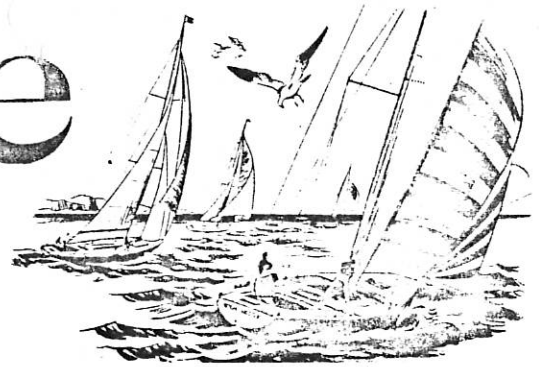
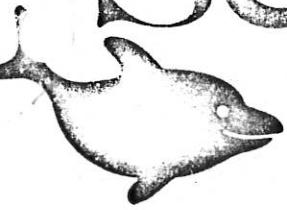


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Dear Homeowner,

Whoever would have thought we would get thirty inches of rain during a drought period, especially considering the drought predictions of "years to come". I'm sure glad the predictions were wrong. A glass of water was crowding the price of a glass of beer.

The storm damages, considering the intensity of the wind and the rain, were relatively light. We lost some trees and have experienced slippage on several slopes. Repairs will commence after the slopes dry out.

The beach area and the entrance ramp probably sustained the greatest damage. This is County property and its responsibility, and I have been assured through Supervisor Riley's office the work has been scheduled for repairs as soon as possible.

The turnout for Marian Bergeson, candidate for the 74th Assembly District seat, was excellent. Marian asked me to thank those who took time from their busy schedules to attend. She gave an enlightening talk and answered questions from a responsive audience.

The Board looks forward to seeing you at the next meeting, Tuesday the 4th of April.

Have a Happy Easter.

Sincerely,

Hal Sullivan
President
Niguel Shores Community Association

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NEW DECALS

The issuance of new decals is scheduled to start the weekend of April 15th. The car must be brought to the Rec. Center so that the new decal can be placed thereon. Also, driver's license and registration papers, as well as card key, will be necessary. Further details will be forthcoming.

We recognize that in a community of this size it is difficult to please everyone. Complaints have been received that security is too strict, but for the most part complainants feel it isn't tight enough. It is each and everyone's responsibility to notify the gate when visitors, service people, realtors, etc. are expected. They will not be admitted without a call from you! This is for your protection and the protection of the entire community. Realtors are not admitted into our neighboring gate guarded communities without entrance permission from the owner, and it certainly makes a better impression on potential home buyers in our community regarding security.

A little extra effort on all our parts will go a long way in helping tighten security in our community. Let's all pull together!

SECURITY COMMITTEE

BLOCK CHAIRMEN AND COORDINATORS

A meeting of block chairmen and coordinators will be held at the Rec. Center at 8p.m. on Monday, April 17th. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this very important meeting. A resident of each block should be present.

Della Parsons

DO YOU KNOW

The origin of the place name, NIGUEL (pronounced NEEGEL). It began with an Indian village called Niguilli founded by the Los Nietos Indians and headed by an Indian princess called Kurooni. In 1842 the Mexican land-grant of Rancho Niguel was named for the village. Niguel became the Spanish version of Niguilli. Laguna Niguel is part of that early Rancho.

CONGRATULATIONS, HONEYMOONERS!

Felicitations to the bride, congratulations to the bridegroom, say we of the editorial staff on behalf of all residents who wish the best for our manager, Dean Melvin, when April 15th wedding bells will announce their marriage.

As Shakespeare might put it, "Fair days and happy hours attend you", Mr. and Mrs. Melvin. Cheers and years of joy.

EDITORIAL STAFF

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NIGUEL SHORES NEWSPAPER RECYCLING PROGRAM

The newspaper recycling program sponsored by the Niguel Shores Men's Club has saved almost 19 tons of newspapers from the dump. This figure covers 7 weeks of activity, through March 20.

