

The Shoreline

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Hello All,

By the time this correspondence reaches your mailboxes, we will be nearing July 2008. How time flies.

There are so many great reasons to travel over to Catalina Island. But, for all, a must is to participate in the City of Avalon's celebration of the 4th of July. If you have never been, it's a **MUST** to do. The streets will be filled with festive people and music. As always, the USC Marching Band will be on hand to entertain and fire up the crowd. Fireworks are always on display starting at 2100 hours off Casino Point. Arrive a few days early to assure your place on a mooring. I highly recommend you put this on your calendar.

Speaking of Catalina Island, I have more good news....starting last month, the Isthmus Cove (Two Harbors) will finally have a fully functioning pump-out station. This will be a relief for those of you who frequent Two Harbors. If you are anything like me, you drop the mooring and travel out to sea several miles to dump your holding tanks – what a pain. The pump-out is located on the Isthmus fuel dock and is in service from 0700 hours to 1800 hours.

For those of you who can't make it to the island for the 4th, Shoreline Marina in Long Beach is a good 2nd choice. Fireworks will be on display starting at 2100 hours from a barge located behind the Queen Mary. Parking is a problem so start early.

PETROLEUM CONTAINMENT

Fuel can easily be spilled from the fuel tank vent while fueling and both fuel and oil may be discharged during bilge pump operation. Hydrocarbons are dangerous to aquatic plants, animals and humans both at and below the water surface. It is therefore necessary to prevent fuel and oil from boat bilges and fuel tank vents from entering the water. It is unlawful to discharge fuel or oil into the marina. Any violation carries severe penalties.

All in all, July is a great month; let's all get out and have some fun!

P.S. Please don't feed stray cats and keep your dogs on a leash.

Jerry, HHW Marina Manager

Important Information:

Due to the constant evolution of the Clean Marina Program, we have initiated a standard series of Best Management Practices for all vendors in the marina. These guidelines, known as the Clean Marina-Vendor Manual, are a series of steps vendors can take to ensure a healthy boat and environment for their customers. Over the next several months we will do our best to inform you of these Best Management Practices, and you can also go to our website at www.holidayharborw.com to download the full document and hand it out to your vendors to ensure compliance.

Tradesperson Best Management Practices

- Make sure the owner has the appropriate number of fire extinguishers on board with current service tags in place.
- Ensure that engines and fluids have cooled adequately prior to initiating any maintenance to avoid burns.
- Keep work areas on the boat clear of oil and debris.
- Provide continuous ventilation in work areas, especially below decks.
- Visually check for engine oil and fuel leaks during any maintenance procedure. Encourage the owner to use bilge pads under the engine(s), examine them frequently and replace them whenever necessary. Remind the owner that they're free.
- Do not pump any bilge water that is oily or has a surface sheen. If bilge water containing oil or fuel is accidentally pumped overboard, do not treat it with detergent or an emulsifier. The goal for spills is to contain and collect the spill; not to disperse the spill and allow it to sink.
- Any observed fuel or oil spills need to be reported to the U.S. Coast Guard quickly. They will make the reports to other agencies as the situation demands.