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# Dear Gold Members,

We are pleased to share exciting news that Southport Yacht Club has signed a contract with **Marine Structures** to carry out our long-planned **Marina Maintenance Program**.

This milestone follows several months of careful planning and consultation involving the Board, Waterfront Committee, and industry experts.

## **PROJECT OVERVIEW & TIMELINE**

In the coming weeks, we will finalise a detailed construction schedule. This will be shared with all marina berth holders via email. If we do not receive a response, follow-up contact will be made via phone.

The current plan is to begin works on **G Arm**, followed by **F Arm**, with construction estimated to commence in **August 2025**. Each arm is expected to take approximately **4 to 5 months**, subject to weather conditions, however we will be looking for ways to accelerate the schedule if circumstances allow.

## **VESSEL BERTHING DURING WORKS**

Southport Yacht Club will aim to accommodate as many affected vessels as possible within alternative berths on-site. If your vessel needs to be relocated, your account will be **credited for the period of displacement**, starting from up to **three weeks prior** to the scheduled commencement of works.

To maximise berth availability for Members, casual berthing will be suspended during this time.

If we are unable to offer you an alternative berth elsewhere in the marina, we will provide support in connecting you with nearby facilities to assist you in making other arrangements for the berth of your vessel. Discussions are already underway with other marinas to prioritise access for Southport Yacht Club Members.

# **RETURN TO BERTH POST-COMPLETION**

Once work on each arm is completed and commissioned, affected Members will be invited to return their vessels. Your berth will be **reserved for up to three weeks** following the scheduled completion date. If you anticipate a longer absence, please contact the Marina Office to discuss alternative arrangements. As part of these arrangements, your berth may be temporarily allocated to other Members displaced by ongoing works.

# **UTILITY SERVICES DURING WORKS**

There may be **temporary disruptions to power and water** during construction. However, we are working closely with contractors to ensure the marina remains **operational**, **safe**, **and functional** with minimal inconvenience to Members.



#### **IMPORTANT: PRO-FENDER REQUIREMENTS**

If you have **Pro Fender** fitted on your berth, please note:

- It is the Member's responsibility to **organise its removal and storage** prior to refurbishment works.
- After the arm is upgraded, your Pro Fender must be **professionally modified and reinstalled** to suit the new system.
- **Drilling into the new dock structure is strictly prohibited** under the Marina Agreement. Any damage may void your agreement.

For assistance, please contact Pro Fender on 1800 336 337.

# REMINDER: NO DRILLING OR ATTACHMENTS TO THE MARINA STRUCTURE ARE PERMITTED

## FOR MEMBERS TRAVELLING NORTH

If you're heading north during the refurbishment period, don't forget to collect a **discount card** for Coral Sea Marina, available from the Marina Office.

This refurbishment marks a significant and exciting investment in the future of our marina—ensuring premium facilities for our members for years to come. Southport Yacht Club is committed to keeping you informed of progress and the expected program. It is important for all berth holders to stay in touch with the Marina Office regarding individual plans to move boats out of the marina as no doubt opportunities may arise to minimise inconveniences.

If you have any questions regarding the program of work, please don't hesitate to contact **Waterfront**Manager, Mark Riddell. Stay up to date with the Marina Project by visiting the Club website: https://southportyachtclub.com.au/waterfront/marina/

Yours sincerely, Brett James

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