

07/26/06

There was a vegetation fire behind KOA (formerly Wyntoon Resort) and north of the boat ramp on July 17, 2006. The cause of the fire is indeterminate at this point, but could have been started from a fire pit that was not properly extinguished the evening before. According to the fire departments report, the fire was entirely within a grassy area, and measured 50 feet by 75 feet. The fire was extinguished by use of water and foam. The high lake level this year has produced a layer of mossy grass that after the lake receded, was dried by the hot weather, creating a cover for the fire to burn undetected. Thanks to the TCVFD's Thermal Imager, and the expertise of our firefighter's, several hot spots were located that were not visible to the eye.

The sudden high winds Sunday night created headaches and destruction to both boat marinas in Trinity Center. A large portion of KOA's North dock was ripped off by the unusual high gust of wind. Two boats were tipped over and submerged, and as they bumped and ground against the wooden planks of the dock. one had a hole ripped into it's port side. Several boats had minor dents and scratches at the KOA lost their North Dock and 6 boats were capsized.

Bee stings seem to be happening more often this year than last. Here is a couple of hints to file in your "I didn't know that" file.

The firelog is usually located at the end of this column, but because there has been so much happening in the North Forty, I am placing a modified version at the beginning this week.

7/17/06 Fire - Report of wildland fire east of KOA, north of boat ramp. Extinguished.

7/20/06 Training - medical; joint w/CCVFD @ CCVFD. Bloodborne pathogens/communicable diseases.

7/22/06 Medical - Child patient with fish hook impaled in face. Treat/transport.

7/22/06 Medical - Report of bee sting patient. Refused treatment.

7/22/06 Training - Allied agency meeting @USFS Mule Creek.

7/23/06 Medical - Male patient with acute abdomen. Treat/transport.