



The High Tide

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A Newsletter for Residents of Cañon del Sol

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Board continues to evaluate the operational requirements for public venues while under the current county COVID-19 restrictions.

In doing so, we have been in communication with the county health officer for clarification about the prohibited operation of our hot tub. We understand that other counties around us are handling hot tubs differently, so we are asking the county for further clarification.

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Also, we are moving to a self-sanitization system of the pool furniture and restrooms. Although the pool area and restrooms will be thoroughly cleaned on Mondays and Fridays by our property manager, Tom, pool users are asked to sanitize the areas you use (e.g., chairs, toilet seats, faucet handles, etc.). Supplies for sanitizing the pool area and restrooms are provided.

The clubhouse will remain closed until further notice with no clubhouse rentals over the holidays (sorry).

We have been asked by owners for clarification on our rules regarding outdoor gas fire pits. We contacted the Aptos/La Selva Fire Protection District to get clarification of the state and county rules. All outdoor fireplaces (this includes fire pits) must be operated in accordance with manufacturers' guidelines regarding necessary setbacks from combustible surroundings. We will update the CDS rules to clarify this issue.

While working through the 2021 budget, the Board continues to discuss the larger expense items, including earthquake insurance. The annualized premium of our earthquake insurance in 2020 was over \$41,000. Earthquake insurance is currently our fourth largest operating expense and accounts for over 10 percent of our overall expenses. The Board is very interested in receiving feedback on this matter, so please direct your comments on this subject to: general@acomgt.com with CDS EQ in the subject line. Thanks in advance for your input.



And, thanks to all for wearing a mask! Stay safe!

Bob Carpenter

bob@cabrenee.com or 408-368-6895

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

SPA AND CLUBHOUSE
CLOSED until further notice

SWIMMING POOL IS OPEN BY SIGN-UP

The pool is open, but you must reserve your time slot (due to Covid-19). Sign up on the sheet next to the pool and reserve on an hourly basis.

- ❑ Owners...have you provided the Temporary Pool Rules to your tenants?
- ❑ Please be aware that the Temporary Pool Rules (June 2020) allow reservations up to a week in advance, and the new sign-up sheets are available on Tuesday mornings.
- ❑ IF YOU RESERVE and cannot use the pool at that time PLEASE cross off your reservation ASAP.
- ❑ We have 97 units and only 20 sign-up slots on the weekend. Please be considerate when reserving the pool!
- ❑ Reserve only one hour per address per day.

- ❑ Part-timers are welcome to have a neighbor reserve for them; just make sure the address is the one for the household actually using the pool.
- ❑ If the reserving household elects to have another household join them in the pool area during the reserved time...that is their option.
- ❑ As always, children must be accompanied at all times by a responsible adult; and pets are not allowed.
- ❑ Please be mindful of the time, and leave the pool area promptly at the completion of your hour.
- ❑ Remember to remove all of your belongings when you leave!
- ❑ *A Big Thank You* to ALL who have worked together to keep the pool open during this time.



COMMUNITY NEWS & ACTIVITIES

Pot Holes Abound

If you drive on Buena Vista Drive, please be aware that there is a deep pothole southbound close to Whiskey Hill Road. A neighbor reported that a car tire was badly damaged one night when hitting it. The owner has filed a repair request.

There are also numerous potholes along San Andreas Road. The one closest to us, southbound near Heather Point Lane has also been reported.

Emergency Response Volunteers Needed

CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) needs Volunteers for La Selva Beach!

<https://santacruzcountycert.org/cert-training-classes/>

Or, contact Susan Marx:

laselvabeachCERT@gmail.com

Virtual Lectures, Exhibits, Film Festivals, Concerts and Other Shows

UCSC Public Events Calendar

<https://tinyurl.com/y2bkqt4c>

Author Event:

<https://www.bookshopsantacruz.com/event>

Comedy Club (DNA's in Santa Cruz)

<https://dnascomedylab.com>

Rio Theater Film Fests, Concerts, Screenings, Comedy and Other Shows

<http://www.riotheatre.com/events>

Smithsonian Associates - Lectures, Art Classes and More (nonmembers welcome)

<https://smithsonianassociates.org/ticketing/streaming>

Road Scholar - Virtual Learning (free travel lectures)

