



THE MARINA

AT DANA POINT

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Greetings from The Marina at Dana Point!

Birds are chirping, flowers are blooming, bunnies are hopping...it is officially spring! Spring means spring cleaning. Spring cleaning means unwanted items. Unwanted items mean EXTRA CASH can be made by signing up as a seller for the upcoming 1st Annual Marina at Dana Point Marine Swap Meet on April 20, 2024! We are super excited to host the first of what we hope will be many annual marine swap meets in Dana Point Harbor. Dive into a nautical paradise as you navigate through a sea of fantastic deals, unique finds, and passionate conversations with fellow boating enthusiasts! The event will be in the west

basin cove parking lot from 7 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, April 20th. Click [HERE](#) for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!

Also happening on Saturday, April 20th is the Orange County Beach Bocce Championships at Doheny State Beach. This tournament is open to all bocce ball enthusiasts and sounds like a ton of fun for the whole family. The event is hosted by the Boys & Girls Club of Capistrano Valley. Click [HERE](#) for all the details. You can't go wrong with a day at the beach (after visiting the swap meet, of course)!

Stay in the know on all events happening in and around Dana Point Harbor by checking the Dana Point Harbor website [events page](#) and following @DanaPointHarbor on your social media channels.

Why did the Easter egg hide? Because he was a little chicken! The Marina at Dana Point and Embarcadero at Dana Point offices will be open on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024, for normal business hours, 8 AM to 5 PM. Our janitorial porters and maintenance teams will also be onsite to address anything that may come up.

Don't worry, be hoppy! Wishing you a happy start to the spring season!



Marina Office



We are getting excited for summertime in Dana Point Harbor! The Marina at Dana Point 2024 Summer T-Shirt is anticipated to be available by Memorial Day! No need to get in line just yet but it is indeed time to be giddy with anticipation. This year we are going all in on summer fun, and we cannot wait! Stay tuned for next month's newsletter with more details. The 2024 t-shirt will be the 6th of the annual summer t-shirt series. If you have not gotten your hands on the 2023 t-shirt, there are a few left in stock...come on by and grab one today! If you are not a fan of annual exclusives, we have a new batch of Marina at Dana Point merchandise coming in mid-April including logo t-shirts, full zip hoodies, crew necks, hats, and visors.

Our office team is fun, friendly, and here to help you seven days a week. Whether you need a new RFID parking tag for your vehicle, want to check your waitlist status, sign up for monthly autopay or submit a repair request, we are here every day and just a phone call away. Give us a call at (949) 496-6137 or stop by the marina office. If you prefer, send an [EMAIL](#). No request is too big or too small...we are here to help with it all!

We are changing over to a new software management system in mid-April. Although most of this is on the back end and will not be noticeable to you, there will be some benefits to the customer. Two of the most requested by our tenants are click to pay from your monthly statement and our ability to communicate with text message. Both will be available with our new management system. Click to pay is a fast and easy way to pay your monthly statement electronically using a credit card. Texting will be an available form of communication if you prefer this over email or telephone calls. As a plan for the near future, customer portals will be available where your billing history, utility usage and other items specific to your slip account will live and be accessible to you. Most noticeable to you initially will be that your May 2024 billing statement will look different and arrive a bit later in the month around the 26th. With fraud on the rise, this can be alarming but don't worry, it is coming from us. This is a big change, and we are excited to roll it out!

Boating season is here again! We'll see you in the office!

On the Docks



The docks are bustling with activity as boaters begin to prepare for another season of fun on the water. We hope you find things to be in good order with the docks, common areas and boater restroom facilities. If you see something in need of our attention, please give us a call at (949) 496-6137 or send an [EMAIL](#) and we will address it right away.

While you are here visiting your boat, please check to make sure you applied your new 2025 registration stickers. Many boats are still displaying the old registration tags. If your boat is registered with the DMV, it is required that the current tags be displayed on both the port and starboard side of the hull. Of course, we appreciate you dropping by or sending a current copy of your vessel registration if you haven't already. Stop by the office...we are happy to make a copy.

As you are getting your boat ready for the summer season, please refer to our list of authorized contractors for any needed vessel repairs or bright work. Click [HERE](#) to access the list of authorized contractors. Authorized contractors signed an agreement with the marina office agreeing to exercise environmental

best management practices, they provide evidence of annual insurance, pay an annual fee and are able to check out dock gate keys and access fobs directly from the office.

Please be reminded that dinghies are only permitted behind boats if they fit within the maximum permitted LOA of the slip. This means that the LOA (length overall) measurement of the boat and dinghy in the slip is equal to or less than the permitted LOA in the slip. Each slip size allows up to 10% overhang. Please do not store a dinghy behind your boat if it does not fit within the slip parameters. We appreciate your cooperation.

We have boats moving throughout the harbor all the time with a big wave of movement to come in May when we clear off D-dock west basin island to prepare for Phase 6 of the marina revitalization project. Please be sure your dock area is clean and tidy and that you are not overflowing into any vacant slips or dock boxes next to your assigned slip. You will have a new neighbor soon and want to make a good first impression!

Need something? We are here to help. Give us a call at (949) 496-6137.

Marina Revitalization

Phase 5 is moving right along with the anticipated occupancy date June 1, 2024! Phase 5 consists of mostly 30' slips. At this time, all current marina tenants assigned to 30' slips have been contacted and offered a location in Phase 5. Good news if you are on the 30' waitlist...we have some slips left in Phase 5 that will be offered to our waitlist! We are planning to bring in approximately 80-100 new boats off the waitlist. New friends! New neighbors! New opportunities to join the Dana Point Harbor boating community for those that have been patiently waiting for years!



