

Spring Cove Marina
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SPRING NEWSLETTER

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GREETINGS:

Another relatively mild winter is behind us – I keep thinking that one of these years we are going to pay for it! Anyway, we are happy to greet Spring and to see all of you appearing from your winter hibernation! A very warm welcome back to all of our returning Slipholders and a hearty “welcome aboard” to those of you joining us this year. I hope that everyone will be able to find the time to enjoy your boat this season – we will do our bit to keep fuel prices as low as we can! (Look for a one-time “fuel at cost” promotion in the mail from us later in the season). Our website, www.springcovemarina.com, has a new feature on the Home page – *The Ship’s Log* bulletin page. Current news and information will be posted (such as “the water is on the docks”) as well as any weather event updates. We hope that you find it useful.

OPEN HOUSE:

Please join us on May 10th for our annual Open House. Lunch will be served from 11:00 to 2:00 and this year we will also have *Wine Tasting!* We will offer a selection of wines from our local wineries for you to sample, as well as cheeses, sandwiches, hotdogs, salads, desserts, beer and soft drinks. We hope to see you there! The *Coast Guard Auxiliary* will once again be available for Courtesy Safety Exams beginning at 9:00 a.m. This is a great way for you to make sure that your vessel meets all of the requirements for the upcoming season.

BOATYARD:

The Boatyard is in full swing with spring painting, launching, and recommissioning. We will soon be ready to schedule those of you with boats in the water in need of bottom painting. Please go to our website (springcovemarina.com) to find the on-line work orders to fill out, or call us and we can mail you a form. We have ordered a new 50 Ton Marine Travelift, with an expected delivery in July. In late July or early August we will be redoing the lift well to accommodate the bigger lift, so for a period of about two weeks we will not be able to haul or launch anyone. Please keep this in mind when making your hauling/repair plans. Please give Don a call to discuss anything at all that you might need to have done to your boat – we are capable of most yard services. The boatyard is open Monday to Friday from 8 to 4:30.

SHIP’S STORE:

Our Store is fully stocked for the season with some wonderful new lines of Gifts and Resort Wear. We also have Cold Drinks and Coffee, Groceries, Books, an expanded Children’s Section, and Marine Supplies. Sandwiches will again be available from mid-April for your convenience. Please stop in to browse, and be sure to ask for your exclusive *Slipholder’s Discount* of 10% on gift and clothing purchases.

LOCKERS & DINGHY RACKS AND TRAILER STORAGE:

We have plenty of dinghy racks available for rent for \$50 for the year and a limited number of lockers available, of various sizes and prices. Please let us know if you are interested. Trailers or trailered dinghy storage is \$50/month for slipholders. All trailers will need a current sticker while on the property – please register with the office.

PUMP OUT:

All three pumps are now wireless, on demand pumps. Locate the remote switch on your dock and push the ‘On’ to start the pump, which will then run for about 5 minutes. If there is little, or no, suction, someone else might be using the same pump or a valve has been left open. Please contact one of the staff members if you are experiencing any difficulties. ‘A’, ‘B’ and ‘H’ are on one pump, ‘C’ and ‘D’ on one and ‘E’, Shed and ‘G’ on the third.

ELECTRICITY POLICY:

The Marina will determine if a boat needs to have the electric usage metered and will install the meter if necessary. If metered, occasional (weekend) boaters will get the first \$10/month free from April through November.

OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS:

You are not restricted in the use of outside contractors to work on your boat while it is on the marina’s property. However the Marina is a private facility and reserves the right to restrict who comes onto the property and when they may come. Only reputable companies or individuals who have all necessary insurance coverage will be allowed on the property. For all of our slipholders’ protection, contractors are required to sign in and out *each time* they come onto the property and have a current copy of the contractor rules. Outside contractors who do not have a current Certificate of Insurance on file with the marina office will not be allowed onto the property, so please make sure they do before scheduling any work. Also for your own boat’s protection, it is recommended that you give the Marina Office a call to let us know when you have someone scheduled to work on your boat.

INSURANCE CERTIFICATES:

A reminder that we do need to have a current Certificate of Insurance for your boat on file – please contact your insurance agent/carrier as soon as possible and have them fax a Certificate to us at (410) 326 4187 if you have not already done so. Thank you.

AVON WALK FOR BREAST CANCER:

On May 3rd and 4th Spring Cove will be well represented at this fine, fund-raising event. **Liz (Elizabeth) Richards** and our daughter **Samantha, Kelli Harp** who joined us as Bookkeeper in November, **Krissi (Kristin) Betit**, store clerk, and Krissi’s Mother **Gayle Lloyd** will be participating in the 2-day, 39 mile walk to raise money for Breast Cancer Research and Prevention Programs. Many thanks to all of you who have made generous donations to the cause – if any one else would like to contribute (hint Kelli and Krissi need help in reaching their goals!) please visit **www.avonwalk.org**

We look forward to seeing you at the Open House and wish you a safe and happy boating season.

Trevor & Crew