Westernport Marina

Monthly Newsletter

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Image above: Fishing season is back, and the Marina's local tax collectors are on patrol!
They're patiently waiting for your return — just remember, the pelican tax is non-negotiable!

Summer is Just Around the Corner!

November is here and we're looking forward to another busy boating season at Westernport Marina! With warmer weather and longer days ahead, it's great to see more activity as boat owners prepare to spend more time on the water.

Our boat detailing services have wrapped up for the year and will resume after the busy season. We're still taking enquiries and bookings for when services recommence. Thank you to everyone who supported these services throughout the year.

Our Travel Lift services will continue Monday to Thursday, with Friday bookings subject to prior approval and staff availability. Please plan ahead and book early.

We're also pleased to announce that the laundry dryer has been repaired and is once again accepting $2 coins.

Behind the scenes, our team has been busy preparing for summer, with ongoing maintenance and improvements around the marina. We're also progressing plans for floating pontoons as a potential new storage option for Marina clients. Find out more and register your interest further along in the newsletter!

As the marina gets busier, we kindly ask everyone to be patient, considerate and respectful towards our staff. A little kindness and understanding goes a long way during peak season.

With the festive season approaching, we're looking forward to welcoming new and familiar faces and seeing the marina come alive over summer.

We also enjoyed a visit from a beautiful collection of vintage Rolls-Royce motor cars. Check out the photos further along in the newsletter!

Thank you for being part of the Westernport Marina community. We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter and the warmer weather ahead!

And don't miss our sneaky little 'Crack the Code' puzzle for your chance to win a $50 fuel voucher!

Whether you're heading out on the water, enjoying the marina or getting your boat ready for summer, we hope the coming months bring plenty of great boating days and memorable moments!

Marina News



Image above: Some of the Westernport Marina team celebrating Kye's farewell.

Farewell to Kye!

In the middle of October, we said farewell to Kye after more than six years at Westernport Marina.
Kye first joined us in 2020 as a casual member of our Operations Team, a young shy and enthusiastic employee who quickly became a familiar face around the marina.
Over the years, we watched Kye grow both personally and professionally, taking on various roles including Travel Lift Operator, Team Leader and OH&S Coordinator, and occasionally even finding himself behind the reception desk!
As his experience grew, so did his personality! Anyone who had the pleasure of working with Kye will know just how loud, entertaining and full of character he became. He was incredibly talented, always willing to take on new challenges and had a natural ability to pick things up quickly.
Beyond the workplace, we've also had the pleasure of watching Kye become a father. His dedication to his family and those around him speaks volumes about the person he is today.
We've shared some wonderful memories over the years, along with a few stories probably best left out of the newsletter! From falling into the water (we're fairly certain more than once!) to the everyday adventures that come with working at a marina, Kye certainly kept things interesting.
Westernport Marina has been incredibly fortunate to have Kye as part of the team, and he will truly be missed.
We wish Kye all the very best for the future, wherever his next chapter takes him, and hope he continues to bring that wonderful, quirky personality of his wherever he goes!

Welcoming New Faces to Westernport Marina!
While we've recently said farewell to a familiar face, we're also excited to welcome two new members to the Westernport Marina team!

Welcome Kym – OH&S Coordinator
Kym joins us with many years of experience in the marine industry, having previously worked at a marina in Melbourne's west.
Her knowledge and experience will be a great asset in helping us maintain a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone.
If you see Kym around the marina, be sure to introduce yourself and give her a warm welcome!

Welcome Rogan – Operations Team Member
Rogan joined our Operations Team a few weeks ago and, although new to the marine industry, has already shown plenty of enthusiasm and willingness to learn.
He's settling into his role and becoming familiar with the many aspects of marina operations.
As Rogan continues to learn the ropes, we appreciate everyone's patience and understanding.
He's friendly, approachable and always happy to say hello!
We're delighted to have both Kym and Rogan on board!