While 19 tons is a lot of paper, still this community is capable of generating twice this amount, or more.

Driving through the community on March 13, the writer noted many homes that are not participating so far, and in the lower Shores area, a number of streets reflected only two or three residences with paper at the curb awaiting pickup.

To those residents who may be saving papers for their Church, School, or other worthwhile activity, no quarrel from this end. Our only concern is that the papers are going into the trash barrel. This we hope to discourage.

Won't you please place a carton or box in your garage and stash your papers there until pickup day instead of throwing them into the trash barrel? You will help our ecology program and at the same time generate dollars for our community use.

The last 2 weeks our recycler, D & J Recycling Company encountered problems which caused them to come through our area late - in fact after 9:30p.m. The final papers were picked up around 1:30a.m. Some of our residents had returned their papers to their garages rather than leave them out all night. For that reason our pickups have been light. Hopefully, the next week will make up for the shortages, Mr. Leensvaart has assured us that he will do everything possible to avoid late pickup in the future.

Also, some of our residents report that children have been snitching papers intended for our recycling, and turning them over to their school paper drive. If you should observe this, please explain to the children your papers are intended for our own program.

Remember - Monday is paper day - \$ \$ \$ for our community

STASH THEM - DON'T TRASH THEM

Niguel Shores Men's Club
Russell Paslaqua, Treasurer

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If you desire to register to vote in time for the June 6th primary election, call Pat Bales - 23562 Verrazanno Bay - 496-4911 and she will deliver the necessary forms to your door. You simply fill in the form and mail it in.

We will need four election boards for our growing area for the June 6th primary and November 7th general elections so additional election workers will be needed. To qualify, one must be a registered voter, live in the area served and be willing to work from 6:30a.m. until 9:00 or 10:00p.m. (with plenty of time for breaks!). The paycheck is small (around \$25.00) but the rewards are measured in fun and the knowledge that you will have done your civic duty.

Pat Bales
496-4911

LANDSCAPE/MAINTAINANCE REPORT

This committee would like to commend those residents who have been observed walking their dogs conscientiously carrying a bag into which they dispose of their pet's droppings. Our hats are off to you who care enough to perform these rare acts of civility.

All too often total lack of consideration and responsibility is the predominant attitude in this community. Let us hope that your good example will be the catalyst for others to follow your lead.

To our "weekend residents" -----Since Tuesday is Garbage Day the problem of trash disposal has caused some concern. We would like to suggest an alternate to placing plastic bags curbside on Sunday or Monday A.M. Free roaming dogs (a violation of the Leash Law) frequently tear these bags open before they can be collected. Our landscape maintainance crew has been taking the time to clean up these spills for the sake of appearances. But as this is not a part of the landscape contract, and we feel it is unreasonable to expect them to continue this practice. We therefore suggest that you ask a neighbor to set your trash out on Tuesdays along with his.

It has also been noted that some residents toss their own weeds and clippings and other garden debris into the green areas for pickup by our gardeners. This, too, is unreasonable. While general cleanup of the community is part of the Landscape contract, this practice adds to the man hours required and causes them to lose valuable time that should be spent more productively. Refuse tied or bundled in a suitable manner, placed curbside on Tuesday will be picked up by Solag Disposal Company. They are well paid to perform this service. So let us not burden our landscape crew unnecessarily.

During the week of April 10 the next application of snail bait is scheduled. This would seem an appropriate time for us to coincide our own snail abatement programs. Harry Otsubo, owner of Dana Point Nursery and a resident, has advised us to recommend the use of a product called "That's It". Harry tells us this is most effective.

Now that the "Monsoons" have abated and we take account of the damages sustained it appears we came through it much better than most other communities. True, there have been mudslides but no homes were washed away and no injuries were sustained for which we should be most thankful.

