



Inside news from your Port of Anacortes

A monthly newsletter from your Port of Anacortes

March 2007

Calendar of Events March 2007

Thursday, March 8

Trailer Boat Launch Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, Cap Sante Boat Haven
2 p.m.

Saturday, March 10

Comprehensive Plan Public Forum
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Seafarers' Memorial Building

Saturday & Sunday, March 10-11

Anacortes Salmon Derby
Cap Sante Boat Haven

Tuesday, March 13

Marine Trades/Marine Cluster Study Meeting
Seafarer's Memorial Building
11:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 15

Regular Commission Meeting
1st and Commercial Avenue
5 p.m.

Fri., March 16 - Sun., March 18

In-Water Boat Show
Cap Sante Boat Haven

Saturday, March 17

Comprehensive Plan Public Forum
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Seafarers' Memorial Building

Wednesday, March 21

Comprehensive Plan Public Forum
Seafarers' Memorial Building
7 p.m.

Thursday, March 22

Commission Meeting / Public Forum
Skyline Beach Club
7 p.m.



New boat launch ready for 2007 boating season

RIGHT ON SCHEDULE. This new boat launch at Cap Sante Boat Haven will be ready for a parade of participants in the 2007 Anacortes Salmon Derby, scheduled Saturday and Sunday, March 10 and 11. POA Construction Field Supervisor Jenkins Dossen and Maintenance Supervisor Jason Chandler have worked extensively with project contractor, Culbertson Marine.

Port Perspectives



Bob Hyde,
Executive Director, POA

As you can see in the above photo, your new boat launch is almost ready for the upcoming boating season (ribbon cutting is March 8). Your Port will operate this new facility, and it is our hope that it will be a tremendous asset to the community.

I know that when I had a trailer boat a few years ago, my family and I enjoyed the convenience and safety of launching at the previous boat launch at Cap Sante Boat Haven. It was a stress-free experience, and with Safeway, gas docks, and Cap Sante Marine nearby, boating was not going to be delayed for lack of a loaf of bread, boat fuel, or a back-up shear key.

Our Comprehensive Plan update was

kicked off on February 21st. Our first order of business is to look at Cap Sante Boat Haven, and to listen to what the community has to say about their marina. The calendar to the left has meeting information, or you can contact us with your thoughts in other ways:

- E-mail me at hyde@portofanacortes.com.
- Join our Yahoo Group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PoA-Comp-Plan>.
- Call me at 293-3134.
- Attend one or more public meetings
- Fill out an input form (available at Port office or Marina office).

We value your opinion and would love to hear from you!

Bob Hyde

Anacortes Salmon Derby March 10 & 11

Grand prize will be \$5,000 for the largest salmon taken in the first-ever Anacortes Salmon Derby, sponsored by the Fidalgo Island Chapter of Puget Sound Anglers on the weekend of March 10 and 11.

Second prize will be \$2,000, third prize \$1,500, with merchandise including a TR-1 Gold Auto-

pilot for subsequent prizes. Also, the lucky derby participant who boats a fish closest to a hidden weight determined before the start of the derby will take home a cash prize of \$2,000.

Additional prize categories include: biggest fish caught by a woman angler, active military member, over 70 years of age, fin clipped fish, Puget Sound Angler member, and youth 14 years and under.

Derby tickets are only \$50, and qualify the holder to fish in either or both days of the week-end tournament. Net revenue from ticket sales is



earmarked for scholarships to be awarded to students majoring in fisheries and related natural science at the college level.

Derby tickets entitle the holder to a no host social on March 10, a BBQ lunch on March 11, and a chance

at door prizes and other merchandise prizes valued in the thousands. Prizes include an inflatable boat, rods, reels, tackle, pot puller, downrigger, and marine electronics, among others.

This Derby is part of the Northwest Marine Trade Association Derby Series. Derby partners include the Port of Anacortes and the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are available at Ace Hardware in Anacortes.

Please visit www.anacortessalmonderby.com for more information.

Welcome Aboard



NEW SECURITY GUARD. We welcome Dan Burns to the Port of Anacortes staff as a new Security Team Member. Dan, a U.S. Navy veteran, joins a crew of three other Security Members.

Frequently Asked Questions About the Airport

Q. *What laws apply to aircraft noise, and what are the noise standards?*

A. Congress passed the Airport Safety and Noise Act (ASNA) in 1979. Under this law, the FAA was required to develop "a single system of measuring noise . . . establish a single system for determining the exposure of individuals to noise resulting from airport operations . . . and identify land uses normally compatible with various exposures of individuals to noise." The FAA developed Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 in response to this law. The FAA uses the A-weighted sound level or dB(A) as the nationwide sound measurement unit. For noise exposure, the FAA uses an average sound level with higher values for nighttime noise events to account for an increased sensitivity by people during these times.

The Average Day-Night Sound Level is referred to as the DNL or Ldn. Using the average sound levels, the FAA has developed a table describing what the FAA considers to be compatible land uses under various noise contours. 65 Ldn is considered to be the threshold for residential land uses near airports. Congress currently has prohibited the FAA from approving federal funding for noise mitigation in areas below 65 Ldn. Washington State law identifies Maximum Permissible Noise Levels (WAC 173-60-040) for various properties however aircraft noise is specifically exempt from these laws under WAC 173-60-050 along with other exemptions including certain rail and emergency operations. Current aircraft operations at the Anacortes Airport are within permissible noise levels.

New crab storage facility under construction

Construction progress continues on Curtis Wharf, where Anacortes Seafoods is building a crab storage warehouse near

the corner of 2nd Street and "O" Avenue. Project plans call for completion of the building within the next several weeks.



Inside the 7,800 sq. ft. building will be 19 concrete containers for live crab, with saltwater cycled through to keep the shellfish alive until they are sold and transported. Anacortes Seafoods will employ about seven people. Crab will be marketed throughout Asia.

Cap Sante Boat Haven shines at Seattle Boat Show

Cap Sante Boat Haven Harbormaster Dale Fowler said the Port's display at the recent Seattle Boat Show has already yielded results, with assignment of several vacant boat slips at the public marina.

"The Port's booth was a big success," said Fowler. "Thousands of boaters stopped by, inquiring about our marina and amenities that are available to them in our beautiful community."

Objectives at the Boat Show were to: 1) increase boater awareness; 2) draw more visiting boaters to Anacortes; 3) increase guest moorage activity; 4) promote this island community and the extensive marine trades available to boaters.

The Port of Anacortes booth was staffed by elected Port Commissioners as well as employees.

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