



# The Water Line

**Happy New Year!** On behalf of myself and the staff here at the Marina, we wish you a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year. There will definitely be some excitement at the Marina in 2007 !!

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**Hours of Operation**

**Administration Office**

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**Sunday-CLOSED**

Monday–Friday

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Saturday

8:00 AM to 4:00PM

**Fuel Dock**

Tel: 916-808-7133

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**September 16 - March 15**

8:30AM to 5:00PM

**March 16 - May 15**

8:30AM to 7:00PM

**May 16 - September 15**

8:30AM to 8:00PM

**Contact Marina Staff anytime**

**between 8:00 AM and midnight.**

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Cell: 916-807-0838

Marina Security can be

contacted from 11:00 PM to 8:00 AM

VHF Radio Channel 16

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First of all, we are still in the process of collecting new berth license agreements and insurance documentation from patrons. We are aware of the frustration some of you have been experiencing with your insurers, and Kendra is trying to smooth out any rough spots by speaking with your brokers when needed and providing them with more detailed information. While we recognize this process is causing some growing pains, in the end, we will have a safer environment by guaranteeing that the boats in the Marina are safe and seaworthy, and you can feel secure that your neighbors are as equally insured as you are.

Secondly, we are putting together a program to offer boating related classes or events on a quarterly basis here at the Marina Administration Office. The first event we will be offering to patrons is a vessel safety check from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary on March 24, 2007. More information about this class is located elsewhere in the newsletter. We hope you will take advantage of these classes. Information on other offerings to follow.

And lastly, the South Basin renovation bid closes on January 10, 2007. From that point, we plan to go to City Council for contract award in February. In-water work is limited by the permitting agencies to August – October, so the bulk of the work will be taking place then. We don't have a date yet for the start of work, but we will keep you informed as we progress.

I would like to remind everyone that during construction we will be relocating boats throughout the Marina, and of course, there will be a lot of construction activity. This may cause some inconvenience at times, but enables the Marina to remain open throughout construction.

On a related note, we have had several inquiries on how slips will be distributed once the South Basin is complete. Our first task after construction is complete is to relocate current South Basin patrons into their new slips, put patrons that exceed 10% of their slip length into the appropriately-sized slip, and correct any other inconsistencies of berth assignment. Once everyone has a new home, we will begin filling empty slips in the South Basin in the same manner we fill all empty slips in the Marina – *by going to the wait list*. There is currently no wait list for the new 28 foot and 45 foot slips that will be created in the South Basin. We will not start a wait list for these slips until we are near the end of construction. We'll keep you posted.

-Rebecca Bitter  
 Interim Marina Manager



**Upcoming Marina Advisory Council Meetings**

January 31st, 2007

April 25th, 2007

July 25th, 2007

October 31st, 2007

**All meetings start at 6:00 PM**

**Sacramento Marina Advisory Council**

Elgin Bradley (Chair)  
 Mark Foster  
 Ken De Young  
 Ted Walker  
 Don Henkle  
 Don Buxton  
 Ron Brown  
 Robert Jacoby  
 Tiger Badhan

**City Staff**

Linda Delong  
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Heather Fargo  
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*District 1*

Ray Tretheway

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Sandy Sheedy

*District 3*

Steve Cohn

*District 4*

Robert Fong

*District 5*

Lauren R Hammond

*District 6*

Kevin McCarty

*District 7*

Robbie Waters

*District 8*

Bonnie J. Pannell

**City Manager**

Ray Kerridge

**Free Vessel Safety Checks**

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will be at the Sacramento Marina on Saturday, March 24th from 9am to NOON to perform free safety checks on your vessel. The results are not reported to any enforcement agency and no citations are issued. However, a decal is awarded to display if the vessel has passed the examination. This is a great way to get important information on the safety of **your** vessel. Don't miss this opportunity!! The sign-up sheet will be on the counter located in the Marina Administration Office.

**Fuel Prices**

We have had several inquiries recently regarding how the Marina determines its fuel price. As you know, the Marina is an enterprise fund, which means our budget is funded only by our revenues. It's also important to know that our fuel sales are the funding source for our fuel dock operation, including the budget for Marina Aides. It's a simple, though brutal, equation - **no fuel sales, no fuel dock**. As a City operation, we purchase fuel at the 'Fleet' rate. That is, we pay the same initial price for fuel as every other City operation, although that price fluctuates with general fuel prices. Then we have to add on surcharges and taxes that we pay on the fuel. Then we have to calculate the price at which we need to sell fuel in order to pay for the fuel purchase and fund the fuel dock operation. We also compare our price to other fuel docks on the river. We try to keep our prices competitive and reasonable, while also improving our bottom line.

**Fueling precautions**

- Portable tanks should be refueled ashore.
- Close all hatches and other openings before fueling.
- Extinguish all smoking materials.
- Turn off all engines, all electrical equipment radios, stoves and other appliances.
- Remove all passengers.
- Keep the fill nozzle in contact with the tank and wipe up any spilled fuel.
- Open all ports, hatches and doors to ventilate.
- Run the blower for at least four minutes.
- Check the bilges for fuel vapors before starting the engine.
- Do the "sniff test". Sniff around to make sure there is no odor of gasoline anywhere in the boat.
- **Putting fuel into your tanks in the Sacramento Marina is only allowed at the fuel dock.**

Practice good fuel management by using the "One-Third Rule":

One third of the fuel going out

One third to get back

One third in reserve

**Insurance Requirements**

Please remember that the insurance requirements for berthing your vessel in the Sacramento Marina are due no later than February 14, 2007.

The insurance shall be a Protection and Indemnity Liability Insurance with a \$300,000 minimum per occurrence naming the City of Sacramento, its officers, agents and volunteers as an additional insured. This is a standard Marina practice and must be maintained throughout the term of the berth license agreement. Proof of insurance must be a Certificate of Liability Insurance and an Additional Insured Endorsement (AIE). Please do not hesitate to contact the Marina Office if you have any questions concerning this at 916-808-5712.

