



KAMARES VILLAGE MATTERS

Kamares Village Houseowners' Association Newsletter

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The President's Piece

By

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I've got a new job. Actually I think it fits well with my KVHA position. Some of us are setting up a formal organization to advocate for local voting rights for permanent residents. I and others have written letters before, but letters are not enough. With an officially recognized association we can speak with a strong voice. With a new Cyprus President, our new strong voice will have a new ear to hear it. The organization will be called "Local Voting Rights for Permanent Residents".

Why did we choose such a name? Obviously not because the acronym LVRPR rolls effortlessly off the tongue. Well, it's like this: we don't want to scare people off supporting us. "Local" says we are not trying to displace Cypriots in deciding their country's priorities. "Permanent" says we are legal, tax-paying contributors. We are not the sort of people that threaten the existing demographic balance. What we want is less than Cypriot citizens get in the UK, though we want it for all non-EU permanent residents, not just Brits. What we want is the right to have a say in the running of our local communities. It's a right that the EU specifically advises member states to give all residents, not just EU nationals. We just want to have a say in the things that affect our every-day lives. Isn't that perfectly non-threatening?

Are you a member of that excellent WhatsApp group, 'Security in Kamares'? I am - have been for years. It's nothing to do with the KVHA, but it's the nearest thing we have to Neighbourhood Watch; in fact it's probably better than most neighbourhood watches. If you're not a member, become one (details on Page 3).

Last week, someone saw a burglar, or at least a trespasser up to no good, and reported the sighting on the WhatsApp group. This started a big discussion concerning what to do about apparently increasing crime levels, police reaction to burglary reports, security lights, alarms, cameras, patrols, ... All those things, but most importantly, there was a general feeling of wanting to get organized. Already, there has been an ad hoc meeting and some residents have started patrolling.

Now, I don't know if Kamares Village is really experiencing an increase in burglarious activity or not. My impression is that we have fewer break-ins than five years ago, but I may be wrong, and in any case, we want none at all. Any sensible initiative that reduces the risk is worthwhile, and there has to be a recognition that the police simply do not have the manpower to spend time on frequent patrols or detailed investigation of non-violent crime. Kamares Village is pretty remote, so we are less likely than other areas to be targeted by desperate penniless thieves or drug addicts, who are more likely to confine themselves to more accessible areas. My guess is that anyone carrying out burglaries here is likely to be more professional, having available transport, probably first carrying out reconnaissance (which is not illegal in itself), and most importantly not wanting to increase the consequences of being caught by violent or threatening behaviour. Again, I may be wrong, but I'd like to find out, so I'm writing to invite the police to conduct another presentation - yes, we had one some years ago and it was very useful. I have also re-established the position of KVHA Security Member. Dino Koniotis is ideal: he has very good local knowledge, takes an active interest in security matters, and of course speaks Greek. Thanks for volunteering, Dino.

Meanwhile, everyone, get on that WhatsApp group; and don't forget to lock up and leave some lights on when you come to the KVHA's party to celebrate King Charles' Coronation on May 6th (tickets available and details on Page 3).

Chris Coleman

KVHA MEMBERSHIP For Residents and Associate members

KVHA membership forms and envelopes are next to Reception; please complete and put in Box 19. €5 per household. Please note only hard copies accepted.

NO CHEQUES - CASH ONLY PLEASE, AS IT COSTS €5 TO DEPOSIT THE CHEQUE !!

Your card(s) will be placed in your mailbox or if you do not have a mailbox, will be available at Reception.

*******Each member of the household needs to fill in a form please*******

Please note that non-Kamare residents can become Associate Members, but cannot vote at meetings. Ask your neighbours and friends whether they would like to join.

If you are out of Cyprus, please contact the Membership Secretary on membership@kvha.cy and pay your €5 on return.

[KVHA website – kvha.cy](http://kvha.cy)

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GLASS RECYCLING BINS

(Rubbish again!)



Sadly it didn't last !!

