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The Newsletter of the City of Monterey Waterfront

June 2005

Marine Life Protection Act Gets Underway

The Marine Life Protection Act, passed by the State legislature and signed by the Governor in 1999, has had a rough road to date with at least two prior stops and starts. There is now a new effort underway to complete the goals of the Marine Life Protection Act, which are generally to review and improve the State's system of marine protected areas, including marine reserves. Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) are areas of special management where, among other things, a variety of restrictions on fishing or other resource extraction might occur. A Marine Reserve is a form of MPA, but one in which typically all forms of extraction, and in some extreme cases, all forms of human use, are prohibited. A result of the Marine Life Protection Act could be additional MPAs and marine reserves in California waters.

The "Central Coast," which has been defined to be between Pigeon Point and Point Conception, is the first area that will be studied under the Marine Life Protection Act. This will be an item of great interest to fishermen, but also to others who utilize the waters of the Monterey Bay and / or who have conservation or other resource interests. A local stakeholders panel has been created to advise the MLPA process. A number of Monterey Peninsula people are on that panel, including fisherman David Crabbe, fisherman Mike Ricketts, Harbormaster Steve Scheibla, sea otter advocate

D'Anne Albers, Dr. Holly Price representing the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and John Aliotti, trap prawn fisherman.

The implementation of the Marine Life Protection Act contains a large set of hopes and fears for different stakeholder groups. We recommend that you follow this process closely and utilize your local stakeholder representatives for input into the process. There is a website for this process found at: www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/mlpa. ❖

City Council Hears MPA Review

Because the topic of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) is so much in the forefront, the Monterey City Council requested and received a presentation on science, social, and economic considerations regarding MPAs. MPAs are areas of special management where, among other things, fishing restrictions may occur. Typically, their goals are for science study, conservation, biodiversity, and fishery management enhancement. As a tool, MPAs may work very well or not at all, depending on the species that are identified for enhancement and the specific location selected for the MPA site. Electronic copies of the six presentations made to the City Council on MPAs are available by contacting Harbormaster Steve Scheibla at 646-3950 or by email: scheibla@ci.monterey.ca.us

Fourth of July

The 4th of July weekend with the traditional parade and fireworks is fast approaching. Just a few reminders to keep the weekend safe and enjoyable:

- Maintain a 500-foot safety distance from the Fireworks Barge.
- Anchor only to the North or East of the Fireworks Barge.
- No Fireworks in the Marina area. Boats, cars and dock boxes are full of flammables.
- Berthing and mooring is by Harbor Office assignment only. Please check in.
- Please, for your safety, comply with requests from Police, Fire and Harbor personnel.
- Don't Drink and Drive - Car or Boat!

Come Early! When the Waterfront Parking Lots are full, access will be closed, even if spots open up later. Fireworks will start at 9:15 PM

To ensure emergency vehicle access throughout the City on July 4, Del Monte Avenue, between Sloat Avenue and Pacific Street, and the Lighthouse Avenue Tunnel will be CLOSED from 7:00 PM to about Midnight. ❖



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8:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily

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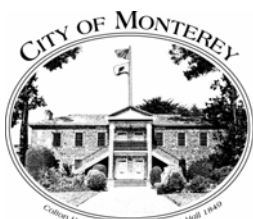
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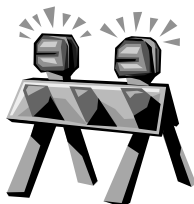
Hoist Improvements

The boat hoist has been upgraded to reduce out-of-service time. Two new upgrades should make the boat hoist more reliable.

The first upgrade was to replace the standard motor controller for the swing motor, which moves the hoist boom right and left. The new solid-state controller limits electrical current, which should eliminate the numerous instances when the overload safety feature disables the swing motor.

The second major upgrade was to design, fabricate and install a safety feature preventing the hoist cable from overlapping itself on the drum, and subsequently being damaged. To accomplish this, a bar was installed that is lifted when the wire rope overlaps itself, and engages a switch. This switch disables the raise function of the hoist until the cable is lowered and the overlap is eliminated. For safety reasons, any damage to the cable requires that the hoist be taken out of service until a new cable is installed. This has resulted in the hoist being out of service many times while a new cable is purchased and installed.

While these upgrades are intended to help make the hoist more reliable, adherence to safety and operating requirements by qualified hoist operators is still the key to keeping the boat hoist in service. ❖



Can-Do Maintenance

The Harbor's Maintenance Crew has been developing techniques that will allow it to better maintain our heavy marine structures, such as Wharf II.

