

the
channels newsletter

Winter 2011-12



*P*resident's perspective

Algae

I am totally confused with the current algae conditions. I was certain that by this time of year all the algae would be gone. I see copious amounts of Mosquito Fern in all the canals. I am very fearful that this condition does not bode well for next year's situation.

Draft Proposal for Zone Organization

After three years of trying to cope with the algae invasions (Duck Weed, Mosquito Fern, Lyngbya, Microcystis) the POA has evolved several techniques to try to deal with the challenge. Continually we have had difficulties recruiting and using volunteers, maintaining and utilizing equipment. We receive frequent complaints that we are not doing a satisfactory job. Below is a draft proposal for altering our approach in hopes of obtaining more involvement from homeowners. The new approach will require much more effort from members by forming Zone Committees with increased responsibility for maintaining conditions in each of the four zones.

The goals of the Zone Organizations will be:

Develop a Zone Committee led by a Zone Captain—one for each Zone

Develop a plan to manage the Zone spray boat (one in each Zone)

Each Zone will recruit volunteers (from the Zone or anywhere else) to operate and maintain the Zone spray boat. One volunteer should be designated as Spray Boat Captain.

Recruit volunteers to operate the Harvester. The Harvester will be scheduled to work in each Zone one day a week (usually in the mornings). Zones may use the Harvester (after coordinating with the Admiral) in the afternoons, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Decide if the Zone needs noodle booms in some or all of the canals in the Zone to prevent algae from entering Zone canals. Noodle booms will need to permit easy passage of boats. The POA will finance the purchase of noodles and other related

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costs. If it is decided that noodle booms are desirable a crew will be formed to open the booms when the wind blows the algae out and close the booms when the wind reverses. Barbara Higman has the most experience in setting up and managing noodle booms. A method must be developed to inform owners how to pass through the booms.

Organization

At first the Block Captains or anyone else in each Zone can hold a meeting. Either the Block Captain or someone they recruit can take the responsibility for organizing and communicating with the Board. We will refer to these four persons as Zone Captains.

A flyer can be passed out in each Zone. The Board will help (if needed) in constructing and duplicating the flyer. The normal flyer distribution system can be utilized to pass out the flyers in each Zone.

The Zone Captain will set up a meeting of all interested owners in each Zone. Volunteers to operate the Harvester in their Zone, operate and maintain the spray boat assigned to their Zone and a crew (if needed) to establish and maintain the noodle booms will be identified.

The Zone Captain will coordinate all activities with the board and if needed attend Board meetings.

Timeline

Zone organization should be completed by May 1.

The Admiral will get all equipment up and running by May 1.

During the Spring the Admiral will supervise the use of the Harvester and Big Red to remove all debris (fallen trees, etc) from the canals and the removal of Primrose.

As soon as reasonable (probably July) booms will be placed at the Island Drive Bridge and at the East entrance. It is planned to get an additional boom in place at the East entrance.

The Admiral will recruit volunteers to operate the Harvester one day each week in each Zone. In the afternoons, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays the Harvester will be used to meet emergencies as well as used by Zone Captains as needed.

The Admiral will supervise maintenance of the Harvester as needed. Zone Captains in conjunction with the Admiral will supervise the maintenance of the spray boats.

During the algae invasion the Admiral will supervise the use of equipment to remove algae from the East Canal and from in front of the East entrance booms.

To implement this new zone organization members will have to begin immediately to create the needed committees and lines of communication. The POA board is available to help in any way we can. Good luck. The conditions of the canals are the responsibility of all the owners of property in the Keys.

-Jack Wadhams, President



Treasurer's notes

This is a busy time of year. We're mailing annual disclosures and will be sending 2012 assessment invoices by mid-December. **If you don't receive an invoice for your 2012 assessment by January 1st, please call me at 707-998-8280.** Year-end tax issues are close at hand (POA has to file a tax return) and we continue to deal with liens placed on properties for which assessments have not been paid.

