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## FROM THE MANAGER



**By Mark Sandoval, Manager  
of Marinas and Beaches**

I am writing this article during Grand Prix race week. I recognize that it is not a universal opinion, but I personally like the roar of the engines in our downtown area once a year. If you had a chance to attend, I hope you enjoyed it. If you want no part of it, I hope it was not too much of an inconvenience.

The rebuild of Basin 1 in the Alamitos Bay Marina is moving forward as expected. We will be filling Docks 1 and 2 in May, and Docks 3, 4 and 5 in July. We are running into very few unexpected hitches, and should spend a small fraction of our half million contingency, which will give us additional funds to move forward in future phases. I did want to comment this month on rumormongering. We received a call that there was a rumor circulating that we had stopped construction on Docks 3, 4 and 5 because we had run out of money. This is very far from the truth – Basin 1 is fully funded. I would laugh at these rumors, except that they have the effect of making our customers unsettled or making us look like we are not on top of the project. I ask that you do not believe rumors you hear about the project, and instead check with myself or my key staff.

There were a couple of topics covered at our last advisory commission meeting which merit comment. First, we found one of our customers deceased in the water in the Shoreline Marina a week or so back. We do not yet know the cause, but the topic of ladders in the marina came up in discussion at the meeting. We have debated this over the years, and I still do not know the answer. Some marinas have no ladders, and some have a few, but unless they are installed at virtually every slip, it is almost assured that a ladder will not be where it is needed when one is needed.

I was asked to remind our customers that if you fall in the water and there is no one around, look for the nearest powerboat, because it will normally have a swim step and a ladder.

Another topic discussed was pumpouts in the downtown area. You should know that we have four pumpout units downtown, two on Dock A in the Shoreline Marina and two on the dock outside of Parker's Lighthouse Restaurant, known as Dock 10. Dock 10 has been closed because it is so beat up and unsafe - it is scheduled to be replaced by the end of the year. However, the pumpouts on that dock will stay operational, and although you cannot get from the dock to land at Dock 10, you can still tie up and use the pumpouts, which will stay open until the dock is replaced.

A third topic discussed is somewhat common sense, but it relates to interacting with seal pups. We have seen more seal pups this year for some reason, and they are getting closer to our marina areas. While they may look cute and cuddly, they are still wildlife, and you should keep your distance.

My final topic this month is slip fees, always a touchy subject. Last year, we were criticized for not providing sufficient time to evaluate our recommendation and provide public input. As a result, I took my recommendation to the Marine Advisory Commission (MAC) meeting on April 11. I have recommended an increase this year which meets the Slip Pricing Policy developed and adopted by (MAC). I have extracted and printed a portion of my recommendation letter, in which I recommend an increase of 2%. There was no action taken, and this topic will be discussed at May's MAC meeting, which will be May 9.

As always, happy and healthy boating.

*Mark A. Sandoval*

# UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

## Long Beach PRIDE

May 18-19, 2013  
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[www.longbeachpride.com](http://www.longbeachpride.com)

## Marine Bureau Boat Auction

June 2013  
For Information email:  
[Kimarie.vestre@longbeach.gov](mailto:Kimarie.vestre@longbeach.gov)

## Municipal Band Summer Concerts

July-August  
For Information:  
[www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)

## Long Beach Sprint Nationals

August 3-4, 2013  
For Information call:  
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[www.rpmracingent.com](http://www.rpmracingent.com)

## Long Beach Jazz Festival

August 9-11, 2013  
For Information:  
[www.longbeachjazzfestival.com](http://www.longbeachjazzfestival.com)



