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## **End of Year**

Hi all,

Its been an interesting year as president. I've learnt a lot about the resort and had some useful contacts with many of you. It has also been rather frustrating at times too. We all seem to want different things from the resort and have different expectations. Unfortunately it is impossible to provide everything for everyone, and I can appreciate the frustrations that can come as a result. In my previous newsletters I have asked owners to let me know what they feel that they aren't getting from the resort. I have never received a reply to that question, so I will rephrase as follows.

### **'If you could have 1 thing changed/updated or added to Las Casitas what would it be?'**

The reasoning behind this ask is, that if we know the main gripes or wishes from owners then we are better placed to prioritise those elements, if possible, in the refurbishment plans. Please email me or contact your rep with your answer.

## **Paths**

This year I have received complaints regarding the condition of the paths around the resort. To this end, there is an allocation in the maintenance budget specifically for path repair. Valentina has a list of the areas that are showing the worst damage, and these areas will be addressed first. It is intended that this allocation will continue into further years as necessary.

## **Renting weeks**

Renting extra days and weeks has been the source of frustration for a number of you this year. I have discussed this with Ana and for your awareness weeks are made available to owners first through the website (wimpen.net). They are placed there 1 year ahead of the date for rental after a period of time they are the also released to the other booking sites.

If you know you want/need extra weeks, then book as early as possible i.e. as soon as they become available. Bookings of 1 or 2 days though can only be made through reservations (see contacts list).

I hope this helps everyone looking for extra dates.

I cannot stress enough the need for rentals as without them there would be a shortfall of income to the resort and would put pressure on the financial viability. Wimpen using the

On a group infrastructure have been extremely successful in gaining this essential income stream for the community.

### **Owners Rep**

Pam Ames, our long-standing owner's rep is standing down this year and as such a new rep will need to be elected. Pam was the rep long before my presidency and I know she has helped and supported many including the previous president. I believe she intends to send out a retirement message to everyone soon. I wish her well and would like to thank her for her time and assistance.

I would like to wish good luck to the candidates who have put their names in the hat for the owner's rep role. I'm sure whoever is elected will want to do the best for the owners and the resort.

### **AGM notice**

This year's AGM will be held on

Sunday 7th December, at the Holiday Inn Birmingham M6, Junction 7.

Details of the first call (likely to be 9:30am) and proposals will be in the agenda/AGM papers due out very soon.

Please take some time out to provide your vote. If you are voting using a proxy please ensure that whoever you name will be attending the meeting. If they don't attend or they have to leave before the voting is completed, then your votes will not be included.

All meetings will obviously have a chair so you can use the chair for any proxy if needed.

This year, owners can vote online using a simple and secure system. If you vote online, you do not need to send the paper form. Full details are provided in the AGM booklet.

AGM Location

Address: Chapel Lane, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7 BG

Motorway access: situated minutes from Junction 7 of the M6.

From Birmingham: Approximately 15 -20 minutes by taxi from Birmingham New Street.

The hotel has ample parking with capacity for around 250 vehicles.

### **Unavailable**

I will be unavailable for the rest of November and will not have access to emails, etc.

Any items please refer directly to the administrator or resort manager.

## Weekly Calendar for 2025 and 2026

A further reminder that there is an extra maintenance week in 2025 that will affect the dates for starting weeks. Please ensure you check the dates and book the correct flights.

