



HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR!

Wishing you happiness,
success, and good fortune.

A prosperous new year *Ahoy marina members and friends!*

As we navigate through the beginning of a prosperous new year, we're getting involved in celebrations surrounding the Chinese New Year.

This vibrant event, also known as the Spring Festival, marks the start of the Lunar New Year. It's a time to get involved in a range of festive activities hosted by our tour operators and organisations around the marina and city areas. Let's come together as we pay homage to centuries-old traditions and usher in the Year of the Dragon, which is destined to boost prosperity.

We hope the celebrations inspire good fortune and happiness for our partners and community.



Dredging and maintenance

We are excited to inform you that our marina is currently undergoing significant improvements in the coming weeks, to enhance your experience and safety. A vital component of this upgrade is the planned dredging operations.

Dredging is the process of removing sediments and debris from the bottom of our harbour and waterways. It is essential to maintaining the marina's depth, ensuring safe passage for boats, and preventing damage that could be caused by underwater obstacles.

The operations commenced on 29 January 2024 with an expected completion by the end of March. During this period, we ask for your patience and understanding as some areas may become temporarily inaccessible to allow operations and maintain safety protocols.

Access. Some docks or slips may be closed temporarily. Boat owners will be notified in advance if their vessels need to be relocated.

Safety. Marker buoys with navigation lights will alert harbour users of the dredge's anchors and stay cables. If you are unsure, please call 4052 3866 for assistance.

Noise. There may be an increase in noise and commercial activity during the day. Rest assured; we will make every effort to minimise disruption.

Enhanced navigation. Once dredging is complete you can expect easier navigation and safer access for all sizes of vessels.

The result will be a deeper, cleaner, and safer marina for everyone to enjoy. We will continue to provide further updates or contact marina staff if you have any questions.



Peak cruise period

March is expected to be the busiest month of the year for cruise ships in Cairns. Next month we will welcome up to 20 cruise ships that will bring more than 25,000 passengers to the region. These visitors will inject business to tour operators, restaurants, and retail outlets throughout the city, providing significant opportunities to grow the local economy.

We look forward to welcoming both international and domestic passengers and providing them a world-class experience here in Cairns.

New parking machines

New, state-of-the-art parking machines are making it simpler to access and stay at our facilities. The machines now offer easier payment options including credit/debit cards and mobile payments and all the details are recorded through your vehicle's registration plate, meaning no more annoying print and display tickets to clutter your dashboard.

The machines that were installed at the end of January are fully operational and making ticketing hassle-free for our visitors.

During the transition, we appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to improve your marina experience. If you have any questions or need assistance with the new machines, our friendly staff will be happy to help.



The barra season has reopened from 1 February to midday 1 November 2024. Our region is a premiere location to fish for metre-plus barras and many other attractive fish species. Remember, there's no fishing inside the marina, but there's many pristine fishing spots within our local area.

Thank you for being a part of the Cairns Marlin Marina community. Your cooperation in following these updates and reminders is greatly appreciated. We look forward to continuing to provide you with a safe, enjoyable, and well-maintained marina experience.

Warm regards,

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