**Fort Randall Marina Newsletter, March 2016**

**Annual Meeting – Work Day**

Our annual meeting will be Friday March 18th at 7:00PM at the Pickstown golf course/country club. There will be no work day as the clean-up and dock installation is no longer a requirement of the members.

**Manager / Concessions Manager**

Roger Pieper will again be the manager for the marina and will be taking care of the mowing and maintenance. His wife Judy, will again be cleaning the restrooms. Dennis Walker, one of the wet slip members, will again be our concessions manager. He has a camper by the bath house and spends most of the summer at the marina. The hours this year for the concessions will be 9AM to 8 PM on Friday, Saturday and 9AM to 6 PM on Sunday. In addition, we will again be open Memorial Day and Labor Day, as well as the week of July 4th. We also have 24 hour gas available. When the concession stand is open, you can pay cash or check for your gas and save the marina the credit card charge. We have pizza, groceries, ice, pop, water, boating supplies (including batteries) and fishing supplies at the concession building. We appreciate all members’ patronage as the profits benefit our marina and its members.

**Kayaks/Paddle Boards:** The marina will have 5 Kayaks and 2 paddleboards for hourly/daily rental this year. One of the kayaks available is a 2 seater with the rest being single. See our website at [www.ftrandallmarina.com](http://www.ftrandallmarina.com) for rates.

**Dock Fingers**

The marina will be adding 5 new fingers to the middle dock section this spring. Please contact a Board before assuming that our wet slips can accommodate a larger boat. Be sure to get Board approval before getting a lift for your boat/wet slip. Firearms, spears, bow and arrows and fireworks are prohibited in the dock and marina area.

**Wireless Internet -** We have wireless internet at the marina. Our website went live last summer with our link added to the SDGFP website and allowed us to send out emails to our members alerting them of the rising water levels. Email will be our primary use for communication to our members.

**Seasonal Wet Slips**

We will be assigning the open wet slips based on the waiting list. At this time it looks like we will not be able to accommodate everyone on the list. If you or anyone you know are interested in a slip, please contact any of the officers listed below by email.

There is always the possibility that we would consider an expansion to the south docks based on the waiting list. We will wait for the SDGFP to put the tire break wall in before we will put our docks and fingers in the water.

**Parking Passes**

All members will receive parking tags with paid membership. All members including basic members are able to park in the areas close to the ramp. Our ramp is open to the public but non-member parking is south of the entrance road.

**Overnight Rentals**

We offer daily and weekly slip rentals based on availability. All members including dry dock and basic members will receive discounted rates. Also again this year we will have member only courtesy docks available. If you have a request, please email or ask Roger Pieper or Dennis Walker once we are open.

**Boat Rentals -** Donlin Marine will again be offering pontoon rentals. Please contact them for information.

**Memberships Available**

Basic/Associate and Dry Dock memberships are available, please share with your family and friends, benefits will give them discounted rates for overnight rentals, use of restrooms and closer parking in member parking area. Dry Dock parking spaces are available at $260/year and Basic/Associate membership is $104/year with taxes included. Any dues received after February 25, 2016 will be assessed a $25 late fee.

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