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Percival Landing
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# SWANTOWN NAUTICAL NEWS

## Boaters Enjoy New Improvements at Swantown

Swantown has experienced a transformation this year.

After a year of construction, 157 slips on the new D, E, and F docks opened for business in March. Ranging from 20 to 66 feet, the docks were designed to accommodate larger boats. And, by the end of September, over 100 new permanent moorage tenants called Swantown home.

Upland from the docks, new restrooms, showers, and laundry facilities have been a welcome addition for marina tenants, along with the expanded attractively landscaped parking areas.

Throughout the marina, the security system has been revamped and now features card-style "proximity keys." "We are excited to have the new slips filling up," said Port Commissioner Bob Van Schoorl. "The new docks and improvements are the next step toward fulfilling the vision for Swantown as the premier South Sound recreational boating facility."

Utilities and other infrastructure were also installed north of the marina office to prepare for future development. A 30,000-square-foot marina village with commercial and retail businesses is planned to be located upland from the new docks.

At the south end of East Bay, a 92-foot extension was added to the Swantown Boatworks dock to accommodate more in-water work.

Recently completed improvements to the south end of Marine Drive and Market Street make it easier for visitors to get to and from Swantown. The existing road was realigned and sidewalks and bike lanes added to aid pedestrians walking from Swantown to the Olympia Farmers Market and downtown Olympia shops and restaurants.

Work on the northern section of Marine Drive beginning at the launch ramp and continuing to the end of the Port Peninsula will be completed this fall.

"The improvements have been well received by our marina customers," said Bruce Marshall, Harbor Director. "We appreciate everyone's patience during the construction process and are proud of the outcome. We hope boaters and the community will come down and enjoy Swantown."



From the 92-foot extension of the workdock at the Boatworks to the new marina docks, improvements have been made at Swantown to provide boaters with a quality experience.

## Come Grow With Us

By Bruce Marshall  
Harbor Director



This year, the Port of Olympia completed \$3.3 million in improvements at Swantown. The new slips

are filling, the Boatworks is booming, and new guests visited Swantown. But this is just part of the vision.

The next steps include continuing to upgrade our facilities to make Swantown more welcoming for boaters and the local community. In the coming years, our plans include renovation of the existing docks, construction of M, N, and O docks, developing a marina village, and expanding the boatyard.

In 2005, we plan to pursue the development of a marina village. Envisioned as a retail/commercial center with public open space located north of the marina office, we are in the process of resolving permitting issues and recruiting a development partner. We will also begin initial planning for M, N, and O docks.

In addition, the Port is working on a master plan for NorthPoint, the area at the northern end of the peninsula. A new Anthony's-owned restaurant is being planned for the old Genoas restaurant site. A mix of uses is envisioned for the area to make it a unique destination for the community and Swantown visitors.

We are excited about the future of Swantown. Come grow with us!

## The Welcome Mat is Out at Swantown Marina

By Cheryl Maynard, Swantown Marina Supervisor



This has been an exciting year at Swantown. New docks and facilities were completed, and we welcomed more visitors than ever before.

### Permanent Moorage Available

Since March, Swantown has become home to more than 100 new permanent moorage tenants, bringing the total number to over 600.

We currently have openings for vessels up to 50 feet. However, there is a waiting list for the 52-foot and longer slips and for liveaboard status.



Swantown Marina offers both permanent and guest moorage on Olympia's East Bay.

For information, please call the Marina office at 360-528-8049.

We continue to make adjustments for the ease and convenience of our tenants. We are in the process of relocating vessels into the proper length slips to eliminate conditions that can cause safety and congestion problems.

### Swantown Welcomes Visiting Boaters

More visitors are discovering Swantown. This year, we have been pleased to host over 30 boating clubs and more than 2,500 individual guest boaters.

Swantown now accepts reservations for both individuals and groups with a \$5.00 reservation fee.

Fall is a beautiful time for South Sound sailing and cruising, and we invite you to stop in and say hello. The Olympia Farmers Market is open weekends through December, and Olympia's waterfront and downtown shops and restaurants are always inviting. For information, contact the Thurston County Visitors and Convention Bureau at 360-704-7544 or on-line at [www.visitolympia.com](http://www.visitolympia.com).