The holidays are a time to be thankful, and I am particularly grateful to those who volunteer time and donate money to the POA. An increasing algae problem coupled with our aging fleet has meant many hours spent on the water, working with Lake County officials, contacting consultants and vendors, and a host of other channel-related tasks. The POA exists solely because of the many hours volunteered by our members and the dollars donated by those members. As Treasurer, I appreciate those who work hard to make my job easier.

-Dennis Krentz, Treasurer

Admiral's message

Thank you to all the volunteers for their hard work and support this year!

We have started a maintenance schedule that will have the Harvester trailer and both spray boat trailers ready to get the vessels out of the water and worked on and made ready for the next season.

Our President has proposed a plan to organize each Zone into its own work area. The success is dependant on the members. If you want to see the boats work in your area you need to help us get your neighbors involved. Early next year I'll be contacting folks to set meetings in each Zone to discuss what you can do to help. I look forward to getting to know more people in the Keys and to a successful 2012 on the water.

-Don Hubbard, Admiral

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and includes important
information concerning us all.*



General Membership Meeting

2pm Saturday, December 17
at the Keys Club

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2012 INFORMATION

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HOW TO CONTACT THE POA

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Standing Committees 2012

ABATEMENT

Chair: Kathy Garner 998-3755

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Chair: Harry Schleckmayer..... 998-4634
Mari Roth 998-1531
Dennis Locke 998-4210

AUDIT

Chair: Jack Wadhams 998-1843

CANAL OPERATIONS

Admiral: Don Hubbard 998-9182
Spray Boat Captains:
Zone 1:
Zone 2: H Schleckmayer 998-4634
Zone 3: Steve Abel 998-4974
Zone 4: Mike Lasley 998-0146

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

Chair: Joan Wadhams..... 998-1843

NEWSLETTER

Chairs: Bob & Linda Richmond .. 998-3614

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Chair: Kathy Garner 998-3755

FLYER PRODUCTION/DISTRIBUTION

Chair: Marian Summerrill 998-9671
Kathy Garner 998-3755

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Chair: Barbara Higman 998-4801
Betty Ekelman 998-0309

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Ken Courville 689-3571

WEBMASTER

Claude Soones 998-3261

2012 POA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Meeting/Event (Meetings held at Keys Club)	date/time	
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Jan 17	7:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Feb 21	7:00 PM
Newsletter Input Deadline	Mar 5	
Newsletter Mailing Date	Mar 13	
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Mar 20	7:00 PM
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	Saturday, Mar 24	2:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, April 17	7:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, May 15	7:00 PM
Newsletter Input Deadline	June 1	
Newsletter Mailing Date	June 10	
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, June 19	7:00 PM
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	Saturday, June 23	2:00 PM
Boat Parade	Sunday, July 1 ?	9:00 AM
After Parade Picnic	Sunday, July 1 ?	2:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, July 17	7:00 PM
Deadline for Receipt of Nominations for Board	Friday, Aug 3	
Ballots Mailed	Tuesday, Aug 14	
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Aug 21	7:00 PM
Newsletter Input Deadline	Sept 5	
Newsletter Mailing Date	Sept 12	
Ballots counted	Saturday, Sept 15	
New Members seated	Tuesday, Sept 18	7:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Sept 18	7:00 PM
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	Saturday, Sept 22	2:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Oct 16	7:00 PM
Volunteers' Dinner	Saturday, Nov 3	5:00 PM
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Nov 20	7:00 PM
Newsletter Input Deadline	Nov 20	
Newsletter Mailing Date	Nov 27	
Regular Board of Directors Business Meeting	Tuesday, Dec 4	7:00 PM
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	Saturday, Dec 8	2:00 PM

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH & EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Below is a list of the Neighborhood Watch Captains and the streets that they cover. This program not only works as a crime deterrent but also is essential in cases of emergencies such as floods, earthquakes etc. Please give the Watch Captains all the assistance you can, this is an important community activity.

