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Flushing Schedule

- June 13th-15th & 27th-29th**
- July 11th-13th & 27th-29th**
- Aug. 13th-15th & 22nd-24th**
- Sept. 10th-12th & 24th-26th**

VHF Channel 16 is monitored during flushing events. **FLUSHING DO NOT ENTER** signs are placed on both creek and lagoon docks during the event, if you have questions please call the District office 883-4222.

Parking Enforcement

Please be advised that the Marin County Parking Enforcement is active in our community and enforcing the 72 hour rule on the streets. Parking Enforcement Deputy stated that they will also be looking at vehicles which are out of registration and show no signs of being moved in a while (i.e. grass growing all over it). All trailers need to have "active" registration tags which are good for 5 years. To avoid being ticketed please make sure you have your Permanent Trailer Identification (PTI) number and are parked in front of your own house.

Neighbor to Neighbor



**FREE TRAINING JULY 29th
AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Launched in October of 2015, Stop the Bleed is a national awareness campaign and a call to action. Stop the Bleed is intended to cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives.

Please call the District Office or email Melanie at admin@bmkcsd.us to register. We have four modules (90 minutes each) starting promptly at 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM AND 3PM. Please note: All participants should wear appropriate clothing—simulated blood may get on clothing. The course involves a PowerPoint and hands-on training with simulated wounds. A certificate of completion will be provided. A list of recommended supplies and sources for first aid and bleeding control materials will be provided and can also be purchased on site.

Measure A

The next installment of outdoor all ages fitness equipment is underway! The sites selected for installation are the North end of Caribe, Cavalla Cay Park, and Bahama West (just north of the boat ramp). A wide range of equipment is on the way suitable for total body workouts, especially when paired with some running or walking! The aim of this project is to have all sites accessible to different ages and abilities. This new equipment is in addition to the existing all ages fitness site installed at Sunset Park, located on the South side of BMK blvd (just east of Del Oro), consisting of a Sit-Up Bench, Push-Up Bars, and a Captain's Chair. The District office has received a copious amount of encouragement and praise for the Sunset Park site and will continue with the following equipment selections: the North side of Caribe will receive a Balance Beam, Accessible Hand Cycle and a Balance Board; Bahama West will have a Recumbent Cycle, a Balance Plank Station, and a Sit-up/Back Extension Bench; and at Cavalla Cay Park you will find a Shoulder Rotator, High and Low Chin Up Bars, and a set of three (3) Plyometric Box Stations of differing heights. Instructions for use will be posted at each site.



The funds for this project have been allocated from the Measure A quarter-cent sales tax that supports programs and benefits parks, open space, and agricultural lands across Marin.

Mosquito or Not ?

Did you know that there are over 3,500 species of mosquito, but only a couple hundred feed off human blood? Never fear! Not all creatures that fly and buzz are blood sucking parasites, some can even be beneficial. Please note mosquito abatement is actively monitoring our area and being treated as needed. There are many creatures that resemble mosquitoes, but in fact are not. Included in this list are midges, gnats, and crane flies (basically the daddy long legs of the insect world). If you would like some more information on these peculiar and fascinating pests please visit: <http://msmosquito.com/sites/default/files/brochures/MSM-IRM-2011pdf.pdf>

Culvert Gate Installation

The three 7'x7' cast iron gates located at the entry to BMK were replaced recently with three stainless steel slide gates mounted to a precast concrete panel weighing 30,000 lbs. The concrete panel with the stainless steel slide gates were fabricated in Redding, CA and delivered to BMK in mid-March. Two cranes worked in concert to lift the panel off a tractor trailer to a vertical position and then lowered the 15 ton panel underwater in front of the existing concrete headwall. Global Diving and Salvage from Mare Island was the contractor selected for the project. This project is a vital component of infrastructure for the District as one of its water exchanges for its South Lagoon and flood control structure. The project was funded entirely by the District.



