

“Montreaux Matters”

The newsletter of Montreaux Apartments, July 2014

There have been residents who have recently moved into Montreaux – to you we say ‘welcome’ and hope that your experience in our apartment complex will be a pleasurable one.

BODY CORPORATE COMMITTEE

A new Body Corporate Committee was elected at the AGM on 27 May. Members of the BCC are:

Brian Robb (8B) (Chairperson)
Jason Gaskin (8A)
Sue Holman (10G)
Barry Jackson (10J)
Jenni Nana (7B)
Tania Werder (9D)
Andrew White (9F)

Contact details are on the website www.montreaux.co.nz.

The BCC held its first Operations meeting on 11 June where matters discussed included:

- Installation of Ultra Fast Broadband in the building - Chorus is currently providing Talent 2 with USB cabling and connection. Once finished, they will be commencing the cabling for the rest of the building
- Montreaux website upgrade -nearly finished thanks to Barry Jackson. It will go 'live' shortly.
- Carpark numbering – adding apartment numbers to carparks to avoid confusion over ownership is almost complete
- Long Term Maintenance Plan – refurbishment of foyers to be completed this year
- Building WOF – current WOF expires on 18th August - WOF inspections and biennial fire sprinkler testing will be undertaken at the same time. Access to apartments will be gained using the duplicate keys held by the BCC and residents will be advised in advance as usual. Balcony wash will also be undertaken shortly
- Theatre – use of the theatre is minimal – discussion on possible alternative uses (see separate item below).

BUILDING MANAGEMENT

Contact Ange Corderoy (Ph. 04 472 5746 or 027 824 2200, email ange@oxygen.co.nz) for any building management tasks including provision of prox tags, reading electricity meters, moving in or out of the building, storage lockers, etc..

Contact Liz Edmonds (Liz@oxygen.co.nz) Ph. 04 589 9611) for Secretarial matters.

OWNERS AND TENANTS REGISTER

Owners and agents are reminded that for legal, security, and safety reasons our Montreaux register must be up to date. It is also important for communication with owners and tenants. ALL new and change of details should be provided to Liz@oxygen.co.nz

POST BOX

The post box in the foyer (directly opposite the seat) to take over-sized packages that won't fit in letter boxes is working well. NZ Post and Courier Post place a yellow notification card in a resident's letter box when they deliver packages (the card should be returned to the container in the box).



GARAGE PARKING

Since the notification of clamping of illegally parked cars and the signage being erected in the garages we have had no reports of any further problems. We sincerely thank residents for cooperating with the parking rules. As noted above, unit numbers have been placed alongside carpark numbers to give clarity of ownership. Residents are reminded that there is no allocated Visitor parking. You should not allow friends/ visitors to park in the garages unless you can provide a legitimate car park for them, i.e. make an arrangement with a neighbour whose park may be available.

BICYCLE RACKS

We remind residents that we now have a bicycle register, with racks being allocated by number. The number of racks is limited. Don't assume that if there is no bike the rack is free. If you require a bike hook please apply using the appropriate form available on the Montreaux Website. The form is to be placed in the BCC letterbox (in North foyer letterboxes). Bicycle hooks are allocated to a person, not an apartment, on the basis of one hook per person. Please see MX Handbook for further details.

RUBBISH ROOM

New signage has been added in the rubbish room to assist with recycling of rubbish. The two biggest issues are cardboard boxes – these should be broken down/flattened before being placed in or beside the recycling wool sack; and large items, e.g. beds and mattresses, TVs and E- waste – these are residents' responsibility and must be taken to the landfill or a recycling depot.

THEATRE LEVEL 9

We have noticed that the theatre on Level 9 has minimal use. We are interested in hearing from owners and other residents any suggestions for how this space could be used or changed to provide better usage. Suggestions to date include:

- a meeting place for residents to get together and catch up e.g. different floors using it as a way to meet other neighbours
- turn it into or add a library space
- place to go and study in the quiet
- refurbish/upgrade existing furniture and TV to maintain it as a theatre space.

Clearly an alternative use needs to consider the impact on residents on level 9 and any financial implications. If you have any suggestions, please put these in the BBC letter box along with your name and apartment number.

LEVEL 9 AMENITIES ROSTER

Sue Holman is organizing a roster of volunteers to undertake a security check and to check that the lights are off on level 9 once the facilities are closed at 10pm each night. We would be grateful for any residents who could help with this task. Please contact Sue directly by email at sue.holman@gmail.com