One set of repairs on Wharf II has already been completed and is visible to the public. The crew has repaired six broken pilings by "sleeving" them. This is a technique that works in circumstances where the piling is fractured in the middle. A large steel pipe of slightly greater diameter than the wooden piling is slipped over the wooden piling and jettied a few feet into the sand. This technique does not require a conventional pile driver that hammers the piling into place. Rather, it utilizes the fact that the stub of the broken pile that has already been driven into the sand is still good. The steel piling therefore acts as a sort of splint and should have a life of a minimum of 25-30 years.

Prior to developing skill in this technique, the City would have gone to contract for these kind of repairs, at a substantial expense. ❖

Harbor Web Site

For those of you who are on line, the Harbor has an internet web site that can be found at www.monterey.org/harbor. If you have suggestions for additional materials or information you think would benefit the waterfront community, please let us know. ❖

Marina and Mooring Rates to Increase

At their May 3rd and May 17th meetings, the Monterey City Council adjusted the rates for marina, outer harbor, and east mooring licensees by 1.8%. As you may recall, the Council regularly raises rates by the consumer price index for the San Francisco/Oakland area. Last year, this CPI increase was so small that the Council deferred it. The combination of the two years, therefore, totals the 1.8% increase.

It is good news for boaters that inflation has been quite modest over the last two years. These rate increases will go into effect July 1, 2005. Please note that rates for transient berthing and dinghy storage have not increased. Per Council action, all rate increases are rounded up to the closest dime for moorings and the closest dollar for marina berths.

The monthly berth rates for all tiers in the Monterey Marina is listed on page 4.

The new quarterly rates for the Outer Harbor Mooring are:

Monterey Resident:
Quarterly \$ 128.40

Non-Resident:
Quarterly \$ 162.00

Secondary Mooring
Quarterly \$ 102.80

Liveaboard \$ 15.30

East Mooring monthly rates effective July 1, 2005 are:

Under 30'	\$84.50
30' – 40'	\$112.00
41' – 54'	\$140.50
55" +	\$168.00

Marina Waiting List

Since the last *Tidelines*, the City of Monterey has offered the following berths from the waiting list. Congratulations to:

Christopher Barnard @H28
Andrew Bell @F33
CSUMB @ H23
Mahlon Coleman @ E27
Lynn Davis @E26
Joe Deutsch @D59
Lars Frieberg @E02
Gary Haas @B54
Martin Hollmann @ C30
Tom Hutton @F18
Vern Johnson @A67
Ted/Sandra Johnston @H24
Rick Leach @D02
Gregg McKee @A78
Rita Parsons @H31
William Srigley @ C28
Michael Tomitz @H29

Welcome to the Monterey Marina. ❖

Outer Harbor Mooring Offerings

Since our last *Tidelines*, the Harbor Staff has released several moorings to our wait list customers.

We would like to congratulate the following individuals.

From the commercial list

- Antonio Noto
- Joe Aliotti

From the 25 foot list

- Perry Walker
- Mario Teering

We will soon be assigning more moorings to boats in the 20, 25, and 35-foot range. ❖

Boat Dry Storage Yard

The effort to upgrade the boat dry storage yard, located adjacent to the Adventures by the Sea building on the east side of Figueroa Street, is continuing. City Staff has been working with representatives from the Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club and other interested parties to create a more attractive and user-friendly facility. Currently, the rather funky dry storage yard contains a little over 50 vessels in a long, narrow yard whose traffic flow could only be called tortured. The City is developing a plan that could create a larger paved yard with an attractive fence structure and some limited utilities. Two aisles could be created that would allow for complete traffic circulation. Hopefully, the facility will increase storage capabilities to about 64 vessels.

This facility is still in the planning phase and the design and operating concepts will go to the Monterey City Council within the next several months for Council comment and approval. If you have any questions about this project, contact Harbormaster Steve Scheiblauber. ❖

Moss Landing Has Slips

Moss Landing Harbor, located on the beautiful central coast of California, has both temporary and permanent slips in a variety of sizes available for immediate occupancy!

If you would like more information call the Moss Landing Harbor at (831) 633-2461 or email Schnorf@mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us or view their web page at: www.mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us