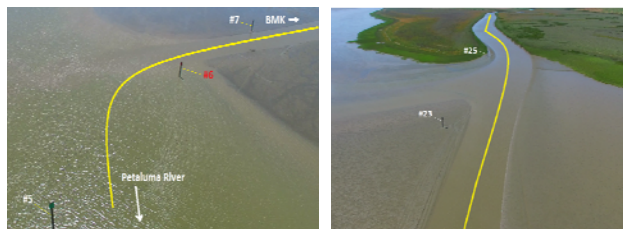
Damaged Docks

In efforts to keep our waterways clean we will continue to survey the condition of floats and docks in Novato Creek, North and South Lagoon. Some of these dock and floats have been identified as being in a rather poor state of disrepair and may be contributing to increase debris and can become a navigational hazard. In the past, pieces of float material were lodged into a precarious position in the lock door which resulted in rather costly repairs to the hydraulic systems associated with the operation of the locks. The District Office regularly receives calls from debris washing ashore to neighbor's shorelines, as well as, accumulated debris along the levee. We ask that residents please take a moment and assess docks and floats to ensure they are in good working order.

Fishing

Reminder: Everyone 16 or older needs a valid sport fishing license in their possession when they are fishing. Please be considerate to our aquatic friends when you are fishing and practice safe catch and release protocols. Please remember that there is no fishing off any District owned property (i.e. parks, locks, ramps)

If you are interested in becoming more of an angler there may be an applicable discount for your fishing license <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Fishing#44521417-free--reduced-fee>



Novato Creek Navigation Seminars

Since 2015, BMKCS D has offered a navigation seminar of Novato Creek free of charge for residents. At certain times, Novato Creek can be tricky to navigate especially out past the mouth of the creek until you reach the San Pablo Bay channel. Foth-CLE Engineering Inc., was contracted to conduct a survey of Novato Creek from Highway 37 out to the channel markers in San Pablo Bay last November. The high resolution survey is a critical tool for understanding the depths of the creek and how to navigate your vessel. This year we have added a couple of useful tools in addition to reviewing the survey results; 1) Aerial drone footage was taken at a low tide in March to help mariners understand where the shoals and mud flats are that you don't see at high tide 2) Cross sections taken at each piling/channel marker assist with understanding how far away the channel lies from each numbered piling. The first seminar was held May 16th with a large turnout of 25 residents! Currently another seminar will be held on **Wednesday, June 13th at 7:30 pm** at the Community Center. We plan to hold a weekend seminar in mid to late June as well. If you are interested in attending please contact the District at (415) 883-4222 or email admin@bmkcsd.us for more information. The Novato Creek Survey, Aerial drone footage and Piling cross sections will be uploaded to <http://www.bmkcsd.us/waterways/novato-creek/>.

