



Oregon Clean Marina News

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New Coordinator Comes Aboard

Hello, my name is Glenn Dolphin and I joined the Marine Board as the new coordinator for the Clean Marina Program in October 2006. The last newsletter was sent out in August of 2006, and since then there has been a lot happening in the program! As of May 1st, there are 17 certified marinas and 24 pledged facilities (see page 6 for the complete list) in the program and those numbers are increasing rapidly. The program reached the one year anniversary of the first certified Clean Marina this past April. It's been great to see the positive response the program has received from marina managers and boaters around the state. As I contact new facilities and continue to outreach throughout the state, I look forward to working with marinas that are striving to be good stewards of the environment by keeping Oregon's waterways pollution free. If you haven't already signed our one year pledge and you own or manage a marina, then contact me at (503) 378-2625 or glenn.dolphin@state.or.us, to discuss joining the Clean Marina Program.

Newly Certified Clean Marinas

In the Portland area there are numerous marinas, yacht clubs, floating home moorages, and boat yards. The largest private marina company in Portland is Columbia Crossings, with four marinas and one floating home moorage. The management and Harbormasters at Columbia Crossings embraced the Clean Marina Program with great enthusiasm, and now have all of their facilities certified! The Jantzen Bay marina was certified during May 2006 and was highlighted in a previous newsletter. The following are descriptions of their other facilities who have joined.

Tomahawk Bay Moorage

During November of 2006 Tomahawk Bay Moorage became certified as a Clean Marina. Located on Hayden Island in the Columbia River, this marina is the largest facility that Columbia Crossings manages with 781 boat slips. This marina offers many environmentally sound services to the boating community including: free sewage pumpout stations, used oil recycling, clean and accessible trash containers including recycling bins, and they actively promote clean boating practices by distributing Marine Board publications.



Brad Howton, General Manager of Columbia Crossings receiving program certification rewards from Glenn Dolphin. Also shown: Ken McLarty, Facilities Manager (rear left) & John Villunuava Harbormaster for Jantzen & Hayden Bay Moorages (rear right).

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Newly Certified Clean Marinas

Hayden Bay Moorage

This Columbia Crossings moorage located on Hayden Island was certified during November of 2006. With 304 boat slips this marina has a lot of boating activity. A few of the items that helped them gain certification were: very clean restrooms and showers located on the docks, used oil recycling, contained garbage bins and recycling, and newly updated/expanded moorage rules and regulations.



Hayden Bay Moorage



Island Cove Floating Homes

To complete the certifications for all the Columbia Crossings facilities, this floating home moorage with 80 homes was certified during January 2007. The very clean garbage containers and recycling bins, along with extensive rules and regulations to protect water quality, helped this floating home community obtain the Clean Marina certification.



Island Cove Homes

River Place Moorage

Located in downtown Portland on the Willamette River, this 108 boat slip marina was also certified during November 2006. This marina is set-up slightly different from Hayden and Tomahawk in that there is no marina parking lot or upland property to manage. However, common to all the Columbia Crossings marinas, River Place offers free boat sewage pumpout facilities. The marina also started a new recycling program that helps them maintain an extremely clean facility for the boating community.



River Place Moorage with downtown Portland in the background



Clean and tidy covered garbage and recycling area at Tomahawk Bay Moorage

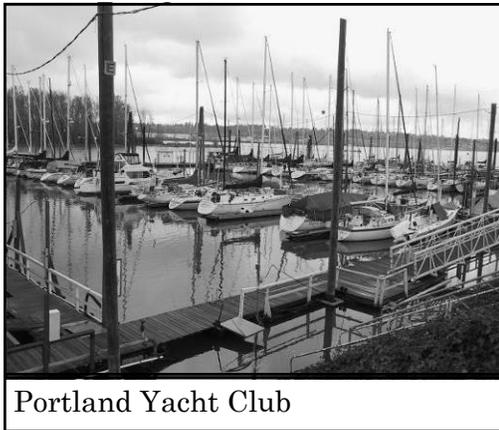




Newly Certified Clean Marinas

Portland Yacht Club

The Portland Yacht Club on the Columbia River with 220 boat slips became certified during November 2006. The yacht club offers numerous services to its members: they have an oil recycling container, sewage pumpout station, and a fuel dock with a storage tank that meets all the federal and state regulations. They also use native plants in their landscaping when they re-plant their vegetated areas. These, in combination with updating their rules and regulations, helped them gain certification.



