

NEWSLETTER

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WATER TAXI OPERATION

The free, inner-harbor water taxi is back in service for summer!

The water taxi operates on weekends and holidays from 11 AM to 6 PM. In addition, the water taxi operates on Thursday evenings during the Crow's Nest beach barbecues from 5 PM to 9:00 PM.

For more information and pickup locations, click <u>here</u>. See you on *Free Ride*!

4TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CROW'S NEST BEACH BARBECUES

The Crow's Nest beach barbecues are back! The summer's first barbecue is scheduled for Thursday, June 1, 2017. The Crow's Nest will host beach events each Thursday from 5:30 PM to sunset with live music and barbecue fare at Harbor Beach through August 31, 2017.

Please be aware that parking is very limited during the events. Carpooling and/or other methods of transportation are highly encouraged to help reduce traffic in the area.

Reminder! The free, inner-harbor water taxi will operate Thursday evenings from 5 PM to 9:00 PM to facilitate remote parking during the events. Click here for more information.

4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

The fourth of July holiday is expected to draw large crowds to the harbor and nearby beaches, impacting parking and traffic within the area. Harbor Beach, Twin Lakes and Seabright State Beach will have security checkpoints to ensure fireworks and other prohibited substances do not make it to the beach. As the holiday approaches, please check the Port District's website for updates regarding possible road closures.

TWIN LAKES BEACHFRONT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Paving of East Cliff Drive was completed on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. Completion of paving work allows for the next phase of work to begin, which includes construction of the retaining wall along the south (beach) side of East Cliff Drive.

For project updates and the most current schedule, please visit the County's <u>website</u>.

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

National Safe Boating Week was a success! The Port District promoted safe boating practices and worked with the U.S. Coast Guard who offered free vessel safety inspections and promoted a life jacket exchange at the harbor!

The 4th Annual Classic Car & Truck Show will take place at the harbor on Sunday, October 15, 2017, from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Click <u>here</u> to register for the event.

BOATYARD SPECIALS



PAINT SPECIAL

25% OFF MSRP

Order bottom paint through the Santa Cruz Harbor Boatyard and receive 25% off MSRP!

Click <u>here</u> for more information OR call (831) 475-3002 to schedule!

COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN'S SPECIAL

20% OFF HAULOUTS & LAYDAYS

Show us your commercial fishing registration and receive 20% off haulouts and laydays!

Click <u>here</u> for more information.

PORT COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

JUNE

Regular Public Session Tuesday, June 27, 2017 7 PM

JULY

Regular Public Session Tuesday, July 25, 2017 7PM

CURRENT FUEL PRICING

Gasoline: \$3.89 Diesel: \$3.49 Commercial Diesel: \$3.39



Harbor Patrol giving local kids a tour of the patrol boat.



Harbor Patrol, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Coast Guard Station Monterey & Tow Boat U.S. at the harbor.



Thank you to the Coast Guard Auxiliary for their hard work!

POST DREDGE SEASON UPDATE

Dredge operations have ended for the season. Despite many challenges, crews worked hard to ensure a safe and navigable entrance channel. Crews have begun to demobilize the dredge operation and prepare for off-season maintenance tasks.

Please be aware that shoaling exists in the outlying areas of Santa Cruz Harbor and shallow conditions exist along the east and west jetties on both sides of the marked federal entrance channel.

Mariners transiting the harbor entrance should use caution and be aware of shallow conditions, especially during low tides and large surf. Mariners are also advised while underway in the Santa Cruz Harbor to navigate within the federal marked channel and stay between the marked main channel buoys.

All boaters are advised to check the most recent <u>entrance</u> <u>sounding</u> prior to transit. Boaters with deeper draft vessels are advised to be especially vigilant, particularly at lower tides and when operating along the east/west margins of the channel.

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