

KAMARES VILLAGE MATTERS

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbours,

As we move into October and approach our **Annual General Meeting** next week on the 21st, this feels like the right moment to step back and reflect on where we are as a community. I'd like to share some thoughts on three key relationships that shape life here in Kamares: our relationship with Leptos, our relationship with the Tala and Koili Councils, and, most importantly, our responsibilities as homeowners ourselves.

Michael Leptos built Kamares into a thriving and attractive community. For many years, he supported the estate and the Kamares Club, which was once the beating heart of village life. Since his passing in 2016, however, Kamares has not had the same level of attention from the Leptos family or the business. Some residents still feel that Leptos has an ongoing responsibility here. But the truth is that residents don't pay them any fees, and our infrastructure is maintained by the Tala and Koili Councils. For newer residents especially, there is no real connection with Leptos at all beyond the estate's history.

That said, Leptos has never fully stepped away. They continue to own unsold plots, which at times have been used for storage or dumping, and they have promised for years to renovate the club. Progress on that front has been slow, but in recent months we have at least seen some encouraging small steps: new plants, paving, repairs around the pool, and fresh paint. We hope this might mark a turning point. Our role, however, must be to plan and act for the future as though the responsibility lies with us - because, in reality, it does. If Kamares is to remain a place we are proud to call home, then it is up to us, as residents together, to take the lead.

Over the last few months I've also met and conversed with both the Tala and Koili Councils, and it's become very clear how limited their resources are. Their strategy is to focus those resources on the biggest problems affecting the largest number of people. That means that when Tala or Koili as a whole has a major issue, the money goes there - and Kamares may have to wait years before it is back in focus. On paper, the councils are responsible for roads, drains, and green areas. In practice, they can only be relied on for emergencies or urgent situations. Day-to-day maintenance such as clearing

drains, trimming greenery, and keeping public areas tidy is not something they are in a position to deliver consistently.

This is why it's so important to reset our expectations. If we want Kamares to be well maintained, safe and attractive, it falls to us as homeowners to make that happen. The KVHA has always been a social and representative body, but it's time for us to evolve into a true homeowners' association that takes a more active role in caring for our village. To start, we are asking members to approve raising the annual KVHA fee from €5 to €10. It's a modest increase, but it's an important first step in showing what we can achieve together. Alongside this, we have launched a contribution programme, with contributions starting at €50. The response so far has been very encouraging: just five or six members have already contributed or pledged close to €4,000 between them. Our goal is €17,000, which would allow us to hire a full-time groundsman through the council, dedicated to working here in Kamares. If more residents are able to contribute, even modestly, we can reach that goal much sooner. A sincere thank you to those who have already contributed so generously. Your support has given this project a real boost, and we hope many more of you will join in helping us reach our target.

Looking ahead, there are a number of important developments. The **road-marking project** is scheduled to begin on the 20th of October. The first round of the **community census** has already been rolled out, and we've received an encouraging number of responses so far. Our **new online membership system** is also live, making it simple to renew or join - cash and paper will only be used in exceptional cases. The **weekly quiz** at the Sheep continues to be one of the most popular successes of the year, with 30–50 participants each week, and **Greek Conversation** with Ismini is now well underway, giving residents the chance to learn and practise Greek while meeting new friends.

On Saturday 20th September, as part of World Cleanup Day, 34 residents came together for a community litter pick. Over an hour and a half we collected around 40–50 bags of rubbish from across Kamares, which the council then removed first thing Monday morning. It was a wonderful turnout, great fun, and a fantastic way to show what we can achieve together. A big thank you to everyone who joined in - we hope to organise another clean-up in three or four months' time. Afterwards, the group enjoyed a well-earned beverage on the KVHA, which was a lovely way to finish the morning in good company.

In another example of great neighbourhood coordination, the Zelemenos neighbourhood gathered for lunch on Saturday 11th October at Vathoutkia. Thank you to everyone who attended - it was a wonderful way for neighbours to get to know each other better.

As always, we also need more helping hands. In addition to the elected board, there are a number of **non-board roles open** for residents who want to get involved: Planning Enforcement, Water Issues, Traditional Physical Marketing, eMarketing, Public Gardens and Parks, Event Planning, Children and Youth Activities, Sports and Recreation, Online Sales Portal, and Eco Patrol. These are all completely **voluntary positions**. They are not full-time jobs, and there's no expectation of set hours or rigid reporting. We're simply looking for people who can give a little of their time and energy in areas that interest them. Even small contributions make a big difference. The roles are informal - keep an eye on things, let us know occasionally what you've been working on, and we'll support you with whatever resources you may need. If you'd like to get more involved, even in a small way, we'd be delighted to have you join us.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the **Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 21st October, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at the Kamares Club**. It is especially important this year that you make the effort to attend, as **we need a quorum** in order for the meeting to go ahead and for any decisions to be approved. Without enough members present, we cannot move forward with the plans we've been working on together. Please do try to come along, even if just for a short while. Your presence really does make a difference, and this is your opportunity to have your say in shaping the future of Kamares.

