

Bel Marin Keys Community Services District

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Flushing Schedule

December 17th-19th

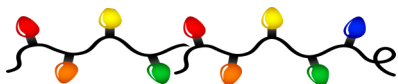
January 9th-11th

January 30th-Feb. 1st

February 12th-15th

March 13th-15th

VHF Channel 16 is monitored during flushing events. **FLUSHING DO NOT ENTER** signs are placed on both creek and lagoon docks during the event.



DON'T FORGET!!!

Santa By Sea December 16th

Icicle Day January 1st

Emergency Response Team (ERT)

The ERT committee continues to work to provide the community with safety information and events so that residents are prepared in the event of an emergency. Additional flyers for on going safety events will be sent out by the ERT and will also be posting useful resources on the District website ([www . b m k c s d . u s](http://www.bmkcsd.us)) .

Fire Extinguisher Day

On October 21st the ERT hosted the Fire Extinguisher Day where residents were able to purchase new units, as well as, practice using an extinguisher. It is very important to have an extinguisher at home and on your boat in the event of a small fire.

Get Ready Bel Marin Keys!!!

The District has been working with Get Ready Marin to offer the community a **free two-hour** training to prepare Bel Marin Keys households with the necessary skills and information to survive and cope with a disaster for five to seven days. The dates are **Wednesdays, January 24th (6-8pm) and Saturday, January 27th (10-noon)**. Please mark your calendar and be sure to attend. We encourage resident to register with the District office at ncamargo@bmkcsd.us to ensure we have enough course materials available. If you have any questions please call the District office (883-4222).



Montego Park Tennis Court Update

You may have noticed this past month that the tennis courts at Montego Park were removed as they were rendered non-usable for many years now. The recent construction activities are part of a larger improvement project planned at Montego Park that when completed will feature one (1) post-tensioned (strong and long lasting) tennis court with striping for pickleball and basketball, bocce ball courts, sitting areas, drinking fountain and improved grading and drainage. The first phase of the project occurring Fall 2017 / Spring 2018 is for the removal of the old tennis courts and construction of one (1) new multi-purpose court.

All of these planned improvements are part of the approved Parks and Open Spaces Master Plan which utilizes a combination of Marin Co. Measure A tax dollars and BMKCS D operating funds to implement projects brought to the community throughout a lengthy outreach and participation program back in 2015. Updates will be provided in the Neighbor to Neighbor and District website for ongoing improvements which are expected to be implemented in the next 12-24 months as funding is allocated.

Sunset Park All Fitness Equipment Installation

All Ages Fitness has arrived at the Bel Marin Keys. In keeping with the Parks and Open Spaces Master Plan we have installed the first of several planned outdoor fitness stations throughout the Keys at Sunset Park. Here you will find a “Captains Chair” where you can get a good abs workout or use it for dips. A “Sit-up Bench” makes it easy to hold your feet steady while you perform a sit-up and is large enough to be a multi-functional workout bench. The third piece of equipment is “Push-up Bars” and with two (2) levels of bars provides for different ability levels to utilize. Bring your neighbors to Sunset Park and have a group workout!



Look for future stations around the Keys as we put your Measure A tax dollars to use for the parks and open space of our community. Have a piece of equipment in mind that you would like installed next? Just let the District office know at and recommendations will be taken into consideration for the future sites.



Buoy Cleaning

This winter the District will be conducting a comprehensive inspection of all the ski area buoys in both North and South Lagoons. Each ski area will be inspected individually, and buoys will be removed for approximately 5 days. A **NO WAKE ZONE** will be in effect for the ski area until the buoys are replaced. Once the buoys are inspected and repaired, they will be replaced in the same location and shoreline offset (125’/South Lagoon and 150’/North Lagoon). Inspections are anticipated to begin in January and notification of which ski area to be closed will be on the marquee and website.

District Managers Report

Please be aware that the District office has received concerns due to packages/items being taken front porches, as well as, items taken from vehicles (which have been left unlocked). We have been told these are “crime of opportunity”. The Sheriff’s Department is asking residents to report any incident and any suspicious activity to their office at (415-479-2311).

Just a reminder to all dog owner, your dog (s) needs to be under voice control if not on a leash when you are at the parks, levee or on the street.

Thank you to Bob Panico, Mac Vogeley, and Paula Samuels for putting up the Christmas lights and tree at the Community. Also, thank you to the Women’s Club for putting on the Toys for Tots Drive.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and District Staff we want to wish you all Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year 2018.

Novato Passes Measure D: Ordinance amending the General Plan to continue the Urban Growth Boundary to 2042

Novato voted in favor of continuing the city’s expiring Urban Growth Boundary Law—which limits development outside of the established limits—until 2042. BMK resident Sue Lattanzio (long time advocate for the environment and preservation of our open space) alongside the Greenbelt Alliance, Marin Conservation League and Sierra Club worked together closely with the Novato City Council and staff to ensure that the voters would support the renewal of the Urban Growth Boundary.



Culvert Gates

The South Lagoon Culvert Project is continuing. The District undertook efforts this summer to replace the three gate doors which had reached the end of their serviceable life. issues arose with the integrality of the concrete wall and a new plan to attack the project was necessary. The final stages of construction will be occurring after the first of the year.

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Now is your chance to learn about the Marin County Civil Grand Jury. Please join us for an informational meeting and learn how you can make a difference.

Thursday, January 25, 2018
Bel Marin Keys Community Center
4 Montego Key, 2pm

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Community Calendar 2017-2018

December

Dec. 16- Santa by Sea

Dec. 25- Office Closed (Christmas)

February

Feb. 15- CSD Board Meeting 7:30pm

Feb. 19- Office Closed (Holiday)

January 2018

Jan. 1- Icicle Day

Jan. 1- Office Closed (New Years Day)

Jan. 15- Office Closed (Holiday)

Jan. 18- CSD Board Meeting 7:30pm

Jan. 24- Get Ready BMK 6-8pm

Jan. 27- Get Ready BMK 10-Noon

March

Mar. 15- CSD Board Meeting 7:30pm

