

The Shoreline

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Hello everyone,

I thought I'd start with a quote by Thomas Jefferson, who once said, "I predict future happiness for Americans if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them." Interesting... Huh.

I think it is safe to say by the time you all read this newsletter summer will be well underway. July marks the beginning of the best time to sail our local waters and Catalina Island. As you may or may not know, the 4th of July in Avalon is the best. The USC marching band is always on hand to entertain and get the party going. The many parades, both land and water, seem to go forever. All restaurants take part in the festivities and there is lots of barbecue to go around. If you are a boater, the 4th in Avalon is a must do. Sail over two to three days in advance to assure your mooring.

Also, if you are a scuba diver, don't miss the annual Gold Star Dive at Casino Point Underwater Park on July 18, 2009. Divers search the bottom for plastic coins that are turned in for prizes. The event is a fundraiser for the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber and the Sheriff's S.T.A.R. (Success Through Awareness and Resistance) program.

Summer will go quick. Mark your calendar for July 4th and 18th and enjoy this great treasure a few short miles off our coast.

LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Used motor oil can be recycled, cleaned and used again. Recycled used oil can reduce the possibility of its entrance into storm drains and polluting ground water. Recycling also minimizes the risk of polluting the soil from oil being poured directly onto the ground or tossed into a trash receptacle. Adequate and proper storage and disposal of oil, fuel and the variety of other liquid materials boaters use is essential if these contaminants are to be kept out of the environment.

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

1. Hazardous liquid waste must be disposed of using Household Waste facilities – See Marina Manager.
2. Ensure that only minimal quantities of hazardous liquids are stored onboard or in your dock box.
3. Dispose of used oil and oil filters at approved collection sites at the marina.
4. Always check for traces of contaminants before pumping the bilge.
5. Clean bilges of debris and remove loose containers of paint, solvents and other oil-based products before having a boat hauled.

Until next time,

Jerry, HHW Marina