

THE DEVON PARK BODY CORPORATE COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE

Summer's come
early this year!

Our pool is now open and in use on most days.

So once again it's time to remind everyone of the Pool Rules, which are displayed on pool side of the western wall – we ask that you read them and adhere to them...

The pool is for the use of owners and residents (not members of the local community who feel they can 'pop in for a dip').

If you have visitors using the pool you **must** accompany them... to avoid embarrassing moments for them and for Dennis, whose job it is to monitor these things.

You **must** accompany and supervise children under the age of 12; pre-school children especially must be supervised carefully.

And If you live in the tower,

please **dry off thoroughly before you get into the lift.**

Water on the lift floor can be dangerous and it creates work for Dennis who has to clean up before anything corrodes, dissolves or degrades.

We also ask that whenever you are in the pool, and especially with children, that, out of respect for your fellow residents, noise levels are kept to a minimum. Of course children – especially young children – will make some noise when they are happy and enjoying themselves.

But please – do your best to keep their natural exuberance to a 'reasonable' level.

A full list of all the pool rules will be distributed to all apartments.



*Seasons
Greetings*



TREES AND GARDENS UPDATE

You will have noticed that there has been some activity, with contractors attending to various matters, the most noticable being the removal of the big Washington palm overlooking the pool (it was shedding dead growth and seeds into the pool, adding to the maintenance load and compromising the operation of the filter) and the cutback of the tropical vegetation in the north east corner of the pool (more of the above, and lifting concrete in that corner).

We have begun discussions with reputable suppliers about erecting an appropriate shade structure at the pool and will report on that as it progresses

Some tree management has taken place at the end of the west wing; we are currently getting advice on further landscaping work here, in front of the east wing, along the drive and

around the front entrance. We are still bound by City Council rules in these matters and have to proceed cautiously to avoid confrontations with their environmental team.

TEN YEAR PLAN

The committee has completed updating the ten year plan, and the budget that accompanies it and it will be distributed to owners very soon to give you time to assimilate the information and enable rational consideration at next year's AGM.

RENOVATION RULES

We are working diligently to finalise the rules upgrades; consultations with Salmond Reid architects Rosalie Stanley are all but completed and we are now going through the final 'dotting and crossing' stages. We will let you know when they can be accessed from Dennis.

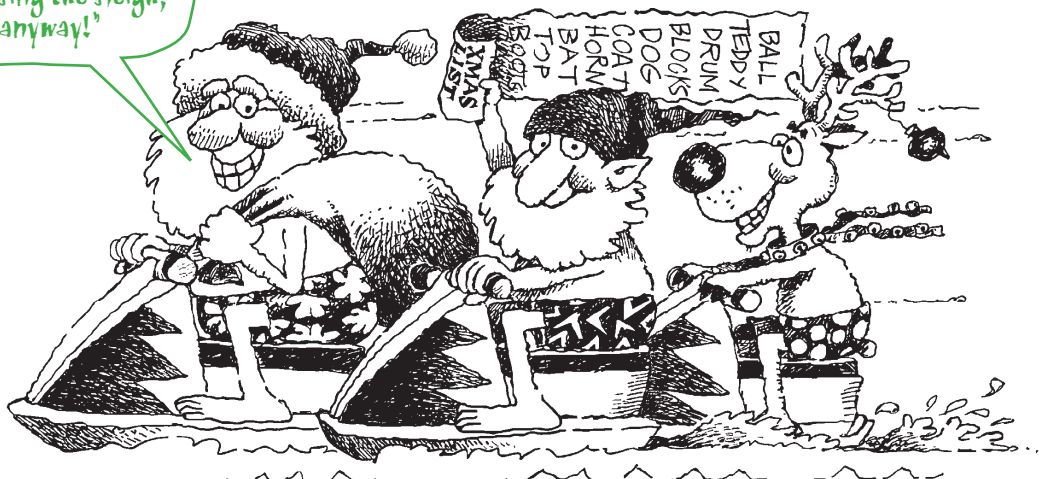
NOTIFICATION OF TRADESMEN

One requirement of the rules that we do know now is that **ANY TIME A TRADESMAN COMES TO WORK IN YOUR APARTMENT** you must notify the Building Manager, well ahead of time. He will need to know the date of the visit, the name of the tradesman and the nature of the work they are doing. The form of the notification should be, preferably, as a note in the office letter-box (No 110), or by phone call, email or text, rather than a verbal advice while he is out and about and

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'The folks at Devon Park live so close to the water we've decided this is better than using the sleigh, and more fun anyway!'





may tend to forget.

This is important because arrangements have to be agreed for rubbish removal and for protection of the premises (eg. the lift and foyer carpets), residents have to be advised of any restrictions to movements that may occur during the work – and we have to be assured that the tradespeople are conversant with the Renovation Rules and the reasons for them.

LIGHTING

Our discussions with Council officials and two or three of our neighbours about the entry lighting and the light directed up the tower have progressed, and we are near to allaying the concerns expressed by them. This is very much a 'trial and error' process to find a solution to the problem while enabling us to have appropriate lighting for the entry approach and front door.

Christmas

This year there is a party, planned for Wednesday December 11th... thank you to Fiona Cooper and Alex Duley for arranging this.

You may have been to the party by the time you read this and if that's the case we hope you enjoyed it! But if this gets to you before the party happens we urge you to come and make it an event that we all enjoy.

Whether you make it to the party or not, Whether your here for the holidays or whether you go away, we wish you a really great Festive Season, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SCISSORS PLEASE

Just a gentle reminder to everyone using the herb garden goodies; please remember to cut what you want with scissors – don't wrench it away by hand please – the cleaner cut enables re-growth and more herbs for us all. Thanks.

AND NOW... A BIG THANK YOU!

Some time ago Dennis sent everyone a message about rubbish and recyclables disposal and the arrangements we have with our rubbish removal contractors and your response has been simply fantastic! There has been, in Dennis' words "a huge improvement to our waste system..." Thank you everyone, for your efforts, which have not only pleased the contractors, but have saved Dennis considerable 'sorting' time. And just to clarify one matter; the 'plastic' items which Dennis mentioned as being not acceptable in the recycling bins were the 'Tetrapac' type, typically used for drinks, custard etc.

"Do bears recycle in the woods?
Not if it's a Tetrapac!"



Christmas. We love it.

"My mother-in-law has come round to our house at Christmas seven years running. This year we're having a change. We're going to let her in."

Les Dawson

