



Building & Grounds Report February 2018

So far this year we completed a 2 day tree trimming task supervised by a certified arborist, trimming dead live oak branches and removing ball moss from the lower parking lot trees. In addition, the contractor trimmed back tree branches from the dry sail area where the sailboat shrouds were hitting the branches. Some branches were removed that prevented boat masts from the trailer parking area from easily getting to the ramp area. This was all completed before the February 1st deadline for cutting live oak trees.

The phone system for the AYC and its integration to the gate has been evaluated. With the recommendations from new member Chuck Boecking, a backup battery system was purchased and installed by Tom. Conductivity of existing lines have been evaluated to determine if upgrades are needed, and improvements have been made to the intercom for clearer communication from the gate to the office.

In addition, evaluations on cost of service and service needs with the cable/internet/phone service provider Spectrum were completed to discover that we can save \$68 per month on phone service plus getting us a much faster internet speed. A free hot spot will be added to the furthest cabin areas for better service.

We have had a very successful volunteer work day with 20+ people sprucing up the grounds for opening day. Volunteers painted the railing, cleaned up the grounds, trimmed hedges, and installed new Purell dispensers in the restrooms, etc. Volunteers landscaped the “anchor area” and planted new plants under the staircase. Our next volunteer work day is set for March 17th St Patrick’s Day morning. Let’s get a few things done before we drink our green beer!

Please plan on participating on these dates: Saturday, March 17th, May 19th, June 16th, Sept 15th. These dates are subject to change however we will try and stick to them. Many dates are scheduled a week before major events at the club so we can “spruce it up”.

If you would like to be on the B&G committee, or have questions about this, please contact me at: buildings_grounds@austinyachtclub.net. However you don’t have to be on the committee to join us on any Saturday work day.



Respectfully Submitted,
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