Portland Yacht Club

St. Helens Marina

Located on the Columbia River in St. Helens, this marina with 220 boat slips became certified during March 2007. With recent dock upgrades, a robust recycling program, native plants in landscaped areas, and upgraded marina rules and regulations, this marina passed the programs requirements with high marks. However, during the preliminary evaluation period a required written plan relating to their fuel docks and storage tanks was missing. With a template provided by the Marine Board and technical assistance from Mr. Dolphin, this was easily fixed and now the marina is in full compliance with all federal and state laws. It was a prime example of the free technical assistance a marina can expect to receive when it enrolls into the Clean Marina program.

(see photo on next page)

Dikeside Moorage

During November 2006 the Dikeside floating home moorage with 32 houses became the first floating home moorage to become certified as a Clean Marina! Located on the Multnomah Channel in Scappoose, this moorage is a small, tight-knit community that takes pride in keeping a clean facility. Their on-site sewage system is operated and maintained by specially trained home owners, a healthy vegetated buffer exists along the channel, they encourage recycling using the provided containers, and limit impervious areas by maintaining a gravel parking lot.



Dikeside Moorage

McCuddy's Landing Marina

Located in Scappoose on the Multnomah Channel, this marina with 200 boat and floating home slips was certified in December 2006. Aside from having a free sewage pumpout station, garbage recycling, used oil recycling and keeping a gravel parking lot with a vegetated buffer along the waters edge; this marina also went through an overhaul of its written moorage rules and regulations and put together a "Panic File" that outlines what to do in the event of an emergency.



McCuddy's Landing Marina





Newly Certified Clean Marinas

Scappoose Bay Marina/Port of St. Helens

The Port of St. Helens marina, located in Scappoose Bay, was the next Scappoose area marina to receive certification. During March of 2007, the 125 boat and floating home marina became the first publicly operated Port to become certified into the program! This marina worked hard to upgrade its written rules and regulations to meet the requirements of the program, along with starting a new recycling program. They also offer a free boat sewage pumpout station, posted signs informing the public about reporting oil spills and being aware of aquatic nuisance species, use local community groups to help maintain the marina grounds, work with the Scappoose Bay Watershed Council to remove invasive vegetation and re-plant with native trees and shrubs, and co-host an annual earth day event at the marina park.

Salmon Harbor Marina

Located in Winchester Bay at the mouth of the Umpqua River, this 500 boat slip marina maintained by Douglas County, became the first coastal marina certified into the program! Their certification site visit occurred during March of 2007. This marina's staff went above and beyond the programs requirements and did an outstanding job. To gain their certification this marina started a new recycling program, and in doing so, built themselves a new recycling center, initiated new rules for using the fish cleaning stations, established an informational kiosk with clean boating tips for the public, installed oil absorbent "socks" into storm drain catch basins, uphold a very high standard of cleanliness at their on-water fuel dock, and developed a "PANIC" file to name just a few of the activities completed.



Scappoose Bay Marina



This new garbage/used oil recycling center built by the Salmon Harbor staff, is a testament of their commitment to implement the Clean Marina best management practices.



St. Helens Marina

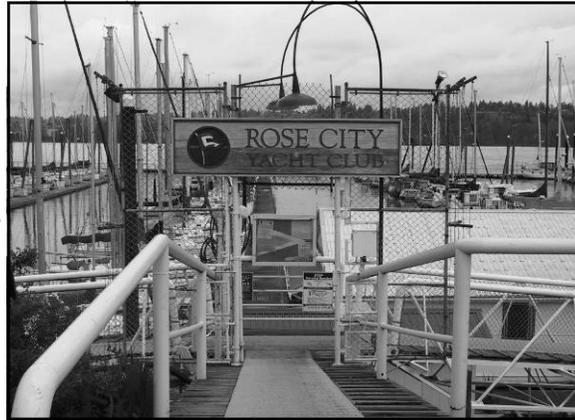




Newly Certified Clean Marinas

Rose City Yacht Club

The Rose City Yacht Club, located on the Columbia River in Portland, was added to our certified facilities list during April 2007. This club with 150 boat slips did an outstanding job embracing the Clean Marina program. The existing conditions at this marina are a prime example of how a marina can become certified without having to implement very many new action items. It's very evident that its members take great pride in keeping up a very clean facility. The enclosed used oil recycling tank, a gravel parking lot to help control stormwater runoff, garbage recycling containers, and excellent maintenance of their sewage holding tank, are a few of the items helping them to earn certification. The club also adopted new rules and regulations, and did a great job in customizing their PANIC file.



