

Dock Update November 2006

This is just a little follow up note from the September dock party. The party was highly successful, with over 20 people showing up to work, plus many scrumptious donations of food to keep us energized all day. A big thank you to all who donated in all capacities (I'd thank all of you but I'd feel bad if I forgot anyone!)

Several objectives were met, including:

1. Rebuild 2 sections as new.
2. Rebuild both ends on concrete section.
3. Refurbished 30+ chains and couplings, and fixed up the large safety rope.
4. Tear Down what remains of old dock head. (Partially completed)
5. Clean up beach and dock head area. (Ongoing)

Some future objectives were set out, including:

6. Prep dock head and upland area for future landscaping (to prevent further erosion of shoreline on either side of dock head)
7. Acquire and install new chain to anchors/ pin anchors
8. Clean up beach and dock head area

Several weeks later, Larry acquired and installed 36 feet of grating on the ramp and first section, making the ramp safer and easier to maneuver with wheelbarrows and dollies, and so on (also less trip hazards).

On that note, could people please avoid leaving things on the main parts of the dock, as they can obstruct the dock and become possible trip hazards. Kayaks and small dinghies should be stored on the kayak float, and any not in regular use should be removed and stored elsewhere (for example not on the commuter dock). We would also like to remind people that this is a community commuter facility, not a storage facility. If you are not using your boat for a week or two, please anchor it in the bay, and for periods longer than this, please find elsewhere to store your boat (may we recommend your yard?)

Also a reminder that it is now winter and with storms and such it is important that all users take a little extra care in tying their boats so that they will ride out the storms without risk of sinking or bumping other boats (e.g. bow out).

So thank you again to everyone who has contributed to the overall success of our wonderful community dock. If anyone wants to help out in any way, feel free to contact Edward or Larry at 754-1587. Donations of money or material are always welcome.

Sincerely-

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