

# MARINER COVE

## Neighborhood Newsletter

### MARINER COVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MCNA is run by your neighbors for your neighbors, we keep the neighborhood safe and fun!

#### WHAT DOES MCNA DO?

The MCNA board keeps the neighborhood safe, informed, and connected. Join us and experience the magic of an intergenerational, tight-knit community.

- **Community events**
  - Spring Picnic
  - Yard Sale
  - Summer Barbeque
  - Halloween Parade and Pizza...the envy of all the other neighborhoods!
  - Holiday Gathering w/ Fire Truck Visit from Santa
- **Natural Disaster Response Group (NRG)**
  - Neighbors helping neighbors organize and prepare for natural disasters. Mariner Cove has led the way for many neighborhoods with our grassroots NRG group, founded 16 years ago.
- **Advocate for our Neighborhood**
  - Liase with town, school, and community groups to advocate for Mariner Cove.
  - Keep pulse on all the happenings and give residents the TLDR recaps and action items for our neighborhood.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### SPRING PICNIC

Join us for our first Spring Picnic on Sunday, April 21st from 12pm – 3pm. Sips and sweets sponsored by Kimberley Adams, Compass Real Estate. Bring your own picnic to enjoy!

**Sunday, April 21, 2024**

12 pm – 3 pm

San Clemente Park, Near Volleyball Courts

##### YARD SALE

Mark your calendars, clean out your garage, and get ready for **Sunday, May 19th from 10am – 2pm** for Mariner Cove's Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale. Keep an eye out for a flyer closer to the date with details + how to sign up.

Questions, ideas, requests? Reach out to [kimberly.adams@compass.com](mailto:kimberly.adams@compass.com) and let's chat!

#### MARINER COVE ANNUAL DUES

Just \$60 per household per year  
(\$20 for seniors)

##### WAYS TO PAY:

Paypal/Venmo



Mail A Check:

Post Office Box 496  
Corte Madera, CA  
94976

\* Not sure if you are current on your dues?  
Email [mcna.membership@gmail.com](mailto:mcna.membership@gmail.com)

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2023 – 2024

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***The Mariner Cove Neighborhood Association is a voluntary association available to 450 homes.***

*Our mission statement is:*

- 1. To build collective strength so that Mariner Cove's interests will be represented to the Town of Corte Madera and its governing bodies.*
- 2. To promote organized social activities and recreational programs for its members and their families.*
- 3. To communicate to residents of Mariner Cove the issues which may affect their quality of life.*
- 4. To ensure the overall maintenance and appearance of our shared areas.*
- 5. To assist residents of Mariner Cove in disaster preparedness.*

## JOIN A COMMITTEE OF THE MCNA BOARD!

We are recruiting for committee board members. Join us to keep the magic of the neighborhood alive. The time commitment is a quarterly one hour meeting for Board Members and volunteer as you're able for committee members. Grab a friend and help make neighborhood joy! Help us plan and operate an event, publish a newsletter, maintain a social media feed and more. Calling teens — grab an adult to join you and get some volunteer hours! If you're interested in learning more, email [mcna.membership@gmail.com](mailto:mcna.membership@gmail.com)



## YOUR MARINER COVE "NRG"

### Neighborhood Response Group

If you are a new neighbor in Mariner Cove, we hope you've had a visit from us to hear about what we do. If so, you've heard the "earthquake talk", you were told about the cluster groups and the Block Captains and the drills. You have also met with one of our leaders to get your family listed on our emergency database. If you haven't heard from us, please contact [leejohn7@gmail.com](mailto:leejohn7@gmail.com) so we can fix that and bring you up to date!

Our grass roots group was organized 16 years ago mainly because we live in this earthquake prone area and we know that preparation saves lives. Our NRG, a "neighbor helping neighbor" system, is supported by our Police & Fire Departments and the Town of Corte Madera. We are told that in the case of a major earthquake (or other big disaster) that timely help from emergency responders, including 911, could be next to impossible to receive. So we work together now to prepare to take care of ourselves and each other in the future.

Our March drill was a big success, with about 80 volunteer Mariner Cove residents who participated — BlockCaptains, Medical Team members and The Command Team.

Thank you to all for participating. The next drill will be in the fall.

