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From the Helm

With the holidays approaching, October always proves to be the best time of the year to enjoy perfectly warm days and a relaxed feeling in the air. We hope that you are able to take some time for yourself to unwind and relax with the serenity of the sea.



*Greg Sinks - General Manager
California Recreation Company*

Welcome New Tenants

CRC is thrilled to announce our newest members to the Marina Family Paul and Summer Torrez who have decided to dock their vessel at Bair Island Marina. We'd also like to take the opportunity to welcome Jamie Kopf back. Please let us know if there is



anything that we can do to make your stay more enjoyable and we will be happy to help with anything that you might need.

Redwood City Port Fest

Make sure to mark your calendars for October 1st as Redwood City Port Fest promises to be a day filled with fun and educational activities for the whole family. From a pancake breakfast at Peninsula Yacht Club to a treasure hunt and a host of different tours, the hardest decision you'll face for this event will be



where to start.

The Redwood City Port Fest is a complimentary event from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with entertainment for

kids of all ages featuring a jump house, arts and crafts, bay tours from the Marina Science Institute and much more for a day of adventures, tours, live music and food.

For more information, please visit rwcportfest.org.

18th Annual Baja Ha-Ha 2011



Each year adventurous boaters gear up for the Baja Ha-Ha for a two-week cruise from San Diego to

Cabo San Lucas in Mexico. We've been lucky enough to vicariously live through our courageous tenants that make this journey. This year we'd like to wish Gene Gelbach a safe and exciting sail down the coast.

We look forward to hearing about your exciting quest!

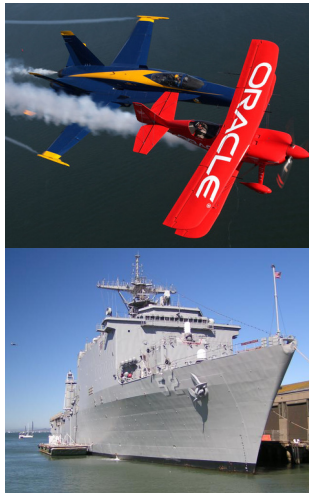
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San Francisco Fleet Week

Whether you are a fan of naval ships or thrilling aviation shows, San Francisco Fleet Week offers enthusiasts and supporters a week of events to peak everyone's interests. Join in the excitement of the Parade of Ships or the Fleet Week Air Show or tour the large naval ships at the varied piers. With activities starting Thursday, October 6th through Monday, October 10th, there is plenty of time to swing by to catch the festivities and support the men and women of the Naval Services that continue to ensure our country's safety. Don't miss the chance to watch the famed USN Blue Angels fly through the air for a thrilling show with premium seating areas and varied ticket pricing for all to attend.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit fleetweek.us



Peninsula Oktoberfest

There isn't a better place to find beer, food and music in the heart of the San Francisco Bay Area this month than at the Peninsula Oktoberfest on October 15th from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Benefitting the Redwood City Education Foundation, this is one of those rare events where fun and fundraising are one in the same.



Enjoy live music from Decades of Dance, authentic German and locally brewed beers and the traditional Oktoberfest cuisine with some unique treats among the mix. General admission to this event is free but premium tickets are available that include a souvenir drink mug and ticket to bring the fun home with you.



For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit peninsulaoktoberfest.com.

Tips to Safe Anchoring

At some point you will need to anchor your boat for any reason from wanting to stop for lunch to gaining more control over your vessel during poor weather conditions or engine malfunctions. The amount of



rope that you will have out depends generally on water depth and weather conditions. The deeper the water and the more severe the weather, the more

rope you will put out. For recreational boaters, at a minimum you should have out 5 –to-1 scope for day anchoring and 6-to-8 for overnight. Here are some additional pointers and tips for anchoring:

- Select an area that offers maximum shelter from wind, current, boat traffic, etc.
- Pick a spot with swinging room in all directions. Should the wind change, your boat will swing bow to the wind or current, whichever is stronger.
- If other boats are anchored in the area you select, ask the boat adjacent to the spot you select what scope they have out so that you can anchor without bumping into the neighboring vessel.