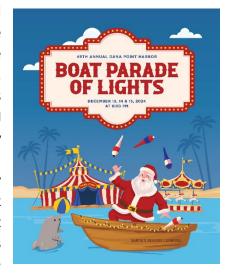


# **NEWSLETTER | SEPTEMBER 2024**

# **Greetings from The Marina at Dana Point!**

Fall has officially arrived! It is a wonderful time of year with light breezes, warm sunshine and calm seas. We hope you have a chance to get out on the water and enjoy this beautiful season!

It was a busy summer in the harbor with a ton of fun on land and water. As we move into the holiday season, there is more fun to come! The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Dana Point Harbor Boat Parade of lights is happening on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 13, 14 and 15, 2024 at 6:30 PM nightly. This year's theme is Santa's Seaside Carnival! **Registration is now OPEN for all boaters to sign up to participate in this amazing holiday harbor tradition.** Once again, Dana Point Harbor Partners will be awarding over \$10,000 in CASH prizes to winners in a variety of categories. Step right up and claim your ticket to FUN...click HERE for the entry form or stop by the marina office to get signed up. Gather your clown crew and take a journey with us into seaside carnival bliss as we smile, spin and set sail for the



49th Annual Dana Point Harbor Boat Parade of Lights. It is sure to be a rollercoaster of delight!

There is much fun to be had in Dana Point Harbor in October including Yoga in the Park, Live Music Cruises, Harbor Dog Stroll, SUP Yoga and Paddle Workshop, Harbor Hoot SUP event, Stand up to Trash Beach Cleanup, and Little Folk Club. Click <u>HERE</u> for the calendar of fun and details.

If you are in the mood to volunteer and do good things, Dolphin Safari is seeking volunteers to help at their 2024 Meal Packing Event on Thursday October 10, 2024 from 4:30 to 7:00 PM. In partnership with Kids Around the World, Dolphin Safari will be packing 100,000 meals that will be shipped to North Uganda for Sudanese refugees. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to sign up to volunteer. Nice work!

### **Marina Office**



If your boat is registered with the DMV, please be sure to adhere your 2025 vessel registration stickers on the hull of your boat. Many boats have submitted evidence of current vessel registration to the marina office but have not yet put the stickers on the boat. It is important that the vessel display current registration while in the slip or out on the water.

Many boats are in process of moving into their new slips in the recently opened Phase 6! Moving boats from old slips into new slips involves an extensive process

from start to finish with each tenant. The process includes a thorough review of the account to ensure we have current vessel insurance and registration, we send a letter confirming the slip selection and outlining next steps in the process, as boaters are ready, we schedule and perform the required seaworthy evaluation and ground fault leakage test, and finally we welcome them to their new slip. This is a very exciting time for all involved and although the process is entailed, it is necessary. The process has been well received by our tenants as they relocate to their new slip. Unfortunately, for those unseaworthy vessels, the process has not been as much fun. Eventually, everyone will be assigned a new slip. Now is a good time to check on your boat and make sure it is registered, insured, and seaworthy.

As we continue to move through the marina revitalization, please be sure to keep a close eye on your inbox for important communication from our office related to slip selection. The process for communicating starts with an email that includes a layout showing available slips in the specific phase. In that email, we request a reply within 24-hours that includes your top three selections. If we receive a reply, we secure and confirm a slip for you. If there is no reply, we call you and continue on with our process. If you have already shared your slip location preferences with us, we will still allow you the opportunity to view the layout and confirm your location during this process. As has been mentioned in previous newsletters, if you are at the bottom of the slip selection seniority list and elect to defer your selection, you will eventually be assigned a slip rather than have an opportunity to select one. This is most likely for those assigned to slips 26' and under.

The marina office is open daily from 8 AM to 5 PM. We are here to help answer questions, review revitalization layouts, issue parking access tags or anything else you may need. Please stop by or give us a call anytime...(949) 496-6137. We enjoy hearing from you!

## On the Docks



Please be advised that boater parking lot 1 has been altered due to ongoing utility work for the parking structure and commercial core revitalization. Boater parking lot 1 is the small boater lot located on Golden Lantern between Dana Wharf and Dana Plaza. The parking gate equipment has been removed but there is still dedicated boater parking within the lot. These spaces are stenciled and reserved for boaters. Lot attendants will be onsite daily to monitor parking use. The parking lot will have a one-way entry from Golden Lantern and exit through the wharf. We appreciate your

cooperation and apologize for any inconvenience. Please feel free to park in boater lot 2 off Casitas PI if you prefer to use a gated parking lot.

