

The Watchorn

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Holiday Harbor/Cabrillo Marina

So we've survived another year, it's amazing how fast January can sneak up on us when we're not paying attention. By now you've already opened your X-mas presents and gorged on winter treats, letting the belt out one notch at a time until you finally hit the one with your local gym's phone number stenciled underneath, curiously written in your wife's handwriting. Now that I think of it, what a great marketing tool that would be. It's kinda like posting the label of an anti-aging cream on the underside of a tanning bed, or selling Pepto-Bismol in the front of Mexican restaurants. If only I could get the marketing department of Procter and Gamble to return my phone calls, I'd be a rich man.

To be fair, not all of my ideas are golden. For example, I've learned that taping a TV antenna to your brother's kite during a rainstorm isn't a great idea. Sure, you get great reception, but now when my brother burps every light in the house goes off and his hair stands on end. My pedal-powered wheelchair was a disaster as well, but not nearly as much as the inflatable dartboard I came up with. It seems I'm more of the creative designer type than an engineer. After all, why limit ourselves to reality? The world seems much more attractive in four dimensions.

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SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Solid waste can collect at marinas and other harbor locations if litter is not disposed of properly, which is why Holiday Harbor-Cabrillo Marina has conveniently placed numerous trash receptacles throughout the facility. Since we are all both users and protectors of our environment, it is our responsibility to ensure that all debris and waste are disposed of in a safe and environmentally friendly manner. Please keep in mind the following best management practices when repairing your vessel at our harbor. For any questions please feel free to visit the marina office, or call us at (310) 833-4468.

Best Management Practices

1. No waste of any kind may be dumped in the harbor. Land-side receptacles are provided for non-hazardous solid waste and separate containers are available for recyclables.
2. Contaminated liquids, paint, used oil and batteries may not be placed in the dumpsters or in the trash enclosures. As third-party refuse, these become hazardous items by definition and cannot be handled by Marina maintenance personnel. Oil disposal is readily available in the harbor, as are containers for oil filters and oily rags.
3. Expired zinc anodes are often left on the dock by divers for inspection by the boat owner. This is not a preferred practice and the used zincs need to be properly disposed of on land.

Real News

- Attention LIVEBOARDS: Those of you living aboard your boat were inspected by the Port of Los Angeles this past year by our friendly surveyor Jim Wallace. This is going to be a yearly inspection, so please keep your boat up to date and in good working order. The marina office will notify you when it is time for you to have your boat inspected again.
- Please remember that many tenants sleep on their boats from time to time. Clanging halyards, loose hatches and flailing lines all make noise that can be burdensome on your neighbors. Please secure all loose objects on your boat and prevent any noise from bleeding over to nearby boats, it is appreciated by all.
- Included in this month's statements is the 2010 Tenant Update Form. It is important for all boaters to complete and return this form so accurate contact information is on file in case of an emergency.