



MARINA NEWSLETTER



Parks Recreation & Waterfront

September 2008

Waterfront Commission Meeting September 10, 2008

The Next Waterfront Commission will be meeting at 7pm at the Marina conference room September 10, 2008. Agendas will be posted on the web and throughout the marina.

Winterizing your boat! ...An excerpt from Boatsafe.com..

Unfortunately, the boating season is winding down and it is time to start thinking about protecting your valuable recreational asset. Winterizing a boat reminds me of the old commercial that says "pay me now or pay me later." The time and effort you spend now will have a definite effect on your boat's performance, or lack of it, and certainly save you time, effort and money come spring. You should remember that your insurance policy may not cover damage done by lack of maintenance or neglect.

Your first step in winterizing should be to make a checklist of all items that need to be accomplished. Check the owner's manual of your boat and motor(s) for manufacturer's recommendations on winterization. If you are a new boat owner, perhaps you should employ the assistance of a friend with experience in winterizing or hire a professional to do the job.

This website has a generic outline of areas which should be of concern to you, however, there are many resources on the Internet with more detailed and specific information. <http://www.boatsafe.com/nauticalknowhow/winterupdate.htm>

Pump- Out locations

The marina has 2 pump out locations for our customers. Just in case you were not aware, there is a 22ft tie up at the south end of "G" dock for pump out service, and a new pump-out location at the end of the New "I" dock. This is a 40ft end tie near the old ferry pier. Remember to be patient and *prime the pump* in the water for a minute before and after use. Priming helps keep the flow running and avoids clogging the line.

Water Conservation

Berkeley Marina staff has been conserving water this year by cutting back on irrigation and fixing leaks in the facility. Please check all your hose lines and faucet connectors for leaks or wear. Maintenance staff will fix all broken water lines but boaters are responsible for hoses and connectors. If staff finds a hose line on the dock that is leaking and wasting water, they will turn it off and charge the berth renter for the waste. Please cooperate with us in our efforts to conserve water. Together we can make a difference.

Billing Questions, address changes, ownership changes

Many customers continue to send notes to the billing address for changes and information. Please remember to contact the marina office for all billing issues, concerns, address changes, or change in ownership. We know this sounds like a broken record, but we have many new customers, so we continue to remind all of you that requests sent in your payment envelope may delay your service. The Marina office is open every day of the year. Please contact us at 510-981-6740 for assistance on your account.