



Docks & Harbors

The Tide Line

September 2014



Port Director's Corner:

September may mark the end of the boating and cruise ship season for some – but for Docks & Harbors it starts the clock of what will surely be another extremely busy “off season”. On September 15th, the public will observe all vessels on A thru D Floats in Aurora Harbor have been relocated to Statter, Douglas, Harris Harbors and the Intermediate Vessel Float. This will provide Docks & Harbors an opportunity to salvage useable hardware and electrical pedestals before the general contractor (Northern Construction Service) and their sub-contractor (Trucano Construction) begin the demolition in early October. Docks & Harbors schedulers Dolly Raster and Dennis Holloway have been coordinating the relocation of over 110 vessel in an admirable fashion. Juggling the requests of so many patrons is no easy task but Dolly and Dennis have been in contact with those impacted and is working to mitigate inconvenience. An observant harbor user will also notice Admiralty Construction working at the north of Aurora Harbor to replace water service connections and retaining wall which is part of the Aurora Harbor rebuild project. We will continue to provide updates to this very important project scheduled to be substantially complete on May 31st, 2015.

The end of the 2014 season also provide us the opportunity to review our management procedures for the downtown Cruise Ship Terminal areas and the Statter Harbor operations. The meetings will allow patrons to meet and provide recommendations for increased efficiencies. The Cruise Ship Terminal area end of year brief will be held on Friday, September 19th at 9 am in the Assembly Chambers. The Statter Harbor end of year brief will be at the Mendenhall Library on September 24th at 5 pm. Harbor patrons, commercial operators and others are welcome to attend the meetings.

Docks & Harbors has also been responding to Aurora Harbor residents who have observed increased winter ice formations over the past few seasons. Upon research by Deputy Port Engineer Erich Schaal, it was discovered that a sediment vault which collects storm water coming off Mt Juneau required maintenance. The sedimentation was diverting the fresh water run into the harbor and away from the conduit carrying the water into Gastineau Channel. The fresh water was freezing, impacting the boats in the harbor.

North Douglas Launch Ramp - We are in the process of negotiating asphalt repairs to the North Douglas Launch facility with SECON. We will work to minimize the impact to launch patrons but please be aware that there may be times that the ramp will be unavailable this fall. Please watch for signs with the closure dates.

Comprehensive Fee Review: The Docks & Harbors Board is in the process of reviewing all fees associated with CBJ regulations. The Board will convene two committees, one will review the Docks Enterprise fees and one will review the Harbor Enterprise fees. The Docks Fee review committee will meet at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 17th in the CBJ Assembly Chambers. The meeting for the Harbor fees will be Thursday, September 18th following the scheduled Docks & Harbors Operations-Planning Committee in the Assembly Chambers.

Docks and Harbors Meetings:

Docks Enterprise Fee Review Committee Meeting

Sept. 17th at 7:00 p.m.
Assembly Chambers

Operations /Planning

Sept. 18th at 5:00 p.m.
Assembly Chambers

Harbor Enterprise Fee Review Committee Meeting

Sept. 18th at 6:00 p.m.
Assembly Chambers
(Following Ops/Planning)

Cruise Ship Terminal Staging Area- End of 2014 Season Review

Sept. 19th at 9:00 a.m.
Assembly Chambers

Finance Meeting

Sept. 23rd at 5:00 p.m.
CBJ Room 224

Statter Harbor Operations Summer 2014 De-brief

Sept. 24th at 5:00 p.m.
Mendenhall Library

Regular Board Meeting

Sept. 25th at 5:30 p.m.
Assembly Chambers

Meeting agendas and minutes

can be found at:

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

Go Green with Docks & Harbors. If you are interested in having your statement sent via email, please send an email to dolly_raster@ci.juneau.ak.us





Meet the Staff:

Jennifer Shinn is the newest addition to Docks & Harbors, working in the Port Director's Office as an Administrative Assistant I. She grew up in Ketchikan, and graduated from Ketchikan High School. Jennifer attended college in California for two years before moving to Juneau in 2008. She studied glaciers at UAS and graduated in 2012 with a BS in Environmental Science. Just after college she worked for Admiralty Environmental as a lab technician doing cruise ship water sampling. Her position there required a lot of travel, and she decided she wanted more time at home. Jennifer enjoys long walks with her dog, jet skiing, four-wheeling, baking, and reading. Stop by the Port Office and say hello!

Congratulations to all of this year's prize winners during the 68th Annual Golden North Salmon Derby...



...and especially to **Max Mielke** who reeled in the **Grand Prize 27.9 lb King Salmon!**



Photo: Emmalee and JJ Sims, excited to leave Statter Harbor on the first day of the Derby, 2014.

Port Office Hours

(907)586-0292
Monday - Friday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Closed 12:00 to 1:00

Port/Field Office Hours

(907)586-5720
May 5 - Sept 28th
Saturday - Wednesday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Closed 12:00 to 1:00

Aurora Office Hours

(907)586-5255
Monday - Friday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Statter Harbor (Auke Bay) Office Hours

(907)789-0819
Monday - Sunday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm
(Closed Sat & Sun Beginning Sept 27th)

Safety Tip - As the days begin to darken and the wind becomes a bit more chilly, boating safety is as important as ever. The best way to protect against potentially adverse weather conditions is to be prepared. It is important to have onboard your vessel at all times: lifejackets, communication devices, distress signals, navigation tools, a re-boarding device (foot sling or ladder), first aid kit, food, water, warm clothes, and more! You should check the marine forecast anytime you plan to go out on the water, and file a detailed float plan with a responsible adult who can report you as missing if you do not return as scheduled. The **Alaska Office of Boating Safety** has several tools to help you be more prepared on the water. Planning tools include weather and tide reports, a life jacket selector, a pre-departure checklist, and a comprehensive electronic float plan that you can file quickly and easily on their website at <http://pledgetolive.org/>.

**For Maritime Emergencies:
Contact the U. S. Coast Guard
by VHF radio CH 16 or call *CG
from your Alaska registered
cellular telephone.**

The last day of the 2014 Cruise Season will be Wednesday, September 24th

Docks and Harbors would like to thank everyone in the cruise industry for a great summer, and hope to see you all again next year!



Call for Artists: As part of the 1% For Art program, Docks & Harbors is soliciting artists to complement the new cruise ship construction project. The proposal process, outlined in the link below, will offer competing artists \$452K (in total) to design, construct and install art along the downtown waterfront. Proposals are due October 14th, 2014. A seated selection panel, consisting of 9 civic volunteers, will decide which art will be contracted for under the 1% For Art program. http://www.juneau.org/harbors/proposed_regulations.php