From the Manager

An epic rebuild at Alamitos Bay Marina!

That is the title of the feature article in the January/February 2018 in Marina World magazine. As most of you are aware, rebuilding our docks in Alamitos Bay has been a 13-year journey that is coming to an end. While the article focuses on the uniqueness of a design/build project, I’d like to take the opportunity to thank the many people behind the scenes who contributed to the success of this project. I will inevitably forget someone and will likely wake up at 2 am feeling badly, so I ask for your forgiveness in advance.

Let me start with the Marine Advisory Commission who guided us in the early years, through the slip mix debate, the Environmental Impact Report, the California Coastal Commission permitting process, and many other issues regarding this project. Your support has been instrumental to our success.

The Boat Owners Association who is always fair in their representation of management’s position. Thank you, we know your roles are not always easy.

Keren Dill, Loans and Grants Financial Services Manager, Division of Boating and Waterways, who worked weekends and late hours to review our loan application, analyze financial statements, and provided feedback on the best way to position ourselves to receive funding. She and I often spoke on Sunday evenings at 9 pm, after she had been in the office since 8 am trying to figure out how DBW could help. Keren, we will forever be grateful for your personal sacrifice, partnership, hard work, and belief in the project.

The sale of the revenue bonds could not have happened without the support of John Gross, Director of Financial Management, David Nakamoto, City Treasurer and Lori Koh, former Debt Service Manager, who recognized the marinas as a City Asset which needed preserving and took the leap of faith during a tough economic market.

Marina Operations employees who accommodated our customers during the “shuffle” for each building phase. The following two individuals more than anyone on this project, made it possible for me to sleep at night and have a personal life during this rebuild. Kimarie Vestre, who came in on the weekends to ensure that every boatowner is accommodated per their individual needs and requests. Eric Lyon, who met many of you at your new slip to troubleshoot power pedestal and in-slip pump out issues. Both attended every weekly construction meeting, advocating for the boat owner.

Most importantly, you the boat owner, some of which have told me, “We never thought this would really happen”, “I thought I’d die before I saw the new slips.” I am honored to be the one who will be at the finish line with all of you. Mark your calendars, we are planning a celebration on April 28, 2018. More to come on that soon.

Here is the link to the article or simply google Marina World magazine: http://www.library.marinaworld.co.uk/2018-january-february-2018/59726387/39

See you soon,
Elvira Hallinan
Tide Chart
March 2018

LOW TIDE

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HIGH TIDE

Upcoming Events

Fred Hall Fishing Show
March 7-11
For info: www.fredhall.com

Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 11

Power Squadron Boating Safety Class
March 12,
For info: dworski@earthlink.net

Long Beach Grand Prix Press Day
April 3
For info: gplb.com

Formula Drift
April 6-7
For info: www.formulad.com

Captain’s License Course
April 6
For info: www.SmartCaptains.com

Long Beach Grand Prix
April 13-15
For info: www.gplb.com

Congressional Cup
April 17-22
For info: lbyc.org

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The 54th Annual 2018 Congressional Cup

Long Beach Yacht Club Hosts
The 54th Annual 2018 Congressional Cup

April 17 - 22, 2018

Ted Turner, Ed Baird, and Dennis Conner. These world class sailors will tell you the Congressional Cup is pure match racing – a true test of sailing ability. They are three out of a long list of top sailors who have traveled to Long Beach to compete in what has been called the Grandfather of Modern Match Racing.

Pure match racing means boats are precisely uniform, which creates an opportunity to truly measure sailing strategy and skills. In this regatta there is no margin for error: It is like a chess game on the water, and year after year the Congressional Cup delivers excitement.

In April, the Congressional Cup returns to Long Beach Yacht Club, and 2018 marks its 54th year of hosting the premier match race in sailing. World-renowned skippers will travel from New Zealand, England, and beyond to come and battle it out on the waters off Long Beach. Come enjoy the boats, the teams, the history and the excitement from our free viewing area at the Veterans Memorial Belmont Pier.

Fifty years is a long time for an all-volunteer regatta of the caliber of Congressional Cup. Particularly impressive is that it has become a prestigious annual event regarded around the world as the "grandfather of modern match racing."