<https://www.roadscholar.org/virtualllearning/>

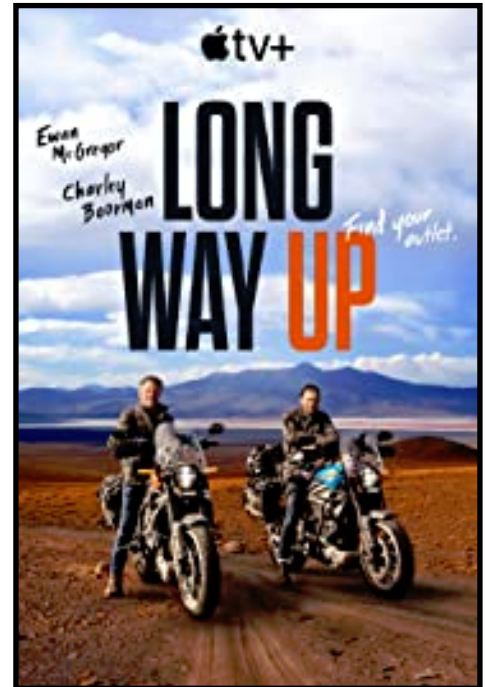


BINGE-WORTHY TV

If you enjoy adventure, you may enjoy these shows that take you places:

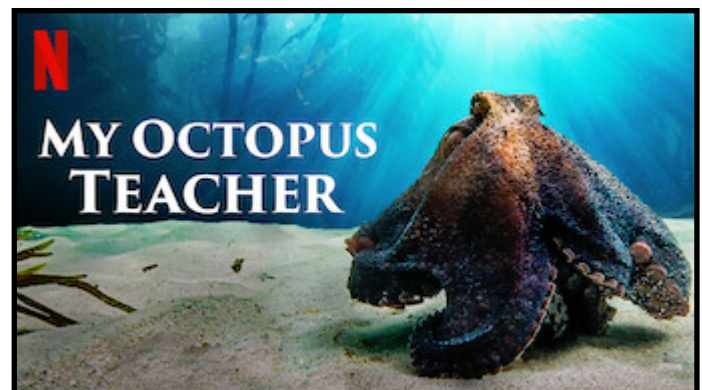
Long Way Up (10 episodes) - stars Ewan McGregor on an electric motorcycle adventure from the tip of Argentina through both South America and Central America, finishing in Los Angeles. Interesting travels and mishaps along with stunning scenery. Episode 7 airs on Oct. 16. Streaming on AppleTV (\$4.99/month for anyone) with new episodes every Friday night.

This is the third motorcycle adventure documentary made by McGregor. Previously, he has done **Long Way Round** (2004) and **Long Way Down** (2007). Very entertaining with beautiful scenery.



Somebody Feed Phil - "Everybody Loves Raymond" creator Phil Rosenthal travels the globe to take in the local cuisine and culture of Bangkok, Lisbon, Mexico City and more. Part foodie show, part travelogue. If you think you don't like Phil after the first episode, give him another chance. He tends to grow on you! Streaming on Netflix.

My Octopus Teacher - A filmmaker forges an unusual friendship with an octopus living in a South African kelp forest, learning as the animal shares the mysteries of her world. Beautifully filmed, a touching story, and so much to learn about the highly intelligent octopus. Streaming on Netflix.



UPCOMING ELECTION NOVEMBER 3

Your Vote Counts

Ballots were mailed out on October 5 by the Office of the Santa Cruz County Clerk, Elections Dept. They include a list of ballot boxes where you can safely drop off your ballot. Given the problems that may occur with postal delivery, dropping your ballot at one of these boxes ensures that your vote is received on time and counted. Otherwise, mail early.

For updates on polling locations that will be open Oct. 31 through Nov. 3 for in-person voting services and for other information:

<https://www.votescount.us>

SIGN UP to vote or update your info at:
RegisterToVote.ca.gov

CHECK UP on your voter info at
VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov

TRACK your ballot at:
WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov



If you have questions about the ballot propositions, you might consider watching this Sept. 15 video of John Laird speaking about them. In this video, he does a good job of presenting them in a bipartisan manner.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ehAZwihu5GE>

Or simply Google: *John Laird ballot measures*

WANTED Residents' News

I'd love to include any news you would be willing to share. . . .

- Family news and photos
- Photo of your pet
- Wedding or other milestone
- Travel and vacation pics
- Award you won
- Or, tell us what you're doing to occupy yourself during the pandemic



Please send your contributions to:

Lorraine Margon
LorraineMargon@gmail.com
831-345-2394

MEDIA NOOK



Library Info

<https://www.santacruzpl.org>

The county libraries remain closed. Here's what has "re-opened."

Book Drop Returns

All returned items are quarantined before being checked in. Allow one week for processing and to be removed from your account. No late fees will be assessed during the quarantine.