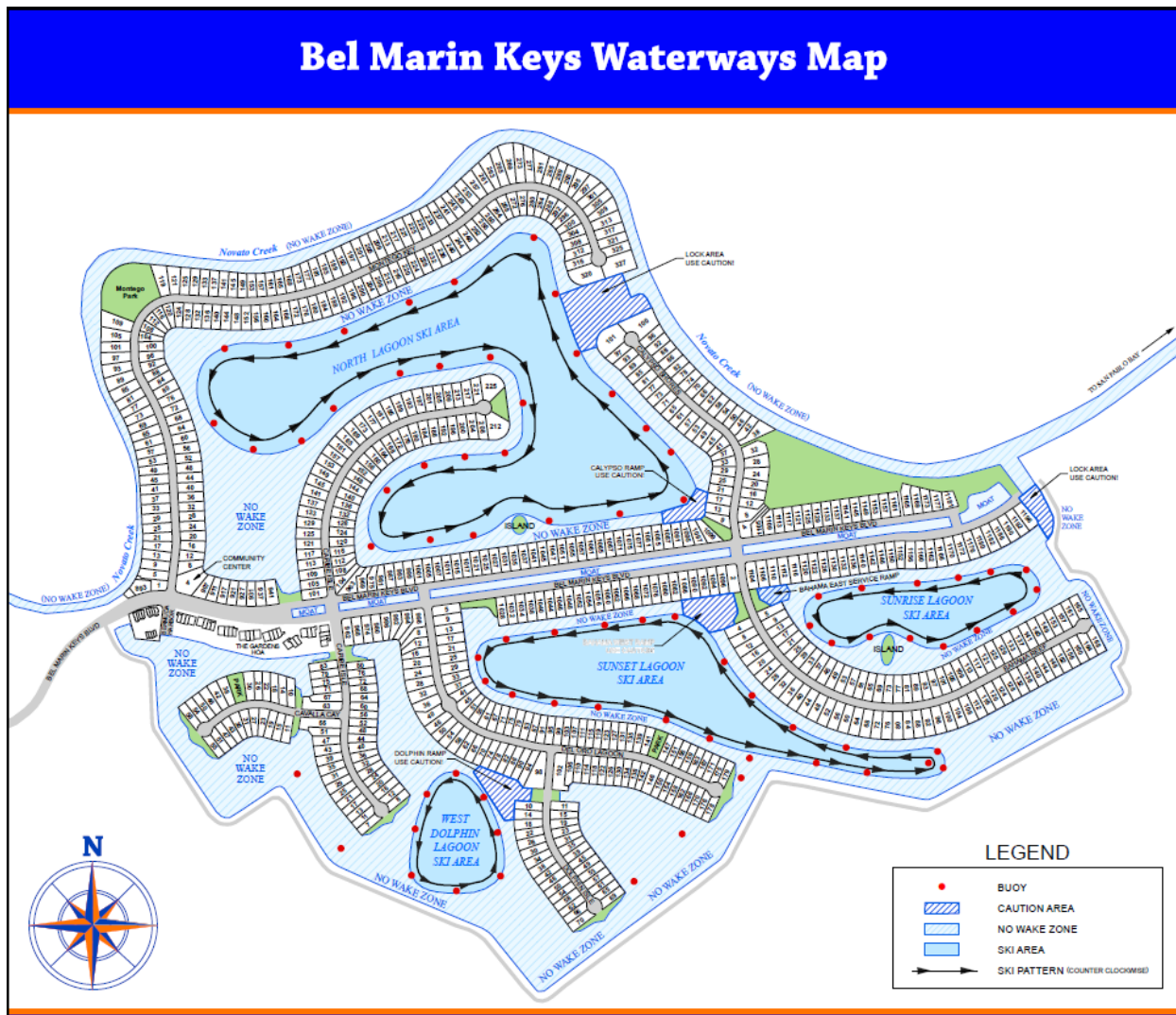
Water Safety in Our Lagoons

Summer is approaching and we want to remind residents to follow the Waterways Regulations set forth by Chapter 11.36, Marin County Code Harbors and Waterways. We would like to remind residents to the following code sections:

Section 11.36.06-Water Skiing: *“all water skiing shall follow a counter clockwise pattern, and shall be limited to the designated ski areas; as shown on the Water Safety Map*

Section 11.36.065-Wake Surfing Prohibited: *“no vessel operator shall intentionally engage in any water sport in which the sport participant is propelled entirely or substantially by the force of the vessels wake alone”*

We would also like to remind residents that you are responsible for your boats wake and must abide by the “**No Wake**” zone areas as outline in the Waterways Map (see page 3). If you have guests please ensure that they understand the Waterway Regulations we can ensure a safe waterway for all to enjoy. Let's keep our lagoons safe!



Full scale maps available at the CSD Office.



Sail-a-Bration!



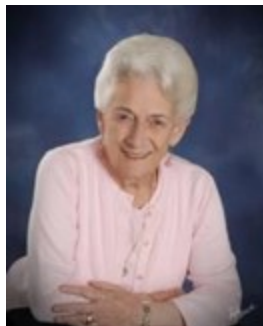
BMK's annual 4th of July Sail-a-Bration is six weeks away, and preparations are in full sail! **Join your neighbors and volunteer to make this Sail-a-Bration a party like no other!** Hosted by the Bel Marin Keys Yacht Club and supported by community volunteers, this year's event brings neighbors together for a day of old-fashioned fun. The day begins with our crowd-pleasing boat parade in the North Lagoon at 11:00 AM. Decorate your boat in patriotic colors and compete for first prize!

