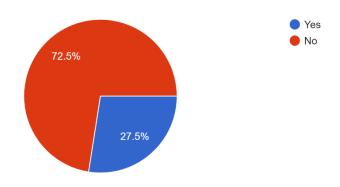
# 2024 Social Resident Survey Results

# February 1, 2024

# 91 responses

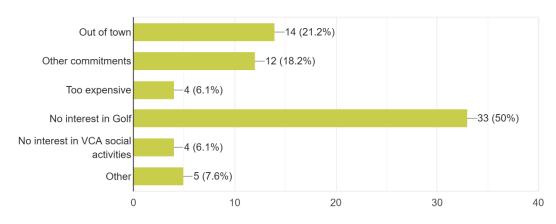
Did you attend the 2023 VCA Golf Day held August 30, 2023? 91 responses



## Did not attend Golf Day

# Reason you didn't attend?

66 responses



## If you chose "Other" can you please tell us why? 5 responses

I'm a single woman and being with couples didn't appeal to me.

Injury

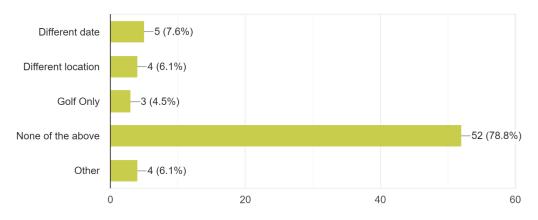
My medical issues prevent participation

Didn't want to go by myself, none of my 'single' lady friends wanted to go.

COVID cautious

# Would you have preferred -

66 responses



# If you chose "Other" can you tell us why?

#### 4 responses

I think there are better golf and dine locations to be had. As much as I love our little course, they are getting too expensive for what they offer

No interest in golf

Love the golf course restaurant but not a fan of golf would have had dinner only

## Suggestions for next year?9 responses

Instead of dinner perhaps a happy hour following the golf?

Different venue

As a group maybe wine tasting tour or supper club or bike tour

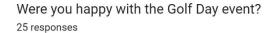
Get me a wife to play golf with

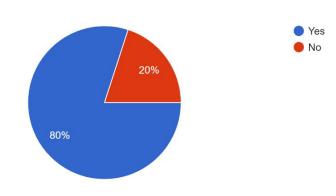
A gathering without golf

## if it fits I will attend Softball or pickleball

The golf plus dinner is getting expensive so that could keep some away. I doubt that I would be interested in a future golf event.

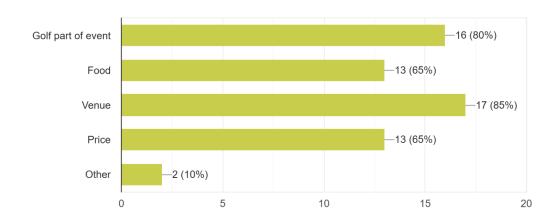
## Attended Golf Day





# Happy With Golf Day Event

# Happy with 20 responses



If you choose "Other" can you tell us what else you were happy with? 2 responses

Enjoy the comradry.

Met a lot of great people.

## Suggestions for next year's Golf Day?7 responses

Would prefer a shotgun start. An improvement on the food. It was sub par. Doesn't have to be a fancy meal, burger and salads might lower the price.

Would love a shot fun start so we all finish around the same time for th social part

Food needs to be better (more like the quality at the Christmas event) and therefore better value for dollar

keep it at the same venue

Shot gun start is more fun. Less expensive. Maybe can cut costs by having burgers and salads instead of a full dinner.

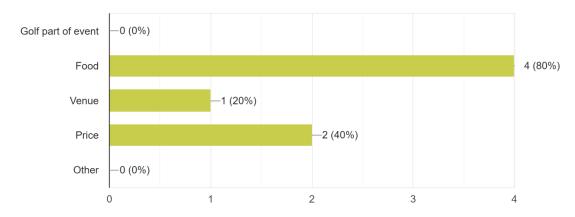
It would be fun to have a hole-in-one contest on hole #4.

Perhaps have the tournament at an 18 hole course, ie Whirlpool, which would hopefully get more serious golfers to come. Move back to September so those that spend the summer at cottages will come.