KAMARES SECURITY WHATSAPP GROUP



Around 90 residents have joined this group to pass on messages regarding suspicious vehicles etc. If you would like to join, please send your name and address via WhatsApp to Anna on 97846439. If you are not on WhatsApp and you have a friend/neighbour who is and you see something suspicious, then let them know to pass to the group.

CELEBRATION OF THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES

Saturday, May 6th at 7:00p.m.

Tickets now available



The KVHA cordially invites you to the celebration of the
Coronation of King Charles III

Date: Saturday, May 6th, 2023
Time: 7:00pm
Venue: Kamares Club
Dress: Smart (Red, White, Blue Theme)
Price: 24€ p.p.

*The Orphean Singers will sing a medley of traditional songs from 7.15
Enjoy a welcome drink followed by a buffet dinner at 7:30pm
Entertainment by DJ Mark with the compliments of the KVHA
Please make your reservation with Marinos – Tel 26880576*



KAMARES VILLAGE HOUSEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

KOILI WINE FESTIVAL

The 2nd wine festival was held on Sunday, April 2nd with 10 wineries plus live music, food and stalls



Fikardos



Lagria



Kalamos



Lazarou



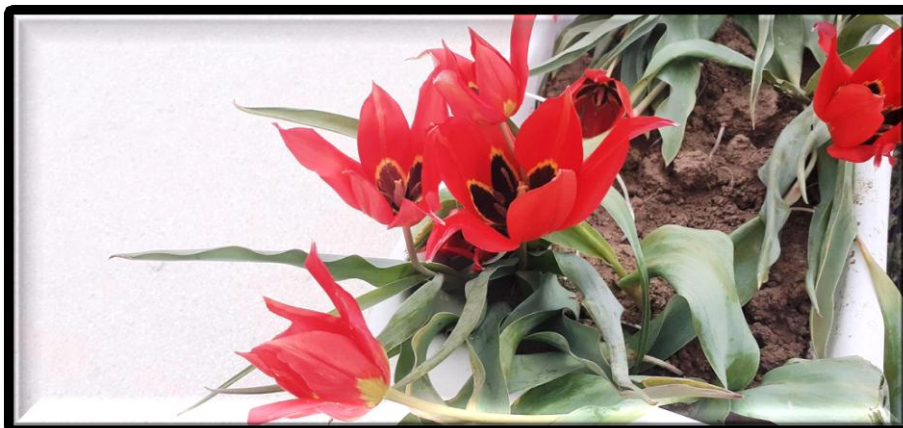
Live music

POLEMI TULIP FESTIVAL

The tulip festival was held on Sunday, April 2nd with a huge number attending. Children dancing and Cypriot dancers, many stalls selling local products. Sadly the main field of tulips had to be enclosed with wire fencing a few years ago due to the fact that people were taking the tulips.



Photos of the tulips



Tulips on the stage



Dancing tulips



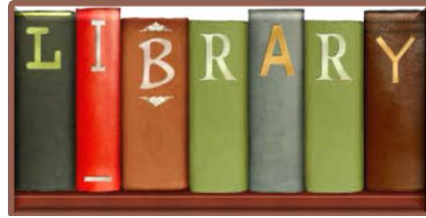
Polaek dance group





Tulips behind the wire fencing





**Opening hours for the Library every Wednesday from 2:00-4:30p.m.
The Library is under the pool, opposite the Medical Centre. Come along
and pick up/exchange books.**

Kamares Club
Leptos Kamares Village

HAPPY HOUR

Every Wednesday 6.00 -7.00 pm
Kamares Club

All drinks 40% off

Why not make an evening of it? Meal served until 7.30pm
followed by Quiz night

If dining, please book meal choices before noon on Wednesday,
by phone to 26880587, or by just calling in to the bar.

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JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY KVHA AND KAMARES CLUB

Quiz nights on Wednesdays starts at 7.30p.m. Food can be pre-ordered. Quiz is €2.50pp and run by Jezebel.

