

City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department
132-A Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

To:

FREE OIL-ABSORBENT BILGE PADS

Help prevent bilge-oil leaks, discharges, and spills in the harbor. Stop by the Harbormaster's Office and pick up your **free** oil-absorbent bilge pads, funded by a grant from CalRecycle.

GOT USED OIL?

Find a certified Used Oil Recycling Center* near you. A list of Recycling Center locations is also available at the Harbormaster's Office.



*For a complete list of certified used-oil collection centers, visit www.calrecycle.ca.gov/usedoil/certcenters/

DockLines is funded in part by a grant from the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle).

GIVING THANKS WHERE THANKS ARE DUE

*Dominique Samario
Waterfront Administrative Analyst*

Some partnerships can truly be called a "win-win." For years, the Waterfront Department and CalRecycle have partnered to implement the Used Oil Payment Program. Designed to educate and encourage residents and businesses to dispose of used oil and used oil filters properly, the department received grant funds for outreach and disposal locations.

Through this program and CalRecycle's support, the Waterfront Department has provided more than 250,000 free bilge pads to harbor users and disposed of 34,000 gallons of used oil. Waterfront staff also work with local certified used-oil collection centers to provide them with tools to help everyone in the community dispose of these items in an environmentally-friendly way.

On behalf of the Waterfront Department, we thank CalRecycle for their support.



SB SAILING CENTER NAMED 2016 SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

On January 18th, the Chamber of Santa Barbara named Santa Barbara Sailing Center (SBSC) "2016 Small Business of the Year." Skip Abed, SBSC owner, accepted the award on behalf his staff, the facility's club members and community partners that contribute to SBSC's success.

Skip has been a mainstay in the Harbor since he began working at SBSC in 1992. He purchased the Sailing Center in 2000 and has worked to improve the facility and its business ever since. The Sailing Center's current offerings include whale watching, scenic cruises, boat and kayak rentals, SUP rentals, charter services, sailing lessons, summer camps and more.

Skip also serves as president of the Harbor Merchants Association, remaining consistently involved in local events like the Harbor and Seafood Festival, Parade of Lights and the Harbor Nautical Swap Meet.

Please join us in congratulating Skip and the Santa Barbara Sailing Center on this well-deserved award.

2017 Events Schedule

May 6	Operation Clean Sweep
May 13	Nautical Swap Meet
July 4	Fourth of July Celebration
October 14	Harbor & Seafood Festival
December 10	Parade of Lights

Visit

www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/Waterfront
for more details

2017 Regular Harbor Commission Meeting Schedule

January 19	July 20
February 16	August 17
March 16	September 21
April 20	October 19
May 18	November 16
June 15	December 21

Harbor Commission regularly meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers

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Improved Sea Landing Access

Sea Landing gets ADA-accessible gangway

West Beach Sand Removal

City-County partnership

Operation Clean Sweep - May 6th

Marina 3 is focus of this year's cleanup

Nautical Swap Meet - May 13th

Mark your calendars for this year's event!

Sea Landing Boardwalk

A new way to access the Rock Groin

New Maintenance Supervisor

Welcome Nels Anderson to his new role

Oil Dump Station Upgrade

New tools to properly dispose of oil filters

Vessel Turn-In Program

Program helps keep boats off the beach

A Special Thanks to CalRecycle

A long-term partnership

Santa Barbara Sailing Center

2016 Small Business of the Year

Mark Your Calendar

Event and Harbor Commission schedules

IMPROVED SEA LANDING ACCESS

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

Few realize that Sea Landing is the busiest marina in the harbor. Over 30,000 people visit the facility each year, for diving, sport fishing and whale watching. With increased cruise-ship visits, the number has risen to over 60,000 per year. To better accommodate and serve these folks, the Waterfront Department and Sea Landing owner Glen Fritzler have completed several improvements, including an interior office remodel and a new gangway to the docks.

The current gangway is steep and short, only 35' long. Any harbor regular knows that schlepping a dock cart down a steep ramp is no fun, an experience even more difficult for people climbing the ramp from cruise-ship tenders.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires gangways be 80' long, minimum, regardless of tidal range. To comply with ADA and make Sea Landing's docks more functional, the Department recently installed a new (additional) 80'-long gangway on the south side of the Sea Landing building. The new gangway will serve as primary loading and offloading access for cruise-ship tenders. On these days, regular Sea Landing customers will use the old ramp, separating cruise-ship passengers from regular visitors (a requirement of the Department of Homeland Security, which proved difficult to meet with only one accessible gangway). On the other 335 (or so) days per year, they too, can enjoy the new ramp.