Rose City Yacht Club



Columbia Ridge Marina

Columbia Ridge is a newly renovated floating home moorage that became certified during April and has a lot going for it! Construction is currently underway with 30 of the 50 home slips sold. A few of the best management practices being implemented at this moorage include: a vegetated bio-swale to treat the parking lot stormwater runoff, new garbage recycling bins, updated docks using recycled plastic composite material, removal of invasive blackberry (replanting planned with natives), informational signs posted, and a Clean Boaters Guide given to all homeowners. This moorage also became a partner with Portland State University to help monitor the Columbia River for the presence of aquatic nuisance species, primarily the zebra mussel.



Vegetated bio-swale that treats stormwater runoff from the Columbia Ridge parking lot.



Port of Toledo

During the month of April the Port of Toledo became a certified marina joining the ranks of other facilities that have scored extremely well on their evaluations. The Port with 36 boat slips, has done great things to help protect the environment. Activities like having a garbage recycling program, making and posting signs to inform marina users, directing parking lot stormwater runoff into grassy areas next to the Yaquina River, collecting used oil, anti-freeze, and batteries for recycling, along with designing future development areas to use native plants. These activities are just a few of the items helping them become a certified marina.



Port of Toledo





Newly Certified Clean Marinas

Pier 99 Inc.

The most recent marina to obtain certification is Pier 99. During April this Portland marina proved that it was ready to embrace the Clean Marina Program. Some of the activities happening at this marina are: newly installed recycling containers, new signs all around the marina highlighting their rules and regulations, maintained grassy areas between the gravel parking lot and the Columbia River, the distribution of boater spill kits (highlighted on page 7) to all of the slip holders, and an excellent job on putting together their PANIC file. Congratulations to Pier 99.



Acknowledgement

To obtain certification a marina must undergo an evaluation site visit that not only includes the program coordinator, but two other “inspectors”. These invaluable volunteers come from either the stakeholders committee that helped develop the program requirements, or a closely related third party. I want to make sure that the following people are recognized for their support and time given to help with these site evaluations: Brad Howton, Ken McLarty, Bob Wilson, Sam Chan, Lyman Louis, Don Mann, Paul Sharkey, Chris Hathaway, and Doug Walker. Thank you all very much!

Certified Clean Marinas

1. Rocky Point Marina & Boatyard, Portland
2. Jantzen Bay Marina, Portland
3. Multnomah Channel Yacht Club, Scappoose
4. Dikeside Moorage, Scappoose
5. Tomahawk Bay Moorage, Portland
6. Hayden Bay Moorage, Portland
7. Portland Yacht Club, Portland
8. River Place Marina, Portland
9. McCuddy's Landing Marina, Scappoose
10. Island Cove Floating Homes, Portland
11. St. Helens Marina, St. Helens
12. Scappoose Bay Marina, Scappoose
13. Salmon Harbor Marina, Winchester Bay
14. Rose City Yacht Club, Portland
15. Port of Toledo, Toledo
16. Columbia Ridge Marina, Portland
17. Pier 99 Inc., Portland

24 Marinas Have Taken the Clean Marina Pledge!

Big Eddy Marina, Portland	McCuddy's Island Marina, Portland	Port of Siuslaw, Florence
Charleston Marina, Charleston	McCuddy's Marine Drive Marina, Portland	Port of Garibaldi, Garibaldi
City of Depoe Bay, Depoe Bay	Odell Lake Resort, Crescent Lake	Rasmusen Sea Scout Base, Portland
Detroit Lake Marina, Detroit	Pelican Marina, Klamath Falls	River's Bend Marina, Scappoose
East Mooring Basin, Astoria	Pier 39, Astoria	Skipanon Landing & Marina, Warrenton
Embarcadero Marina, Newport	Pier III Boatyard, Astoria	South Beach Marina, Newport
Irrigon Marina, Irrigon	Port of Alsea, Waldport	Waverly Marina, Portland
Larson's Moorage, Portland	Port of Bandon, Bandon	West Mooring Basin, Astoria



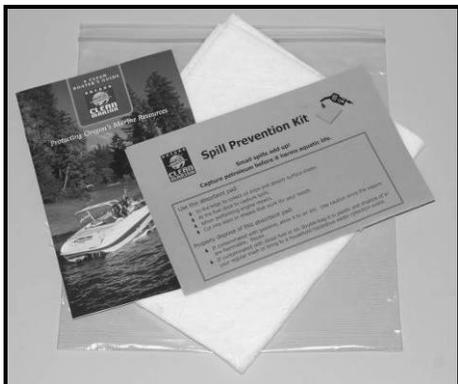
Informational Workshops held around the State

This past winter there were three workshops held around the state promoting the program and introducing marina managers to the requirements of enrollment. The first workshop held in Portland during January 2007 drew in nine participants who learned about: City of Portland environmental programs from Dawn Hottenroth, aquatic nuisance species in Oregon from Robyn Draheim (Portland State University), and oil spill response procedures from Romulus Matthews (U.S. Coast Guard).