Monterey Marina Monthly Berth Rates
July 1, 2005 ~ June 30, 2006

<u>TIER</u>	<u>BERTH</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>TIER</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>MONTHLY</u>	
A	4, 6-8 , 10, 12	50' x 19'	\$354	F	20' x 9'	\$124	
	9, 11	45' x 19'	\$326				
	13 - 18 *	45' x 15'	\$309		G	* 26' x 11'	\$204
	19 - 34	45' x 14'	\$309			* 35' x 12'	\$246
	35 - 58	40' x 14'	\$285			35' x 13'	\$262
	59 - 80 *	35' x 13'	\$262			35' x 14'	\$262
	81 - 82	35' x 14'	\$262				
B	1 - 36 *	30' x 11'	\$225	H	50' x 24'	\$381	
	odd	37 - 57	\$246		50' x 19'	\$354	
	even	38 - 58	\$234		* 50' x 17'	\$341	
		59	\$262		50' x 15'	\$326	
		60	\$234		25' x 10'	\$186	
C	1 - 04	25' x 11'	\$190	I	20' x 10'	\$124	
	5 - 40	25' x 10'	\$186		Side-Tie	\$111	
D	1 - 34 *	30' x 11'	\$225	*Transformer Berths			
	35 - 58	30' x 12'	\$234	39' x 15'	\$268		
	59 - 60	30' x 13'	\$234	28' x 13'	\$214		
				24' x 11'	\$180		
E	1 - 36	25' x 11'	\$190	24' x 11'	\$180		
	37 - 40	25' x 10'	\$186	29' x 12'	\$197		
F	1 - 44	20' x 9'	\$124	44' x 17'	\$306		

Non-standard berthing fishing vessel rate \$4.90 ft

There is a 10% discount for boaters who pay their berth fees annually



Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Davidson Seamount

Monterey's fishing community has watched with interest and some concern the effort of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary to add the Davidson Seamount to the Monterey Sanctuary, and create fishing restrictions for that area. The Davidson Seamount is located approximately 80 miles west of Cambria. The top of the Seamount is approximately 4000 feet below the surface. The total area, which the Sanctuary wishes to annex, is about 500 square miles. The Sanctuary wishes to annex this area because they feel that its geology and marine life is unique, and not found in any other location within the Monterey Bay Sanctuary. The Sanctuary, therefore, wants to protect these features.

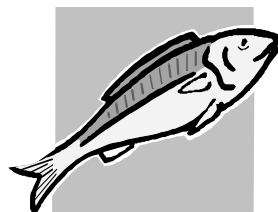
In order to protect the features, the MBNMS asserts that regulations must be developed to prohibit the taking or disturbance of the sea life that lives on or near the Seamount. This is where the concern begins for the fishing community. It is well understood that when the Sanctuary was "designated;" it was not given the power to regulate fishing. If any concerns emerged that the Sanctuary felt needed fishing regulations, the Sanctuary was to consult and work with industry and the Pacific Fishery Management Council or the State of California Department of Fish & Game, as needed. This direction to the Sanctuary is found in its 1992 "Designation Document."

In the case of the Davidson Seamount, the Sanctuary went straight to trying to change the Designation Document to give them the authority to write a fishing restriction. There was no consultation with industry, and the Sanctuary did not seek to use the

authority that the Pacific Fishery Management Council already has that can create protections, if needed.

The issue for the fishing community was not so much protecting the bottom, because it is so deep there is no fishing activity anyhow. Rather, the fishing community has been very committed that the Sanctuary not get into developing their own regulations when there are other Federal fishery management agencies who have the authority, the legal and scientific expertise, and the public processes to evaluate and provide for fishing regulations as needed.

The upshot of this developing issue was that in April the Pacific Fisheries Management Council voted decisively to recommend against the Sanctuary changing its Designation Document to create Sanctuary fishery regulations. Rather, the PFMC has offered to work with the Sanctuary to use the PFMC's authority to create the protections needed. Hopefully, there will be a happy ending in this in protecting unique bottom habitat, while at the same time, the Sanctuary Program continues to live within the community expectation that they will not manage fisheries or create their own fishing regulations. ❖



Tall Ship *Cuauhtémoc* To Visit

We are delighted to announce that the Mexican Naval Training Ship, the "Cuauhtémoc" is scheduled to call on Monterey Harbor on August 4-6, 2005. This ship is a sister ship to the "Guayas" and the "Gloria," which have previously visited.



The "Cuauhtémoc", known as the Ambassador and Gentleman of the Seas, is a tireless navigator having trained twenty-one generations of officers and has sailed over 400,000 nautical miles.

The "Cuauhtémoc" will tie alongside Municipal Wharf II, and be open for public tour. There will be other public events scheduled around the visit of the ship. The ship is tentatively scheduled to arrive at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 4th, and depart at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 6th.

For further information on the ship's visit and an updated schedule, go to www.monterey.org/harbor and click on the Tall Ship photo. ❖

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Volunteers Help The Harbor

In a cooperative effort to assist scientific researchers and practice good conservation stewardship, the City of Monterey Harbormaster's Office, Volunteer Services, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and the California Department of Fish & Game, have joined together to remove a potentially harmful seaweed known as *Undaria Pinnatifida*.

Since 2002, volunteers from the City along with Sanctuary scientist Dr. Steve Lonhart, have been removing, measuring, and monitoring the spread of this kelp (native to Japan). The fear is that this non-native species could out-produce our native kelp and have an

adverse affect on other dependent species, thereby causing a negative effect to our local ecology.

Thank you to all those individuals and groups for their continued support. ❖



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