

October 2017

# Marina Reader

## Long Beach Marinas

Alamitos Bay Marina, Long Beach Shoreline Marina, and Rainbow Harbor Marina

## From the Manager

Happy October Everyone,

The focus of this month's letter is the former practice known as "First Right of Refusal". The practice gave yacht club members priority slip assignments. With the reconstruction of the Alamitos Bay Marina, the practice was ceased per the requirements of the State's Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), Publicly Owned Marina Loan Agreements. Upon issuance of the 2015 Marina Revenue Bonds, DBW loans were paid in full. The City was approached by the yacht clubs in an effort to reintroduce the practice.



*Davies Launch Ramp, shown here will receive an improvement grant of \$300,000. So as not to risk grant funding opportunities, the private use practice of "First Right of Refusal" will not be reinstated.*

Several City Departments have been working on addressing the issue in an effort to implement some version of the former practice. However, the City Attorney's Office has recently opined that the existence of any slip preferences for private use is arguably a violation of Section 40 of the Harbors and Navigation Code, which reads as follows in pertinent part: "Facilities in harbors and connecting waterways established, under the provisions of this division shall be open to all on equal and reasonable terms."

Violation of Section 40 subjects the City of Long Beach to potential ineligibility to receive state funding in the form of grants and loans for waterway improvements such as launch ramps, pumpout stations, coastal beach erosion, boating education and outreach, abandoned/vessel turn-in program, and several other boating related grants.

As an example, recently the Marine Bureau was notified that we will receive a \$300,000 grant for engineering/design of improvements to Davies Launch Ramp and that potential future grant funding for the construction of improvements will be available to us as well. The City is not in the position to put these types of state funding opportunities at risk. Therefore, the First Right of Refusal Practice will not be reinstated. If you have additional questions, please send me an email.

**Elvira Hallinan**  
Manager, Marinas and Beaches

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# Tide Chart

## October 2017

# Upcoming Events

Low Tide					High Tide			
Date	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1 Su	1:29	0.5	1:27	2.1	7:59	4.3	7:19	4.9
2 M	1:59	0.4	2:01	1.6	8:21	4.6	7:58	5.2
3 Tu	2:28	0.3	2:35	1.2	8:44	4.9	8:36	5.3
4 W	2:57	0.2	3:11	0.7	9:09	5.2	9:14	5.3
5 Th	3:26	0.4	3:49	0.4	9:37	5.5	9:55	5.2
6 F	3:57	0.6	4:31	0.1	10:07	5.7	10:39	5.0
7 Sa	4:29	0.9	5:17	0.0	10:40	5.9	11:28	4.6
8 Su	5:04	1.3	6:09	0.0	11:18	5.8	--	--
9 M	5:44	1.8	7:11	0.2	12:26	4.1	12:02	5.7
10 Tu	6:32	2.3	8:26	0.3	1:41	3.7	12:55	5.4
11 W	7:44	2.7	9:51	0.4	3:20	3.5	2:05	5.1
12 Th	9:34	2.9	11:10	0.3	5:03	3.7	3:35	4.9
13 F	11:16	2.6	--	--	6:12	4.1	5:03	4.9
14 Sa	12:12	0.1	12:28	2.1	6:58	4.5	6:15	5.1
15 Su	1:02	0.0	1:22	1.5	7:35	4.9	7:13	5.2
16 M	1:44	0.1	2:07	1.0	8:08	5.2	8:02	5.2
17 Tu	2:20	0.2	2:47	0.6	8:38	5.5	8:46	5.1
18 W	2:52	0.5	3:25	0.3	9:06	5.6	9:27	5.0
19 Th	3:22	0.8	4:01	0.2	9:33	5.7	10:06	4.7
20 F	3:49	1.1	4:37	0.1	9:59	5.7	10:46	4.4
21 Sa	4:15	1.5	5:13	0.2	10:25	5.6	11:27	4.1
22 Su	4:41	1.9	5:52	0.4	10:51	5.4	--	--
23 M	5:06	2.3	6:36	0.6	12:12	3.8	--	--
					11:19	5.1		
24 Tu	5:32	2.6	7:29	0.8	1:09	3.5	--	--
					11:50	4.8		
25 W	6:03	3.0	8:37	1.0	2:32	3.3	12:29	4.5
26 Th	7:07	3.3	9:55	1.1	4:39	3.3	1:28	4.2
27 F	9:54	3.3	11:03	1.0	5:57	3.6	3:08	3.9
28 Sa	11:35	3.0	11:54	0.9	6:28	3.9	4:45	4.0
29 Su	--	--	12:27	2.5	6:51	4.2	5:53	4.2
30 M	12:34	0.7	1:06	1.9	7:13	4.6	6:47	4.4
31 Tu	1:09	0.6	1:42	1.3	7:36	4.9	7:33	4.6