Drop by the BMK Community Center between 11 am and 2 pm and help yourself to a delicious community barbeque. Family favorites - live music, dunk tank, bouncy house, balloon toss, refreshing snow cones, and fabulous face painting - go on throughout the day, offering something for everyone. What's 4th of July without a parade? We'll have 2 crowd-pleasing, heart-melting parades: a Pet Parade and Children's Bike Parade to finish off the day of fun.

As with any great community event, a day like this needs lots of volunteers. **EVERYONE** living in Bel Marin Keys is encouraged to volunteer one hour of their time to ensure a fantastic community day for all.

We have 15 types of volunteer opportunities - from face painting to parade judges. For more information and to sign up as a volunteer call 883-CORK by June 15th. Someone will happily return your call, explain the volunteer options, and get you involved in the fun. It's time to Sail-A-Brate!



*In Memory of...***Lorraine Cilley
1929-2018**

Lorraine Cilley died with her family by her side on March 22nd. She was born November 7, 1929, in Hanover, New Hampshire, the only child of Robert and Irene Sanborn. Her father was a carpenter, butcher and railroad worker in New Hampshire. Her mother was a seamstress and shopkeeper. They moved to New Hampshire in 1934. Lorraine was a toddler during the great depression. Her family struggled and moved on to eventually settle in Milford, New Hampshire. She graduated from Milford High School in 1948. She met, fell in love with and married Robert Cilley. When Lt. Col. Cilley retired at Hamilton AFB in 1970, the family settled in Novato. Besides being very involved in her children's lives, she was an active member of Saint Anthony's Catholic Church, belonged to the Bel Marin Keys Women's club, was an entrepreneur as the owner, in downtown Novato, of The Yarn Studio. She worked at and with a variety of charities including The Novato Human Needs Center. Her interests, in addition to her family, were needlework, golf, bowling, mahjong and transcribing braille. Lorraine, in addition to being a classical pianist, played the guitar and the accordion. She devoted much of her time and energy as a volunteer at Novato Community Hospital. Mrs. Cilley is survived by her three sons; Robert A, Brian and Stewart; four daughters; Carolyn Osterhold, Deborah Bello, Sharon Sanborn and Patricia Barkubein; 22 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert.

**Olga Young
1933-2018**

Longtime resident Olga Young died peacefully in her home on March 30th. Olga moved to Bel Marin Keys with her two daughters, from Massachusetts in 1972, after her husband passed away. Olga then opened "So Big Sandwich Shop" on Hamilton drive in 1973, and sold it in 1995. She always made sure everyone was fed. She would enjoy walking everyday to either the mailbox or park with her dog to sit with friends and their dogs. She always made sure to have doggie treats in her pocket for them. Olga will be greatly missed by so many.

**2018 Women's Club Scholarship**

Congratulations to Skye Addicks for being awarded the Women's Club Scholarship for 2018. Skye has lived in Bel Marin Keys since she was 3 with her family who moved here from Stinson beach. Her essay beautifully described how living here has shaped her life... "Each day I marvel at how lucky I am to have grown up here. So many milestones in my life reflect the community in some way. I learned to ride a bike at the culdesac at the end of my street. Even before I could swim, I floated in the lagoon with my parents close by and when I did learn to swim, the lagoon was my first pool..."



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Community Calendar 2018

June

June 2nd & 3rd Community Garage Sale

June 11th - ERT Meeting 7:00pm

June 14th - CSD Board Meeting 7:30pm

July

July 4th - YC Sail-a-bration (CSD closed)

July 9th - ERT Meeting 7:00pm

July 19th - CSD Board Meeting

July 29th - Stop the Bleed

August

August 13th - ERT Meeting

August 16th - CSD Board Meeting

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