The Long Beach Yacht Club's 1,000 members look back with admiration and respect for those officers, directors, committee chairs and volunteers who made LBYC - and the Congressional Cup regatta - grow and prosper over the years. In 1963, the goal of the Club's Congressional Cup founders was to create an annual, world-scale regatta that would run over a short course with intense action, be spectator-friendly and, most importantly, offer a competition that would be a true test of skill by using equal and identical boats.

Early Congressional Cup regattas were raced in privately owned Cal-40s. These were followed for a short period by Columbia-50s, Ericson-39s and Catalina-38s.

In 1990 Catalina Yachts provided 11 identical Catalina-37s specifically designed for match racing. Through the years, Congressional Cup has attracted an increasingly impressive following of internationally renowned skippers and crews.

The first international competitors were from Canada in 1969. Since then, skippers and crews from around the world -- including many America's Cup participants -- have sought an invitation to the regatta. In 1974, LBYC's match race concept was taken to Europe and introduced to British and European waters by the Royal Lymington Yacht Club.

In 1983-84, the International Yacht Racing Union (now International Sailing Federation, ISAF) recognized Congressional Cup as a premier event. In 1985, the World Match Race Race Conference was created at LBYC with Staff Commodore Tom Shadden as founding president. Other match race cups based on the LBYC concept then followed with New York, New Zealand, Australia, France, England and Bermuda in the lead. A significant improvement was initiated in 1987-1988. Match racing was great, but protests simply were taking too long. There was need for instant-penalty decisions that could add to the challenge and excitement of the event.

Led by Chief Umpire Tom Ehman and a group of club race officials, LBYC invited a blue-ribbon group of rules experts and sailors to the 1988 event; they served as the first umpire team at a major world-level match race. The plan was a success and umpiring is now standard at every match race in the world.

Only the highest ranked or most promising are invited to participate in Congressional Cup. Accordingly, the level of competition produces a roster of world-class skippers, crews and umpires that reads like a Who's Who of Yachting.

Now in its Fifty-Fourth year, Congressional Cup is joining the World Match Race Tour as the opening event for 2018.

Long Beach Power Squadron
Basic Boating Safety Course

The Long Beach Power Squadron will be offering a basic boating safety course (Americas Boating Course, 3rd Edition) to the public beginning on Monday, March 12, 2018, and ending with an exam on Monday, April 9. Successfully passing this exam will qualify participants to apply for the new California Boater Card. The course will be offered at the Seal Beach Yacht Club, 255 Marina Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, on Monday evenings, for five consecutive weeks. The cost is $50.00. Please contact Doug Dworski, Commander, Long Beach Power Squadron for further information or to sign up for the course, at (562) 431-6130 or f.

Topics covered in this class will include boats, their parts and terminology, boat propulsion and steering, required safety equipment, navigation aids and rules, lights and sound signals, government regulations, anchoring, communications afloat, trailers, knots and lines, and adverse conditions and emergencies.
The City of Long Beach announced that Parks, Recreation and Marine Director Marie Knight, has been offered a position with the City of Huntington Beach as the Director of Community Services. The Huntington Beach City Council met on February 5, 2018, to formally offer the job.

“The City will miss Marie and the leadership she brought to work every day,” said City Manager Patrick H. West. “Marie is a true expert and professional that has brought a wealth of knowledge to the Department and the City, and our residents have benefitted from it. Her dedication to staff training and creating a culture that is team-centered is top-notch. We wish her the best and congratulate her on this next stage in her career.”

During her time with the City, Ms. Knight has made a positive impact on the Department and community, overseeing the completion and openings of over a dozen key park projects including: Gumbiner Park, Downtown Fitness Loop, Seaside Park soccer field, El Dorado Park Nature Center improvements, and many more.

“It has been a great pleasure to serve this amazing City and work with so many talented and dedicated members of the City Team. In my time here I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with many community leaders who are passionately devoted to the success of this city,” said Knight. I appreciate the support of the Mayor, City Council, City Manager and all of the other Department Directors and City Leaders I have had the pleasure of working with. In particular, I am very grateful to the women and men of the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department for all of their hard work, dedication to excellence and all that they do every day for this community. I am proud to have been able to lead such an awesome team, and as I move on to another new opportunity I know I am leaving the Department well positioned for greater success in the future.”

