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HAABC 17TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE



2013 Conference Feature Harbour presenter, Andy Ellingsen, Cortes Island HA

The HAABC 17th Annual Conference is set to go in Richmond at the River Rock Convention Centre. If you have not registered for the conference now is the time, the deadline is next Tuesday, January 14. Registration Form As always, we have an interesting line of speakers this year. Of particular interest is Robin Brown, manager of the Ocean Sciences Division, Fisheries and Oceans. He will be speaking on Climate Change and how it could affect SCH facilities. For a little information on Mr. Brown please follow this link Robin Brown. He will be joined by Vahid Kahnamelli, Pacific Regional Engineer, SCH. This year we will also be conducting a tour of two facilities, Ladner and Steveston Harbour Authorities. This is something we did at past conferences and after many requests we will consider including it each year for what we hope will be a chance to increase our knowledge by seeing what others are doing in their harbours. This is the foundation of the HAABC, sharing and networking. For a full list of presenters and activities, please click on the following link 2014 HAABC Draft Agenda

CONFERENCE 2014

Don't miss the opportunity to include your photos in the Ports of Call. Please send photos or questions to Leslie contact@haa.bc.ca

Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act

The deadline for transitioning to the new Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act is October 17, 2014. If you haven't started the process, now is a good time to get started. SCH has a number of tools and information for your use. Please visit <u>SCH CCA Tools</u> to get started. If this only makes you want to cry and run for the hills, please give Leslie a call at 250-339-3970 and I can help get you started.

SCH 25th Anniversary

2013 was the 25th anniversary of the start of the Harbour Auhtority program in Canada. Minister Gail Shea spoke at the last National Harbour Authority Advisory Committee meeting in Ottawa to celebrate this milestone. For more on Minister Shea's remarks go to 25th Anniversary.

SCH Funding

Funding for Small Craft Harbours was announced on September 3, 2013. This investment will create jobs in coastal communities and help ensure that harbour facilities meet the needs of commercial fishermen. For more information on funding for the 2013/2014 fiscal year visit Funding Announcements.

National On-line Licensing Log-in Deadline

The Licensing Department of Fisheries and Oceans has been conducting workshops to teach fishermen how to use the new system. I recently attended one of these sessions and found it to be extremely helpful. Michelle Lee and William Leung were extremely helpful and patient and have been working hard to ensure this system gets up and running without too much pain for users. While this system brings with it some angst among the fishing fleet, I think it will end up being easier for them in the long run. At this time the most important thing for fishing license holders to do is to log on and get the ball rolling. They would have been mailed log in information, the deadline for keeping those passwords fresh is January 31, 2014. For information on the deadline go to Licensing Deadline If you don't log in by that date, that password will become unusable and a new one will be required. The process of reacquiring your password may be cumbersome and will definitely take some time. Please encourage or assist all your fishermen to log in prior to this deadline, they will avoid a lot of headaches by doing so. Some training videos and a manual have been developed and are available online Training Videos Training Manual If you have any questions client support is available via email fishing-peche@dfo-mpo.gc.ca or toll free telephone 1-877-535-7307. Licensing staff will be available to answer questions at the HAABC conference.

New Staff Announcements

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