After the meeting, the Kamares Club will be offering a buffet for €25 (call 26880576 to book) and the KVHA will provide some drinks - a chance to relax, chat and enjoy time together as neighbours once the business of the day is done.

Warm regards,

Craig Elsdon-Dew

President, Kamares Village Homeowners' Association

AGM

Annual General Meeting



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21st

3:00p.m.

COMPLAINTS EMAIL

Please send any complaints, observations, or requests - whether it's **potholes, drainage problems, missing white lines, builder debris, or unsafe pavements** - directly to complaints@kvha.cy. This inbox is monitored by the entire KVHA board, and we're using it to compile a master list of issues which we will prioritize and forward to the relevant council, be it Tala or Koili.

ONLINE KVHA MEMBERSHIP

For Residents and Associate members

PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND NEW RESIDENTS TO JOIN THE KVHA

<https://www.kvha.cy>

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If you are on WhatsApp these are groups to join

Kamares Neighbours/Your Life in Kamares/Events in Kamares

KVHA Kamares/Advertising in Kamares/Buy/Sell in Kamares

Yellow pages/Useful contacts

Gardens in Kamares/ECO patrol in Kamares

Strays, pets & Animals in Kamares

Security and vital issues in Kamares

Water issues/FIRE alert

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 21st	KVHA AGM	Kamares Club at 3:00p.m.
November 15th		Kamares Bazaar
November date tbc	Leptos family/Club Event	Lighting of the Christmas Tree
December 12th	KVHA event	Christmas Ball with Whitemouse Duo
Every Wednesday	KVHA Quiz	The Sheep in Koili with Andy

CLEANUP DAY

SEPTEMBER 20TH

Over 30 came along to clean up some roads at the entrance to the village, the road up to Koili and some side roads. Many stayed after to socialize and have a beverage courtesy of the KVHA.







AFTERNOON TEA

September 24th

31 members and friends attended the afternoon tea at the Alexander the Great Hotel for the Cancer Patients' Support Group. Over €300 was raised and given to Maxine Daly from CPSG who attended. A letter of thanks was received from her. CPSG supports the patients and nurses of PASYKAF Homecare nursing and its support services. The amount will go towards the purchase of a new mini bus for cancer patients who need to be transferred to and from their appointments and treatments.







Zelemenos neighbours at Vatouthkia



*KVHA Quiz Nights with Andy
at The Sheep in Koili centre
every Wednesday at 7:30p.m.
Book a table with Panayotis 96450050
food and drinks available*

LIBRARY

*Open every Wednesday from 11:00a.m.-1:00p.m. opposite
the Medical Centre.*

Many popular books, all in alphabetical order.

OPEN TO ALL

I asked the librarian if they had any books on amplifiers. She said, "Yes, what volume would you like?"



DON'T FORGET

CLOCKS WILL GO BACK ON OCTOBER 26TH

Christmas Bazaar at the Kamares Club

Saturday, November 15th

10:00a.m.-3:00p.m.

KAMARES CLUB

********Please note, when there is a Public Holiday, Reception will be closed********

***RECEPTION WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH
DUE TO THE PUBLIC HOLIDAY - BAR AND RESTAURANT WILL BE OPEN***

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

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.

Take-away menu is also available – please call 26880576

SUNDAY LUNCHES

€25pp with a 10% discount for Residents

Carvery and buffet will be from 1:00-3:00p.m.

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

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

Emergency Medical Centre



WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MEDICAL EMERGENCIES, APPOINTMENTS SHOULD BE MADE TO CONSULT WITH THE DOCTORS

Reception number 26653328

Dr. Theodora is on duty Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings 10:00a.m. – 1:00p.m. (Non Gesy).

Dr. Pradeep is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 10:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.

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.

The following information remains current:

The Medical Centre is open from 7:00a.m.–1:00p.m. Monday - Friday.

Closed Saturday afternoon from 1:00p.m. and Sundays.

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.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Emergency Number for Ambulance, Fire or Police	112 or 199
Tala fires	99630613/99699125
Forest fires	1407
Kamares fires during office hours	26880576
Police and Fire Services - Duty Officer	1499
Police – burglary, attempted burglary, suspicious activity/reporting parking violation	26806060
Medical Assistance - Hospital Information	1400
GESY	17000
Paphos Citizens Advice	22309100
Kamares Club Reception	26880576
Kamares Medical Emergency	99329434
Larnaca and Paphos International Airports – flight info	77778833
Electricity – Tree pruning ie tree touching wires	1800 – press 3 then 5 for Papho – give your Account Number
Street Lights – To Report a Fault (EAC)	1800 –press 1 then 5 for Papho give pole number and street name required
Water problems Office hours	26652412 kstala@cytanet.com
Out of hours Daniel	99327262
 Nikiforos	99630613
Whatsapp Security group (Anna)	97846439

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