Happy Hour and food are not requirements to attend the quiz, but why not make an evening of it? Support your club!

THE KAMARES CLUB WILL BE CLOSED DUE TO EASTER ON MONDAY, APRIL 17TH

KAMARES CLUB RECEPTION

The Reception is open from 8:00a.m. until 5:00p.m. Monday-Friday Saturday from 8:00a.m. until noon; Sunday closed

**KAMARES CLUB BAR & RESTAURANT
Open to all, not just for residents**

The restaurant and bar are open for breakfast and lunch from 8:30a.m. with last orders for the kitchen at 3:00p.m. and bar 3:30p.m. every day. Open to everyone, dining in the restaurant or on the terrace.

SUNDAY LUNCHES

€19pp with a 10% discount for Residents
Carvery and buffet will be from 1:00-3:00p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY LUNCH
APRIL 16TH
With live Greek dancing



€35pp

Call 26880576 for bookings

Booking is a requirement at Kamares Reception or by telephone 26880576 at least two days prior.

Please note when an event is taking place, the bar and restaurant will be closed

When there is a Public Holiday the Club will be closed

PRAYING MANTIS NEST



The eggs of a praying mantis are caught in a smooth nest called an ootheca. "Ootheca" translates to "a place to keep". Female mantids like to lay their nests on limbs or any uncomplicated surface such as walls or fences. An Ootheca is supposed to protect the eggs until the little ones finally hatch. Approximately 150–180 young mantises can emerge from each egg case, but you can expect only about five to survive.



Emergency Medical Centre

The Centre will be closed on Monday, April 17th due to the Easter holidays.

The EMERGENCY NUMBER 99329434 will be operational for any medical emergencies.

Winter influenza jabs are available. Please call for an appointment.

If you would like to keep a check on your blood sugar levels the medical centre can monitor this for you. Each Saturday morning Nellie one of our nurses will be holding a clinic to monitor this for you. If you wish to partake of this service, please call the medical centre to arrange a time. The medical Centre closes at 1:00p.m. on Saturdays.

A doctor will be in attendance on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:00am-noon. Dr. Pradeep is available Tuesdays and Thursdays. Appointments should be made except for emergencies.

As you know Dr. Pradeep is a GESY registered doctor. If you wish to register with him, or need a medical consultation, you must make an appointment with the reception on 26653328.

The following information remains current:

The Medical Centre is open from 7:00a.m.–7:00p.m. Monday - Friday.

Closed Saturday afternoon from 1:00p.m. and all day Sunday.

When visiting the Medical Centre it is mandatory to wear face masks and only one person is allowed into the reception at any one time to avoid infection.

Appointments should be made for a consultation with the Doctor with exemptions for emergencies.

EMERGENCY NUMBER 99329434

FURTHER SERVICES

Home visits by a nurse for injections, change of dressings etc will be introduced if there is a demand for this service.

Mobility aids are available for a small fee ie crutches, toilet seat etc. You will be informed of any updates on the above.

Maureen Pollard, a trustee of the Emergency Medical Centre, has requested that if any members of the Medical Centre have changed their email addresses to please inform the Medical Centre or Maureen so that the database can be updated. A number of emails are being returned and this is thought to be because the email address is no longer valid.



USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency Number for Ambulance, Fire or Police	112 or 199
Police and Fire Services - Duty Officer	1499
Police – burglary, attempted burglary, suspicious activity/reporting parking violation	26806060
Medical Assistance - Hospital Information GESY	1400 17000
Paphos Citizens Advice	26822400
Kamares Club Reception Kamares Medical Emergency	26880576 99329434
Larnaca and Paphos International Airports – flight info	77778833
Electricity – Tree pruning ie tree touching wires	1800 – press 3 then 5 for Paphos – give your Account Number
Street Lights – To Report a Fault (EAC)	1800 –press 3 then 5 for Paphos - give pole number and street name required
Water problems Office hours Out of hours Daniel Nikiforos	26652412 kstala@cytancet.com.cy 99327262 99630613

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