

# Rocky Pointe Marina Newsletter    August 2024

## **Welcome Summer**

The warm and dry weather came early and it looks like it is predicted to continue to be a warmer summer. Enjoy and be safe. With more people around it is extra important to return your carts to the ramp areas and that your guests park in the guest lot (upper marina only)

## **No swimming in Marina**

A reminder that there is no swimming in the marina waters. This is now a Federal Fire Code. Our water stops at the waterside edge of the floating homes where we have no control. Boats moored on the outside are restricted to no swimming off their boat, per RPM rules. With that said, there is still a chance of stray electric current in the water that will paralyze and most like kill a person caught within 50 ft of the electrical fault. If you see someone struggling that doesn't look someone struggling to swim, do not jump in to help them. The same will happen to you. Have them swim away from the house or boat. There is a fantastic USCG Public Service video, that was filmed at our marina years ago, that is well worth watching.

[www.electricschockdrowning.org](http://www.electricschockdrowning.org). People swimming around boats outside of marinas or any facility not connected to power on shore are all safe from this issue.

## **Water report**

At least once a week our staff tests the water at various ends of the line water lines for chlorine residual. What this means is they are making sure that our automatic chlorine injector is adding enough chlorine into the marina system so that there is still a small, but measurable amount of bacteria killer all the way to the end houses. In our past 18 years of ownership there has never been a detection of E.coli or coliform. We have a laboratory come and take samples of the water once a month to test for E.coli and coliform. They also do dozens of other tests, some each year. Those results (Called a consumer confidence report) are posted on our website, which you can find the tab on the bottom of our home screen. We are happy to announce that everything tested within safe standards.

## **Fire and Emergency Training    Wednesday August 14<sup>th</sup> 6pm-7:30pm**

It is very important that every homeowner attend training, at least once. The new homeowners and others who have not attended need to attend. It is one of our rules and is a huge benefit to your safety living here at the marina. We will meet and start at the clubhouse and discuss medical and fire emergencies. Then we will practice using the fire buckets, fire extinguishers and the portable fire pumps. You will learn where all the safety equipment is including the AED's (no training at this session). You will learn where the shut offs are for your house and the marina propane and power. Contact the office to sign up

## **No Pellet Smokers of any type or wood burning outdoor Grills**

Our rules clearly state this and it is purely for the safety of you, your neighbors and the marina. No wood, wood pellets or charcoal to be used. These all can drop from the barbeque and cause a fire. Propane is the safe option. There are some electric smokers/barbeques on the market which can be used as a grill only. Adding wood pellets is strictly forbidden, as this can be a fire hazard.

## **Low Water Safety**

The water levels are already getting to the late summer levels where the water is basically sea level and the tides have a very noticeable effect on the levels as it changes every 6 hours by a foot to a couple feet. There is a direct link to the Rocky Point Tides on our website home page under weather conditions at the bottom of the page. Reminder that Multnomah Channel was a log storage area several decades ago with pilings dotted up and down both sides of the river. Stay 75 feet off the shore to avoid hitting a piling that is just under the surface.