During January there was also a workshop held in Florence with twelve attendees. They learned about: aquatic invasive species from Samuel Chan (Oregon State University) and oil spill response procedures from Garrett Wickham (U.S. Coast Guard). Arlington in the Columbia Gorge was the site of the next workshop and drew in six marina managers. Presentations at this workshop included a Clean Marina Program overview and aquatic invasive species, both given by Glenn Dolphin. The next workshop is scheduled for Gold Beach on May 8th. Other workshops are being planned for early June in Bend and Klamath Falls. If you missed a workshop or are interested in having a presentation about the program at an event, please contact Glenn at (503) 378-2625 or glenn.dolphin@state.or.us, to set-up an appointment.

Clean Marina Partner Profile

The support from other agencies and non-profits has really helped get the Clean Marina program off to a great start. A great supporter of the program this past year has been The Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership. The Estuary Partnership works to protect and restore the nationally significant lower Columbia River Estuary with on-the-ground improvements, education and information programs. Their mission is to preserve and enhance the water quality of the estuary to support its biological and human communities. The Estuary Partnership, one of 28 programs in the National Estuary Program, is a two-state, public-private initiative. It includes an area that stretches 146 miles from the Bonneville Dam to the Pacific Ocean. Chris Hathaway, their Director of stewardship programs, has been helping out with the 3-person marina certification teams. The Estuary Partnership has also been graciously purchasing 55 gallon oil spill response kits that are given to each certified marina within their study area. To date 15 spill kits have been provided to certified marinas, representing the largest regional participation of marinas certified as Clean Marinas in the state! Thank you to Chris and the Estuary Partnership for their support. You can learn more about the Estuary Partnerships work at www.lcrep.org. New partners and volunteers are always welcome, contact the Clean Marina coordinator for more details.



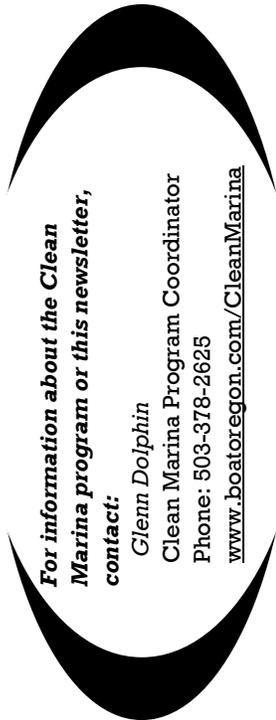
Spill Prevention Kits for Boaters Available

The Marine Board currently has Spill Prevention Kits available for distribution by marinas to boaters. Each kit consists of an oil-absorbent pad, instructions for its use and disposal, and a Clean Boater's Guide – all in a handy resealable Ziploc-type bag. Giving these kits out to slip holders helps pass on information about pollution prevention boating practices to the public, as well as fulfill the Clean Marina program requirement. Boxes of these kits are available to pledged facilities.





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What is the Clean Marina Program?

Oregon Clean Marina is a voluntary program that recognizes marinas, boatyards, yacht clubs, and floating home moorages with ten or more boat/home slips that, along with being in compliance with environmental regulations, use a high percentage of environmentally responsible practices. The Clean Marina program recognizes these facilities by designating them as “Clean Marinas”.

The Oregon Clean Marina program is sponsored by the Oregon State Marine Board and is in partnership with the Oregon Coastal Management Program, the Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership, Oregon State University Extension Service-Sea Grant Program, and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.



The flag is a signal to boaters that a marina is doing its part to protect the cleanliness of Oregon waterways.

Program Participation Benefits

Each certified Clean Marina receives an:

- Oregon Clean Marina **flag**
- Framed **certificate**
- 55-gallon **dockside spill kit**

These items, along with the authorization to use the Clean Marina **logo** and **recognition** in Marine Board publications, are a few of the benefits to participating marine facilities.

For more information on how to have the flag fly at your facility, contact Glenn Dolphin the Clean Marina Coordinator at 503-378-2625, glenn.dolphin@state.or.us, or visit www.boatoregon.com/CleanMarina.