City of Santa Barbara Photo: New Sea Landing ADA Accessible Gangway

Too Much Sand at West Beach, Not Enough at Goleta Beach

Known as the Waterfront's Sahara Desert, West Beach has more sand than we'd like.

Under normal circumstances, sand moves along the shoreline from west to east, piling up on the sandspit. Then it continues its journey to East Beach via dredging operations, ultimately nourishing beaches in Montecito and Carpinteria.

As we saw with a fierce southeaster, however, normal sediment transport direction can reverse, piling sand on West Beach in quantities equaling up to 7% of the total volume dredged from the harbor in a year. This causes shoaling off West Beach that gradually grows toward the harbor's entrance channel.

West Beach is outside the Federal Channel, thus not dredged by the Army Corps of Engineers.

The Waterfront has, however, periodically coordinated with other agencies to remove West Beach sand at no cost to the City. The most recent collaboration has been with Santa Barbara County, trucking sand to sand-starved Goleta Beach. The County has tried to protect the beach through various means, with periodic sand nourishment a preferred method.

The County recently removed 6,000 cubic yards (c.y.) of sand from an intertidal area off West Beach near the Rock Groin, a nuisance shoaling spot. Of that amount, 3,000 c.y. was hauled to Goleta Beach, only to be washed away by recent storms. The rest remains piled on West Beach. When winter storms subside, the County will haul the remaining sand to Goleta Beach for visitors to enjoy this summer.

DockLines

City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department

Office Hours

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to noon
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Business Office: 564-5531
Harbor Patrol: 564-5530
Maintenance: 564-5522
Parking Services: 564-5523
Office Fax: 560-7580

Local area code (805)

Clean Marina Corner

OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP MAY 6TH

Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager

The 11th annual Operation Clean Sweep, a volunteer seafloor cleanup program, will take place Saturday, May 6th. This year we'll focus on Marina 3, after last's year's effort in Marina 4 brought the 10-year total of removed debris to 17.7 tons.

Typically, Clean Sweep draws 40-50 volunteer dock workers, aided by about a dozen divers from harbor-area dive-service companies. It's a fun and productive "fishing trip" that yields surprises ranging from barbeques and bow pulpits to deck chairs, satellite dishes, cell phones and more. Volunteers enjoy free donuts and coffee in the morning and a free lunch at 11:00, a.m. when the cleanup is finished.

Persons wishing to participate in this year's event can contact Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 897-2587 or via email at MKronman@SantaBarbaraCA.gov



City of Santa Barbara Photos: 2016 Operation Clean Sweep volunteers gather after the event

HARBOR NAUTICAL SWAP MEET MAY 13TH

Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager

Sponsored by the Waterfront Department and Harbor Merchants Association, the 8th annual Harbor Nautical Swap Meet will take place on Saturday, May 13th in the Marina 3 parking lot. Come to buy, sell, peruse or just enjoy good company, coffee and donuts at this uniquely local event. Typical sale items include sailboat rigging, fishing gear, outboard motors, surfboards, paddleboards, kayaks and all manner of boat parts. Signups for vendor spaces (\$10 apiece) begin Monday, April 10th.

And while taking inventory of what you need to buy or sell, check your dock box, too, since again this year the Waterfront Department will sponsor a Hazmat Turn-in event, in conjunction with the Swap Meet. Next to the Swap Meet, you'll find a marked area for hazardous materials you may want to dispose of before boating season hits high gear—items like waste oil, old cans of varnish, lacquer or paint, or small amounts of gasoline or diesel. The Hazmat Turn-in is funded in part through a CalRecycle used-oil grant.