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## MAY 2013



• tide chart •

	AM	LOW TIDE		Ht.	AM	HIGH TIDE		Ht.
		Ht.	PM			Ht.	PM	
1. W	9:23	-0.3	9:29	2.3	1:52	4.8	4:25	3.7
2. Th	10:32	0.0	11:09	2.0	3:18	4.3	5:29	4.0
3. F	11:34	0.2	--	--	4:48	4.1	6:18	4.4
4. Sa	12:24	1.4	12:26	0.3	6:07	4.0	6:59	4.8
5. Su	1:21	0.8	1:10	0.6	7:12	4.0	7:34	5.2
6. Mo	2:08	0.3	1:48	0.8	8:07	3.9	8:06	5.4
7. Tu	2:49	-0.1	2:22	1.1	8:54	3.9	8:36	5.5
8. W	3:26	-0.4	2:53	1.2	9:37	3.8	9:04	5.6
9. Th	4:00	-0.5	3:22	1.5	10:17	3.7	9:32	5.6
10. F	4:34	-0.5	3:51	1.7	10:56	3.6	10:01	5.5
11. Sa	5:09	-0.5	4:20	1.9	11:36	3.5	10:30	5.3
12. Su	5:44	-0.3	4:51	2.1	12:19	3.4	11:01	5.1
13. M	6:23	-0.1	5:25	2.4	1:08	3.3	11:36	4.8
14. Tu	7:06	0.1	6:09	2.6	--	--	2:06	3.2
15. W	7:54	0.4	7:14	2.8	12:15	4.5	3:15	3.2
16. Th	8:48	0.6	8:55	2.8	1:04	4.1	4:20	3.4
17. F	9:44	0.8	10:38	2.5	2:12	3.7	5:08	3.6
18. Sa	10:38	0.9	11:52	2.0	3:41	3.5	5:45	4.0
19. Su	11:27	1.0	--	--	5:08	3.4	6:16	4.4
20. M	12:45	1.3	12:11	1.1	6:21	3.5	6:48	4.9
21. Tu	1:30	0.6	12:53	1.1	7:22	3.6	7:21	5.4
22. W	2:12	-0.1	1:34	1.2	8:16	3.7	7:56	5.9
23. Th	2:55	-0.7	2:15	1.2	9:07	3.8	8:35	6.2
24. F	3:39	-1.2	2:58	1.3	9:57	3.9	9:16	6.5
25. Sa	4:24	-1.4	3:43	1.4	10:47	3.9	9:59	6.5
26. Su	5:12	-1.5	4:31	1.6	11:39	3.9	10:46	6.3
27. M	6:01	-1.4	5:25	1.8	12:34	3.9	11:36	6.0
28. Tu	6:53	-1.2	6:28	2.0	--	--	1:34	3.9
29. W	7:48	-0.8	7:46	2.2	12:32	5.5	2:37	4.0
30. Th	8:46	-0.3	9:18	2.1	1:36	4.8	3:41	4.2
31. F	9:46	0.2	10:53	1.7	2:54	4.1	4:42	4.5

## PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP ON HAND

Long Beach Police  
Marine Patrol Emergency  
**911**  
or **9911** (Dock Phone)

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working hours  
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Alamitos Bay Office  
**562.570.3215**

Shoreline Office  
**562.570.4950**

Rainbow Harbor  
**562.570.8636**

After office hours  
**562.570.3101**

# SLIP FEE RECOMMENDATION LETTER

For 2014, based on the current slip rental activity, plus new revenue that will be generated by completing Basins 4 and 1, the marina enterprise can fund its operating costs, cover the debt service, complete Phase 3 (Basin 5) of the rebuild project, and generate a year-end surplus of \$2 million by increasing slip fees by 2%, to \$0.9920 per square foot. This square-foot rate translates to the following standard slip rates for fiscal year 2014, by slip size. In addition, attached is a Market Rate Comparison, including the proposed increase, which illustrates that the Long Beach Marina rates would still be below market.

While the City recognizes that fee increases are never popular, it should be noted that the Consumer Price index in Southern California over the past year was 2.22%. In addition, it is important that the marina enterprise continues to show some level of fee increases in order to support additional debt, which will likely be needed in the future to complete the rebuild.

These slip fees will enable the marina enterprise to cover all operating costs, all debt service, and generate surplus capital of approximately \$2.6 million, to be used to continue the rebuild of the Alamitos Bay Marina. As is currently the case, slip fees would not be based on the length of the vessel, and overhang would not be factored into the monthly fee. A 50-foot slip would be priced the same as all 50-foot slips, regardless of the size of the vessel in the slip or the overhang of the vessel. The only exceptions would be extra-wide slips, which will be priced at \$0.9920 per square foot, and the end-ties, which would continue to be priced with a 10% premium.

Slip Length	Monthly Rate	Increase From 2013
20-foot	\$ 178.60	\$ 3.50
25-foot	\$ 278.95	\$ 5.45
30-foot	\$ 401.80	\$ 7.90
35-foot	\$ 512.05	\$ 10.05
40-foot	\$ 634.85	\$ 12.45
45-foot	\$ 747.65	\$ 14.65
50-foot	\$ 855.60	\$ 16.80
55-foot	\$ 1,009.30	\$ 19.80
60-foot	\$ 1,101.10	\$ 21.60
65-foot	\$ 1,236.25	\$ 24.25
70-foot	\$ 1,370.90	\$ 26.90
75-foot	\$ 1,518.95	\$ 29.80
80-foot	\$ 1,666.50	\$ 32.70
85-foot	\$ 1,826.40	\$ 35.80
90-foot	\$ 1,986.35	\$ 38.95
95-foot	\$ 2,158.70	\$ 42.35
100-foot	\$ 2,331.00	\$ 45.70
105-foot	\$ 2,515.80	\$ 49.35
110-foot	\$ 2,700.55	\$ 52.95
115-foot	\$ 3,917.70	\$ 76.80
120-foot	\$ 3,094.85	\$ 60.70

\*Extracted from Slip Fee Recommendation Letter  
Taken to MAC on April 11

## AUCTION

Long Beach Marine Bureau will be holding an auction of impounded and abandoned vessels in June at the Alamitos Bay Marina Office.

The list of vessels will be available  
**MAY 29, 2013**

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### **Street Sweeping:**

In an effort to keep our marinas looking good the parking lots get cleaned once a week. Be sure to look for the street sweeping signs posted near your gangway to avoid a citation.

### **Dinghy Racks:**

If you are interested in storing your tender on a rack please contact the office. Racks are available, for permittee's only, for a nominal fee and unauthorized vessels will be impounded.



