

Docks & Harbors

The Tide Line

January 2013



Docks and Harbors Meetings:

Operations Meeting

January 22nd, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. At the Aurora Harbor.

CIP Meeting

January 24th, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. In the Assembly Chambers

Finance Meeting

January 29th, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. In CBJ Room 224.

Regular Board Meeting

January 31st, 2013 in the CBJ Assembly Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

Note new start time!

Meeting agendas and minutes can be found at:

http://www.juneau.org/harbors/
board.php

Port Directors Corner

As we welcome 2013, Docks & Harbors is pleased to roll-out several new features which should improve service to our harbor patrons. Beginning 1 January, we will be offering on-line launch ramp permits. The last few months, the Docks & Harbors Board has been reviewing past practices and has resolved policy questions regarding launch ramp fees and the Harbormaster has established procedures moving forward. The Board affirmed the regulation that the fee associated with launch ramp is linked to the owner of the vessel utilizing the CBJ managed boat ramp facilities. This means that an individual owner, with multiple trailers (or multiple vehicles in the case of cartop launched vessels, i.e. kayaks/canoes/punts) may after submitting \$90(plus tax) annual fee, be provided additional decals which is used to verify compliance with this regulation. The additional decals can only be provided at the Aurora Harbor or Auke Bay Harbor Offices after the owner brings in registrations demonstrating the trailers/vehicles are documented at the vessel owner's home. For vessel owners who have only a single trailer (or single vehicle used for car-top launches), you may purchase the launch ramp fee on-line http://www.juneauharbors.com/ After paying on-line, you will be provided an opportunity to print out and display a temporary permit on your dashboard while your permit is being processed, less than 10 days. In addition to annual on-line permit processing, harbor patrons will be able to purchase on-line daily launch ramp permits for \$14 (plus tax). [We are also exploring opportunities to provide a daily launch ramp permit from the Statter Harbor parking kiosk.]

The Harbormaster has established new procedures for ensuring compliance which includes having the decals displayed on the left side of the trailer tongue near the winch stanchion. Vehicles using CBJ managed ramp facilities will be required to display an annual fee decal on the front driver's side windshield. [We have also verified that the decals can be easily removed with hot water at the end of the season.]

Although the on-line system is the same used at Eaglecrest, we may experience growing pains as we strive to provide expanded customer service. Harbor patrons can always use the walk-up methods which have been in place for many years to purchase their ramp permits.

Christmas Boat Lighting Contest. Thanks to all who participated in the 2nd Annual Christmas Boat Lighting Contest. The numbers of those lighting their vessels increased 20% and those who were "in it to win it" increased the luminescence of their displays from last year. Congratulations to Dan Gowdy who is a repeat champion in the recreational vessel category. For those who participated and want to continue this tradition, please let the sponsors know – Juneau Radio Center, Western Auto Marine, Pinkies, AELP, Chamber of Commerce, and the Juneau Yacht Club. Congratulations to the winners: Commercial winners – Donald Kalk, Dan Foley, and Rusty Owen Recreational winners – Dan Gowdy, David Miller, and Kit Sundsten.









Port Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Closed 12-1 for lunch 586-0292

Port/Customs Office Hours

Closed for the winter. **Aurora Office Hours** Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm 586-5255

Auke Bay Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm 789-0819

Due to shortages in staff, office hours may change on short notice.

January Holidays All CBJ offices will be Closed January 1st, and January 21st, 2013.

Fuel Dock Hours

Fuel is available at Andrew's Marina call 789-1750 for appt.

Meet the Staff

Erich Schaal started working for Docks & Harbors on October 4th, 2010, as the Deputy Port Engineer. He grew up in Hillsboro, Oregon, and graduated from Jesuit High School. He attended Oregon Tech where he received his degree in Civil Engineering in 2005, and shortly after moved to Juneau. Erich is married and has two kids. On his off time, Erich said he enjoys duck hunting, building projects in his garage, and spending time with his wife and kids. Erich said he likes working for Docks & Harbors and is excited about the current and upcoming projects. Erich works at the Port Office at 76 Egan Drive, and invites you to stop by and say hi.

Docks and Harbors Employment Opportunity. We are currently recruiting for an Administrative Assistant III to work out of the Aurora Office. The details of the job can be found at; http://www.juneau.org/personnel/documents/13-308AdminAssistantIII 000.pdf
This is a dynamic and rewarding position that provides face to face customer service to harbor patrons and responsibility in managing revenue collections. Please consider joining the Docks & Harbors team. The position closes January 4th.

Juneau Harbors Youtube. Docks & Harbors is in the process of standing up a Youtube Account. We have two videos currently available at http://www.youtube.com/user/juneauharbors. One is a time lapse video of the demolition of the DeHarts Marina and the other is underwater video provided by Vista Imaging of Douglas showing an inspection of an Aurora Harbor potable waterline. We also recently installed new web cameras at Statter Harbor and Aurora Harbor which can be found at http://www.juneau.org/harbors/webcams.php
Thanks to Erich Schaal, Deputy Port Engineer, for the Youtube and to Dwight Tajon, Harbormaster, for the web cameras.

Vendor Booth Sales. Docks & Harbors is in the process of coordinating the downtown cruise ship Vendor Booth Sales. These Vendor Booth Permits are issued through an outcry auction in February which provides successful bidders with the privilege of selling tours at three locations along the downtown waterfront. Docks & Harbors is tasked with the responsibility to ensure an orderly assignment of permits and to enforce CBJ ordinance regarding the sales of tours. If you are interested in participating in this potentially lucrative business endeavor and have questions on the process, please contact Ms. Teena Scovill (teena_scovill@ci.juneau.ak.us) or visit www.juneau.org/harbors/.

Aurora Harbor Update. Docks & Harbors has collected public input from our October open house. We anticipate briefing the Docks & Harbors CIP Committee of the findings in a future meetings as we continue to refine the design and move forward with the recapitalization project. Please follow the CIP Committee agendas at

http://www.juneau.org/harbors/AM.php?committee=CIP&year=2012



Statter Harbors Update.

The Statter Harbor Improvements Project continues to change the look of Auke Bay. The waterlogged DeHarts Marina floats are gone, along with Statter's brown gangway and part of the headwalk. Two large materials barges have arrived on site. In January a larger crane and barge will arrive from Skagway and start the pile drilling and driving portion of the work. The new floats will serve as templates for the piles as they first drill a socket and then drive the piles into the seafloor. Work is still on schedule for completion in May of 2013.



http://www.juneau.org/harbors/StatterMoorageImpv.php

The National Weather Service announced that there are a number of additional weather observations being added to their database that you will be able to view as needed. These can be found on their homepage at: http://pajk.arh.noaa.gov/SafetyTip

Alaskan boaters should always carry at least one signaling device and one communication device on their person.

- Signaling: whistle, signal mirror, small aerial flares, personal locator beacon.
- Communication: handheld waterproof VHF radio or cell phone in waterproof bag.
 Courtesy of the United States Coast Guard