



HARBOUR NEWS

Collins Bay Marina Newsletter

2019

Clean Marine



Collins Bay Marina has been awarded the top designation within the Clean Marine Eco-Rating Program! We have earned the distinguished 5 Anchor Platinum designation! Thank you to everyone who takes environmental stewardship seriously and to all of our boaters, contractors and staff for signing our pledge to protect our marina, waterways and environment. **We couldn't have achieved this without your support** and we are all better off because of the Clean Marine initiatives. Collins Bay Marina was instrumental in setting up these practices for all marinas to follow. There is a 220 point checklist in order to receive this coveted award! We recycle cans, plastic, glass, paper/cardboard in the bins provided. We also recycle alkaline and lead batteries, used oil and antifreeze. We ask that you do not leave these items by the garbage as they may spill and cause a costly contamination or end up in the

garbage cans. Please give these items to any staff or the office for proper disposal. Shrink wrapping is also recyclable, make sure your contractor takes this to be recycled once removed in the spring. Do not put this in the dumpster! Thank you for taking the time to read the handbook for all the marina initiatives in order to keep our marina and waterways clean. We are making a difference!

Toronto International Boat Show

As a thank you to all of our amazing seasonal customers, we are once again offering complimentary tickets to the Toronto International Boat Show January 19 – 27, 2019 at the Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place. Please enjoy **North America's largest indoor boat show** on us!

Boat Detailing

Did you know the marina offers a boat detailing service? If you are looking for help to wash, wax and polish your boat, we can assist with that. Please contact the office to schedule your services! We look forward to making your boat gleam and look brand new!

Contractors

We allow certain third party contractors on the Marina property provided that they have WSIB registration and meet our insurance requirements. Please check with us before you hire someone to work on your boat. It is important for us to keep track of who is working on our property, how, when and why. We are concerned about the liabilities and hazards to both our customers and the Marina. If you are looking for a particular service, feel free to ask us and we may be able to direct you to a responsible contractor.

Insurance

It is mandatory for all boats (in the water or on the hard) to be insured. Please make sure you show the office proof of insurance. If you are looking for an insurance company we can direct you to boat specific insurance contacts.

Electric Shock Drowning

You may have noticed that we do not allow swimming within the Marina, but do you know why? Electric Shock Drowning is a very serious issue and one that every marina operator and boater should be aware of. Stray current refers to an existence of electrical potential that can be found between objects that should not be subjected to voltage. This could be from your boat, a visiting boat **or the marina's power supply. Often** boaters have worked on their own electrical system and have unknowingly connected something incorrectly. In ESD cases, this is the water body. Drowning or death by electrocution occurs due to electrical currents in the water body. Marinas can be vulnerable to this, of course, and this is why we have a no swimming policy at

the Marina. Accidents happen so you need to be proactive too. Here are some great links to incidents, stories and safety info

[Electrical Safety Authority](#)

[ESD Org USA website](#)

[Boat US ESD Video](#)

[Grampion Marine ESD Video](#)

[Kevin Ritz Story](#)

[Collins Bay Yacht Club](#)

The Collins Bay Yacht Club is a social club formed by patrons of Collins Bay Marina. An active group of sail and power boaters with a strong foundation of camaraderie and community, the Club organizes many activities both on and off the water. They also operate a first-class sail training program at the Marina. Although membership in the Club is not mandatory as a customer of the Marina, the Club has much to offer for a modest membership fee. For more information see www.CollinsBayMarina.com/CBYC/



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