## Long Beach Marathon

Sunday, October 8

For info: [www.runlongbeach.com](http://www.runlongbeach.com)

## Shoreline Yacht Club Open House

Sunday, October 22

For info: [www.shorelineyachtclub.com](http://www.shorelineyachtclub.com)

## Captain's License Course

Friday, November 3

For info: [www.SmartCaptains.com](http://www.SmartCaptains.com)

## Halloween

Tuesday, October 31

## Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, November 5

Fall back 1 hour

## Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 23

Marine Bureau Offices Closed

## Trees in the Bay

Lighting Begins Thanksgiving Weekend

## 2nd Street Holiday Parade

December 2

## Parade of 1,000 Lights

(Shoreline Boat Parade)

December 16

## Naples Boat Parade

December 9

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### Contact

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## Important Phone Numbers

<b>Long Beach Police</b>	911
<b>Marine Patrol Emergency</b>	911 or 9911 (Dock Phone)
<b>Non Emergency</b>	(562) 435-6711
<b>Shoreline Office</b>	(562) 570-4950
<b>Alamitos Bay Office</b>	(562) 570-3215
<b>Rainbow Harbor Office</b>	(562) 570-8636
<b>Maintenance:</b>	
<b>During working hours</b>	(562) 570-1582
<b>After office hours</b>	(562) 570-3101

## Navigating 26.2 Miles Long Beach Marathon

On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, an estimated 26,000 runners, bikers, and walkers will be touring our city in the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Long Beach Marathon. This is a large event with great impact to our residents and visitors so please plan ahead, especially boaters in the Long Beach Shoreline Marina. For additional marathon information you can visit [www.runlongbeach.com](http://www.runlongbeach.com).

**On Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**, from 8:00AM until 6:00PM on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Shoreline Drive, from Ocean to Linden, will be closed and the ONLY access into and out of the LBSM will be from Pine Ave. to Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive.

**On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** from 3:00AM until noon vehicle ingress and egress to the LBSM will be prohibited. If you need to use your vehicle to leave the marina between these hours, you will need to park in the Convention Center lot (by Linden). Make sure your LBSM parking pass is visible. You will be permitted to cross the course at any time during the event.

**On Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**, from 9:00AM to 12 noon there will be a Kids Fun Run near the Aquarium of the Pacific.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns contact Kimarie Vestre at (562) 570-3236 or via email at [Kimarie.Vestre@longbeach.gov](mailto:Kimarie.Vestre@longbeach.gov)

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## Whales In The Bay Never Say Never....

The City of Long Beach is very popular with visitors traveling via water and land. Our waterways are a signature sight when talking about our beautiful City. On August 21st we were once again in the spotlight but this coverage was unique, as we were greeted with a juvenile gray whale. That's right, a whale in the bay!

According to Marine Safety Chief Gonzalo Medina the whale, which was about 18 to 20 feet long, had been working its way up the West Coast after it was somehow separated from its mother.



*A sight to see: a juvenile gray whale makes its way into Long Beach harbor in August. Lifeguards along Bayshore kept the beaches clear of swimmers while the whale visited our coastal waters.*

The whale was first spotted in Baja California, then tracked to Dana Point, Newport Beach Harbor, Cabrillo Beach in San Pedro, and eventually made its way to Long Beach where it was seen by many over the three day visit in the harbor.

According to experts from California Fish and Wildlife, the goal was to ensure the whale left the harbor safely although it is very important to take a delicate approach and not scare them while doing so. It is important for people to keep their distance from the mammal. Remember when we are on the water we are in their house.

If you missed seeing the whale first hand, many onlookers posted videos. A few links are: [www.justinrudd.com/whale](http://www.justinrudd.com/whale), [www.justinrudd.com/whale2](http://www.justinrudd.com/whale2) or visit you tube and search "whale in Alamitos Bay."

Although this was very exciting and probably a once in a lifetime opportunity for many, our real hope is that this juvenile whale made his way to open waters safely and reunited with his mother.

## Hurricane Harvey Long Beach Assists In Relief Efforts

The Fire Department/Marine Safety Division is committed to providing the highest level of service to our community and most recently, in College Station, Texas. Yes, that is correct.



