

Camp Florida RV Resort

LAKE PLACID, FLORIDA

THE CRITTER

November 2018 • Lakeview Clubhouse • (863) 699-4063

Website: campfloridapoa.org • Hours: Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Activities Committees

Activities Chair:

Gary & Joanne Shilling

Critter:

Brenda Whitcombe

Entertainment Chairs:

Jan Foley

Linda Reuter

Food Chairs:

Paul & Ethel Stephenson

Tony Tornatore

Music/Sound Chair:

Gary Shilling

Park Events:

Joanne Shilling

Scheduling Chair:

Judi Vozka

Singers Events:

Tom Stansifer

Letter from our POA President – Bruce Ridley

Welcome back to all of our Camp Florida neighbors!

As you venture into our winter hideaway, you will still see some reminders of the Hurricane that caused us so much grief and money. The generator is back to as-new condition and you will hear it cycle once a week. The gate is still not up to the level that we expect but we continue to work through the difficulties. Eventually we will get everything back to normal. John Sims has been working diligently to keep the Camp in good shape and working through the issues that we have. We have new people on our Maintenance Staff also. All in all, we should be ready for all of you and look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces. Remember to get a new windshield sticker for those new cars! Thanks!

The Prez,
Bruce Ridley

“Critter” of the Month

Have you seen the tall, gray birds roaming about the park, often foraging in the grassy areas near the pool and clubhouse? These birds are Florida sandhill cranes (*Grus canadensis pratensis*).

Did you know:

- they can reach a height of 47.2 inches (120 cm) with a wingspan around 78.7 inches (200 cm) ?
- their diet consists primarily of grain, berries, seeds, insects, worms, mice, small birds, snakes, lizards and frogs?
- they are a non-migratory species that nests in freshwater ponds and marshes?
- this species is monogamous (breeds with one mate)?
- they are protected by the U.S. Migratory Bird Treaty Act and as a State-designated Threatened species?



Florida sandhill cranes

For more information on these beautiful, majestic birds, please visit:
<http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/imperiled/profiles/birds/florida-sandhill-crane/>

SPECIAL NOTES:

Thank you from Joanne Shilling for the many cards and well wishes she received while sick. Your kind thoughts and words were so very much appreciated.

Volunteers are always needed. Guests as well as POA residents are encouraged to help. Please see postings at the clubhouse for various activities that need your help such as:

- Office Help and Ticket Sales
- Canteen and Poolside Grilling
- Special Events, Dinner Chairs, Committees

Tickets for dinners, shows, etc. may be purchased in advance M-F from 10-12 in the Library.

Tables and chairs are available for residents use. Sign out in the POA Office.

Medical and baby equipment is available for residents use. Sign out in the POA Office.

Bulletin boards at the bath houses are reserved for PARK functions ONLY. Please do not put personal flyers on them. There are bulletin boards in both club houses for personal and community flyers. In addition, we ask that flyers be kept to ½ pages.

Wheel and transport chairs are located inside the west side door for your use at the clubhouse.

Park Manager's Message – John Sims

Welcome back, everybody! We have had quite a few of our property owners back this month and hopefully everyone had a good summer. Ours was hot with a little less rain than usual.

I wanted to mention several issues at the beginning of the winter season. One is the recyclables. Please **DO NOT** put the plastic bags you get from Publix, Winn-Dixie and other stores in the recyclable bin. Empty the bag and place it in one of the containers next to the stairs. Also, please break down your cardboard boxes before putting them in the recyclable bin. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Our yard waste containers are 30 yard containers. Some of you may have difficulty getting your yard waste into the containers because they are so high. Our maintenance crew makes a round of the park every afternoon Monday thru Friday to pick up yard waste. Items like leaves and loose materials, etc. need to be in plastic yard trash bags; other materials such as tree limbs or larger items can be kept separate. Just leave it at the end of your driveway and we will get it for you.

Last but not least we have home goods and construction dumpsters with signs indicating what needs to go into each dumpster. When materials end up in the wrong dumpster it costs the POA \$164.00 each time they have to separate and take out the items that don't belong in that dumpster. Please help us help you save money.

I'm happy to see everyone coming back and I hope you all have a great winter season. Have lots of fun and enjoy your winter home.

John Sims,
Park Manager

REMINDERS:

- Speed limit is 15 miles per hour
- Yard waste and construction debris is not to be put in the trash containers
- All additions/changes to the Activities Calendar need to be cleared with the Activities Chair

SPECIAL EVENTS:

GR: Great Room CR: Card Room LB: Library

- 10/31 **Halloween Social** 7-10:00.
BYOB and a snack to share.
Costumes optional. GR
- 11/01 **POA Meeting** – CANCELLED
- 11/01 **1st Activities Meeting** 11:00. CR
- 11/22 **Thanksgiving Dinner** 4:30 pm.
All you can eat buffet style dinner
with all the fixings plus dessert.
\$TBD. GR

SAVE THE DATE:

- 12/01 Season Pass Show Dates: 1/12,
1/26, 2/9, 3/9 and 3/23
- 12/01 1st Bunco
- 12/05 1st Bingo
- 12/07 Pearl Harbor Memorial Program
- 12/08 1st Poolside Grilling
- 12/09 1st Ice Cream Social
- 12/15 1st Pancake Breakfast

MONTHLY/WEEKLY EVENT NOTES:

Activities Committee meets Thursdays at 11:00 in the Card Room. Everyone is invited to attend and offer suggestions for events in the park.

Bingo will be every Wednesday at 7:00. Great Room

Bocce Ball. Scheduled games but court is open other times to play on your own. Return equipment to shed when finished. Please do NOT rake, roll, etc. court. A designated person will tend to the courts daily.

Book Club. Books for 2018 – 2019. Happy Reading!

