



515 NE Tomahawk Island Drive, Portland, Oregon, 97217



## Happy Valentine's Day

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## CALENDAR | February 2012

- February 14** Valentine's Day
- February 20** Presidents Day
- February** Winter Steelhead Fishing—Opening to be Announced

## EVENTS | Huge Chinook Return Expected

For the Columbia River, fishery managers are predicting a strong return of 314,200 spring Chinook, which would make it the fourth largest return since 1938. The forecast also includes a record return of summer Chinook (91,200 fish) and continued strong returns of summer Steelhead and fall Chinook. The 2012 fishing season for spring Chinook on the Columbia will be set in late January. As always, pay close attention to the special regulations for this highly anticipated season.

## MONTHLY SPECIALS | Boat Moorage Discounts

Our yearly **Fisherman's Special** is officially underway! Seasonal moorage offers sportsmen a full array of marina amenities, discounts at the fuel dock, plus quick and easy access to the river. Boat slips are available for \$259.00 for 3 months (Feb-Apr). Contact our Leasing Office for more details.

If you know someone looking for storage or moorage this season, don't hesitate to send them our way. If they become a tenant at one of our marinas, we'll take **\$100.00** off your next month's bill. For new storage customers we'll take **\$50.00** off.

## PROJECTS | Dredging

Dredging projects in Island Cove and Jantzen Bay marina made excellent progress and met goals and expectations. We were very disappointed we were not able to secure an emergency permit to dredge Tomahawk Bay. Due to the new listing of smelt as an endangered species, our efforts and pleadings were not successful in securing a permit. Our goal is to have a permit in hand by years end for dredging to begin in late 2012 or early 2013. In the mean time, Tomahawk Bay is open for business and we'll have plenty of room for all of our loyal customers.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS | Another Fishing Season is Here

- **Fueling Up.** The Jantzen Bay Fuel Dock is open for business. Winter operating hours are Friday — Sunday 10 to 6. On call fuel service appointments are Monday through Thursday, so before heading out for the day, call us at 503.289.3265 or 971.255.8057 and schedule a fill. Tenant's enjoy all their usual discounts, year-round.
- **Fish Cleaning.** Remember that fish cleaning on all marina properties is limited to the new fish cleaning stations only.
- **First Fish.** For those that are a part of our fisherman's special, we will have a "First Fish Of The Season" contest. Please see your harbormaster for details!

## BOATING TIPS | Navigating Heavy Fog

Spring boating can present a number of unexpected navigational hazards - one of which is operating a vessel in heavy fog. Below are a few reminders for the season, to help keep you and all passengers safe aboard your boat.

**Slow Down.** As simple as this sounds, reducing one's speed is often a strategy that boaters ignore, even in inclement weather. Do not run your boat at full speed through the fog. If you are in danger of collision, slowing the engine will give you the greatest chance of success in stopping or turning away before a collision happens.

**Know Your Sound Signals and Use Them.** Vessels underway in restricted visibility should signal with 1 long blast every 2 minutes. Vessels stopped should signal with 2 long blasts. If you are at anchor, rapidly ring a bell for ten seconds every minute. Sound-producing devices can be an air horn, a bell or a whistle. Make sure to have one on board.

**Stop and Listen.** Every now and then, turn off your engines in heavy fog and simply listen. Listen for other boats near to you, fog horns and bells from nearby buoys or anything else that may alert you to oncoming dangers.

**Use Aids.** If you have navigational aids onboard your boat and become disoriented in a heavy fog, don't hesitate for a moment to use them. Obtain a fix of your location using a GPS and a nautical chart. If you have radar, use it to locate dangers around you. All mariners should have some navigational equipment aboard for such occasions. If you are unable to get your bearings, find a safe location where you can stay put until the fog lifts – taking extra precautions to ensure you are not in a shipping channel, in shallow water, or in danger of drifting into trouble.

## MARINA CONDITIONS | Dock Cart Courtesy

As a courtesy to all boaters, please remember to return community dock carts to the top of marina ramps as soon as your belongings have been unloaded at your boat. Dock carts should not be kept waiting at your slip for future use, and they should not be left with garbage or product spills lingering for the next user to clean-up. Columbia Crossings' staff will return any unattended carts to the top of the ramps. We appreciate your help keeping carts in service for everyone.

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