

# TAYVALLICH BAY ASSOCIATION LTD

Spring 2022

## ANNUAL DECLARATIONS

We would take this opportunity to remind members that they must complete the annual declaration on the website. It takes about 45 seconds if you know your password and longer if you don't but that's not our fault. Even if you don't know your password it is still quicker than the time it takes one of us to chase you up. Here's the link, do it now

[www.tayvallichbay.com](http://www.tayvallichbay.com)

Thank you!

## PONTOON REFURB

The upgrade of the pontoon is almost completed. The gangway has been repaired short term and we are discussing the gangway costs involved with Transport Scotland. The power supply will hopefully be switched on by mid-season, but we are waiting on Scottish power to do their bit so no guarantees. Otherwise, we are glad to say we feel the pontoon is noticeably improved.

## PONTOON CHARGES

**Please note:** there are new signs with current prices for pontoon, slip and visitor mooring use. We have taken away the first 4 hours of pontoon use as free of charge and applied a fee of £5 for under 9m day use and £10 for over 9m. This is to try and get some sort of financial input from passing day boats and ribs. **This charge does not apply to mooring holders who are entitled/expected to make daytime use the pontoon as they please.** If you do like to use the pontoon frequently, then out of appreciation and recognition towards the value, convenience and work involved in maintaining such a fine facility for all to use, please feel welcome to donate what you feel the facility is worth to you.

## WAITING LIST

The waiting list has had a good shuffle about with a lot of small boats being allocated catered for. As usual bigger deep draught boats are harder to find places for. That aside, the waiting list has been significantly reduced over the last year.

## COMMERCIAL BOATS

The Jura Passenger Ferry, Orion, started its season on schedule and has a busy diary of bookings. The new 46ft catamaran is proving to be very a comfortable and popular upgrade. We hope the new extended berth provided for this boat has created more usable room on the pontoon. This section needs to be kept clear especially at ferry times 10am and 6pm and 4.30pm Thursdays and Sundays.

The fishing boats working from the bay have had a good start to the year with half decent catches. If anyone wants prawns, crabs or lobsters all the boats are approachable.



*Upgraded Pontoon*

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*Tayvallich Bay Association is now a not-for-profit Limited Company by guarantee with no liabilities attached to the Committee Members. The land has been transferred to the new company and we are enjoying the security being Limited offers.*

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## **BINS**

The TBA bins at the top of the Post Office jetty have been council serviced every week for a very long time. Somehow, until now they have been under the council radar with no contract or account to pay. In April the bins were brought to the attention of the commercial waste team who stopped the emptying straight away. We have had to manually empty what was overflowing and arrange a final collection. From first-hand experience we can state that a lot of the rubbish is not from boats or paying pontoon users but likely from domestic homes, tourists, lots of dog walkers and baby owners. Going forward, we feel that a bin is a facility that paying visitors and members would expect to have provided. We have made the decision just now to reduce to one bin. This will cost about £450 for 6 months. The bin will be clearly signed with heavy charges for unauthorised use. At the end of the season we will be better informed as to how this has worked and how to proceed next year. This can all be discussed at the AGM.

## **CONTACT US**

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*We are all looking forward to another gloriously sunny boating season living the dream. Please all have a good time and enjoy yourselves.*

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