Cleaner Marinas – Protecting Our Waterways
We're fortunate to have Western Port Bay right on our doorstep, and keeping our marina and surrounding waterways clean is something we can all play a part in.
The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Victoria has developed guidelines for cleaner marinas, highlighting how everyday boating and maintenance activities can impact our marine environment.
Whether it's disposing of rubbish correctly, preventing fuel and oil spills, using environmentally friendly cleaning products or ensuring waste from boat maintenance doesn't enter the water, small actions can make a big difference.
We encourage all marina clients to be mindful of how they maintain their vessels and dispose of waste, helping protect our local marine life and waterways for future generations.
Visit: www.epa.vic.gov.au

A Touch of Classic Elegance



It wasn't just boats turning heads at the marina recently!
We had a wonderful visit from a collection of beautiful vintage Rolls-Royce motor cars, proudly showing off their timeless elegance and craftsmanship.
From the polished chrome to the stunning colours and classic designs, these magnificent vehicles were certainly a sight to see.





It was lovely to see something a little different around the marina and we're glad we managed to capture a few photos of these beauties!



H5 Bird Flu – Wildlife Update

H5 bird flu continues to be detected in wild birds and other wildlife across Australia, including Victoria.
As at 23 October, the Australian Government has reported 722 confirmed events nationwide, including 246 in Victoria. While the risk to human health remains low, it's important that we all remain vigilant, particularly around coastal areas such as Westernport Marina.
If you notice sick or deceased birds or other wildlife around the marina, please remember:

- AVOID – Do not touch or approach sick or dead wildlife. Keep pets away.
- RECORD – Note the location and take photos from a safe distance where possible.
- REPORT – Contact the 24-hour Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

By remaining aware and reporting any concerns, we can help protect our local wildlife and marina environment.

Waste Oil Disposal – Important Notice

Please be advised that our waste oil facility is now locked and all deposits must be arranged through our Marina Maintenance Supervisor, Steve.
The facility is currently full and we are unable to accept waste oil until further notice.
Unfortunately, when our collection contractor attended last week, the waste oil was found to be contaminated with fuel or diesel. The contents now requires testing and specialised disposal arrangements.
We remind everyone that ONLY waste oil is permitted. Please do not dispose of fuel, diesel, coolant, chemicals or oil mixed with other liquids, including water.
If you are unsure whether your waste oil is suitable, please speak with Steve or arrange disposal through an appropriate local waste facility.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in keeping our marina safe and environmentally responsible.

Scan Here

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information on recent theft trends and helpful crime prevention tips provided by Victoria Police, please scan the QR code.

Let's work together to keep our marina safe and secure.

VICTORIA POLICE

Neighbourhood Watch®
Let's watch out for each other

Marina Notices

Current Fuel Prices
as 01/11/2026

Diesel $3.215
U/L 91 $2.95
U/L $3.05

Fishing in the Marina – Safety & Security Reminder

We all love seeing young people getting outdoors and enjoying fishing. However, we've recently experienced ongoing issues with local teenagers damaging our perimeter fencing to gain access to the marina to fish.

Westernport Marina is **private property** and unauthorised access is strictly prohibited. Apart from the damage being caused, fishing within the marina presents serious safety risks, particularly around vessels, pontoons and marina operations.

We have discussed these concerns with the Victorian Water Police, who have advised us to contact local police regarding trespassing and property damage.

If you notice anyone entering the marina through damaged fencing or fishing without authorisation, please contact the Marina Office so we can notify local police. We ask that clients do not approach or confront anyone themselves.

While it's great to see the younger generation taking an interest in fishing, we encourage them to enjoy this activity in safer, designated public fishing areas.

Thank you for helping us keep Westernport Marina safe and secure for everyone.





Image above: Just Another Day at Westernport Marina! You never know who you'll meet in the yard!

A Few Housekeeping Reminders as We Head into the Busy Season!

With summer just around the corner and the marina getting busier, we'd like to share a few friendly reminders to help keep everything running smoothly and safely for everyone.

Boat Launches

- Please allow at least one hour's notice when requesting a boat launch.
- If you've booked a launch, please arrive on time. Late arrivals can cause delays for other clients booked after you.
- Public Holidays: Online bookings are unavailable, please call and leave a voice message.
- First launches commence from 8:30am.