### Not Happy with Event

## Disappointed in

5 responses



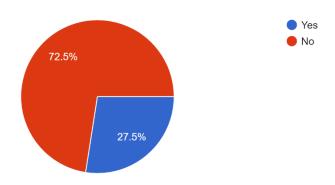
If you choose "Other" can you tell us what else you were unhappy with? 0 responses No responses yet for this question.

# Suggestions for next year's event3 responses

Shot gun. September
Different venue after golf
more focus on better food, more of it, faster service at tables

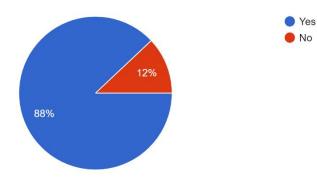
# Holly Jolly Dinner Dance held December 7, 2023

Did you attend the Holly Jolly Dinner Dance event December 7 at the NOTL Golf Club? 91 responses



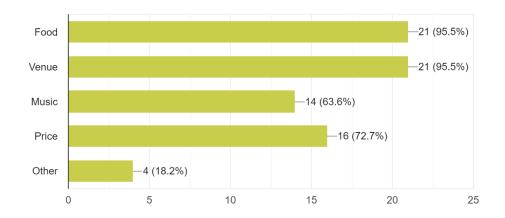
# Attended Holly Jolly

Were you happy with the event? 25 responses



Happy With Holly Jolly Event

# Happy with 22 responses



If you choose "Other" can you tell us what else you were happy with? 4 responses

Food was great and it was great being with the community.

Perfect number of guests for the size of the dance floor

Ring able to put together tables for 8 or 10.

Decor and location and # of guests. Less crowded

### Suggestions for next year's event.11 responses

#### November - less busy time

While the music was good, some songs were too I long for some of us oldies. Didn't know we could make requests of the DJ. There wasn't enough variety of music to cover the tastes of a wide variety of ages.

Well organized. Good food and convenient location.

I would not go again next year. All couples, made it difficult to be a single woman.

Perhaps it was too close to the Social Club's event. More tickets sold may require a larger dance floor. Just a suggestion.

Golf course is fine

While the music was good, some of the sons were too long for the seniors. Didn't know we could request songs. Thought the organization to help staff with who received which app, entree etc was excellent.

Music was hard to hear as it was around the corner

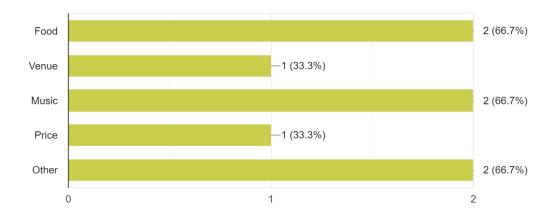
Smaller number of people per table. Hard to talk to people at the other end of the table.

Cocktail party just to make a change. December is hard to pull off due to competition in NOTL I thought that it was a perfect evening!

## Unhappy with Holly Jolly Dinner Dance

# Disappointed in

3 responses



If you choose "Other" can you tell us what else you were unhappy with?

### 2 responses

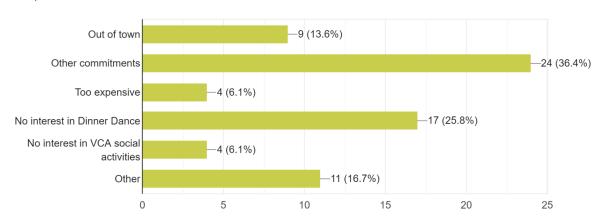
the event was lovely but the dj did not play to his audience at all. Too loud, too fast ,not our vibe at the general age we are at. . John Kossup and group knew their audience and played accordingly

This is a YES/NO answer. It's hard to go to these events when it's mostly couples. I enjoyed myself but left early. Did not like my fish dinner so I didn't eat it.

Did not Attend Holly Jolly Dinner Dance

## Reason you didn't attend?

66 responses



# If you chose "Other" can you tell us why?

#### 13 responses

Sick with Covid

Have found previous gatherings very cliqish and not welcoming to singles.

Did not have enough people to organize a table of 8

Double booked us.

Death in the family

Invalid spouse

Medical issues and dietary restrictions make this impossible

We are part-timers here. We did not feel we knew other attendees

We have a young toddler and this event doesn't fit with our lifestyle at the moment.

Friends 50th. anniversary dinner.