Bunco. Will be on the first Saturday of the month at 7:00. Cost: \$5.00. Bring a snack to share between rounds! Great Room.

Canteen: Canteen is served on Wednesdays before Bingo. Sign up for teams on bulletin board in the Library. Everyone is welcome to come for sandwiches, etc. You do not have to play Bingo to take advantage of our Canteen.

Country Western Couples Dancing: New, beginner and intermediate dances will be taught through March. Dates and times TBD.

Darts: Join your fellow dart throwers. Meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30 in the Pool House.

Golf: Guys, Gals, Couples. Everyone welcome. Placid Lake Course. Tuesdays. Tee off at 8:45-9:00. 18 holes with cart. \$28.00. Must know weekly by Sunday. Joyce (309) 642-5881.

Horseshoes - Co-Ed: Wednesdays & Saturdays at 5:00. \$1.00 entry fee. Arrive by 4:45 to draw teams.

Jammers: 12:45 – 3:15. GR. Everyone is welcome.

Kickboxing: Turbo Fire. All are welcome to join the fun. Low impact. Tue & Th. 8:00 GR.

Library: Hardbacks are housed in the library of the clubhouse. Paperbacks are kept in the pool clubhouse.

Line Dancing:

- Monday Dancing 6:30 – 8:00 Regular Line Dancing. Everyone is welcome!

- Tuesday Classes will run through March at 2:00. We will review old dances and learn new ones.

- Thursday Classes are 2:30 – 4:00.

McCracken Farms: Will be in the parking lot between the pool and clubhouse. Wednesdays at 8:30 beginning October 17.

Mah-jongg. Players will meet in the card room on Sundays at 2:00. Bring a set if you have one.

Pickle Ball is played every day at 11:00 on the tennis courts. Some paddles and balls are available for your use.

Pool Exercise Activities: Water Exercise classes are M-W-F at 10:00. These are low impact exercises to help maintain or increase your range of motion.

Aqua Fit. Tue, Thur, Sat. 10:00.

Poolside Grilling: Is every Saturday 11:30 – 1:30. Check the bulletin boards to sign up for “Grilling Teams”.

Shuffleboard will be from 10-12 Mon thru Fri on the CFR Courts. We draw for partners before each of the 4 games. No experience is necessary and all are welcome to play. Equipment is provided for players.

Sing for Fun: will meet and rehearse every Monday at 1:00 in the Card Room. Everyone is welcome.

Social Hour: Will be on Friday evenings from 6-9. Our CF DJs will play a variety of music!

Square Dancing: Mondays at 2:00 in the Great Room

“31” Easy card game. Meets at 7:00 on Thursday in Great Room and Fri in Card Room.

Quilting Guild: Group meets on Thursday from 1-4 in the Card Room. Beginners through advanced quilters are welcome. Bring your own supplies and projects. Learn new techniques from other Quilters!

Yoga: Stretch classes will be on Tuesday and Thursdays at 8:40 through March. Bring your mats, towel, and weights. Wear comfortable clothes. Chair Yoga will be offered for those who have difficulty getting on the floor. It will be offered on Tues and Fri at 10:00. No experience is necessary. Wear comfortable clothes.

Zumba: Dance fitness at its best. All are welcome. Tue and Thur 9:00.

Note: Many of these activities and events were/are on hiatus during the off season months. Please check with the group/person organizing these park functions as this information is continuously updated.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH

Please Note: Activities are subject to change. A Special Event will take precedence over the use of a facility.

CLUBHOUSE EVENTS:

OUTDOOR EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAYS			
▪ Darts	PH	6:30	▪ TBD
MONDAYS			
▪ Pool (Billiards)	PH	7:00	▪ Tennis TC 9:00 ▪ Shuffleboard SC 10:00 ▪ Water Exercise Pool 10:00 ▪ Water Aerobics Pool 11:00 ▪ Pickle Ball TC 11:00 ▪ Bocce Ball BC 1:00
TUESDAYS			
▪ TBD			▪ Golf: Guys/Gals/Couples TBA TBA ▪ Ladies Golf TBA TBA ▪ Bocce Ball BC 9:00 ▪ Pickle Ball TC 9:00 ▪ Aqua-Fit Pool TBA ▪ Shuffleboard SC 10:00 ▪ Tennis TC 11:00 ▪ Swimnastics Pool 11:00
WEDNESDAYS			
▪ TBD			▪ McCracken's Farm Stand 8:30 ▪ Tennis TC 9:00 ▪ Water Aerobics Pool 10:00 ▪ Shuffleboard SC 10:00 ▪ Pickle Ball TC 11:00 ▪ Water Aerobics Pool 11:00 ▪ Bocce Ball BC 2:00 ▪ Horseshoes: Co-Ed HP 5:00
THURSDAYS			
▪ Activities Meeting CR 11:00 ▪ 31 (Cards) GR 7:00			▪ Aqua-Fit Pool TBA ▪ Pickle Ball TC 9:00 ▪ Shuffleboard SC 10:00 ▪ Tennis TC 11:00 ▪ Swimnastics Pool 11:00
FRIDAYS			
▪ 31 (Cards)	CR	7:00	▪ Tennis TC 9:00 ▪ Shuffleboard SC 10:00 ▪ Water Exercise Pool 10:00 ▪ Pickle Ball TC 11:00 ▪ Water Aerobics Pool 11:00
SATURDAYS			
▪ TBD			▪ Aqua-Fit Pool TBA ▪ Pickle Ball TC 11:00 ▪ Poolside Grilling Pool 11:30 ▪ Horseshoes: Co-Ed HP 5:00

Legend:	BC: Bocce Court	HP: Horseshoe Pits	SC: Shuffleboard Court
	CR: Card Room	PH: Pool House	TC: Tennis Court
	GR: Great Room		