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Dear Slipholders,

Marina Fall Update

I want to thank each and every one of you who came to the Marina before Hurricane Irene and prepared your boats for the storm. As a result of planning, preparation, and good fortune, we came through with minor damage and the flooding was less than predicted. The docks went under a few inches of water and the bathhouse and offices did not flood. Our new dock pedestals kept the electrical outlets and lights out of the water so it was a quick and easy task to restore power to the docks. We were very fortunate that the storm did not materialize as predicted for us and our operation was back to normal before most of Richmond even had power restored. (Prior to the storm we collected all the plastic fuel tanks that were around the dinghy racks and put them in the shop. If your fuel can is not at the storage area, please check with us to see if it is in the shop.)

There is no better time than Fall in the Northern Neck to enjoy the Chesapeake Bay and its cool, steady winds. Cathy and I recently returned from a lovely trip to Onancock where the temperatures were mild and the breezes were very pleasant. We are hoping to take several more cruises before Winter sets in and we are wishing for Summer again. We encourage you all to venture up to Annapolis to see the latest in new boats and accessories. The Sail Boat Show will be held October 6th-10th. Maybe we will see you there!

We are running the Winter Storage Special again this year, so please let Paul know if you plan to take advantage of the savings. He has begun scheduling haulouts and assigning storage spaces. The Boatyard Team will gladly help you prepare for any Fall sailing trips you may embark on and/or assist you with any new equipment you may want to add on for next year. We expect there will be some exciting and challenging winter boat projects that we will post on our website in the spring. Perhaps you have been thinking about a new paint job or an engine re-build!

Please come and take advantage of the fall sailing and thank you again for all of your efforts during the storm.

Enjoy the rest of the season!

Jim, Cathy, James, Paul, and Jennifer