La Selva Beach

Open 24/7

Aptos Book Drop

12:30-5 pm; Mon-Sat

Make Requests Online for Library Materials

When items are ready, you can pick them up at the

Aptos Branch

1-5 pm; Mon-Fri

- ❑ Please call the library when you arrive: **831-427-7702**.
- ❑ Walk-up service is also available. Wear a mask and practice social distancing.
- ❑ If you have challenges getting to curbside locations, please contact the branch about having your item(s) mailed to you.

RECIPE CORNER

Curried Butternut Squash & Apple Soup; serves 6

This butternut squash and apple soup recipe is brimming with warm and cozy flavors of fall (thanks to a delightful kick from the curry). It also delivers 25 percent of your daily fiber and is chock-full of potassium, a nutrient that many of us fall short on regularly. Streamline the prep for this recipe and pick up pre-cut butternut squash: you'll need 7 to 8 cups. Round out your meal by serving this easy soup alongside a salad or sandwich.

Ingredients

1 tablespoon unsalted butter
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 cups chopped sweet onion
(1 medium onion)
½ cup chopped celery (2 stalks)
½ cup chopped carrots (3 medium)
1 tablespoon curry powder
3 pounds butternut squash, peeled,
seeded and chopped (7-8 cups)
1 ¼ teaspoons kosher salt
1 teaspoon black pepper
2 cups finely chopped Golden
Delicious apple (about 1 large)
2 cups unsalted chicken stock
2 cups water
6 tablespoons crème fraîche

Directions

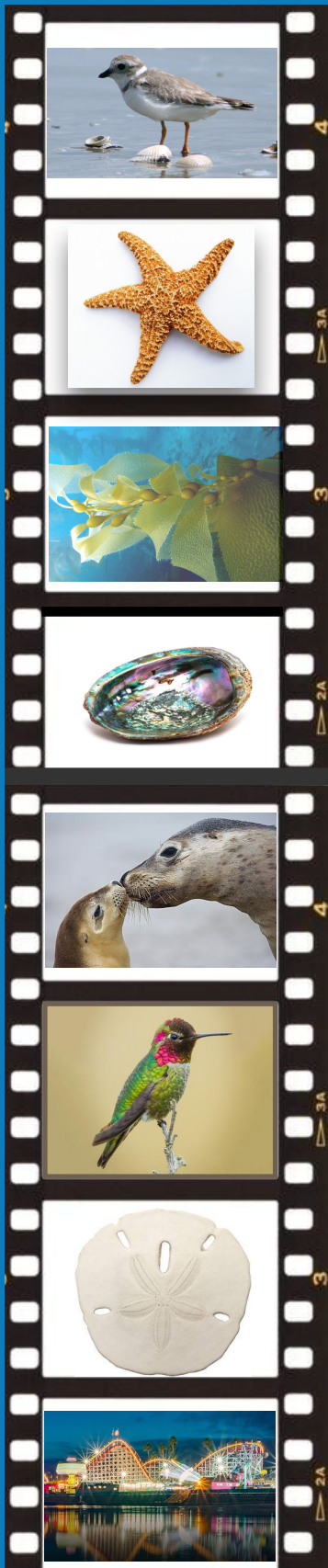
Step 1 - Melt butter with olive oil in a large pot over medium. Add onion, celery and carrots and stir to coat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until vegetables are tender, 8 to 10 minutes. Add curry powder; stir vegetables to coat thoroughly.

Step 2 - Add squash, salt, pepper and 1 ½ cups of the chopped apple to pot and stir to coat. Stir in chicken stock and water and bring to a boil over medium-high. Reduce heat to low, cover and cook, stirring occasionally, until butternut squash is soft when pierced with a fork, 20 to 25 minutes.

Step 3 - Remove from heat and, working in 2 batches, pour soup into a heavy-duty blender. Secure lid on blender and remove center piece to allow steam to escape. Place a clean towel over opening. Process until smooth, about 1 minute. Return soup to pot; reheat if needed. Serve with crème fraîche and garnish with remaining ½ cup chopped apple.



Source: [EatingWell.com](https://www.eatingwell.com)



HELPFUL INFORMATION

Cañon del Sol Community Website

www.canondelsol.com

username: cds | password: surfandsun

CDS Board of Directors

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| President | Bob Carpenter |
| Vice President | Judy Mathews |
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| Secretary | Jesse Fielding |
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CDS Property Manager

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CDS Clubhouse

400 Abalone Drive, La Selva Beach, CA 95076

Marine Mammal Rescue

831.633.6298

First Alarm Security - Patrol Division

831.684.1111

Police/Sheriff - Non-emergency

831.471.1121

CalFire - Be Ready

www.readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire