



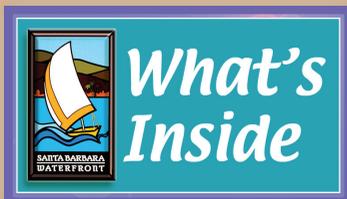
# DockLines

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THE SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

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Santa Barbara City Photo: Ice House

## Ice House Overhaul

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

After 20 years of providing high-quality flake ice to Santa Barbara Harbor's fishing fleet, the Ice House was due for a complete overhaul. The reliability of this essential facility had diminished the past couple years, requiring ice deliveries from Oxnard to serve the fishing fleet—a major inconvenience and cost. With considerable planning and acquisition of some key components, the ice house was recently overhauled.

To the casual observer it looked like minor roof repairs but all ice-making machinery is jammed so tightly into the second story of the ice house that the only way to replace the

equipment was to remove a section of the roof. Scaffolding was placed around the east end of the building where walls were removed so the contractor could have unlimited access to the machinery that was replaced. New water and refrigerant plumbing were installed and tested, confirming that several chronic leaks were finally sealed. A new variable-frequency drive motor was installed to reduce electrical use. Discharge augers were retrofitted with new bearings and gear box to round out what was the most significant overhaul of the Ice House ever. Although out of service for almost four weeks, the Ice House was back up and running in time for the opening of white seabass commercial fishing season.

## Fiscal Year 2015 Budget and Fee Changes

Brian J. Bosse, Waterfront Business Manager

Revenue for Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014) continues to improve upon Fiscal Year 2013, largely due to continued cruise ship revenues and great weather in the summer, fall, and spring. The Department continues to maintain 100% occupancy in slip and lease rentals. Stearns Wharf and the Harbor remain popular visitor destinations. Tenant sales and percentage rents, as well as parking fee revenue, show continued signs of growth.

During Fiscal Year 2015 (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015) the Department expects to fund approximately \$3 million in capital improvement projects, including parking lot repairs to the Harbor commercial area, Stearns Wharf pile and timber repair, remodeling the Marina 4 restroom, upgrading the electrical system for the 117 Harbor Way building and replacing end-ties on Marinas Two, Three and Four.

After spending Fiscal Year 2014 in engineering and design, replacement of

Marina One, "J" and "K" fingers, is scheduled to begin in November of this year.

As in prior years, fee increases are necessary to complete these projects and maintain the Harbor, Stearns Wharf and other Waterfront facilities while keeping the Department's emergency and construction reserves at required levels.

Fee increases proposed for July 1, 2014:

- 2% slip fee increase
- \$25 / foot slip transfer fee increase (not applicable to 20 and 25-foot slips)

Waterfront staff reviewed the proposed FY 2015 budget, including fee increases, with the Harbor Commission in February and March, 2014. City Council reviewed the Waterfront Department's proposed budget at a May 5<sup>th</sup> work session. Council is expected to adopt the Waterfront Budget on June 24<sup>th</sup>. The entire proposed City Budget can be found at: [www.santabarbaraca.gov](http://www.santabarbaraca.gov) under the "What's New" section.

## DockLines

City of Santa Barbara  
Waterfront Department

### Office Hours

Monday through Friday  
8:00 a.m. to noon  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Business Office: 564-5531  
Harbor Patrol: 564-5530  
Maintenance: 564-5522  
Parking Services: 564-5523  
Office Fax: 560-7580

(805) local area code



*Santa Barbara City Photo: Cachuma Lake, current capacity 35%*

## Stage 2 Drought Declaration

City Council recently declared a Stage 2 drought which means a required 20% reduction in water use. Waterfront staff has already implemented several water conservation measures, including low-flow shower heads in all restrooms, plus aerators on the faucets. Signs are posted reminding slip holders and harbor users to conserve water as much as possible. Irrigation has been cut back and the dolphin fountain shut off. All restaurants are now prohibited from serving water unless requested. Washing down hardscape is allowed only for public health reasons.

