

Grand Champions Villas

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It has been an interesting and challenging four months for Toni and her staff, Marnie, Richard and Scott, but they have risen to the challenge as usual. We were required to close the pools for a while by the state, but when we were able to re-open they were able to apply all the restrictions required, social distancing, hand sanitizers at both pools special hours for Kupuna, hot tub rules and more. Richard and Scott even became extra Security on weekends taking turns in their new uniforms and golf cart with "Security" in large letters on top. This was because we needed to make it clear that Grand Champions Villas was guarded 7 days a week. It worked! We have had no incidence of entry or burglary that we were concerned about after the hotels all closed. We are so fortunate to have each of them.

Still, the total occupancy was around 25% in the first couple of months, March and April, and today it is down to 18% with occasional Staycation visitors from other islands. This is a real hardship for homeowners who depend on rental income and is a terrible problem for some. The Governor has extended the 14-day Quarantine to the end of August for off-island travelers, and we are hoping it will end there, but are waiting for an announcement. They have also reinstated the interisland travel 14-day Quarantine requirement beginning August 11. Keep yourself informed by visiting mauicounty.gov.

We are hoping to see all of you back on Maui this winter but realize we may not see our Canadian Homeowners because Canada currently prohibits travel. We will do our best to look after everything we can for you!

Aloha Nui Loa,

Bonnie
President

Wailea Update

- Grand Wailea has the preliminary approval for major expansion, however, they are pending approval from the county.
- The Shops at Wailea are in the progress of their renovation and expect to be completed in late November.
- Plans for the sidewalk from the Marriot Residence Inn up to the Gateway Shopping Center have been submitted to the County. The County is moving ahead on approval. It is hopeful this project will be complete by December 1, 2020.
- Andaz, building A (19 units) should be completed mid-March 2021, crane removal early September.
- Makali'i 17 buildings with 68 units anticipated completion August 2021.
- Wailea Ike Hotel (110 units) completion in November 15, 2020 opening December 15, 2020, sidewalks completed and awaiting crosswalks.
- Hoku O Wailea (Star of Wailea). Off Okolani drive near Kai Malu: Final plans approved for 15 buildings (75 units). Construction date is the end of the year with 12 units already under contract.
- The concept was approved for 57 condominium style single family units between Wailea Alanui Dr and Kapili St which is currently under review by the Design Committee.
- Jac Kean professional and storage facility planned for above Ekolu is awaiting building permits.
- Wailea Community Association Offices are still in the planning process as an easement revision has been sent to the County.
- A permanent traffic light is to be installed in February 2021 to the intersection of Okolani and Piilani.
- WCA is committed to upgraded security, particularly through the month of August. There have been no issues in Wailea to report.

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Congratulations New Owner:
Haruna and Samy Peyret, Unit 24

Grilled Huli Huli Chicken

Huli means "turn" in Hawaiian which is how to handle the meat when cooking it on the grill. Huli Huli Chicken has a sweet and savory glaze that also is fantastic on pork chops

- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 3/4 cup ketchup
- 3/4 cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1/3 cup sherry or chicken broth
- 2-1/2 teaspoons minced fresh gingerroot
- 1-1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 24 boneless skinless chicken thighs (about 6 pounds)

In a small bowl, mix the first 6 ingredients. Reserve 1-1/3 cups for basting; cover and refrigerate. Divide remaining marinade between 2 large shallow dishes. Add 12 chicken thighs to each; turn to coat. Refrigerate, covered, for 8 hours or overnight. Drain chicken, discarding marinade. Grill chicken, covered, on an oiled rack over medium heat for 6-8 minutes on each side or until a thermometer reads 170°; baste occasionally with reserved marinade during the last 5 minutes.



The Return of the Ocean

With businesses closed and tourism at a minimum Maui seems to have gone back in time to a quieter place. South Kihei Road was once bustling with activity but now there are few cars and less people. Bringing us back to a simpler time with a slower pace. While many are focused on the return of tourism others are valuing the peace and quiet. The oceans are revitalizing with new life and growth. Turtles and Monk Seals are increasing in numbers on the shores.

Manager's report

All of Hawaii dodged a bullet when Hurricane Douglas rolled by. This storm was closer to Hawaii than any other hurricane in decades. Maui has seen more damage from tropical storms. Douglas was within 45 miles of Hana and caused little to no damage anywhere on the island. A very strange storm indeed.

Replacing all of the underground water supply valves has progressed nicely. The major work is almost done and replacing the individual fire hydrant valves will follow. With the occupancy so low we disturbed less people and moved fewer cars which made this a perfect time to take on this large project.

A new Committee was formed at the July Board meeting to work on the roof replacement in conjunction with projects sequenced before and after. The Committee consists of three Board Members, all of which have experience in architecture, engineering and/or construction. The impact on the complex will be huge and is expected to begin in 2022. You will be informed of the schedule as soon as possible.

Please continue to have your unoccupied Maui property checked on a regular basis. Just one week of an unattended water leak can be disastrous for you and your neighbors. At the very least someone should open the unit to air it, flush toilets, run sinks and look for leaks while checking your unit for damage and/or potential squatters. We have already had 2 major water leaks and thankfully zero break-ins or squatters.

Be safe and stay well.

Aloha, Toni Fowler



**MAHALO from the GCV Staff,
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