIAL DAYS IN AUGUST

- 1— National Girlfriends Day
- 2—International Beer Day
- 3—National Watermelon Day
- 4—Coast Guard Birthday
- 5—National Underwear Day (since 2013)
- 7—Purple Heart Day
- 9—Book Lover's Day
- 10—Lazy Day
- 11—Son & Daughter Day
- 12—VJ Day
- 13—Left Hander's Day
- 15—Relaxation Day
- 16—National Tell a Joke Day
- 18—Bad Poetry Day
- 19—National Aviation Day
- 21—Senior Citizens Day
- 22—Be An Angel Day
- 25—Kiss and Make Up Day
- 26—Women's Equality Day (since 1971)
- 26—National Dog Day
- 27—Global Forgiveness Day
- 29—More Herbs—Less Salt Day
- 30—Toasted Marshmallow Day
- 31—National Eat Outside Day

IGUANAS

The population of green iguanas, an invasive, non-native species from Central America, has exploded in Florida in recent years. They were first seen in Miami-Dade County in the 1960's, and are now found on both coasts, and from the Keys to the northern counties, where they are not cold-hardy.

Everyone agrees that they are a nuisance to property owners, but not everyone knows how to deal with them. There are a number of ways to control them, and killing is one of them. It is legal to kill Iguanas, does not require a permit, and is encouraged by the



Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), **BUT** it must be done humanely. Euthanasia is the most humane method of disposal, however, it is not recommended for use by the general public. Shooting with a pellet rifle, or stunning (i.e., hitting them over the head with a baseball bat) followed by decapitation is acceptable, but not always easy to do. What you can't do is drown them, freeze them without anesthetizing them first, decapitate them without stunning them first, poison them or use steel traps. The FWC recommends hiring a Nuisance Wildlife Management to trap and dispose of nuisance iguanas,

Besides killing there are a number of other ways to control them. Never feed them. Protect valuable plants with cages or screened enclosures. Avoid planting flowers and shrubs as they love to eat (Hibiscus, orchids, inpatients, roses etc.). Destroy their eggs in nesting burrows. Harass them with water hoses, loud noises, or hang CD ROM discs on trees or other prize plants in your garden. Remember, they can be dangerous. They can deliver severe bites, scratches and blows from their muscular tails. They can also be a health hazard, they can transfer Salmonella through their bites, or in droppings.

By far, the easiest thing to do is to tolerate them, unfortunately hardly anyone chooses that option. For more info see the web site: myfwc.com.

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