



# CCSPOA News

Council Creek South Property Owners Association, Inc.  
120 Council Park Road, Burnet, Texas 78611

April 2019

## Annual Picnic and POA Meeting

The Annual Picnic and POA Meeting will take place on Saturday, April 27, in the park. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages will be provided, and property owners are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

The picnic will begin at noon, with the meeting following at 1:00 pm. Topics of interest to be discussed include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ Election of officers
- ◆ Update on road repairs and maintenance
- ◆ Process for building approvals
- ◆ Firewise and safety concerns
- ◆ Update on Central Texas Water Coalition

Come out and catch up with or meet your neighbors. We look forward to seeing you.



## Two Board Positions Open for the Next Two Year Term

Two POA Board positions are up for election this year. Jim Smith has been on the board for several years and has decided he will not run for re-election this term. Susan Cowan has also been on the board for several years, but will run for re-election if there are no other interested parties.

Please consider serving your community by becoming a board member. Meetings are only on an as needed basis, and business is often conducted via email unless a face to face meeting is warranted.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Cardiff at [mbcardiff@gmail.com](mailto:mbcardiff@gmail.com) and submit a short statement giving your background and desire to run for a position. That information will be shared with POA members via email so that they can make an informed decision at the meeting. The election will take place at the annual meeting on Saturday, April 27.

## LCRA Rules Regarding No-Wake Buoys

On May 20, 2000, the LCRA board of directors adopted a rule for the Highland Lakes prohibiting the operation of watercraft within fifty (50) feet of the shoreline, structure or swimmers at a speed greater than headway speed. This rule created a restricted area within fifty (50) feet from all shorelines and structures on the Highland Lakes. The restricted area is enforceable by law but is not required to be marked with "no-wake" buoys. Under the Lakewide Authorization, waterfront property owners may install "no-wake" buoys to mark the location of the restricted area. The buoys not only assist boaters in determining the location of the restricted area but also assist in enforcement of the rule.

Please be respectful of this rule. Buoys are considered structures, therefore it is unlawful to proceed at a speed other than one which produces no wake within fifty (50) feet of the buoys. Violators can be reported to either the LCRA Rangers at 866-527-2267 or 866-527-6322 or Texas Parks and Wildlife.

## Safety when using PWC's

With summer in full swing, more people than ever are out enjoying our lakes, especially with the rise in lake levels this year. Use of personal watercraft — such as Jet Skis, Sea Doos and WaveRunners — continues to grow on our lake. These watercraft are small, fast and highly maneuverable. They can also be very dangerous if operators don't take the time to understand how they operate and learn the safety rules for this type of watercraft.

Personal watercraft (or PWCs) are subject to all boating laws, plus regulations specific to operating PWCs. Check the [Texas Water Safety Act](#) for a complete list of rules and regulations.

Here are some important rules for personal watercraft:

- Children under 13 are prohibited from operating a PWC unless accompanied on board by a person at least 18 years of age.
- A Texas Parks and Wildlife boater education certificate and photo ID is required for operators between 13 and 17 years of age. A person is exempt from mandatory boater education requirements if they are at least 18 years of age.
- Each person riding on or towed by a PWC must wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket or PFD.

It is illegal to:

- Operate a PWC between sunset and sunrise.
- Operate a PWC within 50 feet of the shoreline, structures (including NO WAKE buoys), swimmers or other watercraft unless at HEADWAY SPEED (or "no-wake speed," just fast enough to steer the boat straight).
- Jump the wake of another watercraft recklessly or unnecessarily close.

Let's stay safe out there!