We ask that those of you who understandably grow impatient with the progress of repair work to our most pressing problem areas, bear with us a little longer to insure that proper, permanent reparation can be effected.

Charlene Bieschke, Chairman
Landscape/Maintainance

WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S DOING

By Albert and Bertha Johnson

In our Who's Who section, a neighborly assist is earnestly desired. In the next few issues, we would like to focus on our teen and pre-teen residents, honoring those who distinguish themselves in scholarship, sports, music, drama, art, and other areas of achievement.

Parents are invited, urged, in fact, to report the outstanding achievements of their offspring to Lois Songer, secretary of the Communications Committee, 33595 Capstan Drive, telephone 493-8172, before the 20th of each month. Please put modesty aside and help us proclaim the good that kids do to balance out the bad that is the meat of the media. Thank you.

What's Doing? People are asking:

Why is Selva gate so often out of order, and why for such long stretches? Answer: As of this writing it's working fine.

Why are so many blemishes in our halcion haven so long in getting fixed? Well, a street light got fixed 24 hours after being reported, a view blocking tree on a nearby bank got trimmed within 2 days after being reported, and when a neighbor lady called the center about flowers in the green belt being pulled out by a gardener, manager Dean Melvin was at her door within 15 minutes, explaining that the flowers were diseased and had to come out.

Why isn't something being done about the dreadful erosion on our banks? Maybe it's a matter of priorities. The break in the fence on Stonehill has been neatly fixed to permit pedestrian traffic only.

When, oh when, will dog owners start observing the leash law? Dogs on the loose are biting dogs on leash, terrifying residents out for a walk, biting them sometimes, and threatening persons standing in their own driveways. Perhaps a few trips to the county pound where a pet is put to sleep if not claimed within three days will get the message across.

Another "when" relates to a financial report. When do homeowners get an official accounting of where our money goes?

Sea Terrace II residents are asking, "Have we been had?" Why should they be obliged to pay more for less? (Higher dues, no security gate). Some of their fair minded neighbors are asking why not an equitable adjustment rather than a costly lawsuit?

"The answer, my friend, is blowing in the wind."

Problems are for solving. Why not be a solver instead of a do-nothing complainer? We grow through seeking solutions, not through cop outs. Management, committees, and your Board need your help. Why not go active? Creative evaluation is good, but creative input is better.

April, and the earth re-awakening! "The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land." A good time to sow seeds for good living!

NIGUEL SHORES WOMEN'S CLUB

The next luncheon meeting of the Women's Club will be Thursday, April 6, at 12:30 in the Recreation Center.

A member of the Fire Department will speak on fire prevention.

The Adult Crafts Group will meet in the Recreation Center between 10:00a.m. and 2:00p.m. on Thursday, April 13th. Bring your lunch and your current project. If you want to learn a new art, come and get involved.

Thursday, April 20th, is lunch-out day. Meet at the Recreation Center for car-pooling at 11:00a.m. Lunch will be at TAKA-O Restaurant in Laguna Beach at 12:00 noon.

Gwen Hobaugh
Women's Club President

MENS' CLUB NEWS

Spring is here, our golf gang is at last unleashed on our local courses. Being rained off so many times, the "gentlemen are starting their engines"!

Chairman Art Powell has a delightful tourney planned for Torrey Pines. Dust off the clubs and join us.

It is with great pleasure that I can announce our slate of officers for our new term. April 1978 thru April 1979. President Charles Smith, Vice President, Barclay Ewing, Secretary, Edward Gardner. Treasurer, Russell Paslaqua and Golf Chairman, Lewis Peck. 1977 was a good year. 1978 will be even better.

Plans are being made for some interesting guest speakers. We always welcome new faces. Meetings are 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 8:30a.m. in the Rec. Center.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all those members who helped so much to keep our Niguel Shores Men's Club, an active and growing organization in my tenure.

Sincerely,
Bryce Gillespie, President

POT LUCK

Come join us for the April Pot Luck - Sunday the 19th. Happy hour starts at 6p.m., dinner at 7p.m.

