



MESSAGE FROM THE BoD

May 5, 2020

Over the past several weeks, members of the Carefree Management and the BoD have been deliberating whether and how to open various clubhouse amenities. This process involves carefully reviewing government guidelines at the federal, state, and local levels, and receiving recommendations from the Community Association Institute and the CDC regarding the “best practices” for doing so. At a working meeting on Monday, May 4nd, the BoD agreed to open three outside amenities for a two-week trial period, starting Wednesday, May 6. These include three pickleball courts, the bocce court, and two shuffle board courts.

We also set forward protocols for the use of these amenities. They are as follows:

Pickleball:

- Do not enter the court area if you are not feeling well;
- No more than 10 women are allowed in the court area;
- Three courts will be open for use (2 courts for doubles and 1 for singles);
- We strongly recommend that you play with members of your own household or those whom you know well and hang out with. Outside guests are not allowed in the court areas;
- Bring your own chairs;
- Where possible, use your own equipment;
- Remain 6 feet apart;
- When not playing, please wear masks;
- Clean all equipment before and after your games;

Shuffle Board Courts:

- Do not enter the court area if you are not feeling well;
- Masks are required;
- No more than 8 women are allowed in the court area. Please leave the area if eight individuals are already playing;
- Only two courts will be open for use (courts 1 and 3);
- Remain 6 feet apart;
- We strongly recommend that you play with members of your own household or those whom you know well and hang out with. Outside guests are not allowed in the court area;
- Please do not use scoring materials. Bring your own paper and pencil;
- Please clean all equipment before and after your games;

Bocce Court:

- Do not enter the court area if you are not feeling well;
- Masks are required;
- No more than 8 women are allowed in the court area (4 watching and 4 playing). Please leave the area if 8 individuals are already there;
- We strongly recommend that you play with members of your own household or those whom you know well and hang out with. Outside guests are not allowed;
- Please clean all equipment before and after your games;
- Bring your own chairs;
- Remain 6 feet apart;

We will meet in two weeks, May 19th, to review these procedures and discuss possibilities for opening others. We know that some will be disappointed that the pool is not opening, however, that is a much more complicated decision that is impacted by county regulations, procedures for safely cleaning restrooms, and cleaning pool surfaces.

We too feel the need to open and enjoy these amenities. However, we remain in the midst of an active pandemic and have ongoing concerns for the health of our members. Note also that these decisions are fluid. As in other areas, they may have to be amended by disease trends and noncompliance.

Finally, we cannot say enough to thank our members for your cooperation during this period. To our knowledge, Carefree has remained safe through this ridiculous period and that is primarily due to your patience and willingness to help.

Your BoD and Management
