



The Water Line

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Hours of Operation

Administration Office

Tel: 916-808-5712

Fax: 916-808-8163

Sunday-CLOSED

Monday—Friday

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Saturday

8:00 AM to 4:00PM

Fuel Dock

Tel: 916-808-7133

Cell: 916-807-0838

September 14 - TBA

Currently Closed

Contact Marina Staff anytime

between 8:00 AM and midnight.

VHF Radio Channel 16

Cell: 916-807-0838

Marina Security can be

contacted from 11:00 PM to 8:00 AM

VHF Radio Channel 16

Or cell: 916-825-2955

Email Us:

sacmarina@cityofsacramento.org

Web Site:

www.sacramentomarina.com

FROM THE HELM

As all of you know, Sacramento experienced a major storm event on Friday, 1/4/08. Unfortunately the marina took a slight beating with this last rain storm. All boats made it through without harm; however, our old South basin docks are still toughing out the weather and moving around.

I think now is the perfect time to make sure that we are all on the same page when it comes to storm safety. Below are some tips on how to be prepared (taken from the Santa Barbara Waterfront Department Newsletter-December 2007 issue). Thank you and safe boating!

Remember, it doesn't take much wind or rain to cause major problems (including damaging or sinking a boat), so take these steps to ensure the safety of your boat and those around you.

- **Early Warning**-Make sure to monitor weather reports. If a storm is brewing, visit your boat prior to the storm. If you are unable to make it to the boat see if you can find a responsible person who can.
- **Dock Lines**-Visually inspect your dock lines for chafe, wear and trip hazards (please don't run mooring lines across fingers). Tie lines securely to cleats or pilings; consider chafing gear and doubling up the lines.
- **Dock Obstructions**-Don't store skiffs or other items on the dock.
- **Bilge Check**-Test your bilge pump to ensure that it is working, the float switches properly activate the pumps and that the float switches aren't hindered by debris. Be sure limber holes aren't blocked. Close seacocks and check propeller and rudder shafts.
- **Fenders**-Use an adequate number of appropriate-sized fenders.
- **Boat Gear**-Store or tightly secure sails, rigging, tarps and loose gear on deck.
- **Boat Openings**-Close and secure hatches, ports and windows.
- **Other**-Removing valuables and electronics, installing a dehumidifier or moisture absorber, propping up cushions and opening the boat during periods of fair weather to circulate air.

Should you have any questions on this or need assistance, please feel free to call or stop by the office.

Bud Camper: Harbormaster

SOUTH BASIN UPDATE

K Dock is in.....well partially. We started receiving segments of the dock, so that process is finally underway. We appreciate your patience through all of the boat moves (or as some have termed it, playing boat rodeo), and construction process. Your continued support and understanding through this process has been unbelievable and completely appreciated by all.

Once K dock is underway, our fuel dock/store will be back, then the other docks are set for completion. The order of completion is K, L, J, I, H and then G. If you have already selected your slip, be assured that once it is ready to occupy you will be notified to move into your new permanent location.

REGISTRATION RENEWAL

Please remember to provide the office a copy of your boat registration. You can mail it, drop it in the night drop box or fax it to 916-808-8163. Thank you!!!

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FUEL DOCK/PUMPOUT UPDATE

The Fuel dock is scheduled to be completed in late February. We plan to be able to provide fuel dock, pump out, and store services at that time.

The new fuel dock is a major improvement to the Marina that we are sure everyone will enjoy. The fuel dispensers are state of the art, and include a pay at the pump feature, 50ft fuel hoses, and easy to operate hose reels.

The pump out system will be located on the North Side of the Store and will be accessible 24 hours a day.



SUGGESTIONS WANTED

We are currently going through the process of determining what we will be selling in the new fuel dock store. We would really appreciate any suggestions you may have on what you would like us to have at the store. Please email us at sacmarina@cityofsacramento.org or give us a call at the office (916-808-5712) with your comments.

SPECIAL APPRECIATION

Everyone at the Marina has been impacted by the South Basin construction project. Not having the fuel dock or pump out has been a major inconvenience. Navigating around the barges and work boats in the harbor during the dredging and piling phases of the project was a pain in the neck. Possibly the most impact has been felt by the folks that have their boat in the old docks in South Basin. Many of these boaters have been asked to change slips several times. The docks themselves have moved from one location to another on several occasions as well.

These old docks are over 55 years old, and needless to say, have seen better days. It has been a real challenge for the contractor to keep these docks together as they are moved around. The storm that occurred on 1/4/08 caused several of these docks to break loose from their moorings. The docks were re-attached to the moorings and thankfully no boats were damaged.

