



RESCOM COMMUNIQUE

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WEDNESDAY SOCIAL EVENINGS

21st October 2019

Dear Residents,

At our most recent ResCom meeting, the subjects of seating and non-dining guests were discussed.

Let me remind you that the Wednesday evenings gatherings were primarily planned as social occasions where residents could get to know each other and enjoy convivial evenings rather than simply meal occasions. Of course enjoying tasty meals is an important objective as-well.

Those of you who have attended lately will be able to confirm that there have been distinct improvements in the quality of the food served, but sadly we've been going backwards on the more important social objective.

Of late there's been an increasing tendency for more and more people to pre-book tables so that they may be seated with their friends, and generally with the same friends. That's defeating the objective of getting to know your fellow residents, an objective that is of growing importance as we welcome new residents into the apartments and into the growing number of re-sales.

There have also been requests for non-dining guests to join the gathering.

Those subjects were discussed at length and your ResCom has made the following decisions:

- At one evening of each month we'll again revert to the 'table draw' where, on arrival you'll draw a ball that will determine the table at which you and your partner will be seated with whoever else may be drawn to sit at that table;
- At one other evening in the month there won't be any pre-booking allowed. We also urge you not to make any private arrangements before-hand, so that on a second occasion in a month you may get to know other residents.
- On the remaining two or three Wednesday evenings in the month you'll be free to make pre-bookings as at present.

Non-dining guests will be welcome on any evening, the only requirement being that they must pre-book with the Bistro. Unless they are joining friends who are dining, they must understand that some residents are uncomfortable with the idea of having non-dining guests at their table whilst they are eating so please be sensitive to that.

So let's get the ball rolling in November! The Hospitality ladies will decide on the 'table draw' and 'no pre-booking' evenings and those will be well advertised in consultation with the Bistro when the menus are issued.

We trust that with these changes, the Wednesday evening socials will again become occasions where you can meet and get to know your fellow residents.

Hennie du Preez,
Chairman of ResCom.