Call one of the following committee members to let them know what you would like to bring - a casserole, salad, or dessert?

Don't forget - your own plate and silverware.

Anna Jo Phares.....493-0775
Grace Smith.....493-2677
Jean Bulleit.....496-3211

MOTHER'S CLUB NEWS

Aerobics? What's an Aerobic?

It's not tap, ballet, or belly dancing. Our April 6th meeting (that's Thursday morning at 10:00a.m. at the Recreation Center) will consist of a demonstration and explanation on the art of "Aerobic Dancing" by Mrs. Willie Harmen. Anything that makes exercising fun deserves some looking into. Mrs. Harmen is traveling a great distance to be with us, so we would like to see her have a good turn out. Since our guest will require our undivided attention, we ask that you provide your children with a sit. This demonstration is open to everyone in the community as are all our meeting and activities, so we'll see you on the sixth.

Let's Do It Again

Since our February luncheon was such a hit, we'd like to try it again. The Beach House is our choice, on Thursday, April 6th at 12:30p.m. We will meet at the Rec. Center at 12:00 after the aerobic demonstration for those who would like to carpool into Laguna Beach. Reservations are necessary so please call yours in by Thursday, March 30th, at:

831-3388 Patty McCreary
496-8342 Bonnie Maxey

What's Cooking?

You'll know when you dive into the Community Cookbook on sale at the Rec. Center office. Please call the Rec. Center for more information.

Be Thinking.....

We don't hear Sleigh Bells yet, but the season will be upon us before we know it. Remember last year's Childrens' Christmas Faire? We will be starting early this year. Be thinking of gift ideas for the faire. Our first workshop will be held sometime in June. So be thinking!

Patty McCreary.....831-3388
Bonnie Maxey.....496-8342

TENNIS NEWS

March 18th's "Mixed Bisque Tennis Tournament" was a great success thanks to the hosts and hostesses, Marty and Dick Poivre and Barbara and Jerry Van Brunt. The winners were Marty Poivre and Frank Irvine. An especially good time was had by all at the Chinese Dinner which followed the tournament at the Rec. Center.

The Tennis Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at 8:00p.m. at the Recreation Center. All those interested in improving the quality of tennis in our community are invited to join us on April 6th. We will be discussing court maintenance and tennis lessons and making plans for the Monte Carlo Tennis Tournament.

Alice Drewelow
496-8345

MONTE CARLO TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Sign up by April 12th for the Monte Carlo Tennis Tournament which will be held on the weekend of April 22nd and 23rd. The cost will be \$3.00 per person. Make your check payable to Dave Thomas.

The "Monte Carlo" is a tournament in which non-tennis playing residents can participate as team owners and share in the excitement and the winnings as owners of a team. There will be a party at the Recreation Center on Friday, April 21st at 7:30p.m., during which anyone in attendance will have the opportunity to buy at auction mixed doubles tennis teams. Each team will have three or four couples. The teams will be set up by the Tennis Committee.

Hosts and Hostesses:
Dave & Susan Thomas
Bob & Phyllis McIsaac

LADIES' DAY TENNIS

All tennis playing ladies in the community are invited to a catered luncheon at Joyce McDowell's home on Thursday, April 20th at 12:30p.m. Plans for the luncheon are being made by Stevie Erkeneff and Barbara Van Brunt.

The future of Ladies' Day Tennis activities will be discussed at the luncheon. If a majority favor another tennis ladder it will get underway on May 4th. Sign ups will be taken at the luncheon. Priority will be given to those who were unable to play on the current ladder.

AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION

The After School Recreation Program will continue as usual through April. The special events for April are:

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| Friday, April 7 | Scavenger Hunt |
| 14 | Surprise Day |
| 21 | Paper Airplane Contest |
| 28 | Bingo Day |

All these events begin at 3:45p.m.

Cathy Quijano
493-0122

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