## \*\*\*AUCTION\*\*\*

The Long Beach Marine Bureau will be holding an auction of impounded and abandoned vessels in June at the Alamitos Bay Marina Office. Inspection and registration begins at 8AM and the bidding begins at 9AM. The list of vessels will be available May 29, 2013.

Full payment is due the day of the sale, no later than 11AM. There will be no refunds or adjustments. Payment may be made with cash, credit card, or debit card.

All items are offered, "As Is – Where Is." All sales are final. There will be no refunds or adjustments. There is no warranty, either specific or implied, as to the condition of the items offered for sale and we reserve the right to reject an offer or withdraw any item from the sale.

No vessel sold at the auction will be allowed in the City of Long Beach marinas for a period of six months.

If you are interested in receiving auction notification in the future you can sign up for e-notify on the City of Long Beach web page and once a date is set you will be sent an email.

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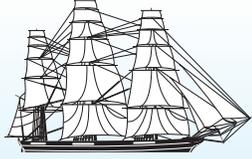
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## **\*BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR\***

With summer just around the corner it not only means great boating weather it also means more visitors to our area. Also, we are seeing an increase in homeless people in the area and need to work together as a team to protect property and maintain the beauty and safety of our marinas. As mentioned in previous Marina Reader articles, for the sake of your neighbors and yourself please follow these suggestions when able:

**Do** get involved by reporting suspicious persons or activity at the time it is occurring! Calling the marina office is not the proper venue for police-type service; instead please contact the Long Beach Police Communications Center's 24-hour number **(562) 435-6711 or 911** if it is an emergency.

**Do** have current contact information for yourself on file at your marina office. This also includes a reliable and current emergency contact person who might know where you are and how you may be reached. In addition to emergencies, if an officer encounters a person aboard a boat and their story is suspicious it is very helpful to be able to speak with the owner to corroborate information and determine if everything is OK, or if a citation or arrest is applicable.

**Don't** disturb anything possibly touched by the suspect or items of evidence left behind. In addition to fingerprints the Long Beach Police Department Crime Lab is now able to process DNA evidence collected at the scene. With more forensic evidence collected, odds increase that the detectives may be able to solve the crime, recover losses and bring charges against the suspect.

## **PAINTING AND VARNISHING**

Limit the amount of open solvents or paints on the docks to one gallon. Always mix paints and epoxy over a tarp. Always use a drip pan or drop cloth.

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# UPCOMING CLASSES

**Week-end Navigation** – This 8-week course will be taught on Friday evenings beginning May 10, 2013. The class will be held at the Long Beach Police Station, 5373 E. Second Street (2nd and Claremont Ave.) from 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM and the cost is \$55.

The U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's Weekend Navigation course is a comprehensive course designed for both the experienced and the novice boater. Don't let the title fool you! This is an 8-week course with homework assignments to do and practice in your spare time and weekends. This course is an introduction to coastal piloting and covers modern electronic navigation tools like GPS. The basics will also be taught: The Marine Magnetic Compass; The Nautical Chart; Navigator's Tools and Instruments; Dead Reckoning; and Piloting. Many insurance companies will offer discounts on boat insurance to individuals who successfully complete courses such as these along with Sailing Fundamentals or Boating Skills and Seamanship. All students who successfully complete the course and pass the exam are awarded certificates.

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 5-12 will be holding this class. Plotting tools are required and if you do not have any they will be available to students at a low cost. For more information visit our website at: [a1140512.wow.uscgaux.info](http://a1140512.wow.uscgaux.info) or call Bob Vatz (562) 493-3479

**Junior Navigation (Solar)** – This 13-week course will be taught on Tuesday evenings beginning June 11, 2013.

The class will be held at the Sea Scout Base, 5875 Appian Way from 7 PM – 9 PM and the cost is \$85 if paid in advance and \$135 at the door.

Junior Navigation is the first in a two-part program of study in off-shore navigation, followed by the navigation course. It is designed as a practical; "how to" course. Subject matter includes: Precise time determination, Use of nautical almanac, Taking sextant sights of the sun, Reducing sights to establish lines of position, Special charts and plotting sheets for offshore navigation and Offshore navigational routines for recreational craft.

For additional information or to make a reservation, contact Dan Dawes at (714) 840 -0302 or via email at [ddawes@dawespatents.com](mailto:ddawes@dawespatents.com).

**About Boating Safely (ABS)** – This one-day (8 hour) course will be taught on Saturday, June 15, 2013. The class will be held at the St. Bonaventure's Parish, in Sister Bridget's Room (south side of the Parish Hall), 16400 Springdale Street, (Springdale and Heil), Huntington Beach, CA 92649 beginning at 9 AM. The cost is \$16, which includes the textbook, Federal and California Boating Regulations, and miscellaneous handouts.

This 8-hour course will cover types of boats, required boat and personal equipment, safe boat handling, weather, tides, charts, anchors, navigational aids and rules, radio, launching and recovering, a review, quiz, and certificate of completion. For additional information and registration please contact Paul Busher at (714) 840-0232.

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