WHOO NEWS

MARCH 2024



Spring is coming, hooray

We are having a good degree of rain, with nice breaks in between for a little drying out and sunshine. The color right now is green all around that will be perfect for St. Patrick's Day, March 17th.

The Super Bowl and Chili Cook Off were a lot of fun, thanks to the participants and their great food. Congratulations to Joel and Leslie for winning the cook off with a chili that made you keep coming back for more – it was incredible! The game was fun, and the ending was nail biting – just as it should be.

Next up for March, Spring, and all that it brings. We will be getting the garden prepared (hopefully), so if you haven't already reserved a plot, please let us know and we will put you down on the list. It's also a great time to check out what you need to do to get your boat ready for the season. On the next page you will see some things we suggest to help you in your progress. Let's get out on the water this year.

What are your plans for this year? We have our swap meet coming in June, so as you prepare for the boating season, keep those goodies to share at the meet. Seriously, everyone loves another person's "stuff", and it gets repurposed, even better. Take a look at our event calendar and hope to see you at one, or all, of them. The more the merrier.

Until then, see you soon,

Devery and Captain Jack Sparrow

March 1 New Gate Codes



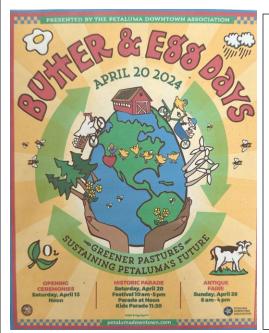
March 10 Daylight Savings



March 31 Happy Easter



Looking for something wonderful to do – with your boat?



Have you ever been to Petaluma, in your boat? What a great chance to buddy boat from Owl Harbor, to Vallejo, to Petaluma – then back home. Dave Cowell, from J dock, will be leaving on April 18th to make the trip and would be happy to have you as part of the adventure.

Petaluma has a lot of fun things to do, is a charming town, and has great access to parking your boat and exploring.

This trip is sure to be a fun time – they too, look to be working towards "Greener Pastures". Let us know if you want to contact Dave.

Spring Cleaning – your boat, yes please

Time seems to move fast, so it's never too soon to start working on your boat for the boating season. After the last windstorm we had, we saw opportunities for some boats to get some TLC. Here are some good starting points as well as suggestions.

 Just because your boat is in a slip does not make it impervious to the storms. We highly recommend you replace any/all frayed dock lines. They will break, and not only damage your boat, but the dock.



- 2. You should have a minimum of <u>4 dock lines</u> on your boat and be of appropriate size for the vessel. If you have extra line after tying up, keep wrapping it, why not. Keep your lines out of the water. Is your dock line secure on your boat/dock when we get a wind? Or are you just "looped" around and calling it good?
- 3. Scuppers need to be cleaned out.
- 4. How is your shore power cord? As this unsecured plug works its way out of the receptable, the contact area of the blades conducting electricity from the shore power outlet to onboard demands is reduced, which can lead to overheating and fire.



- 5. Always: You should get in the habit of unplugging your shore power cord first, then unplug your boat and secure your cord when going out. Always keep your cord out of the water in all areas of the slip. Now is the time to check for any "shorts or burn areas" on the plug.
- 6. The brown growth on boats is much easier to get off now than after it gets sunbaked. It's also better for the hull/canvas/top sides.

As we approach better weather, we will be letting you know if any items need to be addressed and discuss a plan for your boat's safety, and the marinas.

Thank you.



"There never seems to be enough time to do the things you want to do once you find them" —

Jim Croce

Storage Unit Available

Just in time, a 5x8 storage unit is now available. \$50 a month and a \$50 security deposit will get you in. It's the perfect time to get those items off the boat while you work on getting the boat ready for the season.

Contact the office for more information.

Carport Available

Looking for a covered spot on land, we've got you covered. Carport available \$70 a month and \$70 security deposit. Stop by to get it before the heat.

Contact the office for more information.

New Items

Shirts, hoodies, socks, hats, oh my! Fun times to share the love.

Garden Plot Sign Ups

If you haven't already signed up for a spot, stop by to be added to the list. We provide the spot, tilled and ready to be planted. You provide the water system/time and plants.



Bon Appetite!

Super Bowl & Chili Cook Off – Recap

Congratulations Joel and Leslie















