



County Moves to Orange

By David J. Canepa

San Mateo County has moved from the red tier to the orange tier on the state's COVID-19 monitoring list. The designation allows for increased business operations as case rates have decreased.

I feel like the sun is rising on San Mateo County as moving to the orange tier marks that we are making a true comeback. This will allow many of our retail businesses to start operating at full capacity. It means that there is no longer a substantial risk of catching COVID in this county. Now we must minimize the risk if we want to move to yellow and complete this historic comeback. That means respecting the health orders of social distancing, frequent hand washing, avoiding large crowds and most importantly wearing your masks.

Moving to the orange tier means retail businesses could operate at full capacity, rather than the 50 percent as required in the red tier. Shopping malls, like Serramonte Shopping Center, could also operate at full capacity, but with closed common areas and reduced food courts, like in the red tier.

In other news, the county's new COVID-19 Compliance Team, an eight-person unit tasked with responding to reports of businesses not following local or state health orders related to the pandemic and coordinating with cities on outreach, has started issuing warnings to chronic violators of the state's health orders. The orders include wearing face masks and maintaining social distancing and frequent hand washing in business establishments. Those who do not follow the warning may face fines up to \$3,000 and possible criminal prosecution. To report a violation call 211.

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Be a Director

Candidates for the Board must be members of the Association. "Member" means a person who holds legal title to the property (i.e., is named in the deed for the property). Candidates who fall into one of the following categories are disqualified from running:

- (1) have been owners for less than a year,
- (2) would be on the board with a joint owner,
- (3) have been convicted of a felony that jeopardizes the association's fidelity bond insurance,
- (4) have been found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be of unsound mind, or
- (5) is delinquent in the payment of their assessments.

Anyone who wishes to become a candidate for election to the Board in the election of 2021, should contact the Association Office by phone or e-mail and request a Statement of Candidacy form which is available in paper form or as a Word document. The candidate must fill it out and return it to the Association Office no later than 4:00pm on January 4, 2021.

Holiday Hours...

The Crown Colony Homeowners' Association will observe the holiday hours listed below over Christmas and New Years.

Date	Office	Laundry Card Machine
12/24/20	Closed	NO
12/25/20	Closed	NO
12/26/20	Closed	10am - 2pm
12/31/20	Closed	NO
1/1/21	Closed	NO
1/2/21	Closed	10am - 2pm

Reminder: When the Clubhouse is closed you will be unable to add money to your laundry card.



OBEY all traffic signs and Association Rules and Regulations. Do not park in a RED ZONE or over the time limit of any VISITOR SPACE without CCHOA permission. You will NOT be called. You WILL be TOWED. DO NOT drive the wrong-way or back down ONE-WAY streets. The fine is \$100!

Coronavirus Update

Although San Mateo County has lifted restrictions in some areas, the Clubhouse, gyms, pools, spas tennis and basketball courts must still remain closed. The County requires that an attendant continuously monitor the pools and spas to ensure proper use. Another attendant is required to clean and disinfect the rest rooms when recreation facilities are open.

Another reason for leaving the facilities closed at this time is that the Association is unable to insure itself against liability in the case of someone becoming infected with a virus and suing the Association.

The Association Office is open Monday through Friday from 9am - 5:30pm. Foot traffic is allowed for emergencies, deliveries and mail only. Please continue to communicate with the Office via phone, fax or email. If you need a vehicle sticker or any other service, please call the Association Office at (650) 756-8220 for information on how to obtain it.

The Clubhouse will continue to be open so residents can load money onto their laundry card. This service is available from 9:00am-8:00pm Monday through Friday and from 10:00am-2:00pm on Saturday. The Clubhouse remains closed on Sundays.

Social distancing and wearing of masks is required when you are in the common areas, like the Clubhouse, building hallways, lobbies, elevators and the laundry rooms. This requirement is by order of the Governor and the County.

We continue to monitor the news for latest updates to determine when the shuttle service can resume. There are still many residents working from home and therefore the demand does not appear to justify the cost to run the bus and there are strict guidelines for the passengers and the driver.

The parking enforcement for 24hr and 72hr visitor parking was reinstated in August. Also red zones, no parking areas and staff parking are being enforced.

Xmas Boxes...

Every Christmas, Crown Colony's garbage chutes seem to get clogged with wrapping paper and boxes that are too large for them to handle. Please do not try and put large boxes down the garbage chutes.

Please collapse all boxes and take them down to the recycling bins located throughout the complex.

Xmas Tree Safety

There is nothing like a live tree at Christmas. When you purchase your Christmas tree, make sure it has been sprayed with **fire retardant**. When you get your tree home, **set it in a water stand**. Protecting your tree from fire will keep you and your neighbors safe.

Xmas Tree Disposal...

Please dispose of your Christmas tree by placing it in the dumpster at the end of Half Moon Lane or leave it in the garage level of one of the corridor buildings for disposal. Crown Colony's groundsmen will dispose of your tree for you.

Please **do not** toss the tree over your deck railing. Your tree could badly injure someone walking under your deck or do serious damage to the landscaping below.

Inner Courtyards

This alert is intended for those of you who own or live in the first floor units of the Inner Courtyards of Buildings 7 and 20. Your decks are considered exclusive use common area and you are responsible for keeping them clean and the drains uncovered and unclogged.

If your drain is not cleared and we receive rain, your patio can flood and the water may come into your unit under the sliding glass door. So in order to avoid the headache of dealing with water intrusion, please keep your patio drain clean and running properly at all times.