Lake County Sheriff's Department

Administration: 707-262-4200

Dispatch: 707- 263-2690

Dispatch: 1-800-693 9991

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CHAIR:

Kathy Garner, 998-3755

Block Captains:

ISLAND CIRCLE

William Rose, 12881 Island Circle...998-1814

Scott Drew, 12894 Island Circle998-9509

Helen Locke, 12760 Island Circle....998-4210

LAKE/LAKELAND & KONOCTI

Donna & Frank Bowen, 125 Lake....998-1133

Ray Jones, 421 Lake.....998-4032

Grant Berringer, 12921 Lakeland998-3049

MARINA VILLAGE

Jack Hinshaw, 13406 Marina998-2129

BLUE HERON CT

Max Lay, 12734 Blue Heron998-9561

Charlotte Bower, 12765 Blue Hrn....998-1278

PEBBLE WAY

Al & Penny Duschka, 711 Pebble ...998-8070

KEYS BLVD

Gary Scholl, 651 Keys Blvd998-9976

Bob White, 13078 Keys Blvd998-4438

Ralph Kerchner, 13188 Keys Blvd...998-4046

FLYING JIB

Ben Lawson, 13011 Flying Jib.....998-9655

VENUS VILLAGE

Dennis Pere, 13350 Venus Vlg998-1859

Ron Walker, 13383 Venus Vlg998-1165

Heidi Aragon, 13162 Venus Vlg998-9439

SPINNAKER COURT

Mary Ellen Martin, 743 Spinnaker ...998-4515

Bill Burns, 531 Spinnaker998-9281

Gene Crovo, 538 Spinnaker998-1909

EBB TIDE VILLAGE

Kathy Garner, 13287 Ebb Tide998-3755

ANCHOR VILLAGE

Ron Pere, 13394 Anchor998-0350

Ron Anderson, 13330 Anchor998-1271

SHOREVIEW DRIVE

Mary Flanders, 12678 Shoreview....998-1406

Frank Begnal, 12621 Shoreview998-1917

DRIFTWOOD VILLAGE

Dick Shallenberger, 13392 Driftwd ..998-4559

Billie & Joe Deaver, 13268 Driftwd ..998-4485

EVERGLADE

Bob & Trudy Hartje, 13340 Evrgld...998-0226

Sandra Hill, 13321 Everglade998-3303

BASS LANE

Andy Stinson, 634 Bass Lane998-9363

SURF LANE & KETCH COURT

Ken & Fran Young, 13292 Surf Ln ..998-0233

Important Telephone Numbers

If this is the problem:

You can call:

Any emergency or life threatening situation, including theft, vandalism, physical violence, criminal acts, threats, drug activity, accidents, fire and medical.....	911 (Sheriff's Emergency Dispatch)
Non-emergency situations similar to above.....	263-2331 or 1-800-693-9991 (Sheriff)
Suspected criminal activity.....	263-3663 (anonymous crime tip hotline)
Abandoned, inoperable, or nuisance vehicles; unsightly, unsafe, or hazardous property; non-compliance with building codes.....	263-2309 (Code Enforcement)
Loose or vicious dogs; animal abuse and neglect; lost or found animals.....	263-0278 (Animal Control)
Child abuse or neglect.....	262-0235 (Child Protective Services)
Speeding traffic.....	467-4000 (Highway Patrol)
Fire (non-emergency).....	998-3294 (Clearlake Oaks Fire District)
Boating problems.....	279-1591 (Sheriff Marine Officer)
Juvenile or adult probation violations.....	262-4285 (Probation Department)

Other Important Numbers

Clearlake Oaks Water District	998-3322	Public Works	263-2341
Crisis Line Counseling	800-900-2075	Board of Supervisors	263-2368
Community Patrol 3 (toll call).....	355-1911	PG&E 24 Hr ER Line	800-743-5000
Dept. Fish & Game	888-334-2075	PG&E Outage Info	800-743-5002
Local Road & Weather	463-4722	Redbud Hospital	994-6486