DUTIES IN A BOATING ACCIDENT

Imagine that you are enjoying a harbor cruise with friends. Suddenly, the engine stalls while turning down a narrow fairway. Now you're drifting towards the stern of a small power boat with a large outboard engine...CRASH! The moored boat lunges forward, your passengers fend off and you're now drifting down the channel. The engine re-starts when you turn the key. Turning to see the power boat's cabin locked, no one on the dock and no visible damage, you think (or say), "Whew, I got lucky."

The following Saturday, marina staff receive a call from the owner of the power boat reporting a cracked engine bracket (\$400) and a big chip in the vessel's gel coat (\$200) where its bow struck the dock. When questioning neighbors, they reported seeing your boat pushing off the moored boat the week before. This seemingly minor accident is now a "Hit and Run".

The operator of a vessel involved in a collision has several important duties and responsibilities:

- The duty to render assistance to involved persons and minimize any danger caused by the collision.
- The duty to stop at the scene and locate and notify the owner or person in charge of the damaged property. If they cannot be found, leave a written notice with the name and address of the operator.

Property damage is not always evident on a cursory check. All boating accidents resulting in over \$500 in damage require that the operator submit a report to the Department of Boating and Waterways. The harbormaster would also need to be notified after any collision (916-808-5712). The best actions after a collision are to stop, render aid, contact responsible parties.

Would you know what to do if this happened to you?





Upcoming Marina Advisory Council Meeting (MAC)
January 30, 2008
6:00 pm

Sacramento Marina Advisory Council

Vacant (Chair)
Mark Foster
Ken De Young
Ted Walker
Don Henkle
Don Buxton
Ron Brown
Robert Jacoby
Carol Stiver

City Staff

Linda Delong
Bud Camper
Bernie Auger

Mayor

Heather Fargo

City Council

District 1
Ray Tretheway
District 2
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

MARINA ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

The next Marina Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2008. The meeting will be held in the room next door to the Administration Building at 6:00 PM. The agenda will be posted on the gates and the website as we get closer to the date. If you have suggestions or items to be discussed, please contact a MAC member. Their information is listed on the website, under the MAC tab (click on MAC Members). Also, be advised that there is an opening on our MAC committee. You can download the application from our website, www.sacramentomarina.com or stop by the office to pick one up.

CLEAN MARINA

Over the years we have wanted to obtain Clean Marina certification. Unfortunately we have not had the man power to devote the time to do so. That is...until now. We would like to welcome Arvin Lemus to our team, he is fully devoted to ensuring that we have what it takes to become Clean Marina certified. He started with us in November and will stay on until the project is complete.

WWW.SACRAMENTOMARINA.COM

Our website is in the process of being updated. Please keep your eyes opened, we will be adding space on our site to advertise your boat(s) for sale as well as ensuring that it has up to date information regarding weather and boat lien information.

SLIP TRANSFERS

As a continued friendly reminder...If you have a slip license agreement dated before **March 1, 2005** you may transfer the berth to the buyer of your boat, as long as the transfer occurs before **June 1, 2008**.

GATE KEYS

One perk that we all get to look forward to upon completion of the South Basin project is an updated gate key system. We will be moving from the physical keys to electronic keys. We are looking forward to this as an added level of security.

WELCOME BACK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We are pleased to announce that Kendra Gray will be returning toward the end of February after being away on maternity leave.



INSURANCE

Should you decide to switch insurance carriers for better coverage or premiums, please remember to send us a certificate and additional insured endorsement. If we do not receive a copy of the new coverage, it is assumed that you have no coverage. You are required to maintain the required insurance throughout the term of your berth license agreement; therefore, it is important to keep the Marina Administration Office current with insurance records.

BOAT HOISTS AND SUNSHADES

I have been asked several times about the Marina's policy on boat hoists and shades. I am a firm believer in the fact that a boat stored out of the water can generate savings on boat maintenance. I have owned several boat hoists in the past. I am also aware of the benefits of keeping the sun from hitting directly on your boat. Boat hoists and sun shades can be installed, but only after obtaining the Marina Manager's written approval. If the hoist is made and installed professionally and the installers have met the requirements to perform work at the Marina, the hoist should be approved.

The same is true about Sunshades. Sunshade material must be very durable and aesthetically pleasing. Plastic and canvas tarps will not be approved. Installation of the sun shade must be professional and the installers must meet the requirements of the marina.

Bud Camper-Harbormaster