



# Coyote Point Marina

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## Happy Holidays!

Can you believe it's already December? I've now been on the job at Coyote Point for four years, and the time has passed so quickly. The last two years have been a challenge because of COVID, but parks staff, marina staff, and our wonderful community of marina tenants have all dealt with it surprisingly well. We continue to have a vibrant and active harbor in spite of all the challenges.

I want to encourage all boat owners to decorate their boats for the holidays. It makes the harbor so festive, encourages holiday cheer, and makes a great sight for airline passengers arriving at SFO. My wife Catherine and I decorated our boat this week, and we challenge everyone to try to outdo our decorations. There will be prizes!

The Yacht Club has scheduled their annual lighted boat parade on December 11 at 5:30 PM. They have invited all Marina tenants to participate. This has evolved in to a very fun family oriented event with a celebration at the Yacht Club following the parade. You should have received an email with information about this. Contact the Club for more info.

I want to wish each and every one of you a very happy Holiday season. Thanks for being such wonderful tenants, and for your ongoing support of our operations staff at Coyote Point Marina!

— Mark Bettis, Harbormaster

## Here's to the Birds . . .

Yesterday around sunset it was my pleasure to spend a few minutes on the fuel dock watching a squadron of about a dozen brown pelicans feeding on the abundant bait fish schooling in the turning basin. As the dusky light faded these elegant but gawky predators repeatedly circled and dove, filling their leathery pouched beaks with tasty swimming morsels. It was an extraordinary ballet dance, choreographed delicately and beautifully, and it's moments like these that remind me why I am so lucky to be able to spend my working days here at Coyote Point.

Our resident bachelor osprey has once again returned for the winter. For the third year in a row he can be seen

most mornings atop a piling near the harbor entrance, eyeing passing boats, surveying his territory, or munching on a freshly caught fish. He is a strong and stately bird, and once again we hope that he will eventually find a mate and build a nest here.

## A Sad Day

Please join us in mourning the loss of the beautiful Catalina 440 sailboat that burned and sank at dock 24 last week. We want to thank Marina and Parks Department staff as well as San Mateo Consolidated Fire Department, Redwood City Fire Boat 9 and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Marine Unit who worked tirelessly to protect other boats, extinguish the blaze and contain a small diesel spill. We are thankful that there were no injuries, no other boats or docks were damaged, and that no significant pollution was released into the harbor. Special thanks to Bishop Diving and Salvage who removed the boat from the harbor quickly and efficiently. We are also indebted to the CA Fish and Wildlife service, who provided the oil spill containment equipment that is stored in a trailer at the launch ramp. We were able to use their containment boom to keep the diesel that escaped from the boat from inundating the harbor. This was a terrible incident, but it could have been much worse. Thanks to all involved.

## Dig It!

Planning for dredging this summer is well underway, and we will be putting the project out to bid in early 2022. Dredge equipment will be on site starting in June. We are still finalizing plans and budget to determine how much of the marina we can dredge this time. Our hope is to do docks 25 through 28 and touch up the shallow spots in the entrance channel and turning basin. The cost continues to climb, and we will do the best we can with limited funds. We will keep you updated as the planning continues.

*"The sail, the play of its' pulse so like our own lives: so thin yet so full of life, so noiseless when it labors hardest, so noisy and impatient when least effective."*

---Henry David Thoreau



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Tide corrected to Coyote Point Marina. Current 2.3 nm NNE of Coyote Point: Max Flood (F), Max Ebb (E)