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Fire on the Mountain - Thank You Marin County Fire Department - Chipper Day August 21







A Disaster is Avoided

On Wednesday, August 11th, residents were notified that a fire had broken out on the East Peak of Mt Tam. The top two photos were taken by Mt Tam Ranger Matt Cerkel who was one of the responders providing the water supply needed on the ground. The new MCFD Firehawk helicopter (seen pulling water from Bon Tempe Lake) and a CalFire plane dropped water and fire retardant, which helped to put out the fire. Personnel from all over Marin responded including Fire, Sherriff, Rangers and the Mt Tam Watershed District. An older vehicle caught fire which led to a one-and-a-half acre wildfire. This coming weekend, neighbors have another opportunity to



reduce fuels from our properties by participating in the next Chipper Day on August 21 from 10 am - 3 pm. Bring items to MWPCA Clubhouse at 40 Ridge Avenue. Visit our website for materials restrictions. Note: No HazMat drop off on 8/21.

FREE CHIPPER DAYS

NO HAZ MAT DROP OFF ON AUGUST 21

10 am to 3 pm AUG. 21 ~ SEPT. 18

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MWPCA Member Point of View

On Fire, Fog & The Drought by Michele McCabe

If you're like me, you've welcomed the foggy, damp days of Summer 2021. The cool temperatures and moisture in the air have enveloped me in a cocoon of denial, allowing me to push the specter of fire a few notches down my list of worries. But, the fog is only providing me with a false sense of security, especially with at least two more months of critical fire season ahead. Add our severe drought conditions, it could be a dire time. Here are a couple thoughts I'd like to share with my Mountain neighbors:

- The MMWD has implemented an outdoor weekly watering schedule. Our day is Tuesday. They also have loads of great free tools they are giving away. MarinWater.org
- Summer is a great time for BBQing and sitting by the backyard fire pit, but if you use either of these items, please have the garden hose or a bucket of water close by to mitigate any flying embers.
- Do not park your car/truck/motorcycle on dry grass. The hot underside of the vehicle can cause a fire.
- A fire hydrant, regardless of its shape and no matter where it's located, is still a fire hydrant. Let's respect the fire department and our neighborhoods.

Latest facts from CalFire:

There are 9,542 fire personnel battling 11 active, major fires that have burned 912,559 acres.

Get Involved! It's so nice to get to know your neighbors and help out in our gorgeous community. Contact us at mwpca@mttam.org if you'd like to join the fun.

Emergency Contacts

While not complete, below please find a list of emergency services. Also listed are our local health agencies. Remember, 911 is always the best number to dial in an emergency.

Emergency & County Services

• 911

Mental Health Services