If your drain is cleared but not draining properly, please call the Association Office immediately.

Walking Your Dog

Whenever your pet is outside of your unit, it must be on a leash and attended at all times. Remember retractable leashes are not allowed and larger dogs must be muzzled and on a four foot or shorter leash when outside their owner's unit. All dog owners must pick up their animal's waste. Make sure to use one of Crown's readily available Fido Houses or a garbage bin to dispose of it.

The exception to the leash rule is when your dog is inside the Dog Park at the end of the pond in front of the 395 side of Building 7. It is a great facility. Why not use it and let your pet get some exercise.



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NO SMOKING
in the Corridors, Elevators,
Laundries, Gyms or Clubhouse



October Board Highlights

Financial Report Ending September 30, 2020: Bautista & Co. reflected a surplus for the month of \$39,723, an ending cash balance of \$1,910,531 and total investments of \$1,664,665 which is designated to reserves.

Ratification of Window and Sliding Door Installations: The Board ratified the window and sliding door installations at 391 Mandarin Dr. #311 and 381 Half Moon Lane #309.

Reserve Study Update Proposal - John D. Beatty & Co: The Board approved the proposal from John D. Beatty & Co. for \$3,450 to prepare the reserve study update to be funded from line #9983.

Fire Alarm Testing - Pacific Signaling: The Board approved the proposal from Pacific Signaling for the fire alarm testing for \$710 per month or \$8,520 annually plus \$6,840 for the cellular monitoring for a total cost of \$15,360 to be funded from line #5120.

Window Washing Proposal - Excellent Window Co: The Board approved the proposal from Excellent Window Co. for an annual cost of \$7,458 to do the window cleaning in the clubhouse, courtyard windows, laundry room windows and plexis glass overhang at the clubhouse on a quarterly basis to be funded from line #5180.

Proposal from Urban Bros. for Townhouse Gutter Cleaning: The Board approved the proposal from Urban Bros. to clean the gutters at the townhouse buildings and over the 4 laundry rooms at bldgs. 7 & 20 for a cost of \$6,700 to be funded from line #9947.

Missing Packages

The Association Office has received several reports from residents whose packages have been delivered to the lobby of their building, but upon checking the lobby, the packages are not there. This leaves us to believe that the packages are being taken or there is a chance, they were delivered to the wrong building. When a package is expected or if a resident receives an alert of package delivery, they should pick up their packages as soon as possible.

With the Christmas holiday approaching, this may happen more frequently during that time. If you have experienced this or even if you haven't, we recommend you find an alternate delivery option. The Association has no control over what happens to



Do not leave bottles, cans, newspapers, or other trash on top of your parking space's locker. Thank you!

residents' packages. It is disturbing to think that someone from the Building is taking the packages, but it is possible.

Holiday Leaves

The Holidays are coming. It's a time when some of you will be going away for extended periods of time to visit relatives and renew old acquaintanceships.

If you are planning to leave Crown Colony for an extended period of time and wish to park one of your cars in the same visitor parking space for more than 72 hours, you must fill out a visitor's parking form which is **available only from the Association Office** and must be **turned in only to the Association Office**.

If the Office is unaware that you are out of town and unavailable to move your car, your car will be towed at your expense.

Garbage Chutes

The Association Office has recently received many complaints that residents are not properly disposing of their garbage. They are not putting it in tightly tied or sealed plastic bags. Crown Colony rules require that "Garbage and trash shall be disposed of in garbage chutes or bins. Garbage must be wrapped or sealed in plastic bags before it is put into a chute or bin. Caution must be taken not to put any burning material into the chutes or bins." Please do your part. Seal your garbage bags tightly and make sure they go down the chute. This way we can all avoid unwanted pests, dirty garbage rooms and smelly garbage chutes.

Garbage & Recycle Bins

We have noticed that on numerous occasions, residents are not closing the lids to the garbage and recycling bins after using them.

We are asking that residents remember to close the lids when throwing out their garbage or recyclables.

Leaving the lids open creates a potential animal, rodent or insect problem.

If you are unable to close the lid for whatever reason, please call our office during office hours or the front gate at all other times and we will take care of it.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL!

ONLY deck furniture, gas & electric grills, planters, pots & approved storage on decks & patios. No brooms, mops or pots on rails

DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Laundry Card Refill Hours Mon. thru Fri. 9 am - 8 pm Sat. 10 am - 2pm		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Architecture: When posted
Building, Maintenance & Finance: When posted
Communications: When posted
Recreation: When posted

Meetings are held in the Clubhouse unless posted otherwise.
All meeting times approximate

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY Dial 911
Front Gate (24 Hours) 994-0255
or dial 350 on any Building Directory
Crown Colony Office. 756-8220
Rita Nicolas e-mail: cchoa@crowncolonyhoa.com
Common Interest Management 286-0292
Bautista & Co. 697-7907
Cecille Osmena, 214 Broadway, Millbrae, CA 94030
Wave Cable Dat Tran - 415-407-4486
or 1-800-427-8686
Comcast Cable Chieh Ho 925-321-4493
chieh_ho@cable.comcast.com
Coinmach Laundry. 1-877-264-6622
Crown Colony Properties. 650-994-0300
Van Go Plumbing. 415-755-7405

BUS to BART

The Bus to BART is currently NOT running due to COVID-19 concerns.