Berthing & Fuel Wharf

- Please do not berth on the fuel wharf unless refuelling. This area must remain accessible, particularly for emergency services and larger vessels.
- Please do not use another client's allocated berth.
- Dry Storage clients may only temporarily berth on Service Row, H Row or the start of B Row (car park end). Other berths may be another clients berth.

Marina Safety & Environment

- Speed Limit: A maximum of 4 knots applies throughout the marina, with a strict no-wake requirement.
- Fish Waste: Please do not dispose of fish offal or scraps into the marina waters.
- Yard Safety: Hi-vis clothing and enclosed footwear must be worn when entering the work areas or yard.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation and understanding, particularly during our busiest time of year. A little consideration goes a long way in keeping the marina safe, enjoyable and running smoothly for all. Happy Boating!

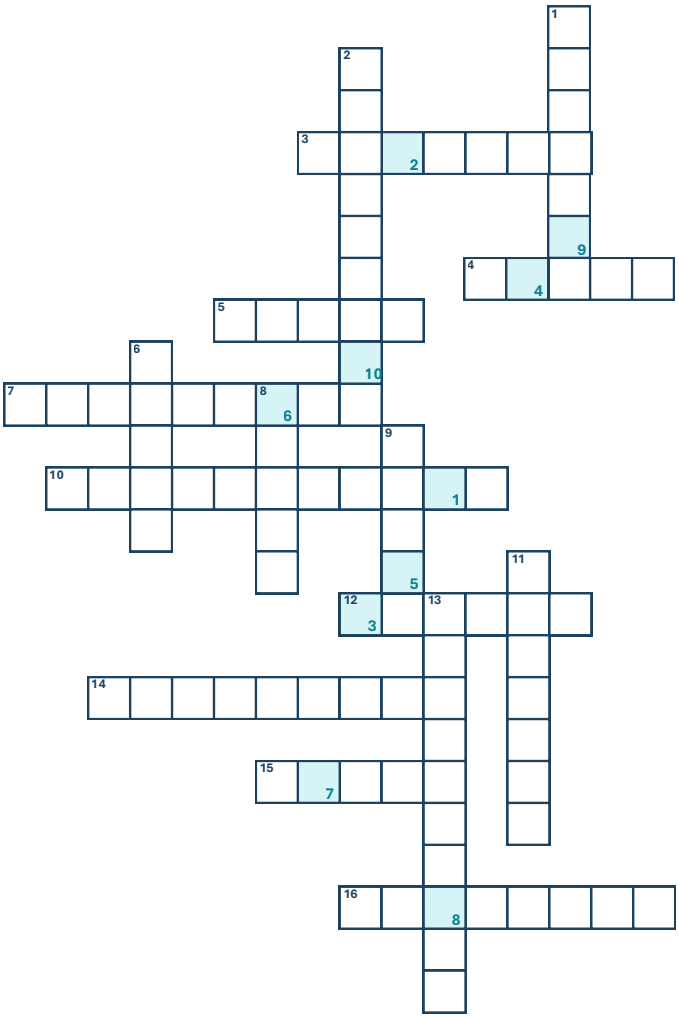
Marina Advertisement

CRACK THE CODE!

Solve the crossword for your chance to WIN a $50 Fuel Voucher!

SECRET WORD

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ACROSS

3. The depth of water a vessel needs to float clear of the bottom.
4. A drum-and-handle device used to haul a line under load.
5. A fitting used to secure a line with a hitch.
7. The distance between the waterline and the deck edge.
10. A coating that keeps unwanted marine growth off the hull.
12. A formal word for a boat or ship.
14. A turning set of blades that provides thrust.
15. The end of the boat behind you when facing the bow.
16. A fitting that guides a mooring line without chafing.

DOWN

1. A floating platform that rises and falls with the tide.
2. Where a boat stays ashore without being on a trailer.
6. A designated place to moor a vessel.
8. The metal that sacrifices itself to protect other underwater fittings.
9. The lowest internal space where unwanted water may collect.
11. They take the bumps when a boat comes alongside.
13. A mooring line that helps prevent movement fore and aft.

Email the secret word to clientservices@westernportmarina.com.au to enter the prize draw.
Entries close 30th November 2026. One entry per person



