

# The Water Line

## Electronic Newsletter!

With the addition of our new Website ([www.sacramentomarina.com](http://www.sacramentomarina.com)), we would like to make some changes to our newsletter. Beginning with the **next** issue of The Water Line, the newsletter will no longer be mailed out. We will continue to place the newsletter on our web site and hard copies will be available in the Marina Administration Building and Fuel Dock. Be sure to check the website frequently for notices on sales and other events in the Marina.

## 2003 Berth Rental Coupons

The Marina Staff will be sending out the 2003 Berth Rental Coupons to our customers in December. **Watch for your coupons in the mail!**

## End of the Boating Season...Winter is on the Way!

Winter storms will bring major rain and wind to our area. Rainwater can create problems aboard your boat and winds can cause expensive damage.

Here are a few suggestions to help "winterize" your boat:

1. Dinghies frequently fill with rainwater and sink. Consider removing your dinghy from the water during the winter months.
2. Make sure all windows and hatches are closed.
3. Check your bilge and bilge pumps often, especially after storms.
4. Check all of your dock lines and replace them if they are worn.
5. Add extra fenders and lines to prevent your boat from hitting the dock or dock locker.
6. Be A Good Neighbor; contact Marina Staff if you see a problem with a neighbor's boat.

Winterize now and it may save you time and money!

## Boat for Sale?

If you currently have a boat for sale, you can write it up on a 3x5 card and we will post it on the bulletin board at the Fuel Dock. All cards must be typed, and include date posted and phone number.

Also, remember that if someone is coming down to your boat for any reason, you need to call us in advance. We will not let anyone on the docks without prior authorization.

## Bringing Gasoline Onto the Docks?

The City Fire Department has serious concerns regarding gasoline being brought into the City's marina. If you believe you have a special circumstance, please contact the Marina Office for authorization **before** you bring fuel into the marina. Failure to follow this procedure may result in the termination of your berth license agreement.

If the one time special consideration is granted, the fuel must be in an approved container and under no conditions will the fuel be transferred into the vessel while the vessel is within the confines of the Sacramento Marina.

## Holiday Dock Locker Sale!

Looking for that perfect gift for the boater in your family? Look no further! We have NEW and USED Dock Lockers on sale NOW!!

NEW DOCK LOCKERS - \$250.00 Tax Included (Regular price - \$300.00 Tax Included)

USED DOCK LOCKERS - \$200.00 Tax Included

Supply limited to stock on hand. First Come...First Serve.

For more information or to purchase, please contact Joe Garcia in the Marina Office (264-5712) or the Fuel Dock (264-7133).

## **Vessels Blocking Walkway**

During a recent dock check we noticed several boats were extending into the walkway creating safety concerns.

Please check your vessel to make sure it does not extend more than six (6) inches into the walkway. Safety is everyone's concern.

## **Accidents in the Marina**

The Marina Office has received several calls from customers stating that someone had hit their vessel and failed to either leave a note or attempt to contact them.

After a long day of boating you are probably tired and all you want to do is get the vessel in the slip and go home. Being in a hurry can lead to poor maneuvering which can result in damage to your vessel, someone else's vessel or to the docks.

Please be careful when maneuvering your vessel within the Marina. If you do cause any damage, be a good neighbor and report it. Accidental damage to someone else's vessel could lead to more major problems, up to that vessel taking on water.

### 12.76.140 Accident reports. (Sacramento City Code)

Any person involved in an activity or collision which causes damage to any other person, vessel, property, or city facilities within the Sacramento Boat Harbor, of any nature whatsoever, whether said person be at fault, or not, shall fill out an accident report provided by the director within twelve (12) hours of such incident. The completion of this accident report shall be in addition to such notices and/or reports required by the laws of the state. (Prior code § 27.08.314)

## **Dogs Loose On The Docks**

The Marina Office continues to receive complaints from customers that dogs are loose on the docks and leaving "messes." If you bring your pet on the docks, please have it on a leash and always pick up after your pet.

### 12.76.170 Animals in harbor. (Sacramento City Code)

No owner, or person in control of any dog or other animal shall permit said animal to run at large within the Sacramento Boat Harbor. All animals shall be deemed to be running at large unless: the animal is led or restrained by a leash, chain, strap, cord, or other similar device attached to the animal's collar, and which is securely fastened around the animal; and the leash, chain, strap, cord, or other similar device is actually held by some person or made fast to the vessel of the owner or person in control of such dog or other animal. Owners shall be responsible for all actions of the animal. (Prior code § 27.08.317)

## **Dredging at the Mouth of the Marina...**

The Sacramento Marina has annually dredged the entrance channel to prevent emergency and recreational vessels from becoming land-locked and unable to enter or exit the marina. The environmental permits only allow for "in the water work" from August 1<sup>st</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup>.

This year the marina was unable to dredge due to the unusually high river levels during the summer months. The land area where the equipment is placed to perform the dredging operation was either under water or too wet to work.

The level of the river has now dropped and we have applied for an extension to the September 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. We have received tentative approval from four of the six permitting agencies to dredge until October 30<sup>th</sup>. However the final approval must come from the State Department of Fish and Game and they will be reviewing our request this week.

We will keep you informed.

## **Goats May Be Coming! (Organic Weed Eaters)**

As you have probably noticed, the banks surrounding the Marina are overgrown with vegetation. This situation has created a fire hazard and security concern.

The Marina is investigating having goats brought in to organically remove the vegetation. Keep an eye out for four legged weed eaters!