



Manchester-by-the-Sea Harbormaster
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THE WATERLINE

Greetings Boaters,

Harbor Advisory Committee

The Harbor Advisory Committee will meet Thursday February 7th at Town Hall. Meeting time is 5:30PM in room 5. Discussion will center on harbor rules & regulations. Harbor Advisory Committee meeting agendas and minutes are now posted under Boards and Committees on the town website.

MASSPORT

MASSPORT legal department is still drafting a proposal to the Town of Manchester in regards to environmental moorings. A formal proposal is expected at any time.

Waterway Permit and Waitlist Renewals

Over three hundred waterway permit stickers for the 2013 boating season have been issued to date. Remember that March 31st is the cut-off date for waitlist and permit renewal. Call or stop by the office to receive your renewal forms. Payment by credit card and electronic check is now accepted by the Harbor Department.

Hours

The harbormaster will be in the office Monday, Wednesday and Thursday through the month of January. Please note! The harbormaster will be out of the office this Wednesday February 6th.

Office

The harbormasters office face-lift is nearly complete.

Lifejackets

Anyone with serviceable lifejackets that you are replacing please consider donating them to the Manchester Harbor Department loaner program. Loaner lifejackets are distributed

when the harbormaster encounters a boater with an inadequate number PFD's on his/her vessel.

Morss Pier

The new crane for Morss pier has arrived. Installation will begin as soon as structural support members arrive.

Manchester Yacht Club Sponsors Accomplished Ocean Race Skipper

Ken Read's latest sailing accomplishment was skippering the wildest looking sailboat ever built in the 2011-2012 Volvo Ocean Race.

In 2007 Ken successfully signed a sponsor (PUMA), built a team, designed and constructed a boat from scratch, and skippered it to second place overall in the 2008-2009 addition of the Volvo Ocean Race.

On February 28, 2013 beginning at 7:30 pm at the Manchester Memorial School Auditorium come hear about PUMA Ocean Racing—Part 2. If the last Volvo Race wasn't long enough or hard enough, the new route in 2011-2012 took the fleet over 39,000 miles as a crow flies and over 50,000 miles in total through the world's harshest waters. Hear all about this crazy adventure, the highs, lows, and lessons learned from sailings greatest adventure.

One of the world's most accomplished sailors, Ken has 46 World, North American and National Championships to his name. He is in the Boston University Athletic Hall of Fame where he was a three time all-American and College Sailor of the Year. He has also been awarded the Rolex Yachtsman of the Year Award twice- annually given to this country's top sailor.

Twice a skipper in the America's Cup for Dennis Conners "Stars and Stripes", Ken broke out of the more traditional sailing ventures to take on the world's best sailors in the harshest oceans and environments known to mankind.

Kenny will be here to share his amazing adventure, the team building, the technology, and dealing with adversity at some of the most extreme levels imaginable.

This event is being sponsored by Manchester Yacht Club and is open to the public at no charge. There is no need to sign up and the hope is that the surrounding community and sailing programs will take advantage of this great opportunity to hear such an accomplished sailor first hand.

Please, feel free to contact me with any and all questions.

Click the following link for your latest Local Notice to Mariner's.

<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lnms/lnm01032013.pdf>. Be vigilant and notify the harbormaster of any missing or off station aids to navigation.

Stop by, say hi and don't forget your lifejacket! You can follow harbor happenings on the town website under Harbormaster or Facebook at Manchester Harbormaster Department. Updated as often as is practical.