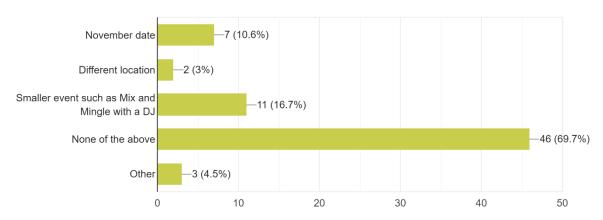
As an older widower, I do not feel comfortable in a "couples" event

Golf club food didn't warrant that expense. Not interested in dance.

COVID avoidance

## Would you have preferred

66 responses



If you chose "Other" can you tell us more?4 responses

Bad timing

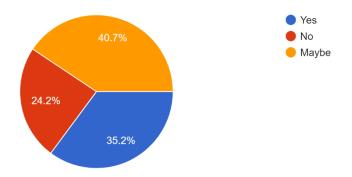
We would prefer something family friendly and more casual

Dinner only

We cruise a lot so that often interferes with our availability.

# Garage Sale

Would you be interested in selling items in a Village Garage Sale this spring/summer for a nominal participation fee? (Cost would cover local paper ...ements and posters to be posted throughout NOTL). 91 responses



# **Future Event Suggestions**

We welcome suggestions for future events 37 responses

Both Jim and I would like to thank you for all your hard work you all do for our community. It doesn't go unnoticed.

Love the winter get-together at local wineries!

You are doing a great service for the community

A Pilliteri summer evening listening to the performer on the outdoor while enjoying their pizza The winter mingle event was well organized and provided an opportunity to meet with new neighbours

Social events like the one under the tent at The Village

Try not to fill up so soon

Get togethers at wineries

Hats off to our social committee for working so hard & doing such a great job. Thank you.

Jim and I want to thank and praise the SC for all their efforts to get us all together. No one should feel

Jim and I want to thank and praise the SC for all their efforts to get us all together. No one should feel lonely this beautiful Village.

Like the winery events. Perhaps a beer one at Oast or liquor at Spirit of Niagara. Loved the Halloween event but have it on a different day or as part of the Tree Lighting. Car rally scavenger hunt.

I think it would be a lot of fun if we could have an event with Fred Gamula, the longtime Sommelier at the Prince of Wales Hotel. He used to host a weekly wine tasting every Friday at 5 p.m. of 4 wines and a tour of the wine cellar. He's really entertaining. At the end of the wine tasting we attended, he used a sabre to open the champagne bottles!

Keep up the good work. Thanks so much.

More events held at local wineries.

We love what you do! Thanks so much for all the work you do! Keep it up.

You all are doing a great job thank you from the community

More support for farmers market

Push the downsizing theme and make part of it as a contribution to farm workers

Events at the wineries are great

Please keep planning winery get-togethers. We were not in town for the recent JT event but would definitely have signed up had we been here. The Christmas dinner dance was too daunting for us, as we don't know many neighbours. I think the winery events sound more relaxed and provide an easier, more relaxed opportunity to meet fellow residents.

Bridge lessons for anyone. The game is especially useful for those 'birds' who stick out winter in Niagara!

Sunset social was always fun. Now with construction not sure where that will be. Maybe will also need to be "weather permitting"

Kid-friendly and family-friendly events. We prefer events that are casual and low-comittment, preferably during the day, or early evening.

More events like Pillitteri.

Appreciate the Christmas tree lighting and the efforts to bring this community together. Thanks! We seem to be away when most events take place. We would enjoy small events at local wineries such as the recent one at JT (which we couldn't attend) or other venues in NOTL.

Rummage sale, proceeds to go to a local charity

Winery events

Casual mixes in our park areas for a couple of hours. Progressive dinners.

street competitions (e.g. Rampart vs. Brock wreath-off or whatever) builds fun & pride Summer gatherings in the parks seem popular.

Garage Sale is a great idea. Events/gatherings in the Village, group walks, park socials, Music in the Village - early evening bring your own lawn chair to the park (rotate among the parks) and discover the talented musicians we have right here in our Village. Perhaps 4 - 1 hour sessions. This could also work as Art in the Village perhaps hosted on a residents porch or a laneway etc. There is a lot of talent here. Let's see and be aware of it. We are not yet retired, so daytime events are not as easy.

Any reason for a community gathering..eg. Snow has gone!. .Our VCA president's birthday..

hiking, biking, outdoor activities

more social events at wineries?

Our volunteers do a fabulous job. Thank you for making the Village special.