In an effort to limit the Hazmat event to harbor boat owners only, an "entry ticket" will be included in May's slip billing. The ticket entitles the slip permittee to dispose of any appropriate items from his or her boat or dock box. No ticket is necessary to participate in the Swap Meet. Questions? Call Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587 or email him at MKronman@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

HARBOR NEWS

SEA LANDING BOARDWALK

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

One of the Waterfront Department's most important responsibilities is maintaining coastal access. During cruise ship visits, the Sea Landing sidewalk is fenced in, requiring sightseers to walk the beach through several outrigger canoes to get to the Rock Groin. Staff found a way to solve this problem, following a recent trip to Santa Monica, where wooden walkways are common along the city's extremely wide beaches. They facilitate getting to the water's edge instead of trudging 500 feet through hot sand.

Based on this model, staff designed and built a wooden walkway running parallel to and just

east of the Sea Landing sidewalk, allowing access to the Rock Groin during cruise-ship visits. Three tile mosaics recovered from the sidewalk along Cabrillo Boulevard add a nice touch to the walkway. The mosaics were removed, then replaced, a couple years ago, when the Gas Company replaced one of its distribution lines. The Gas Company's contractor was required to dispose of the extracted, perfectly good tiles, but offered them to the Waterfront instead. The new walkway seemed like an ideal new home, embellishing a boardwalk that provides access to one of the best views of the harbor entrance.



City of Santa Barbara Photo: The new boardwalk allows visitors to access the Rock Groin at all times

NEW MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR NELS ANDERSON

Change continues blowing through the Facilities Division, with Nels Anderson recently promoted to Maintenance Supervisor. Nels joined the Waterfront in 2012 as an hourly employee. His skills and hard work immediately apparent, he moved to full-time maintenance worker the same year. Nels has continued rising through the ranks ever since, culminating with his recent promotion.

Nels is a Santa Barbara native and San Marcos High School graduate. He worked in construction for several years before joining the Waterfront. He has an excellent work ethic and is

very creative coming up with facilities repairs.

Nels is an excellent woodworker and a quick study when it comes to understanding other trades like plumbing and electrical—critical to maintaining a safe, functional harbor. His job duties are shifting from hands-on to more administrative tasks. Nevertheless, Nels is just as good at scheduling, tracking budgets, managing contracts, delegating and planning as he is with the trades. We're lucky to have Nels move up to this important position and look forward to his good work for years to come.



City of Santa Barbara Photo: Maintenance Supervisor, Nels Anderson

OIL DUMP STATION UPGRADE

Tom Dietz, Waterfront Maintenance Superintendent

To comply with state regulations, maintenance staff will install new Punch-N-Drain Recovery Stations at Marina 2 and Marina 4 used-oil disposal sites. California code requires that all oil filters be drained before being recycled (current filters don't drain completely without being punctured).

The Department will place the following instructions on how to use the new system, funded by a CalRecycle grant, at each station:

1. PLACE OIL FILTER ON FUNNEL RACK
2. USING PUNCH-HAMMER, CAREFULLY PUNCH HOLE IN TOP OF FILTER
3. FLIP FILTER OVER AND ALLOW TO DRAIN COMPLETELY
4. DISPOSE OF DRAINED OIL FILTER IN OIL FILTER RECYCLING BIN

Thank you for helping the Department meet these requirements and for helping keep our harbor clean. Questions? Contact maintenance at 564-5522.



City of Santa Barbara Photos: Marina 2 Used Oil and Filter Disposal Station and new Punch-N-Drain system

WATCHLOG

News from Harbor Patrol

VESSEL TURN-IN PROGRAM

Steve McCullough, Harbor Patrol Supervisor

The Waterfront Department has participated in the state's Vessel Turn-In (grant) Program (VTIP) since it was established in 2010. The program encourages vessel owners to voluntarily "surrender" aging and deteriorating boats instead of selling them for next to nothing (the proverbial \$1 boat) and allowing them to continue deteriorating while anchored east of Stearns Wharf. Owners of \$1 boats often don't have the means to responsibly care for their newly acquired vessels. These anchored derelict boats are often abandoned, sink or wash ashore, creating significant environmental and public-safety hazards, as well as significantly higher removal

costs than if they had been turned in.

Santa Barbara boaters embraced the program during the past two years. The Waterfront Department accepted 20 VTIP boats in 2016 and four in the first two months of 2017. During this time, the number of boats anchored east of Stearns Wharf has dropped to all-time lows.

Anyone wishing to surrender their aging boat to the Waterfront Department should contact Harbor Patrol Supervisor Steve McCullough at (805) 564-5530.