

DECEMBER 2020 & JANUARY 2021

BLAINE AND SQUALICUM HARBORS' NEWSLETTER



BELLINGHAM

Bellingham Yacht Club Lighted Boat Parade

December 5th 5:30-9pm. Lighted boats participating in the parade should plan to head for the rendezvous in the waters off the Bellingham Cruise Terminal at 5:30pm. More information and registration details are available at http://byc.org/ event/2020-lighted-boat-parade/

Bellingham Cruise Terminal Outdoor Decorations

December 3rd – 25th Daily The Bellingham Cruise Terminal, located at 355 Harris Ave., Bellingham WA., will welcome in the winter holidays with a stunning outdoor viewing experience including lights, decorations and a "snow globe" holiday scene as seen through the windows of the terminal's dome room. The outdoor viewing experience will be available for viewing December 3-25, and take the place of the annual Holiday Port festival to protect community members against the dangers of holiday gatherings during the Covid pandemic.

BLAINE

Harbor Holiday Light Festival

December 5th 9am – 7pm. Community tree lighting, caroling and seasonal family fun festivities on the G-Street Plaza (at the intersection of G-Street and Peace Portal Way) beginning at 4:30pm. See www.blainechamber.com for more information and event details.

Holiday Market By The Sea

Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Sunday 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Visit Blaine's Holiday Market by the Sea and find unique items for yourself, or fantastic gifts for your loved ones this holiday season. Located in downtown Blaine at 648 Peace Portal Drive,

Blaine Washington. See www.blainechamber. com for more information and

event details.



We encourage everyone to prepare their vessel for wintertime conditions in advance and use caution during inclement weather. Check your dock lines, secure halyards and canvas and remove your sails. Make sure the Harbor Office has updated phone numbers in the event we need to contact you. Check the October Marina newsletter for additional ideas on winterizing your boat.

Freezing temperatures bring snow and ice. The harbor provides buckets of traction sand and scoops located at the top each ramp. We also have a limited number of shovels to remove snow from your boat. Please return the sand buckets and shovels as soon as possible. Also, please disconnect hoses from the spigot at your slip to prevent expensive freeze damage to the spigot. If extended periods of freezing weather are expected, the dock water may be shut off for the duration of the freeze.

> Boaters and liveaboards requiring water should plan on keeping water tanks full. The harbor will restore water as soon as threat of freeze damage passes.



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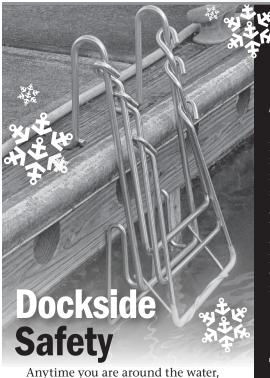


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January 31, 2020



Anytime you are around the water, make it a habit to wear a personal flotation device (PFD) with a loud whistle attached. The water is cold year-round and a PFD buys you time while you try to self-rescue or call for help. Both harbor offices participate in the PFD loaner program for children who need to borrow one temporarily. Remember that dock ladders are located throughout both marinas. Make note of their locations as you walk down the dock. From the waterside, the slips with ladders are marked with a yellow and black arrow on the end of the finger floats which point towards the next slip with a ladder in it. If you moor next to a ladder, please keep it clear of dock lines and other obstructions. Do not forget that many boats have ladders on their transom or swim-step. Do not be afraid to use the most convenient means of rescue in an emergency!

SECURITY AWARENESS

Please help us keep our facilities, parking lots and docks safe and in good repair by reporting suspicious behavior immediately to the harbor office. If someone asks you for access to the dock gates, showers or bathrooms, send them to the harbor office. For after-hours assistance, contact harbor security at the phone numbers listed on the bottom of the page. In an emergency, call 911 immediately.

LEAVING FOR 'THE HOLIDAYS?

If you are leaving town, please make sure that the harbors have updated contact information for your vessel's caretaker so that we can reach you in the event of an emergency. Please remember to prepare your boat for the winter conditions prior to the busy holidays or vacation travel.



Marina Safety -Shore Power Cords

During the colder months many boaters rely on their shore power to supply electricity to their boats. This is a reminder that only marine rated power cords are permitted to connect your vessel to shorepower. Keep your cord in good shape by using the appropriate strain relief, preventing it from draping into the water, and ensuring the cord wires are not pinched or crushed. Cords and connectors should be inspected often and replaced when damage or corrosion is discovered. Boat US recommends that plugs with brown discoloration at the base of the blades or a worn coating or pitting should not be used. Boat US also recommends inspecting your vessel's shore power inlet at least every 5 years. A qualified marine electrician would be able to assist boaters with any questions and repairs.

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MARINA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

You can contact your Marina Advisory Committee Representatives by calling either of the harbor offices.

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