| 2025 - 53 week year |           |         |           |                       |           | 2026    |           |         |           |                       |           |
|---------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| WEEK NO             | DATE      | WEEK NO | DATE      | WEEK NO               | DATE      | WEEK NO | DATE      | WEEK NO | DATE      | WEEK NO               | DATE      |
| 1                   | 26-Dec-24 | 20      | 08-May-25 | 39                    | 18-Sep-25 | 1       | 01-Jan-26 | 20      | 14-May-26 | 39                    | 24-Sep-26 |
| 2                   | 02-Jan-25 | 21      | 15-May-25 | 40                    | 25-Sep-25 | 2       | 08-Jan-26 | 21      | 21-May-26 | 40                    | 01-Oct-26 |
| 3                   | 09-Jan-25 | 22      | 22-May-25 | 41                    | 02-Oct-25 | 3       | 15-Jan-26 | 22      | 28-May-26 | 41                    | 08-Oct-26 |
| 4                   | 16-Jan-25 | 23      | 29-May-25 | 42                    | 09-Oct-25 | 4       | 22-Jan-26 | 23      | 04-Jun-26 | 42                    | 15-Oct-26 |
| 5                   | 23-Jan-25 | 24      | 05-Jun-25 | 43                    | 16-Oct-25 | 5       | 29-Jan-26 | 24      | 11-Jun-26 | 43                    | 22-Oct-26 |
| 6                   | 30-Jan-25 | 25      | 12-Jun-25 | 44                    | 23-Oct-25 | 6       | 05-Feb-26 | 25      | 18-Jun-26 | 44                    | 29-Oct-26 |
| 7                   | 06-Feb-25 | 26      | 19-Jun-25 | 45                    | 30-Oct-25 | 7       | 12-Feb-26 | 26      | 25-Jun-26 | 45                    | 05-Nov-26 |
| 8                   | 13-Feb-25 | 27      | 26-Jun-25 | 46                    | 06-Nov-25 | 8       | 19-Feb-26 | 27      | 02-Jul-26 | 46                    | 12-Nov-26 |
| 9                   | 20-Feb-25 | 28      | 03-Jul-25 | 47                    | 13-Nov-25 | 9       | 26-Feb-26 | 28      | 09-Jul-26 | 47                    | 19-Nov-26 |
| 10                  | 27-Feb-25 | 29      | 10-Jul-25 | 48                    | 20-Nov-25 | 10      | 05-Mar-26 | 29      | 16-Jul-26 | 48                    | 26-Nov-26 |
| 11                  | 06-Mar-25 | 30      | 17-Jul-25 | 49                    | 27-Nov-25 | 11      | 12-Mar-26 | 30      | 23-Jul-26 | 49                    | 03-Dec-26 |
| 12                  | 13-Mar-25 | 31      | 24-Jul-25 | 50                    | 04-Dec-25 | 12      | 19-Mar-26 | 31      | 30-Jul-26 | 50                    | 10-Dec-26 |
| 13                  | 20-Mar-25 | 32      | 31-Jul-25 | 53                    | 11-Dec-25 | 13      | 26-Mar-26 | 32      | 06-Aug-26 | 51                    | 17-Dec-26 |
| 14                  | 27-Mar-25 | 33      | 07-Aug-25 | 51                    | 18-Dec-25 | 14      | 02-Apr-26 | 33      | 13-Aug-26 | 52                    | 24-Dec-26 |
| 15                  | 03-Apr-25 | 34      | 14-Aug-25 | 52                    | 25-Dec-25 | 15      | 09-Apr-26 | 34      | 20-Aug-26 |                       |           |
| 16                  | 10-Apr-25 | 35      | 21-Aug-25 |                       |           | 16      | 16-Apr-26 | 35      | 27-Aug-26 |                       |           |
| 17                  | 17-Apr-25 | 36      | 28-Aug-25 | 49, 51 part closedown |           | 17      | 23-Apr-26 | 36      | 03-Sep-26 |                       |           |
| 18                  | 24-Apr-25 | 37      | 04-Sep-25 | 53, extra week closed |           | 18      | 30-Apr-26 | 37      | 10-Sep-26 | 49, 51 part closedown |           |
| 19                  | 01-May-25 | 38      | 11-Sep-25 | closedown             |           | 19      | 07-May-26 | 38      | 17-Sep-26 | 50: Full closedown    |           |

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Members area (for maintenance payments and all things owner wise) [www.wimpen.net](http://www.wimpen.net)

Las Casitas Owners site [www.lascasitas.eu](http://www.lascasitas.eu) – There is a lot of very useful information on this site.

Facebook – Las Casitas Owners – Playa Blanca, Lanzarote. If you wish to join, please complete the questions for access, all owners are welcome.

President

Keith Lear