

Waves of Our Lives



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Ack, G station is gone!

No don't panic, it didn't blow away in the recent storm. As part of the G&H dock refurbishment project, Port Staff have dismantled and removed the old guest dock check-in station to make way for a new larger structure which will provide the same convenient location for guest moorage customers to check in and pay for their stay without having to walk up to the main office, with the exciting new addition of stocking a full selection of Port gear and accessories for purchase.



2019 EVENTS SCHEDULE

Opening Day - May 4-5
Rock & Roll Regatta - June 29
Rock the Dock - July 4
Friday Harbor Fly-In - August 24
Jackson Beach Potluck - September 7

H dock renovations are underway



With G dock completed and back in service, Razz Construction has been charging ahead with H dock. Demo work is complete and the new whaler boards are going on. The electricians are cranking away on the new power pedestals and it won't be long now until this whole project is wrapped up!

GFCI/ELCI tips & tricks



Part of the upgrades to G & H docks are modern shore power pedestals, and with them comes updated electrical code requirements. Similar to the ubiquitous GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter) outlet that we're all familiar with finding next to bathroom sinks and on outdoor outlets, the new pedestals are equipped with ELCI (Equipment Leakage Circuit Interrupter) breakers. This means the outlets are now protected by a type of breaker

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January photo contest winner!

Congratulations to Jerah Moore, our January winner of the 2019 photo contest with this sunrise photo of the Friday Harbor Airport! Find out more about the contest and submit your entries today via <https://www.portfridayharbor.org/photocontest/>



Photo: Jerah Moore

that can detect issues in a boat's wiring as well as protect people from some electrical shock hazards.

ELCI breakers detect an imbalance similar to how a GFCI device works, but will trip at a slightly higher current of 30 milliamps which is equal to around 3.5 watts of electrical energy. Simply put, if the electricity doesn't flow along the correct wires in the expected fashion the breaker will stop the flow of electricity. This could be caused by a wiring fault on the vessel resulting in the ground wire carrying some of the current being used, a leak of current away from the vessel such as "stray current" that's not returning equally through the breaker. A person becoming part of the circuit may also cause it to trip depending on the circumstances.

When the breaker trips the lever will be in an intermediate position, halfway between OFF and ON. Resetting the breaker requires first moving it fully to the OFF position before turning it back

ON. Simply pushing it straight to ON will not reset the device. There's also a test button on the face of the breaker to be aware of which could be accidentally bumped while plugging in which will trip the breaker requiring the same steps to reset it.

West Marine has a great info page with more details, [check it out!](#)

Start your 2019 planning

Thinking about where you want to go this upcoming cruising season? Check out [this page from NWcruising.net](http://thispagefromNWcruising.net) which lists distances and times (at 7 knots) to many different popular destinations throughout the Salish sea and beyond.

New airport manager

We say a sad goodbye to our former Airport Manager Tim Barrett, who

resigned due to family reasons. Eric Thompson, former Assistant Airport Manager has decided to step up and take over the Airport Manager duties. The Port has decided not to re-hire the Assistant position but rather train maintenance staff on airport operations to ensure sufficient backup is available.

New and updated policies adopted

The Port Commission has adopted revisions to a number of Port policy documents and the addition of a new Signage Policy. Among the updated policies are the Airport Rules & Regulations, Liveaboard Application & Authorization, and the Employee Handbook. The policies are now available on [the Port's website](#).

"Sailors, with their built-in sense of order, service and discipline, should really be running the world."

~ Nicholas Monsarrat