One water conservation measure that impacts all boaters is the requirement that automatic shut-off nozzles be used for washing any vessel. The City's Water Resources Division generously provided 1,200 nozzles

for slip-holder use. Maintenance staff will install a new nozzle on every existing hose in every marina. Non-automatic shut-off nozzles (ones you have to twist to turn on and off) will be replaced with the new nozzles, with the non-automatic nozzles placed in the cockpit or dock box.

Although nozzles will only be installed on existing hoses, staff recognizes that many boaters keep their hoses on the boat or in the dock box. If that's the case, please contact harbor maintenance at (805) 564-5522 and we'll give you a new nozzle. There are plenty to go around, so don't hesitate to call and do what you can to help conserve water.

## Clean Marina Corner

### Operation Clean Sweep A Big Success

The eighth annual Operation Clean Sweep, a volunteer seafloor cleanup program, took place on May 3rd. Nearly 40 dock workers, aided by a dozen divers (many from Salty Dog Dive Services), collected 1.2 tons of debris from beneath fingers M-P in Marina One, bringing the program's total to 15.7 tons. This year's "haul," included a fuel tank, microwave oven, dock steps, satellite dish and boat liner. Staff wishes to thank the many volunteers, from local citizens to groups like Channelkeeper, the Maritime Museum, Santa Barbara Surfrider, NOAA and three Harbor Commissioners. Next year's Clean Sweep in Marina One, fingers Q-S will complete a nine-year harbor "circumnavigation," to begin again in Marina 4 in 2016.



## HOW TO USE FIRE-HOSE CABINETS

Steve McCullough, Harbor Patrol Supervisor

You're sleeping on your boat when you wake to the smell of a campfire. Wait, you're in the marina, not camping in Yosemite. Stepping onto the dock, you see smoke and a red glow from a boat across the dock - Fire!

First priority is to call **9-1-1**, which will get fire-fighters and fire boats responding. If you don't have a phone, use **Channel 16** on your marine VHF radio, to notify Harbor Patrol. Next, look for a fire-hose cabinet.

Fire-hose cabinets are located on every Marina, as well as on the Fish Floats, City Pier and Stearns Wharf. They are evenly distributed on the docks every 50-100' and contain 75' of fire hose, plus a dry-chemical fire extinguisher. Fire-hose cabinets are locked to prevent vandalism and theft.

In the event of a fire, follow these steps to gain fire-hose cabinet access:

1. Break the glass on the front panel, (use a hard object or cover hand to prevent cuts);
2. Push or pull locking lever behind the glass or door; and
3. Open the door on the front of the cabinet to access fire-fighting equipment. *(Do not attempt to pull fire hose through small glass opening in cabinet door.)*

Use the fire extinguisher if the fire is small enough. Remember P-A-S-S:

- P**ull the pin
- A**im the fire extinguisher nozzle at the fire
- S**queeze the handle
- S**weep across base of the fire

Before turning on fire-hose water, do the following:

1. Rotate the accordion-style hose storage rack so it extends outside the fire-hose cabinet;
2. Pull the entire length of hose from the cabinet; and
3. Turn on the valve to charge the hose with water. *(If the hose line is charged with water before it is pulled from the cabinet, it becomes jammed inside the cabinet and rendered useless.)*

The fire hose is now ready to use. Rotate the tip of the fire nozzle and begin spraying water. Responding firefighters may use these hose

lines to augment fire streams from fireboats or may carry in additional hose lines to attach to Fire Department connections on hose cabinets throughout the marinas.

Waterfront staff appreciates your attention to these instructions and your willingness to help in an emergency.

## SUMMER BOATING SAFETY TIPS

Summer boating season has arrived and all boaters need to review safety equipment and procedures before getting underway, in order to avoid accidents, injury or death. "Death" may sound over dramatic to many, but in 2013, 38 persons in California lost their lives in boating accidents. I'm certain their day began with expectations of fun and enjoyment on the water, but ended tragically. While, 38 is the fewest annual number of fatalities recorded, it is still too many. Worst of all, a majority were preventable. Of the 38 boating fatalities, 26 drowned and 21 who drowned were not wearing life jackets. Put simply, wearing a life jacket can save your life or that of a loved one!