Under Ms. Knight’s leadership, the Department has been awarded the 2017 Helen Putnam Award for Excellence for the Long Beach Junior Beach Runners program from the League of California Cities, as well as the Award of Excellence for the Be S.A.F.E (Summer Activities in a Friendly Environment) program from the California Park & Recreation Society.

Ms. Knight’s last day with the City will be February 23. The City Manager will announce the interim replacement and the process for selecting the next Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine.
Advanced Maritime Education at SmartCaptains.com offers U.S. Coast Guard approved OUPV “6-Pack” 3-Weekend Captain’s License course and exams in Long Beach.

Whether you’re looking to operate passenger vessels for hire or simply want professional-level education to increase your safety and seamanship, our courses fit multiple learning styles and our committed instructors are current, active commercial vessel captains and maritime educators with decades of teaching and piloting experience.

They have their thumbs on the pulse of the industry, and are excellent resources for information on employment, estimating sea time and operating vessel-for-hire enterprises.

Topics presented based on the four-part USCG exam are: rules of the road (advanced), navigation general (buoys, weather, tides and currents, etc.), chart plotting and deck general and safety.

The next 3 weekend class begins Friday, April 6. The cost is $695. For more information, visit: www.SmartCaptains.com or call (415) 798-7544.

The 71st annual Fred Hall Long Beach Show will be taking place at the Long Beach Convention Center. The Fred Hall Show is the world’s largest sportfishing show, California’s largest boat show and an international leader in hunting and fishing travel.

Virtually all forms of outdoor recreation are represented at this enormous event featuring: more fishing tackle manufacturer displays than any other show anywhere, California’s largest marine accessories display, hundreds of fishing tackle booths, hundreds of international fishing and hunting travel booths, acres of boats, casting ponds, Hobie Kayak demonstration rides, hunter and angler specific vehicles, free dive and SCUBA diving equipment and instruction, air gun ranges, archery ranges, over 400 seminars and a full day’s worth of family fun activities.

There is nothing like the Fred Hall Long Beach show. Mark your calendars now for the 2018 Fred Hall show, March 7-11, you don’t want to miss it. For additional information visit: fredhallshows.com.
It’s noise, excitement, racing in the streets, and fun (depending on your point of view). Some downtown boaters prefer to leave town, while others enjoy all the festivities. No matter which group you fall into, you will be impacted.

First is Grand Prix Press Day, April 3rd. This day allows members of the press to ride the track. Shoreline Drive will be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The entrance to the marina will be from Ocean Blvd., eastbound to Shoreline Drive, right on Shoreline Drive, through the Alamitos Lot, then across the sand road into the marina itself. The track opens occasionally during the day but the best bet into and out of the marina is via the sand. For additional Press Day information visit www.gplb.com.

The second closure will happen April 6th – 7th. These dates are set aside to exhibit the latest high-speed craze, Drifting. On these two dates, the street closure on Shoreline Drive will be from Ocean Blvd., to Linden Avenue and therefore, the only way into and out of the marina will be via Pine Avenue to Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive. For additional Drift information visit .

Our third street closure will be on Wednesday, April 11th and Thursday, April 12th. Access to the Shoreline Marina will be from Pine Avenue to Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive. Access out of the marina will be via the sand.

The final street closure will be on Grand Prix race weekend, April 13th – 15th. Between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., the only access to the marina will be via the sand road (just like Press Day). After 7:00 p.m. through 6:00 a.m., entrance to the marina and Shoreline Village will be via Pine Avenue to Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive. For additional Grand Prix information visit www.gplb.com.

During race weekend, no vendors or maintenance workers will be allowed into the marina. The most important thing for boaters to remember is the parking situation.

NO GUEST PASSES of any kind will be issued. Only Long Beach Shoreline Marina parking passes, with the “18” decal, will be honored during the event. If you have friends coming to visit, you need to make plans to bring them into the marina with you or they must walk down. Shoreline Village will be closed from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to anyone without Grand Prix tickets.

Parking is difficult at best and very impacted during this event, so the best suggestion is to plan ahead. We appreciate everyone’s cooperation during this time. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Kimarie Vestre at (562) 570-3236.