*Long Beach Marine Bureau Swiftwater Rescue Team and The Long Beach Urban Search and Rescue Team assist in the relief effort in Texas after Hurricane Harvey.*

Our Swiftwater Rescue Team members Captain Scott Dixon, Rescue Boat Operators Scott Mitchell and Aaron Fletcher and Marine Safety Officer Tristan Balsillie along with members of the Long Beach Fire Department Urban Search and Rescue team recently loaded up trucks, boats and supplies and began a 1,500 mile/34-hour drive to College Station, Texas to assist in the relief effort to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

Our City staff was honored to be called upon and more important, proud to be able to contribute and make a positive impact on an otherwise horrific situation.

Staff members reported that what we all saw on television was not an understatement, the destruction and devastation was unbelievable. On a positive note, they said with the amount of mayhem the victims are living with they continued to share their "southern hospitality" with kind words and graciousness.

After a 10 day mission our team returned home safely. We could not be more proud of the efforts put forth by our amazing City team.

## I Have a Kayak, SUP, Sabot, Etc To Store, What Are My Options?

# Dry Boat Storage

The City of Long Beach currently offers dry boat storage for vessels up to 25' and will soon be adding additional storage for vessels up to 30'. You do not have to be a permittee in the Long Beach marina so, please tell a friend. We have four dry storage options to choose from.

1. A vessel, including the trailer up to 25' (length over all), can be stored on the north side of Marine Stadium for only \$100 per month. If you have a sailboat you must be able to tip your mast. This yard has 24-hour access along with a water source.

2. Sabots, SUP's, Kayaks and small tenders can be stored in the dry storage racks at Bay Shore and Ocean Blvd for a nominal fee of \$183 per year. This yard also allows 24-hour access.

3. Sand Stakes are available along the peninsula for vessels up to 16' in length and no more than 4' wide and 4' high. Only one vessel per sand stake can be permitted. This is a very convenient option, especially if you do not have the means to transport your vessel. The annual fee for a sand stake is \$265.

4.COMING SOON: A vessel, including the trailer up to 30' (length over all), can be stored in Alamitos Bay for a nominal fee. If you have a sailboat you must be able to tip your mast. This yard will have 24-hour access.

If any of these options sound appealing you can contact Vilma at the Alamitos Bay Marina Office for additional information. Vilma can be reached Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8AM to 5PM by calling (562) 570-3239 or via email at [vilma.hernandez@longbeach.gov](mailto:vilma.hernandez@longbeach.gov).

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## Shoreline Yacht Club of Long Beach

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## OCTOBER 22nd 11-3

### Upcoming October Member Events

- Halloween Party
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- Big Screen Movie Night
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# What's Up Dock? Reminders From The Rules and Regulations

## Carpet and Attaching Items to Docks

The marina Rules and Regulations do not allow for anything to be stored on, or added to, the docks. Unfortunately, when carpet is left on the docks as it gets wet it removes the seal coat and deteriorates the brush finish. (see photo). If you would like to use a carpet welcome mat it must be aeriated and removed from the finger when you are not on your boat. Please store such mats on your boat or in your dock box. Additionally, as a reminder, nothing is permitted to be attached to the docks such as cleats, fenders, cord guides, buckets, bicycles, etc. It is important that we all work together to maintain the docks in the pristine condition they were installed.

## E. Nothing Attached to Docks (Fenders, Dock Wheels, etc.):

No Permittee shall install or attach any materials to the docks, fingers or gangways, including but not limited to: fender material, dock wheels, or carpet. Costs associated with the removal of any such attached items and restoring the dock to its condition prior to the installation will be assignable to the Permittee.



*Mats can damage the new docks as seen in this photo.*

## Vessel Appearance

Marina staff and boat owners work together to present the property at a high standard. Members of the marina team are continually making improvements on facilities and grounds, working together with our customers who maintain the appearance of their vessels. So everyone can enjoy these facilities, rules and regulations were recently updated to include a section addressing vessel appearance (see below). We look for your continued assistance so together we can present the marina at a high appearance standard.

## BB. Unsightly Vessel Appearance:

Permittees shall maintain their vessels at an acceptable level of aesthetic condition, so not to detract from the overall sightly and orderly condition of the marina. Acceptable aesthetic condition will be determined by Marine Bureau staff, which include but are not limited to the following:

Vessel exterior free from excessive clutter.

Vessel exterior paint is not overly worn.

Vessel exterior free from excessive use of temporary tarps or similar make shift covers, or protective measures.

Vessel exterior free of mold and excessive bottom growth.

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