We are into tree trimming and holiday light season. Please be advised that several tree locations within the boater parking lots will undergo their routine trimming in October/November. There will also be holiday light installation happening in trees and bushes throughout the property. Signage will be posted in advance of any tree or light work. Please keep an eye out for no parking signage and plan to steer clear of these areas during active tree trimming and/or holiday light installation.

We continue to evaluate the docks for excessive overhang caused by dinghies. Tenants with violating dinghies are being contacted and asked to remove the dinghy. If you have a dinghy behind your boat that does not fit within the LOA permitted in the slip, please remove it.

If you are in a new slip, you may have noticed a brighter restroom experience in the nearby boater facilities! We recently updated the restroom dispensers and are installing new partitions where needed. We continue to work with our janitorial team to ensure daily cleanliness of restrooms with supplemental deep shower cleanings by our maintenance team. New air fresheners are in transit and are sure to add a layer of freshness that will delight your senses!

Our mighty maintenance team is out there taking care of business on the docks and on land. If you see something in need of our attention, please let us know. Give us a call, (949) 496-6137 or send an <u>email</u>. We always appreciate your feedback!

### **Marina Revitalization**

Phase 6 is open for occupancy! We have 140 boats making their way to their new slip in the west island with all expected to be settled in by October 1<sup>st</sup>. This is the first phase completed on the island and the docks look amazing! Phase 6 includes G24 – **Dock of the Forest Lantern**, G25 – **Dock of the Yellow Lantern**, and G26 – **Dock of the Moonstone Lantern** with slips 21' to 30' and three end-ties.



Bellingham is well into Phase 7 which includes half of west basin E-dock. The old dock has been removed and the new dock is already in place with piles driven. This is some quick work! Phase 7 is a little tricky and is being split out into two parts. The first part which they are working on now



is a single headwalk and gangway referred to as G21 – **Dock of the Purple Lantern**. G21 includes a total of 43 slips sizes 31, 35', 41', 45' and 88' end-tie. Due to the complexity of the project, only the west half of the dock will be fully completed and available for occupancy once the dock opens which is anticipated to be in early November. We are preparing to begin the slip selection process for these slip

locations which include two 41' slips, seventeen 45' slips and an 88' end-tie. Slip selection for the east half of G21 will happen at the time we do slip selection for G22 and G23 which is part of Phase 7.1 (east half of E-dock west island) and anticipated to begin in February/March 2025.

Phase 8 includes all of west basin F-dock and is up next for demo! We are in the process of finding temporary slip relocations with relocation letters planned to go out to all west basin island F-dock tenants the first week of October. Boats occupying slips on F-dock west island will be given until November 15, 2024 to relocate to their temporary assignment. Bellingham plans to begin work on Phase 8 middle of November with the phase anticipated to be completed by February/March 2025.



It is very exciting to anticipate the entire west basin will be 100% complete by mid-2025!

With over 800 new slips occupied, we can confirm that the new docks are amazing with excellent dock power, state of the art technology, premium wifi, secure gates with security cameras, in slip pumpout access (slips 30' and larger), great lighting, and fantastic dock neighbors!

Please stop by the marina office anytime to review layouts, discuss the slip selection process or let us assist you with your marina revitalization questions.

New docks open as lanterns shine their colors with glee. My oh my, such a sight to see!



# **BOATING CLEAN & GREEN**

Stand up to Trash is hosting a Trash is Spooky Beach Cleanup and Lunch & Learn on Sunday, October 13 from 8 AM to 11 AM. This event will kickoff with a yoga session with Breezy from YogaSix and end with an informative learning session with Katie Thompson, Senior Director of Environment & Sustainability at PADI Worldwide. Katie will discuss PADI Aware's initiatives, focusing on the Dive Against Debris Program.

Stand up to Trash hosts monthly beach cleanups and Lunch & Learn events that are open for public participation. Volunteers with Stand up to Trash have collected over 4,000 pounds of trash so far this year...incredible! See the event flyer below for more details and click <u>HERE</u> to sign up.



Thank you for doing your part to preserve water quality!

As always, please contact the marina office directly if you have questions, concerns, or see something in need of our attention. You can reach me via <a href="mailto:emailto:

Happy Boating,

Kelly Rinderknecht

