

SQUALICUM HARBOR EVENTS

LIGHTED BOAT PARADE

This year, the Bellingham Yacht Club's lighted boat parade will be held on two consecutive nights.

- When: Friday, Dec. 3 and Saturday, Dec. 4.
- Registration: Free and open to the public 3:30 to 5 pm both nights
- Where: Bellingham Yacht Club
- Time: Friday, Boats away at 6 pm and Saturday, Boats away at 5:30 pm.

For details, visit the Bellingham Yacht Club's website at www.byc.org.

HOLIDAY PORT

This year's Holiday Port Festival and Gingerbread House Contest is Dec. 3 – 5 at the Bellingham Cruise Terminal. Enjoy music, singing and dancing, horse drawn wagon and fire truck rides, a gingerbread house display, complimentary cookies and cider, and much more. Bring a non-perishable food item for our third annual food drive to benefit our local food bank.

Festival hours are:

- Friday, Dec. 3, noon – 8 pm
- Saturday, Dec. 4, 11 am – 6 pm
- Sunday, Dec. 5, 11 am – 5 pm

All activities are at the Bellingham Cruise Terminal, 355 Harris Ave., Bellingham. Activity times vary, call (360) 676-2500 or visit www.portofbellingham.com/holidayport.htm

BLAINE HARBOR NEWS & EVENTS

MOORAGE AVAILABLE AT BLAINE HARBOR

Blaine Harbor has immediate availability for 26 foot slips and a very short wait for 36 and 40 foot slips. If you know someone who is considering getting a new boat or moving their boat closer to home, send them our way.

BLAINE AND SEMIAHMOO LIGHTED BOAT PARADE

This year the Semiahmoo Yacht Club's lighted boat parade on Semiahmoo Bay will be December 4. For details, visit the Semiahmoo Yacht Club's website at: www.semiahmooyachtclub.com



BLAINE HARBOR HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Visit downtown Blaine for tree lighting and music Dec. 4, from 5 pm to 7 pm. Visit the Chamber of Commerce website at www.blainechamber.com for more information.

GATE CODES CHANGED NOV. 1

A reminder that gate codes changed Nov. 1. To get the new gate code, contact the Squalicum or Blaine Harbor Office and identify yourself and provide your account number. Please do not share the gate code with anyone and report suspicious activity to the Harbor Office or after-hours security immediately.

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You can contact your Marina Advisory Representatives by calling either the Blaine or Squalicum Harbor offices.

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HARBOR NEWS

Blaine and Squalicum Harbors' Newsletter

UPDATE: NEW MOORAGE RATE FORMULA

In October, this newsletter included information about the new moorage rate model that was developed by port staff and Marina Advisory Committee (MAC) members during 2010.

In a November work-study session, the Port's Board of Commissioners was briefed about how the model was developed and what its impact would be on moorage rates for our customers. The Port reviews the moorage formula every four years to ensure that moorage rates generate enough revenues to pay for the marinas' operating and capital costs and to determine that costs are distributed among users in an equitable manner.

The moorage formula that the Commission is scheduled to vote on was unanimously approved by the MAC in October. The Commission meeting is at 3 p.m., Dec. 7, in the Harbor Center Conference Room, 1801 Roeder Avenue.

MARINA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The next MAC meeting is scheduled for 6 pm Tuesday, Dec. 14, at the Squalicum Harbor Office. Visitors are always welcome. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Harbor Office or any of your MAC representatives. They are your voice in the boating community.

For more information, contact Moorage Model Coordinator Pam Taft at (360) 715-7394.

The most noticeable change in the new moorage model is the switch from a linear foot-based billing to a billing formula that also takes into account the width of the boats in our harbor, generating an area-based rate. Nearly all of the marinas in our region use a similar formula.

Another change is reducing the annual payment discount from a 10 percent discount to a 5 percent discount, because current interest rates are at all-time lows for investments. The new discount rate still is much higher than discounts offered in other regional marinas.

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Pick Up a Winter Preparedness Handout at the Harbor Office for Tips to Keep Your Boat Safe this Winter!



NEWS BRIEFS

SQUALICUM HARBOR CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Squalicum Sawtooth Pier: The sawtooth pier will undergo major structural repairs in December. Construction is scheduled to begin on or around December 10. The scope of this project includes replacing or repairing bracing, piling, rolling chocks, caps, stringers and bullrail. A barge will be on site to facilitate the repairs and as a result will limit some access to the pier for the two month duration of the project. If you need access to the sawtooth during this time, please contact the Harbor Office, we will do our best to facilitate your needs.

Structural Repairs to Gates 6 and 10: Crews will make structural upgrades to sections of Gate 6 and Gate 10 beginning December 13th. The scope of this project includes whaler replacement (the wood alongside the dock), concrete triangle replacement, and end-tie reinforcement.

Harbor Staff will coordinate with construction crews on the potential need for vessel relocations. Notifications, if needed, will go out soon.