This historically low fatality statistic may be the result of many factors, but a large part is likely due to public education and boating safety awareness efforts of the California Division of Boating and Waterways. <http://www.dbw.ca.gov/BoaterInfo/SafeBoatingHints.aspx>

Boating safety tips:

- Take a boating safety class.
- Equip your vessel (SUPs and kayaks included) with all required safety equipment, including life-jackets (USCG approved and size-appropriate for each passenger). Children under 13 must wear a life jacket on any vessel measuring 26 feet or less.
- Avoid alcohol consumption.
- Operate at safe speeds.
- Maintain a proper lookout.
- Monitor weather and sea conditions.
- Keep in touch by filing a float plan with a friend or relative.

With experience we develop understanding and respect for operating our boats on local waters, at the Channel Islands and beyond. Common sense and attention to safety are paramount for an enjoyable boating experience.

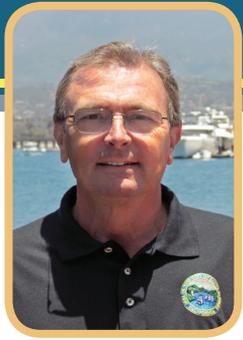
## PLANNING THE WATERFRONT'S FUTURE

The City of Santa Barbara is taking on the ambitious task of updating its Local Coastal Program (LCP), a document required by the Coastal Commission that establishes policies related to land uses, public access and recreation, coastal resource protection, and hazards and coastal adaptation.

The Waterfront is located entirely within the Coastal Zone and therefore subject to the LCP and its amendments. The Harbor Master Plan, an amendment to the LCP, was adopted in 1996 and has served as the primary planning tool for the Waterfront. The pending LCP update is expected to supersede the Harbor Master Plan and therefore update the Waterfront's policies related to its land uses.

Public participation is key to preparing a LCP update that successfully guides the Waterfront into the future. The Harbor Commission will consider establishing a subcommittee to focus on LCP issues related to the Waterfront. Harbor users are encouraged to attend LCP subcommittee or Harbor Commission meetings and provide input.

The LCP update is subject to review and approval by the Planning Commission, City Council, and finally the Coastal Commission. The public's participation is a once-in-several-decades opportunity to help us plan the Waterfront's future. Meeting notices are posted on the marina gates and at the Harbor Patrol counter. We value and appreciate your input during this process.



## New Maintenance Supervisor Tom Dietz

Tom Dietz joined the Waterfront Department over eight years ago as a Maintenance Worker and moved up the ranks with a recent promotion to Waterfront Maintenance Supervisor. Tom brings a wealth of experience related to plumbing, carpentry, welding, and other trades essential to keeping our facilities up and running. Tom was well trained by previous Maintenance Supervisor, Don Dwyer, who recently retired.

The transition into this new position has been seamless, with Tom demonstrating his supervisory skills on a number of important projects such as the Sea Landing Pedestrian Walkway Improvements and the recent Ice House overhaul. Tom has worked all of the Waterfront's events such as the Harbor Seafood Festival, 4th of July, and Parade of Lights. This experience will serve Tom well planning and supervising staff to make sure the harbor community enjoys these popular events.

Tom was born in Santa Barbara and raised his family here. Rumor has it he's a pretty good golfer and enjoys fishing in the Sierras when he can get away for a few days. Tom is committed to our harbor community and is here to help. He is extremely hard working and has a great sense of humor. If you don't already know Tom, please introduce yourself and feel free to share any suggestions you have to improve maintenance of our Waterfront facilities.

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## Harbor Handrails Keep Us Safe

*Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager*

Though we tend to take for granted the thousands of feet of handrails that line the harbor from the breakwater to the Rock Groin, they remain an essential safety feature of Waterfront facilities. There are also thousands of feet of handrails on Stearns Wharf and the City Pier.

