

April 9, 2020

Good afternoon Oakville Boaters,

We would like to thank all of you for your continued cooperation and patience. It takes all of us working together to eliminate the COVID-19 virus, so we can return to the freedom of living our normal everyday lives once again.

The local, provincial, and federal cases continue to increase as predicted and a quick end to this pandemic still remains distant. We need to continue all efforts to flatten the curve. Ongoing physical distancing and avoidance of group gatherings remains imperative.

All of the restrictions and closures currently implemented by the Town of Oakville are preventative measures intended to protect you and our community. This is necessary to reduce the spread of this virus and hopefully one day, eliminate it all together.

**The Town of Oakville closure remains in affect for the Harbour office, storage yards, and launch ramp facilities until further notice. No one should be attending their vessels in storage until further notice. Contractors are also not permitted to work on vessels in storage until further notice. As of today, Halton Regional Police have requested we close Tannery Park parking lot in Oakville harbour. The access road into Bronte Beach Park is also closed as of today.**

**At this time launch dates for the crane in Oakville harbour are postponed until further notice. Please note we continue to stay in close contact with the crane company so they are aware of our situation.**

**The launch dates for travel lift customers in Bronte will likely be postponed. An update with this information will be provided in the next two weeks.**

**We understand that boat owners require time to prepare their vessels and we will do our best to provide a one week window if and when it has been determined we can launch vessels.**

**All Town Parks and Facilities remain closed until further notice. This remains a very fluid situation so please monitor your email for important updates.**

**Due to the uncertainty of the COVID -19 situation we are not leasing any mooring slips to new customers on the wait-list. Wait list inquires will still be added to the list for future consideration.**

**Refunds for moorings will be considered .Those wishing to cancel need to send a request by email to Amy Johnson – Harbours Administrator at [amy.johnson@oakville.ca](mailto:amy.johnson@oakville.ca) . Customers are asked to please be patient as refunds will be processed at a later date in May.**

The Harbours Administrator is still working remotely receiving launch applications electronically and maintaining launch schedules.

Storage inspections are still in effect. If staff observe an issue with your vessel in storage, the Harbours Office will contact the owner of the vessel directly by email or phone. All ladders must remain locked secure. No vessels are to be left plugged into hydro.

For any issues or concerns after hours please contact Service Oakville at 905-845-6601.

You can reach the Harbours office, Monday to Friday 8:00am until 4:00pm at 905-845-6601 ext. 4091 or by email at [amy.johnson@oakville.ca](mailto:amy.johnson@oakville.ca)

Thank you so very much for your patience as we all continue working together, to get through this health crisis

Please continue to stay safe, healthy and stay home.

Sincerely,

James Woloszanski

Acting, Supervisor of Harbours