

Dana West Marina's

# HARBOR HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH 2016



## 45TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WHALES

During the first two weekends in March, Dana Point Harbor will be filled with fun activities and arts for the whole family to enjoy. **The 45th annual Dana Point Festival of Whales migrates into town on March 5, 6, 12 & 13, 2016.** Highlights on the calendar include a kickoff parade, classic car displays, Cardboard Classic Dinghy Dash, Diamond Dig, Kids Carnival, Whale of a Clam Chowder Cook Off, Art in the Park, a Whale of a Concert and BBQ at Baby Beach and a whole lot more!

The Festival of Whales began 45 years ago in celebration of the magical migration of the gray whale. **Each winter, thousands of California Gray Whales leave the cold Arctic Seas and follow the coastline to the warm, calm waters of Southern California and Baja.** This 5,000-mile migration brings much of the pod past Dana Point. Many believe Dana Point is a reference "landmark" for the whales and is famous as a gathering area; they trace one of nature's longest migratory paths.

Whale watching has become a traditional winter activity in California. **Dana Point Harbor is the official "Whale Watching Capital of the West".** The annual Dana Point Festival of Whales not only celebrates the migration of the gray whale but also the uniqueness of Dana Point Harbor and our ease of access to the Pacific Ocean and near guaranteed sighting of gray whales along our coastline.

Get out on the water and see the beautiful gray whales frolicking along our coast and make plans to visit the Harbor during the Festival of Whales. **For more information visit [www.festivalofwhales.com](http://www.festivalofwhales.com)**

### ON THE DOCKS...

- ◆ We would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our new Dockmaster, Clinton Acoutin. Clint came onboard with us in early December 2015. He has been working with our maintenance team, learning the ropes and making an effort to get to know the most important part of the Dana West Marina family...you, our customer. Clint has an extensive background in boating. He is a licensed captain and owns a boat of his own that he keeps in Newport Beach. If you see Clint on the docks; feel free to introduce yourself and talk a little boat.
- ◆ There are several large dinghies stored behind boats causing a hazard to safety and navigation for neighboring vessels. Clint has been tasked with addressing this issue. We have limited alternative storage options for dinghies 13' or smaller. If you have a large dinghy stored behind your boat; call us before we call you. Please contact the marina office to find out what options are available for you.
- ◆ If your boat is registered with the DMV, your vessel registration likely renewed on January 1, 2016. **Please provide a copy of your renewed registration to the marina office for our records.**

### YOU'VE GOT MAIL

We will soon be sending our monthly statements via email. This will provide you all the convenience of receiving a monthly statement without the hassle of having to check your mail and risk a paper cut opening an envelope. It will also save many trees and reduce our carbon footprint. It's a win-win! Of course, you will still have the opportunity to receive a paper statement if you so choose.

As we prepare to transition to "paperless" monthly statements, you will receive a letter in the mail providing specific details and requesting your preferred email address. If you want to get ahead of the game, please feel free to call or email the marina office and provide your preferred email address. We can be reached at:

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**CLEAN & GREEN...** Don't forget to recycle used oil, oil filters, bilge pads, ATF and batteries at the boater recycling center located near B-dock in the parking lot behind the marina office. FREE bilge pads are also available.



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## Dana Point Harbor Maintenance Dredging Project Update

The County of Orange has awarded a contract for the 2015/2016 Maintenance Dredging Project. Mobilization and staging has already begun.

The Maintenance Dredging Project will not affect the areas or channels near the boat slips. The project will be primarily at Baby Beach and in the outer channel near the jetty.

Please steer clear of the barges, equipment and pipe when navigating the outer channel.

The Maintenance Dredging Project is expected to continue through May 2016.



## DWM APPROVED MARINE SERVICE CONTRACTORS



Ocean Odyssey	562 229 2888	Marine Care & Repair	949 349 4204
100% Trusted Boat Concierge	949 292 6125	Marine Diesel Services, Inc.	949 336 0282
AAADocs.Com Floating Docks	949 636 4358	Marine Plumbing Services	949 631 3763
Accurate Marine Services Inc.	760 994 6391	McGee Marine & RV	949 395 8707
Acuotellus-Divers	949 463 8917	MDI Glass	949 290 1069
Advanced Marine Power	949 548 9791	Mission Hull- Marine Services	949 493 2321
Alcom Marine	949 637 1727	Motu Estate & Yacht Watch Services	949 220 3355
Alex Rosas, Up & Down	949 395 7933	Nautical Yachts Services	949 205 3160
Todd Irwin—Paint & Varnish	949 395 7933	North Sails	949 645 4660
American Yacht Service	949 212 8978	OC Marine Installation	949 940 8343
Aquatech Yacht	949 495 2762	Ocean Canvas	949 248 2422
The Armstrong Company	818 618 9741	Ocean Diving Services	949 395 5296
Arrow Covers (Boat Covers)	949 496 0403	Outbound Yacht Service	949 488 0652
Bare Bottoms Boat Cleaning	949 547 1922	Pacific Coast Hull	951 738 9283
Bruno's Boat Maintenance	949 275 7309	Pacific Coast Mobile, Upholstery	949 240 3229
California Yacht Services	949 514 2119	Pacific Diving Services	949 527 5789
The Canvas Guy	949 548 4668	Pacific Sign Center	949 248 7474
Captains Choice Marine Tech—C.Linden	949 370 5390	Pacific Touch—Michael Howell	949 338 7035
Captains Choice Yacht Service	949 498 4513	Patagonia Boat Maintenance	714 376 1996
Captains Crew Yacht Service	949 489 1162	Performance Marine	949 510 8269
Ciros Yacht Detailing	714 623 0599	Quantum Sails	562 624 4325
Coastal Pacific Marine	626 339 5769	Ricardo Vega	949 291 8901
Crew West Marine Electronics	949 646 4346	Rincon Marine, Marine Diesel	949 492 3520
Dana Harbor Marine Services, S. Dills	949 683 8977	Ryan & Son Marine Services LLC	949 633 1869
Dana Point Marine Service	949 496 4137	Scuba Duba Corp	562 598 9444
Dana Point Yacht Maintenance (Rex)	949 661 7227	Sea Carpet	949 722 3505
Delgado Boat Cleaning	949 270 6993	Sea Power	714 931 4041
Dolphin Divers	949 661 6878	Sea Wolff Canvas, Custom Canvas	949 412 5856
Ed Reiner Diving Co, Inc.	760 721 1928	Seaside Marine Electronics	949 675 7866
Harmon Marine	949 444 4812	SEG Marine Service	949 230 1118
Harvard Marine	310 482 7043	SDR Surveying, Inc.	949 276 4329
Hoffman Marine Services	949 350 8649	So Cal Surveys, LLC	949 495 3232
Island Canvas	949 291 6900	SOS Maintenance	951 522 5973
Jeddy's Upholstery & Interior	949 240 9569	Ullman Sail, Inc.	714 432 1860
John Ross Marine Maintenance	949 496 6748	Whitewater Marine	949 493 5005
Jorge Rivera	949 205 8038	Wright Repair	714 552 0759
Kozwel Boat Works	949 456 9935	Yachtbedding.com	213 254 5835
Leading Edge Yacht Services	949 675 2823	Yacht Ready Consultants	949 369 9100
Majestic Boat Maintenance	714 721 6538		