This year, the Department invested nearly \$100,000 replacing worn-out and non-code-compliant handrails. With a significant increase in pedestrian traffic along the Sea Landing walkway and the Rock Groin, upgrading existing handrails and installing new ones were two significant improvements. The new cable handrail along Sea Landing is supported by Ipe posts, a tropical, renewable hardwood considered perfect for marine environments.

The old wooden handrail along the Rock Groin was so deteriorated you could pull chunks off with your hand. Southwest Construction recently submitted a low bid of \$40,000 to replace over 300' of that handrail with a concrete material that is also very durable in the marine environment.

Meanwhile, Waterfront maintenance staff has done its share of upgrading handrails in the harbor. Staff installed a new handrail along the Marina One west restroom where several people had slipped in water. They also replaced another 200 feet of handrail along the north side of the City Pier. These were constructed from recycled plastic materials, which, again work very well in the marine environment and will last for decades.

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## Free Oil-Absorbent Bilge Pads

Help prevent bilge-oil leaks, discharges and spills in the harbor. Stop by the Harbormaster's Office and pick up your **free** oil-absorbent bilge pads funded by a grant from CalRecycle.

## Got Used Oil?

Find a certified Used Oil Recycling Center\* nearest you. A list of Recycling Center locations is also available at the Harbormaster's Office.

\* For a complete list of certified used-oil collection centers, hours of operation, and types of materials collected, visit <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/usedoil/certcenters/>

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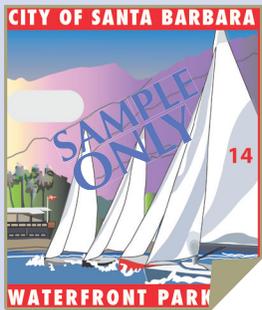
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## 2014 Waterfront Parking Permit Fee Reduced—Just in time for Summer

Cesar Barrios, Waterfront Parking Supervisor



Annual Waterfront Parking Permits are available for purchase now. General permits cost \$85 and slip-permittee permits (one per slip) cost \$70. Permits are valid from the date of purchase through December 31, 2014. General permits are available at the Harbor Master's Office and all Waterfront parking kiosks (except Stearns Wharf). Slip-Permittee permits may only be purchased at the Harbor Master's Office. For Waterfront Parking details contact the Parking Office at 897-1965.

## New Mobile Pumpout Service Offered

Josh Luft, *Better Your Boat Yacht Services*, now offers a mobile pumpout service for your marine head (toilet). If you are unable to drive over to take advantage of free pump-outs at the Fuel Dock, Launch Ramp or Marina One, Josh can come to you and provide assistance in most cases. Please contact Josh at (805) 689-4233.

## Charter Boat Azure Seas Arrives at Santa Barbara Harbor

Pat Henry, *Property Management Specialist*

Fred & Kathy Hershman, owners of *Celebration Cruises*, have delivered the *Azure Seas*, a 73-foot motor yacht certified to carry 46 passengers, to Santa Barbara Harbor. Contact *Celebration Cruises* to charter the *Azure Seas* for a tour of Santa Barbara's beautiful coastline, music on the water with friends, a party or corporate event. Visit *Celebration Cruises'* website at [www.celebrationsantabarbara.com](http://www.celebrationsantabarbara.com) or call (888) 316-9363.

## 2014 Event Schedule

### July 4 Independence Day

October 11 Harbor & Seafood Festival  
December 14 Parade of Lights

The 2014 Santa Barbara July 4th Fireworks on West Beach will begin at 9 p.m. and last 18 to 20 minutes. A variety of other Independence Day celebrations are planned citywide. Visit [www.santabarbaraca.gov](http://www.santabarbaraca.gov) for more details.

## 2014 Regular Meeting Schedule of the Santa Barbara Harbor Commission

January 16	July 17
February 20	August 21
March 20	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18

Harbor Commission meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers