



Marina Reader

Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine

FROM THE MANAGER

By Elvira Hallinan
Manager of Marinas & Beaches

It is with great pleasure to say that this month's newsletter introduces the appointment of Kurt Borsting, Marine Operations Superintendent. What does this mean? Selfishly, it means that I will no longer have to split my time fulfilling the duties of two managers and marina issues that have been on hold can be addressed more effectively, for example, it was 11 months ago when the Marina Rules and Regulations Committee met to discuss potential changes. I'd like to see this and an updated website completed by the end of this calendar year. In addition, the Marine Bureau prior to October 2014 included only Marine and Beach Operations, a reorganization merged all Tidelands Operations and Maintenance under our umbrella. This has resulted in faster response time to maintenance requests and more efficient use of our resources. Hopefully you've noticed a difference.

In the last few weeks two significant issues have impacted LB Shoreline Marina boat owners, special events in the downtown area and homeless along the jetty. Please know that your concerns have been taken seriously and in both cases staff will continue to work with other departments in an effort to find solutions. Regarding the "awfulness" of the punk rock event. The Office of Special Events and Filming, along with the Marine Bureau and Police Department worked together on that night and later on "lessons learned" to reform the permitting process and mitigate citizen concerns. It is standard procedure that after every event a multi-department team has a debriefing to identify issues

and areas needing improvement. For the first time in many years, the City closed down an event, the punk rock festival. Future permits include language stating that amplified profanity will not be tolerated. The Health Department will from this point forward be present at events to ensure noise levels are within municipal code limitations. Between the months of November through February events will not be scheduled.

Homelessness along the jetty. It may be hard to believe but the 2015 Homeless Count revealed a reduction in the number of chronic homeless in Long Beach. Homelessness is not against the law, meaning that these individuals are free to walk around the marina and beach (public) areas. What is against the law is camping, starting fires, and pushing shopping carts. The Marine Bureau is part of a Homeless Task Force lead by the Health Department. As part of this task force, the Police, Health, Public Works, and Marine Bureau frequently conduct outreach at various tidelands locations throughout the City. During this outreach, individuals are presented with alternatives. Detailed information is available at www.longbeach.gov/health. Look under services and click on homeless. Please report any of the above activity to the LBPD West Division at www.lbpdwest@longbeach.gov. Anytime staff or myself receives a boat owner concern regarding these issues it is referred to the task force. This is a complex long term issue with no quick solutions.

As always continue to bring your concerns to our attention and we will address them as quickly as possible. Enjoy the last days of summer.

Thank you.

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TIDE CHART

September 2015

Date	Low Tide				High Tide			
	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1. Tu	5:30	0.2	6:04	0.5	11:47	5.8	--	--
2. W	6:11	0.8	7:08	0.7	12:10	5.1	12:33	5.8
3. Th	6:58	1.5	8:24	0.8	1:14	4.4	1:26	5.6
4. F	7:55	2.1	9:54	0.9	2:39	3.8	2:31	5.4
5. Sa	9:16	2.5	11:22	0.7	4:30	3.6	3:49	5.2
6. Su	10:52	2.6	--	--	6:09	3.8	5:08	5.3
7. M	12:31	0.4	12:11	4.1	7:12	4.1	6:15	5.4
8. Tu	1:23	0.2	1:08	2.2	7:56	4.4	7:08	5.6
9. W	2:03	0.1	1:52	1.9	8:29	4.6	7:52	5.7
10. Th	2:36	0.1	2:28	1.6	8:57	4.7	8:29	5.7
11. F	3:05	0.2	3:01	1.4	9:21	4.9	9:02	5.6
12. Sa	3:30	0.3	3:32	1.2	9:44	5.0	9:34	5.5
13. Su	3:54	0.5	4:03	1.1	10:06	5.1	10:05	5.3
14. M	4:17	0.8	4:35	1.0	10:29	5.2	10:37	5.0
15. Tu	4:40	1.1	5:09	1.1	10:53	5.2	11:11	4.6
16. W	5:04	1.4	5:48	1.2	11:19	5.1	11:49	4.2
17. Th	5:28	1.8	6:33	1.3	11:48	5.0	--	--
18. F	5:53	2.2	7:31	1.4	12:36	3.8	12:21	4.9
19. Sa	6:23	2.5	8:51	1.5	1:42	3.4	1:07	4.8
20. Su	7:12	2.9	10:22	1.3	3:34	3.2	2:15	4.6
21. M	9:08	3.1	11:34	0.9	5:37	3.4	3:46	4.7
22. Tu	11:01	0.5	--	--	6:31	3.7	5:08	5.0
23. W	12:27	0.5	12:11	2.5	7:05	4.2	6:12	5.4
24. Th	1:09	0.2	1:03	1.9	7:36	4.6	7:06	5.8
25. F	1:48	-0.1	1:50	1.2	8:07	5.1	7:55	6.0
26. Sa	2:25	-0.2	2:36	0.6	8:40	5.6	8:43	6.1
27. Su	3:02	-0.2	3:21	0.1	9:14	6.0	9:31	6.0
28. M	3:39	0.0	4:08	-0.2	9:51	6.3	10:19	5.7
29. Tu	4:17	0.4	4:58	-0.3	10:29	6.4	11:10	5.3
30. W	4:56	0.9	5:51	-0.2	11:10	6.4	--	--

Upcoming EVENTS

Tiki Beach Festival

August 22 - 23, 2015
www.alfredosbeachclub.com

Labor Day

September 7, 2015

Lobster Festival

September 11 - 13, 2015
www.originallobsterfestival.com

Belmont Shore Car Show

September 13, 2015

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

www.belmontshore.org

Long Beach Marathon

October 11, 2015

www.runlongbeach.com

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Shoreline Office (562) 570-4950
Alamitos Bay Office (562) 570-3215
Rainbow Harbor Office (562) 570-8636
Maintenance During working hours (562) 570-1582
After office hours (562) 570-3101



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Coastal Cleanup Day 2015

Saturday, September 19
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

WHAT IS COASTAL CLEANUP DAY?

Every year, on the third Saturday in September, people join together at sites all over California to take part in the State's largest volunteer event, California Coastal Cleanup Day. In 2014, nearly 67,000 volunteers removed more than 1,190,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from California's beaches, lakes, and waterways. Families, friends, coworkers, scout troops, school groups, service clubs, and individuals come together to celebrate and share their appreciation of California's fabulous coast and waterways. The event is part of the International Coastal Cleanup, organized by the Ocean Conservancy, which is the largest volunteer event on the planet!



WHY ARE BEACH CLEANUPS IMPORTANT?

Vast amounts of plastic debris litter the world's oceans causing all manner of harm, and most of this debris comes from land. Our beaches are collecting spots for trash from city streets and highways. Trash travels - via inland waterways, storm drains, sewers, and on the wind, and eventually ends up on the coast. If not removed, this debris will end up in the ocean. Beach cleanups are a last line of defense - to prevent debris from causing harm to our oceans, to wildlife, to our coastal economies, and even to beach-goers (ouch!).

WHAT IS MARINE DEBRIS?

Marine debris is defined as "any manufactured or processed solid waste material that enters the marine environment from any source." Debris is everywhere - found around every major body of water on the planet, and below water as well. Marine debris is



a global pollution problem that impacts human health and safety, endangers wildlife and aquatic habitats, and costs local and national economies millions in wasted resources and lost revenues.

Many people assume that if trash exists in the ocean, it must be that the fishing and shipping industries are to blame. But in fact, only 20% of the items found in the ocean can be linked to ocean-based sources, like commercial fishing vessels, cargo ships (discharge of containers and garbage), or pleasure cruise ships. The remainder (80%) is due to land-based sources, like litter (from pedestrians, motorists, beach visitors), industrial discharges (in the form of plastic pellets and powders), and garbage management (ill-fitting trash can lids, etc). Trashing California's Beaches.

A 2001 study found an average of 334,271 pieces of plastic per square mile in the North Pacific Central Gyre, which serves as a natural eddy



system to concentrate material. A 2009 voyage to that same region found plastic particles in over 100 consecutive surface tows over approximately 8 days of sampling. And debris in the marine environment means hazards for animals and humans. Marine debris affects at least 663 species worldwide, including all known sea turtle species and about half of all of marine mammal species. More than 80% of these impacts were associated with plastic debris.

2015 COASTAL CLEANUP DAY IN LONG BEACH

The El Dorado Nature Center is partnering with the California Coastal Commission to coordinate seven cleanup sites in Long Beach. Joining us as site captains are the Aquarium of the Pacific, Seal Beach Yacht Club, Long Beach Marine Institute, Friends of Colorado Lagoon, Clean LB, Long Beach Health Department, and the Long Beach Water Department.



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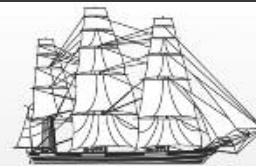
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Oil Islands Celebrate **50 YEARS OF OPERATION**

The California Resources Corporation held a 50-year celebration for their Long Beach Unit/THUMS Operations; more casually known as our four oil islands. These islands were created in 1965 and named Island A, B, C and D.

In 1967, the Long Beach City Council took an action to name the islands after nation's first four astronauts who perished in space: Freeman, White, Grissom and Chaffee. Over the past 50 years they have produced over 1 billion barrels of oil. The celebration included many of the former THUMS employees who had a hand in this as well as a few retired Long Beach Gas & Oil employees. It is interesting to note that oil work in our Long Beach waters was approved by residents in 1950 by way of a ballot measure.



A few fun facts about the islands: For those of you that didn't know, Huell Howser did a three-part series on the oil islands in 2008 in his "California's Gold" series. You can Google it to see the episodes. Additionally, the architecture of the islands was designed by Joseph Linesch, the Disneyland "Imagineer", who designed much of the original areas of Disneyland. Mr. Linesch also provided architecture design for oil derricks in Beverly Hills and Venice Beach. We continue to get questions from the general public asking how they can rent an apartment out there.

Our Long Beach oil islands truly are one of the more unique urban oil production facilities and public-private partnerships on planet earth. As Huell Howser said when he visited the islands in 2008, "That's Amazing."

LABOR DAY *Message*

Tribute to the American worker

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is traditionally looked upon as the "End of Summer," although the summer weather here is Southern California lingers on.

Labor Day is actually a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well being of our country. It is appropriate, therefore, that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the American worker.

We hope you will be enjoying the waters this Labor Day, and please remember to always practice safe and responsible boating.



LONG BEACH MARATHON

Sunday, October 11, 2015

On Sunday, October 11th, an estimated 30,000 runners, bikers, and walkers will be touring our city in the 30th annual Long Beach Marathon. This is a large event with great impact to our residents and visitors, so please plan ahead - especially boaters in the Long Beach Shoreline Marina. For additional Marathon information you can visit www.runlongbeach.com.

- On Saturday, October 10th, from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 11th, Shoreline Drive, from Ocean to Linden, will be closed and the ONLY access into and out of the LBSM will be from Pine Avenue to Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive.
- On Saturday, October 10th, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon there will be a Kids Fun Run and 5K near the Aquarium of the Pacific.
- On Sunday, October 11th, from 12:01 a.m. until 12 noon vehicle ingress and egress to the LBSM will be prohibited. If you need to use your vehicle to leave the marina between these hours, you will need to park in

the Convention Center Lot. (Using the service road entry near the back loading dock). Make sure your LBSM parking pass is visible. You will be permitted to cross the course on foot at any time during the event.

If you have any questions, comment, or concerns please contact Kimarie Vestre at (562) 570-3236 or via email at Kimarie.Vestre@longbeach.gov



Coastal Cleanup continued...

Participating is easy: All you have to do is show up at any of our sites and sign in!

Saturday, September 19, 2015, from 9 a.m. - 12 noon at any of the following locations:

ALAMITOS BAY MARINA

255 N. Marina Drive

BELMONT PIER

End of Termino Ave. at Ocean Blvd.

BLUFF PARK

End of Coronado Ave. at Ocean Blvd.

PENINSULA

End of Bayshore Ave. at Ocean Blvd.

CHERRY BEACH

End of Junipero Ave. at Ocean Blvd.

COLORADO LAGOON

5119 E. Colorado St.

MOTHER'S BEACH

5839 Appian Way

All participants must sign a liability waiver form. Waivers will be available at each site or you can download and bring one with you.

2015 Waiver Form: www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/ccd/waiver.pdf