## At Your Service – Swantown Staff Changes



### Darren Armin – Harbor Operations Assistant

A familiar face at Swantown for the last two years, Darren moved to the Marina as Harbor Operations Assistant the end of August. He performs boat inspections, checks the docks for any signs of trouble, and helps solve problems. The proud owner of a 1961 20-foot Lapstrake boat, Darren enjoys boating and fishing with his active family.



### Nancy Jones – Marine Services Coordinator

Beginning her Swantown career at the Boatworks, Nancy moved to the Marina last year. As Marine Services Coordinator, Nancy handles slip contracts and provides valuable administrative support. Nancy enjoys boating and spending time with her four sons and two grandchildren.

## Swantown Boatworks Offers Fall Services

By Tony Silva, Swantown Boatworks Supervisor



Swantown Boatworks has had the busiest season on record. By the end of the year, we expect to have hauled out over 700 vessels, an increase of 8.5 percent over 2003. Vessels ranged from 20 to 75 feet with



Complete repair services are available at the Boatworks, or you can do the work yourself in the fenced and lighted yard.

customers coming from as far away as Alaska and the East Coast.

Service providers at the Boatworks have also been successful.

"We have been consistently busy all year," said Russ Shurtz of Shurtz Marine. "Since last October, we have doubled our shop space and added six employees, and the work just keeps coming."

### Schedule Your Fall Haulout

The Boatworks is gearing up to handle fall and winter maintenance, repair, and storage needs. With a 77-ton Travelift, 45 work stations,

large heated shops, and an outside covered work space, Swantown is prepared to help you get your boat in shape for winter. Service providers are located on-site and by referral.

### Winter Dry Storage Available

Do you need dry storage for the winter? Swantown Boatworks offers convenient dry storage during the winter months. From October through March, space is available at the rate of \$6.00 per foot for boats up to 75 feet for a minimum three-month stay.

For information about Boatworks services, please call 360-528-8059.

## Olympia Area Rowers Build Boathouse

South Sound rowers will soon have a new facility at Swantown. After several years of planning, the Olympia Area Rowing association (OAR) broke ground for construction of a boathouse October 16. Completion is targeted for spring 2005.

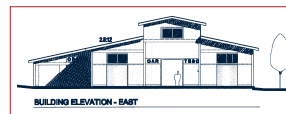
The 5,300-square-foot structure will be built next to the boat launch on a site leased from the Port. The facility will house the rowing shells of OAR and the kayaks and sailboards of the Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation Department. A paved staging area in front of the boathouse will serve as a public pedestrian plaza.

"We are excited to get started on this project," said Bill Cullen, OAR President. "With the growing community and regional interest in rowing and strong partners, Swantown is a great location for this boathouse."

OAR members have been actively raising funds for the new facility that will cost about \$400,000. The Port is funding \$55,000 in improvements to include the public plaza and landscaping that can be enjoyed by the general public. Other contributors include the City of Olympia, OAR, and private donations.

OAR is a non-profit organization with about 70 members and over 150 users that provides competitive and recreational rowing opportunities for high school and college students and adults.

For more information, go the OAR website at [www.olympiarearowing.org](http://www.olympiarearowing.org).



## Swantown Provides Hazardous Waste Collection Site

Paints, chemicals and other products used for boat maintenance are often stored near the water. Swantown Boatworks now has a collection system to help boaters dispose of some of these hazardous wastes.

From October 2003 through May 2004, the Thurston County Business Pollution Prevention Program conducted a pilot collection project with four local marinas. Over 3,300 pounds of boat-related hazardous wastes were collected, with 2,100 pounds collected at Swantown.

The program is now on-going at Swantown. Collection totes are located next to the marine paint bulking area. Swantown staff transports waste to the county's collection facility when full.

Acceptable products include: marine paints, lacquers, stains, antifreeze, used oil, adhesives, sealants, hazardous cleaning compounds, batteries, and other household hazardous wastes. Unacceptable products include: waste from commercial vessels, fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks and compressed gas, flares and explosives, and liquid hazardous wastes in containers greater than five gallons.

"Proper waste disposal is a priority at Swantown," said Bruce Marshall, Harbor Director. "The program is important in our continuing effort to protect Puget Sound water quality."

For additional information, contact the Boatworks at 360-528-8059.