A fishy situation: Totes removed from harbor



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s many of you have seen, the fish waste totes at both the St. Paul Harbor and St. Herman Harbor fish cleaning stations secured and unavailable for public use. Although this is not the first time it has Harbormaster happened, when the fish waste totes were emptied

recently by the Kodiak Fishmeal Company they were unable to process the contents because of the presence of "Non Fish Waste," e.g. hamburger, sausage and other mammal waste, along with plastic and other trash. Due to the presence of the "Non Fish Waste" the Kodiak Fishmeal Company will no longer be accepting fish waste from the harbors, therefore triggering the totes' removal.



Pictured are some of the "Non Fish Waste" items found recently in the harbor totes, prompting the totes' removal from both cleaning stations.

From the **Office Staff**

Salmon season is over, boats are getting hauled out, and many boat owners are flying south for the winter. Before you leave town - or even if you're not - checking a few simple things will keep you from being surprised by a high bill come spring.

Update Your Contact Information

Moved? New phone number? If we don't know about it, we can't get a hold of you! Boat owners are responsible for making sure their information on file at the harbor office is current and accurate.

Get a Caretaker

If you are leaving town and keeping your boat in the harbor, the Kodiak Harbor requires you to provide contact information for a local caretaker who is able to tend to your vessel in case of emergency. Please note that those listed in a caretaker capacity must be willing to respond to calls from the harbor office and check vessel if needed, so be sure caretaker vour is aware this responsibility.

Pull Your Skiff

If your auxiliary skiff has been in the water all summer, remember that per city ordinance it must be removed by November 15 to avoid being charged.

Schedule Dock Space

Pier and dock space is limited this time of year. With the upcoming demolition of the ferry dock and the Tustumena using Pier 2, it is critical that vessels wishing to use piers and docks contact the harbor office before tying up. In addition, please moor as closely as possible to neighboring vessels to maximize dock space.

Ouestions?

Your office staff is here to help! We're open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 486-8080 during business hours or VHF Ch 12 after hours or on the weekend.



assistance after hours or when office the is closed. a harbor officer on VHF Ch 12 or 16.

Emergencies call 911.



Leash your pets — and please clean up after them! Due to a number of recent complaints about pet waste left on the floats, we are requesting that pet owners pick up after their pets. Pet waste disposal bags are available at the bottom of the Shelikof Street harbor access ramp, with additional stations to be set up in the future. Also, please note that city code requires pets to be leashed at all times while visiting the harbor. Thank you!

No gear storage on the floats. This applies to the finger floats as well as the main float. This will enable the efficient and safe removal of snow as winter weather approaches. In addition, please make sure there are no lines, hoses or shore power cords stretched across the floats. If you are in need of gear storage, please stop by the harbor office to fill out the paperwork; charges will apply.

No snow yet in Kodiak...but we still need you to ensure your vessels are secure during the high winds and heavy

From Your Patrol Officers

rainfall that define fall and winter on our island. Please come to the harbor, replace worn lines, add extra fenders and pump your vessel if needed. Open skiffs are particularly vulnerable to sinking with relatively small amounts of water, so don't delay, check your boat today!

Remember that a little effort and prevention up front will save time and money in the long run.

Due to a city-wide water shortage, we have secured water on the floats.
During winter, water will be available at Pier 2, the water float, and behind the harbor office.
Please ensure hoses are not stretched across floats; this will facilitate snow removal efforts.
THANK YOU!



Visit the harbor website at: city.kodiak.ak.us/ harbor/

This site gives you convenient, anytime access to many important forms and informational items, including harbor ordinances, port tariffs, vessel moorage agreements and more.

Does your boat need some TLC during the offseason? Considering a major project?



Visit Kodiak Shipyard's website for forms, rates and info!

www.kodiakshipyard.com

Lock up. In light of recent incidents of theft and vandalism in town, we encourage you to make sure your vessel is secure. Lock doors and windows when away from your boat. Keep records of equipment descriptions and serial numbers, and don't leave valuables in open skiffs or in plain sight in the cabin. If you believe something has been stolen, report the incident as soon as possible to KPD. If you see something, say something! Report suspicious activities to the harbor office or KPD. Many incidents have been resolved relatively quickly due to vigilant neighbors and passersby.

Never miss a payment again with autopay! Stop by the harbor office to get an authorization form (we can mail or email these as well). Be sure to contact the office at 486-8080 if any card information changes, including the expiration date, as we need it to process your payment.

Cleat Hitch in 5 Easy Steps

Take the line to the ear of the cleat furthest from where the line comes from (the load). Take one wrap around the base of the cleat

and then start a figure eight across the top of the opposite ear. Finish with a half hitch turned under so that the line is coming away from the cleat in the opposite direction from which it came.



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