

# High Country West "E-NEWS"

Rancho Bernardo, California

## DECEMBER 2020

### Club Hours

Open 8:00 AM to 9:30 PM, by reservations only. The pool closes at 9:00 PM. Online reservations for lap swim and tennis are in place. Call the club for information on this and to reserve other areas.

Club hours are subject to change, call or check web site.

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### President's Corner:

I would like to welcome our new High Country West HOA board members Libby Bergmann (Secretary), Shannon Erdell (Treasurer), and Daniel Herrera (Director). They have joined Mark Mooradian (Vice-President) and me in looking out for our neighborhood's interest and well-being. I look forward to working with this new team. I would also like to thank our departing Directors, Debbie Allen, Julie Cole, and Lorie Underwood, for their past years of service and dedication to our community.

After years of planning, construction has finally begun on Area C at the club. Like many, I am anxiously awaiting the completion of this project. With the recent completion of the pool and pool deck renovation, this new structure promises to freshen up the look of the pool area.

In the meanwhile, lighting has been installed at the basketball/pickleball court, allowing for night time play. I hope some of you are able to make the time to take advantage of the benefits of this new addition.

The final month of 2020 is finally upon us. It has been a challenging year for all of us. I am looking forward to seeing all of the new holiday lights and decorations in the neighborhood this December. My best wishes to all of you this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Kent Stone

The club is still operating on a partially opened status by reservations only with no guests with the exception of one guest per court for tennis and pickleball play. Please refer to our web site for the important details on the facility use rules.

### Join Our Online December 2020 BOARD MEETING (Using Zoom Meetings Software)

The HCW Board of Directors will host the on-line/virtual meetings through Zoom. The date is on December 9 at 6:30 PM. This is a regular scheduled board meeting.

You have 2 ways to access each meeting:

1. Go to the [highcountrywest.com](http://highcountrywest.com) website and go to Property Owner Resources and in the drop down click on "Board Meeting Agenda". The meeting agenda will have the link on it. The agenda will be updated by Monday prior to the meeting.
2. Also, on the agenda, a telephone number is listed below the link if you just want to listen in.





Two of your favorite holiday events are being held this year and they are perfect to participate in during this time with the COVID restrictions in place. See the attached holiday flyer with all the details. A few walks through the neighborhood with your family should find all those pesky hidden reindeer! Many thanks to all the homeowners who are putting in the time and decorating this year for everyone to enjoy the decorations.

**ALL ON-LINE RESERVATIONS are taken for lap swim and tennis only at this time. All other reservations you must call the office. Construction on area C is underway. Beginning Monday November 30th, the playground and basketball court will be closed Monday thru Friday until 4 pm.**

When entering a reservation online, please list your **LAST name**. Also, the field for email will be your house # from now on (the system is being changed).

**In addition, all tennis users:** when making a reservation please list your last name and then your guest last name (example: Denny / Conners). If you are playing with a member of your same household enter your last name only, followed by your house number. Guest must sign the waiver form at the window when they check in.

**REMINDER: ONE GUEST ONLY PER TENNIS OR PICKLE BALL COURT FOR SINGLES PLAY**



**PLAYGROUND USERS** - The playground is open by reservation on the hour for a 45-minute window, with 2 households able to reserve for each time slot. But the times will be limited due to the construction. See reservation note above.

**Basketball / pickle ball** – the lights have been installed for night play. Call office to reserve the court.

**SPA / HOT TUB IS OPEN:** 8am – closing. The spa has finally opened, just in time for the chilly weather. Reservations are being taken by calling the office. The time slots are for 25 minutes of use on the hour or on the half hour. Each household may reserve one time slot per week. You may also call same day & book time slots that are available. **SPA IS FOR SINGLE HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.** Sorry, no mixing of households or guest while using the spa. **FOLLOW THE SIGNS** posted at the spa. Reservations have priority for use. Swimmers may use the spa when no reservations are in place. Persons with a spa reservation may not use the pools.

#### ARCHITECTURAL CORNER:



**Pine trees-** These trees are best trimmed and thinned out during the colder months, NOT during the warmer months of the year. Evaluate your pine now, along with other trees on the property. If your pine has heavy branches or dead branches contact a tree professional and have the tree evaluated for trimming now. This can really help the overall health of your tree. When spring comes, the tree will thrive with all the dead growth removed. Thinning out the trees also can help with the rains and / or heavy winds we can see during the stormy season.



Front yard signage should all be removed at this time; graduations are over, elections are done. Please take a minute to remove any leftover signs still hanging out in the front yards! Refer to the guidelines for more information on sign callouts.

Architectural meets online to review exterior changes on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays monthly.

*Christmas and New Year's Day.* A reminder the Club will be closed on these two days. **HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE STAFF OF HCW.**

#### Please Note:

When you are doing yard/construction work or when using a contractor, note that the City does not allow you to dump any used waste or contaminated water into the streets which flow into the storm drains. You could be subject to City fines if found in violation.

# TWO HOLIDAY EVENTS FOR 2020



## **“FIND SANTA’S 9 HIDDEN REINDEER” -11th Annual**

A favorite game for families and adults will be held this holiday season! If you have never joined in this neighborhood search this is a great year to start HCW. Pick up your clue sheet at the club. Using the clues given, start walking the neighborhood to search & locate those trickster deer’s hiding around our homes.

**\*Clue sheets may be picked up starting Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse window**

**\*Contest starts Dec 12<sup>th</sup> with entries turned in to the Club office by 3PM closing time on Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>**

**\*Only one game sheet per house may be turned in. Winner will be notified by phone after 12-28.**

Locations of all the deer will be posted at the Club after 12-28. All can play, but contest entry is for residents of High Country West only.

[This event is presented & sponsored by West Coast Roofing and Construction](#)



## **GET READY TO DECORATE HIGH COUNTRY WEST**

## **2020 “HOLIDAY LIGHTING CONTEST” WILL BEGIN- 25<sup>TH</sup>ANNUAL**

Join with the neighborhood & decorate your home for the Holidays. Grab the hot cocoa & enjoy a fun holiday stroll to view the beautiful displays. This yearly event is only possible with the help of our gracious sponsors each year.

**Our 2020 Lighting Contest Sponsors are:**

**KELLY’S PUBLIC HOUSE @ High Country Plaza**

**John Lovett of TOYOTA OF ESCONDIDO**

**WEST COAST ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION**

**Ron Wilson of RE/MAX CONNECTIONS**

**George Cooke of COLDWELL BANKER REALTY,**

**Jeff & Jon Shea of SHEA REALTY**

**Andrew at PETTEY’S AUTO RB**

**DR. HERRING CHIROPRACTIC @ High Country Plaza**

**CONTEST JUDGING WILL TAKE PLACE**

**SATURDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> FROM 7:00-9:30 PM.**

The organizers have numerous categories & prizes. No home will win for more than one category. Winning signs are posted in the yard the night of judging. Happy Holidays High Country West