### More about the NRG group:

This group makes sure their families are secure and then moves into action to see how everyone else in Mariner Cove is doing. We train to look for those who have injuries or otherwise need help. We have radios and practice using them each month of the year. The silver Emergency Trailer at Cove School is our Command base and has communication gear and supplies that could be needed during or after a disaster.

They can communicate with our Block Captains and Medical Team, with the other six NRGs on the Bayside, and up the ladder to CERT and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) in San Rafael. This is really a brief look at what we do; we try to learn a few skills during the year, keep our supplies up to date, communicate with others and be observant about our neighbors who might need extra help, hold community and educational events for camaraderie and fun...want to join us?

Please take a look at the enclosed page with the names of the NRG Team, your great neighbors who spend a few hours a year to help keep everyone safe. Give them a thank you! Consider joining our team or responding to our request for trailer funding; you'll be greatly thanked and loved!

### NRG Command Trailer Fundraiser

The Command Trailer that sits in Cove Park has been there for nearly 15 years and needs refreshing. Medical and other supplies are past their recommended lives, equipment needs replacement, and there are additional needs. Support the 80+ neighborhood volunteers that are committed to protecting and preserving our community in a disaster. Say thanks by donating now!

### NRG Trailer Fundraiser

- **Paypal/Venmo**



- **Mail A Check:**  
Post Office Box 496,  
Corte Madera, CA 94976

We're asking that each household contribute just \$10 (or more!)

## **Tidal Flooding in Mariner Cove Gets A Close Look From Our Town**

The Town of Corte Madera has been conducting outreach to the residents of Mariner Cove and Marina Village regarding flooding concerns from high tides as well as heavy rainfall. The Town of Corte Madera held a virtual workshop via Zoom on March 27th specifically for Mariner Cove residents to discuss our neighborhood's vulnerability to flooding and better understand our concerns as we address this important topic going forward. This meeting will be archived if you were unable to attend.

The king tide pop up at the Sanitary Pump Station (Golden Hind Psg and Ebbside) was well attended and residents observed tidal water coming in around the pump station and between the houses to the south. This was a 6.9 tide without any storm surge. Current storms have been adding about a foot or more to the predicted tide so it was easy to imagine how much worse it would have been with a storm surge. Tidal flooding in Mariner Cove is due to settlement as the homes and fill compact the bay mud beneath us as well as sea level rise. This settlement is very evident when you look at how the pump station has caused the street to subside where the storm drain is located. There was 8 inches of sea level rise in the bay during the last century and over the next several decades we will learn if the predicted future rise is too high or actually lower than anticipated.

Corte Madera Town Engineering Department as taken information from the Marin County Sea Rise Vulnerability Assessment. From LiDAR data and from consultants looking at Corte Madera and specifically at Mariner Cove.

<https://www.marincounty.org/main/sea-level-rise/vulnerability-assessment>

Information and input from residents will be discussed at the upcoming Flood Board Meeting on April 8th. It is critically important that residents attend or send comments about their concerns, suggestions or questions regarding this topic and

also discuss it with your neighbors! The goal is not to have a plan that would address the worst predictions for sea level rise but to find solutions for the short and intermediate term meaning the next two or three decades.

### **April 8th, 6:30 pm**

Temporary Town Hall  
240 Tamal Vista Blvd, Suite 108.

### **In Person or Zoom. Agenda will be posted here:**

<https://www.townofcortemadera.org/AgendaCenter/Flood-Control-Board-7>

### **Any questions please contact**

[bundyworld@comcast.net](mailto:bundyworld@comcast.net).

## **Town Hall Construction Nears Completion**

Progress on the construction of our new Town Hall Facility continues despite recent delays associated with inclement weather and muddy conditions. The building is now entirely closed-in, and all weatherproofing, doors, windows, siding, stucco, and flashings are in place. Scaffolding was removed from the site upon completion of the exterior surfaces. Additional finish and detail work is underway. Furniture is scheduled to be delivered in mid-April, and the interior rooms are expected to be substantially finished prior to the furniture's arrival.

The Town has not announced a firm completion date, as the final touches on the site are dependent on the weather and on material procurement timelines for the remaining portions of the project. The Town will provide a timeline in the coming weeks for the move-in and transition of Town services as we near the final completion of the project.

## **Town Council is Recruiting for Board + Committee Members:**

See more at the Town's Website:  
[www.townofcortemadera.org](http://www.townofcortemadera.org)