

February 22, 2017

Dear Boater:

This year we have a **NEW PROCESS** for accepting the launch paperwork – *no more standing in line - we will be using a point system*. You will still request your first choice week, but if there are too many boats for that week, people with more points will have priority. Points are earned:

- for number of years here (only going back to 2014 because of recording purposes)
- if you are an owner
- if you have served on the board/have been Commodore
- if you volunteered for anything during the previous season

You may turn your paperwork in anytime between now and until close of business on March 15th. The launch weekly schedule will be presented at the Lottery Breakfast, provided at **Mallards at 8:00, March 18**. You may return your Spring Launch and Service Request Form (be sure to fill out the form **completely)** via mail, email, fax or in person (no priority will be given for method of return). Our goal will be to accommodate everyone's timetable, but obviously there will be times when this may not be possible and the point system will be utilized.

Return forms February 20 – March 16:

- In person to Mike
- Email scanned copies to mike@bayportmarina.com
- Fax to the Service Department fax, 651-439-1109
- Mail to 200 Fifth Avenue South, Bayport, MN 55003, Attention Mike

Please remember - your boat will NOT be launched unless your account is current and you have current insurance on file. Also, if you are a renter you must have a signed 2016 contract on file with the marina office.

The target date for starting blacktop replacement is May 15th; therefore, all boats must be launched by May 12 or you will receive HEFTY additional charges to move your boat because we are very limited on non-blacktop space to park boats. Please have your boat ready to launch by 7:00 a.m. Monday for the week you have requested.

The **Unlimited Pump-Out Program** is available for BMA members for \$50. This program allows for an unlimited number of pump-outs during the entire boating season. If you would like to participate in the program, check the box on your Launch Request. The \$50 fee will be applied to your summerization invoice and the window cling will get stapled to the invoice.

Again this year we are offering the **Automatic Battery Replacement Package**. By checking this option on the Launch Form, you are authorizing the immediate replacement of any non-serviceable batteries on your boat. For your added benefit, we have secured special pricing on Marine Starting batteries from our vendor. We have also negotiated a BMA exclusive 2-year unconditional warranty on batteries purchased through the Service Department at Bayport Marina. This special offer only applies during the launch period. For more details on this package or any other service needs, please give service a call.

As a reminder to all boaters, the Service Department must have a set of keys for your boat. We will be unable to launch any boat without keys, batteries and/or auxiliary gas tanks or outboards that may have been stored off-site. This includes mooring lines. If the Service Department needs to furnish lines to secure your boat in your slip, an additional fee will be charged.

A recycling program continues to be in place for the shrink-wrap film. Shrink-wrap contractors are responsible for the removal and placement of shrink-wrap film into the recycling transport. If you would like to have it removed early please contact your shrink-wrap contractor. However, if anyone wishes to remove their own shrink-wrap, please adhere to the following procedure:

- 1. Cut and remove all tape, cord and stickers from shrink-wrap.
- 2. Fold up the shrink-wrap in a manner in which it won't touch the ground.
- 3. Place shrink-wrap as far in front of recycling transport as possible.
- 4. Do NOT put shrink-wrap in dumpsters.

Filling the open **Secondary Watercraft** in water spots will also follow the new points system for determining availability for the 2017 season. We are currently renewing spots with existing SWC spot holders to determine how many spots will be open. If you would like to request a spot please print a 2017 Secondary Watercraft Storage Request form off of the website (use the For Boaters drop down and click on Forms, choose the SWC Request form) and return between now and March 15th via the same methods as the Spring Launch and Service Request Form.

Lastly, to be more green we have not included a **directory update form** this year. If you have a change/addition that should be made please print a form from our website (use the For Boaters drop down and click on Forms, choose the 2017 Directory Form). In the instance that you are a new boater for the 2017 season we will use the information that was provided to complete your contract, please notify us of anything you do not want printed in our Membership Directory. Please return this form via mail or scan and email to kori@bayportmarina.com.

SAVE THE DATES!

A Boater Orientation Seminar will be held in the Clubhouse on May 13 at 10:00 am. This seminar presents information about the Marina as well as the St. Croix River to our new members. However, all boaters are welcome to attend.

Join us for Cliff's Retirement Party, May 20th from 1:00 – 5:00 PM in the BMA Clubhouse. Stop by to wish Cliff the best and enjoy some refreshments.

If you have any questions regarding launch and service, please feel free to give me a call. We hope these new processes will make your launch experience enjoyable.

Sincerely,

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