

Wednesday 2 November 2011

New Marina Update - No. 3

Welcome to your Marine Committee's third marina update.

We're now moving into the exciting visible stage with the new S Arm steel piles now clearly viewable from the restaurant window.

Just a week after commencement – Monday 17 October, the old South Arm was gone. By Monday 24 October we saw and smelt the following:

- Our Southern Arm (stage 1 of demolition) was nothing but an underwater memory.
- The remnants of the foam was stacked high for all to see and smell.
- Construction fencing was up at the NW corner of the Club building with vehicle access to the marina forecourt restricted to the Contractors' vehicles only.
- All marina occupants and marina users including the DSFC/PHGFC and Sailing Division had been fully informed of the construction schedule and marina forecourt restrictions.
- Emails, Website and Noticeboard (in Club) updates and signage had been used to communicate with the remainder of other boat owner members.
- The Club's boat ramp is planned to re-open on Saturday 17 December.
- The fixed section of the marina at the T-Junction has started to collapse... perfect timing to go!
- The tender now operates from the Eastern end of the N Arm of the marina (2 pens in from the end)
- The slipway will be operating as normal throughout the marina construction process
- Please do not walk South of the slipway into the construction site. To access the marina, walk up the drive to the pool gate and come through the lawn area in front of the BBQ and down the stairs.
- The Club has now ceased selling fuel. Please mention your RMYC membership at *Cronulla Marina* for an exclusive RMYC members' discount which has been arranged by the Marine Committee.

Order and timing of Demolition and Construction?

- **Stage 1 – S Arm**, demolition started 17 Oct with an expectation of temp pen occupation by mid Nov
- **Stage 2 – Fixed**, demolition starts mid Nov with an expectation of temp occupation in December
- **Stage 3 – N Arm**, demolition to start early Dec (subject to materials supply, weather and progress).

Access to boats

- Please note the fenced marina forecourt walkway to the marina and obey the signed directions for marina access. There is no member vehicle access to the marina forecourt.
- In addition to the Club's motorised tender, the communal (oared) tenders are there for members to row out to moored vessels at any time. These have been conveniently moved close to the boat ramp and are now in the area below the driveway ramp.

The not-so-pleasant side of one of our members...

Last Wednesday 26 October, **one particular member** thought it best to by-pass contacting the principal contractors (Pacific Pontoon & Pier) and their on-site sub-contractors (Dick Rowe Marine) with his site safety OH&S compliance concerns. Rather, he **chose to address his concerns directly with WorkCover**. We imagine he figured he'd cause maximum negative impact this way. He was to be sadly disappointed as **a senior WorkCover inspector arrived and witnessed with her very own eyes the baseless claims and untruths conveyed by this member who was obviously intent on causing maximum disruption**. The site was given a clean bill of health by the WorkCover inspector who apologised for her interruption.

The attached note of praise from the Principal Contractor (PPP) to Dick Rowe Marine is rather self-explanatory.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Marine Committee and *all but one* of our Members, we would like to pass on our appreciation to both the Dick Rowe Marine & Viking Marine teams, along with Des Paget from PPP for their OH&S vigilance - which enables the ongoing use of the old marina by our members. The only other alternative open to PPP is to close the marina entirely and quarantine all boats until construction is completed. If that is what this divisive and trouble-making member was hoping to achieve, then we are pleased that his selfish indulgence has failed to hinder our progress.

Regards

RMYC Marine Committee