

# CHULA VISTA MARINA

## Bay ViewPoint

### CHULA VISTA MARINA NEWSLETTER

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December was a paradox of never-ending rain and "to die for" sunny days. The Christmas spirit was evident throughout the marina as many boaters went all-out to decorate their boats for our Light the Harbor event. California Yacht Marina, Chula Vista Yacht Club, and our very own restaurants (the Galley and So. Bay Fish and Grill) all participated to make 2011 the most spectacular lighting display we have ever had.

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#### LIGHT UP THE BAY



Many tenants, RVers, and a lot of locals came to the Resort and Marina and were dazzled by all of the decorations and by the extensive, spectacular Christmas lights. We were so pleased and gratified with all the enthusiasm shown by all who viewed the event. As an additional bonus, it was such a lovely night, which made it all the more enjoyable to walk the docks to look at all the lights.

The judges really had an enjoyable time walking around, talking with our tenants and viewing the nighttime ambiance of the marina, greatly enhanced by the beautiful Christmas lights displayed by our marina tenants. After much deliberation, the choices

were finally made and the **best decorated dock award** went to **M-dock**. Congratulations to everyone for putting on such an awesome display. The **award for "best overall decorated boat"** went to **M1-07, Tom and Kevin**. The **"best power boat"** award went to **M2-02, Penny Tapscott/John Merrill**. The **"best sail boat"** award went to **A1-23, Miguel and Barbara Ramirez-Williams**.

Many thanks to all who participated in the competition and a special thanks to our category award winners. You guys were awesome! The other participating tenant's decoration efforts were beautiful as well. They all contributed to the overall Christmas and holiday ambiance and spirit so evident throughout the marina. We plan to build on this event year by year until we have a veritable "Candy Cane Lane" of spectacular Christmas and holiday lighting displays on our grounds and throughout the marina.

#### MEET THE DOCKMASTER



You may have seen me around the docks or in the office the past couple of weeks. My name is **Mike Sullivan**, and I am pleased to be assuming the responsibilities of **Dockmaster** here at Chula Vista Marina.

As a recreational sailor, I have had the good fortune to be able to enjoy sailing off the coast of Maine, San Francisco and San Diego over the past 30 years. I learned to race sail boats in the 70's here in San Diego and have been racing ever since. I am currently a member of the Cortez Racing Association, crewing on a J-30, "Mad Hatter," which was recently awarded first place in our class, racing in the PHRF fleet. I am familiar with the lifestyle, needs and challenges of the boating community, and through my racing experience, I've learned a thing or two about teamwork. That's what I bring to Chula Vista Marina as I join a staff committed to running an organized, clean and safe Marina for all of us to enjoy.

## TENANT CHRISTMAS PARTY AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The Marina Tenant Christmas Party was a great opportunity for us to get together. Thank you for all of your efforts in helping to continue building and energizing our unique and vibrant boating community.

The awards from the Marina decorating competition were presented during the tenant Christmas party, along with a little added surprise - discounts on all the winners' electricity bills!

We also had some great raffle prizes donated by several tenants such as, Tom from "Soup Plantation", Charlie with "Pepe La Poos Pump Out", Tom with "Island Boat Repair", Jesse with "Better Marina Services", and "South Bay Fish & Grill". Thanks to all of you for your support and participation. We would also like to thank "La Bella's Pizza", "San Diego Marine Exchange", and "Marine Group" for their very generous donations, all of which went a long way toward making our party such a success.



We will have our 2012 tide chart booklets soon, so be sure to pick one up next time you are in the Marina office.

## ART EXHIBIT COMING TO CV MARINA



Coming Soon! Everyone is invited to visit the Art Exhibit to be held across from the Marine Room in the former office of Cays Yachts. (Cays Yachts has relocated to the Kiosk located at the south end of the marina). This display will only be temporary so make sure to check it out. What better way to support our talented artists, some of whom live right here in our Marina. Dates and times will be announced soon.

I am here to help, so if you have a suggestion or concern let me know. See you on the docks, Mike Sullivan

## A MORNING PADDLE WITH HER BEST FRIEND

How many times have you looked out in the morning in time to see Kay and her friend Isaac enjoying a morning kayak ride around the Marina? Watching her from the marina office the other morning, we could see how happy and peaceful they were. Kay and Isaac, a beautiful Cardigan Corgi, have been kayaking in this manner for years. What a great and healthy way to spend quality time with a "best friend."



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2012

We have a great year planned for 2012 so please make sure you check it out on our website at [www.cvmarina.com/events](http://www.cvmarina.com/events). We also provide monthly reminders in our Newsletter of what events will be coming up the following month. There will be two great boating related courses in the Marine Room taking place in January, so mark your calendars. Both events are free to Chula Vista Marina tenants. Space is limited so please reserve your seat by contacting us at [boatslips@cvmarina.com](mailto:boatslips@cvmarina.com).

**Thurs. Jan. 12, 2012: Course put on by Frank Dixon from West Coast Sailing**  
*First Mate's Class - 6:00-7:30 pm, in the Marine Room*

Course content includes making sure your boat is safe/legal/and equipped to handle emergencies. Plus, extensive content on actually handling an emergency.

**Wed. Jan. 25, 2012: Course put on by the South Bay Sail and Power Squadron.** Marine Electricity - 7:00-9:00 pm in the Marine Room

**ALL MONTH** - Marine room will host all football events on our large screen TV, so stop by and join the fun.

**February 5: Super Bowl Sunday**

Join us in the Marine Room and share the afternoon hooting and hollering for your team. The Marina will supply drinks (non-alcoholic and beer). Time and teams playing to be announced.

**Aloha Fridays:** Come sail or motor down to Chula Vista Marina and join our Restaurants on Aloha Friday afternoons (every Friday in February) for a great Happy Hour. Happy Hour discounts offered!



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