All docks in Phase 5 are equipped with in-slip pumpout service. The in-slip pumpout is a convenient and easy way to pumpout your boat without having to leave the slip. The pumpout equipment is installed in the dock system and there is a rolling cart that has hookups to connect to your boat and direct to the pumpout equipment at the slip. The pumpouts are fast, easy, and clean. Pumpouts are FREE and performed by marina staff using a simple scheduling system. Pumpouts can be scheduled as needed or on a recurring basis. Of course, boaters that prefer to perform their own pumpouts are welcome to do so once they have been taught how to use the equipment. Let us know if you want to check it out. We are happy to show you the equipment and how it works.

Phase 5 will bring to life **Gate 16: Dock of the Crystal Lantern**, **Gate 17: Dock of the Sunrise Lantern**, **Gate 18: Dock of the Emerald Lantern** and **Gate 19: Dock of the Sapphire Lantern** and will complete the entire west basin cove!

Phase 6 is up next which is all of D-dock in the west basin island. This phase is expected to begin in June and complete in late August or early September 2024. Phase 6 will consist of the following slip mix:

21' = 6

25' = 106

26' = 2

30' = 23

33' ET = 1

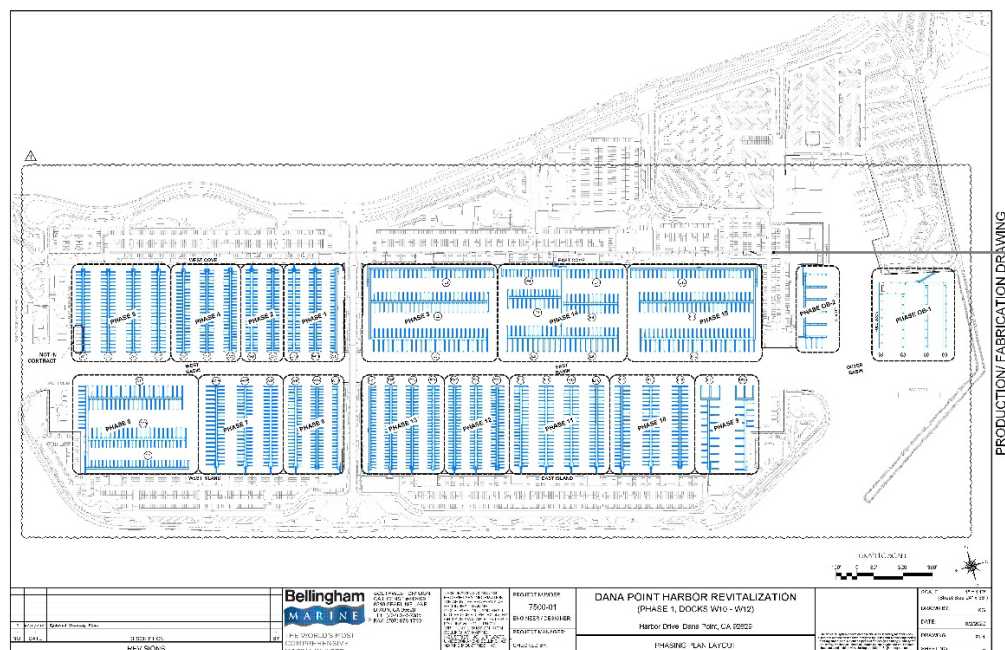
58' ET = 1

63' ET = 1

Phase 6 will bring us **Gate 24: Dock of the Forest Lantern**, **Gate 25: Dock of the Yellow Lantern** and **Gate 26: Dock of the Moonstone Lantern** Slip selection for Phase 6 location will begin in mid-June. For reference, here is a full marina layout with Phase 6 outlined:



Also, for reference, here is the current phasing plan:



Please keep in mind one change to the above that Phase 7 will be done in two parts. Phase 7 is west basin E-dock island. The west half of west basin E-dock island will be done first followed by Phase 8 in its entirety (west basin F-dock island) then the east half of west basin E-dock island.

It has been great meeting with so many of our boaters over the past month to go over layouts and options specific to them as we continue to move through the marina revitalization project. The offer still stands if you want to come by to look over the layout and discuss your preferences and options. Please send me an [EMAIL](#) to set up a time.

The west basin cove is taking shape! Hard to believe this entire section of the harbor will be brand new in just a couple months! If you have not been down in the evening to take a stroll through the west basin cove area, you should. It is so beautiful with the lights, the colored lanterns, and the new railings...such a nice ambiance!

Select a slip and settle in. New docks are here to stay! Tie up your boat and plug in. The power works...hooray!

New boat neighbors make great new friends. Happy hours and sunset cruises...the fun never ends!

Drop an anchor off the sandbar and relax the weekend away. Or head out to sea for sunshine and glee as you watch the dolphin play!

Days are longer. Lights are brighter.

It's soon to be summertime in Dana Point Harbor!



BOATING CLEAN & GREEN

In celebration of Earth Month, Stand Up to Trash is hosting a 10-stop interactive citywide adventure designed for the whole family! The fun kicks off April 1, 2024, and ends at the Earth Day Beach Cleanup event on Sunday, April 21, 2024 which includes an opportunity for yoga and a Lunch & Learn. Click [HERE](#) for more information on how to participate in the scavenger hunt for an opportunity to win great prizes and/or click the flyer below to sign up for the Earth Day Beach Cleanup.



We thank Stand Up to Trash and all the volunteers for their continued efforts to keep our community, beaches, and oceans clean and free of debris...great job!



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 [email](#) for a quick response, or you can call the marina office at (949) 496-6137.

Happy Boating,

Kelly Rinderknecht
