



Interest Groups & Social Clubs

Doing more of what makes us happy is called the key to life by many. Share your passion and take the first step by creating an *Interest Group* or *Social Club*.

Enjoy the opportunity to learn a new skill, make new friends, or share a hobby with your neighbors who have similar interests. *Interest Groups & Social Clubs* are Member-managed and self-supporting. Your Lifestyle Team is happy to assist in the promotion of Member-planned activities by sharing them in upcoming Member communication.

Below are a few suggestions to help you get inspired!

- **Card Clubs**
- **Stitching Group**
- **Tennis or Pickleball Group**
- **Book Club**
- **Photography Club**
- **Hiking Club**

All *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* must be open to any Member of the community who is interested in joining.



Interested in establishing your own group or club?

Please review the established guidelines on the following pages. Once you have reviewed, please fill out the application on the last page and submit it to your Lifestyle Manager.

Purpose

- *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* are recreational in nature and do not serve as a chartered committee recognized by the board.
- The purpose of *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* are to bring together Members with a common interest or talent in an organized manner that will enhance the leisure opportunities available within the community.

Interest Group & Social Club Qualifications

- Individuals wishing to start an *Interest Group or Social Club* must complete an application that will be presented and approved by the Board prior to the official establishment of the group/club.
- They must be open to ALL Members.
- There cannot be a “cap” on the number of Members permitted to join.
- Only Members can be a part of the group/club.
- They must support the mission of the facility.
- They should be recreational in nature, and it is recommended, subject to Board discretion, that these groups do not pertain to cultural, religious, or political interests.
- They must adhere to the facility rules and regulations, hours of operations, and policies.
- They must have a designated leader and contact information must be available to Members who are interested in joining.
- They must have a minimum of 4 group meetings annually.
- They must provide the Lifestyle Manager with a detailed description of their purpose for use in community marketing materials and publications.



Leader Requirements

- Leaders must communicate in a timely manner all details pertaining to any updates, activities, programming, and required room reservations with the Lifestyle Manager.
- Leaders must provide a phone number and e-mail address that can be published in Member communication.
- Leaders are permitted to provide food and beverage for the *Interest Group or Social Club*. **Please note - it is not the responsibility of the Lifestyle Team to provide food and beverage services for these gatherings.**



Interest Group & Social Club Meetings

- Leaders must reserve space with the Lifestyle Manager **at least 2 weeks in advance** of the meeting if they plan to use any of the Resort Amenity facilities.
- Resort Amenity Facilities may be used once a month or more as space permits.
- Room rental fees will be waived for regular *Interest Group and Social Club* meetings.
- *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* are allowed to reserve the room up to 12 months in advance.
- Groups/clubs may not exclude any Members from reserved space.



Dues, Financial Management and Liability

- To encourage participation by all Members, it is recommended that dues and joining fees are not charged. The Board must approve any proposed dues for any *Interest Group or Social Club*.
- *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* must be non-profit.
- Fees can be charged for events and activities that offset the cost of supplies, equipment, and contractors.
- *Interest Groups and Social Clubs* are responsible for their own financial management.
- Fundraising events can be organized on a voluntary basis to support the activities of the *Interest Group or Social Club*.
- The facility, staff and Board assume no responsibility for the fiscal management of the recognized *Interest Groups and Social Clubs*.
- The facility, staff and Board assume no responsibility for accidents, injuries or incidents resulting from participation in the *Interest Group or Social Club*. All participants will be required to have a signed waiver on file prior to participating in the *Interest Group or Social Club*.



Interest Groups & Social Clubs Member Application

For your convenience, the form below is interactive and may be filled out digitally.

Interest Group or Social Club Name:

Description:

Proposed Meeting Dates:

Proposed Meeting Times:

Group/Club Leader Name:

Leader Address:

Leader Phone:

Leader E-mail:

Please note - The above contact information will be published in communication to the community.

My signature below indicates that I have read and understand the Interest Group and Social Club Guidelines and I agree to ensure that all Members in the Interest Group/Club abide by the established rules. I understand that this application must be submitted to and approved by the Board. Once reviewed, a meeting will be established with the club/group leader to discuss the application and/or begin the club/group development process.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Section below is for use by the Lifestyle Team only. Member does not need to fill out.

Submitted to Board on: _____

Approved: _____ Not Approved: _____

Approved with Comments: