**New Rules On July 1**

**Scooters WHEELED IN**

Visitors ride electric scooters past parked scooters south on the boardwalk in Mission Beach last weekend.

**NEW RULES ON JULY 1**

**Frisbee sunrise**

**Drone rise**

**New regulations start in July to slow down riders**

It’s official, the City’s new scooter regulations take effect July 1. The new rules will decrease the allowable speed of dockless scooters from 15 to 8 mph on high-traffic areas with the use of geofencing technology. Scooters are to be banned from parking near hospitals, schools, Petco Park, and the boardwalk. Electric scooters and bikes are prohibited from riding on city sidewalks.

**Regulations include:**

- Speed limits: In specific geofenced areas, operators will slow scooters to 8 mph. Three of the geofenced areas are pedestrian-only and operators will slow scooters to 3 mph with a push message notifying riders to leave that area.
- Geofencing will be in effect for beach-area boardwalks, Balboa Park, NTC Park, Mission Bay Park, Petco Park and the pedestrian-only locations, including North/South Embankments, MLK Jr. Promenade, and La Placca della Famiglia.
- Staging: In the beach areas, operators are only permitted to stage in groups of up to four, with 40 feet in between each group. The City will identify corral locations and will require their use.
- Rider parking: Operators will prohibit riders from ending a ride in specific geofenced areas, including beach area boardwalks.

**MAN DIES AFTER SCOOTER CRASH IN MISSION BEACH**

A 48-year-old man was riding a Lime scooter southbound in the 3300 block of Ocean Front Walk at 2:30 p.m. on June 23. He was with a 22-year-old female friend who was also riding a scooter. They were adjacent to each other when for an unknown reason their bodies collided and they both lost control. They were both ejected from their scooters and contacted the boardwalk. The female sustained abrasions to her lower legs. The male sustained abrasions to his lower legs and had a complaint of pain in his chest. The male was transported to the hospital where he was pronounced dead. There was no DUI. The medical examiner will determine cause of death.

**Fiesta Island stays dog-friendly**

**Sports-loving centenarian**

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**Plunge pool to open July 4**

After a nearly 2 1/2-year wait, the Plunge pool at Belmont Park will open to the public on July 4. The opening ceremony, which will take place on July 3, will include remarks from Mayor Kevin Faulconer, who also presided at the old historic pool’s demolition on Jan. 30, 2017.

“We look forward to celebrating the highly anticipated re-opening of the Plunge at Belmont Park,” said Steve Thomas, general manager of Belmont Park. “Beginning July 4, the new Plunge at Belmont Park will officially open and provide an iconic place for local and visiting families to enjoy as it has for many generations before.”

The re-imagined Plunge is being managed by Fit Athletic Club. The new facility has the pool on the ground level, with state-of-the-art functional fitness equipment and free weights above on the second floor and roof deck. Fit has said it will be a private, month-to-month membership club with no long-term contracts.

With a predominantly glass façade, the new Plunge has integrated exterior light with interior coastal textures. The new building features a glass retractable-roof system promoting natural air circulation and preventing some of the deterioration issues that previously plagued the old building from moisture and saltwater. Belmont Park and its iconic Plunge pool’s history date back to the 1920s and wealthy sugar magnate and early San Diego pioneer John D. Spreckels, who built Belmont Park.
PB groups survey potential scooter corral sites

With new electric scooter regulations taking effect citywide July 1, beach residents via Pacific Beach Planning Group have been vetting proposed sites for placing the devices in designated “corrals.”

“In order to help keep our pedestrians safe on PB’s sidewalks, 10 members of the planning group and PB Town Council agreed to survey potential scooter corrals for Pacific Beach,” said PBPG chair Karl Rand. “In less than two weeks, more than 187 of the proposed 230 corrals listed by the city’s traffic engineers were examined for safety and appropriateness.”

Rand said collected survey information has been listed in three ways: comments on a Google community spreadsheet, emailed general public comments, and comments made during PB Planning Group’s Streets & Sidewalks Subcommittee meeting, chaired by Eve Anderson on June 15, following a recent PBPG special scooter corral committee meeting.

“A vote was subsequently taken and approved to send the full list (of all comments) to Ahmad Elikat, associate traffic engineer, for sharing with his engineers,” said Rand.

Excerpts of scooter corral comments on Google community spreadsheet:

Scooter parking — not good for tenants by their front doors; no good in low-visibility areas near sidewalks or near bus stops and fire hydrants; inappropiate where red zones are too small; should not block parking entrances to buildings; should not be placed in already congested spots; not too close to right turns; where they are too small or too near other corrals; in mid-blocks in front of houses and driveways; not in the entire block of Mission Boulevard that is painted red; not in mid-block corrals where scooters can be knocked down like bowling pins; or too close to street corners.

General comments emailed during June: No corrals in right-turn areas; no siting where they would block cars from turning and would be dangerous to bicyclists; no corrals too close to cul-de-sacs which have large vehicles including delivery trucks use; put one corral on each side of the street in each block which scooter must use if available; include street-sweeping restrictions in parking corrals with stencils or posted signs; when multiple sites are available choose those with the least adverse impacts to residents, traffic and parking; not sit in last zones exceeding 15 mph on Sapphire and Mission Boulevard; too many corrals proposed; too many scooters in PB; no matter how many are painted on, there will still be more scooters placed in the mornings by those persons paid to place as many as possible; riders may not honor corrals and will continue to leave scooters on sidewalks in yards and streets; police department cannot adequately cite people who fail to comply with corral placement; don’t place corrals within 500 feet of any establishment selling alcohol.

Comments from PB Planning Group and committee meetings:

there should be a penalty for parking on sidewalks and not in corrals. There needs to be a ‘scooter czar.’

- Comments from PB Planning Group members and committee meetings

**SCOOTERS**

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- Education: Consistent messages about local and state laws in smartphone applications will be required. As will on-device labeling about age requirements and how riding on the sidewalk is illegal.
- Per device fee: A per device fee of $150 annually will be assessed. A reduction of $1 per device will be offered for operators offering a qualified equity program.
- Equity programs may include discounts, equitable distribution, credit-card free unlock or mobile device free unlock.
- Data sharing: A variety of data will be shared about ridership, parking, paths of travel and more to assist the City in transportation planning.
- Performance bond: Each operator will be required to put a “Safety Deposit” – $65 for each device in flight – to be held in the event the company leaves the market with out its devices.

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City Council approves Campland’s clean up of De Anza mobile home park

Environmentalists were not happy campers as the San Diego City Council voted 6-3 on June 24 to grant Campland on the Bay’s request for a five-year lease extension by the City to clean-up and do asbestos removal at the now-abandoned De Anza Cove mobile home park.

Dissenting Council members were Council President Georgette Gomez of District 9, Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry of District 1 and Vivian Moreno of District 8.

Jacob Gelfand of Campland characterized the short-term lease as a win-win for all stakeholders. He has claimed it will not prejudice the City’s ongoing De Anza Revitalization Plan, which seeks to reimagine, repurpose and revitalize the northeast corner of Mission Bay Park.

Environmentalists criticized Gelfand’s plan’s financing, while arguing the new short-term lease will further delay the long-awaited wetlands restoration for Rose Creek and the Kendall-Frost Marsh. Only about 5 percent of wetlands remain of Mission Bay’s 8,000 acres.

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PAIR YOUR POUR WITH DELICIOUS FOOD AT OUR PACIFIC BEACH LOCATION
Audience members practically howled after San Diego City Council voted unanimously June 17 for the more dog-friendly of two options offered for redeveloping Fiesta Island.

The Council joined four other previous governmental bodies in selecting dog-friendly Option B over Option A, which was eschewed by the non-motorized boating community including kayakers and paddlers. Only the City Planning Commission chose Option A over Option B.

Both options were proposed as an amendment to the Mission Bay Park Master Plan to update the land uses and vision for manmade, 470-acre, multi-use Fiesta Island. Option A would have divided the island with a road, which would have reduced access for off-leash dog users, in favor of providing storage and beach access for personal watercraft. Option B keeps the island intact and undivided, while increasing the fenced, off-leash area, which would have been bisected by a road if Option A had been chosen.

City staffer Sarah Osborn told Council members both options being considered were meant to “preserve natural resources and improve both water access and wildlife use this space free at Fiesta Island 365 days a year from dawn to dusk, rain or shine,” she said. “We don’t need more roads and fences. Don’t pave over paradise.”

Public testimony at the Council hearing was stacked heavily in favor of Option B advocated by the Fiesta Island Dog Owners group. Only two people testified in favor of non-motorized more boat-friendly Option A.

Kathy Parrish of FIDO countered that Option B would benefit more island users.

“Tens of thousands of people use this space free at Fiesta Island for being passionate, producing photos of dogs that people favoring Option A had emailed her.

“I’m the mother of one dog and I take her there to run on the sand and play in the surf and I understand why so many people go there,” she said. “I don’t see the need to destroy the experience of thousands of dogs and their families, and that’s why I’m supporting this motion.”

FIDO president Carolyn Chase read letters for Option B supporters from every City Council district. “This is the most affordable and sustainable plan for most users and most uses,” Chase concluded. Following public testimony, District 2 Councilmember De’Jennifer Campbell noted both options improved Fiesta Island, “especially the path and the bicycle area around the island making them safer. I’m a strong supporter of keeping Fiesta in its most natural form. I’d like to more certification of the environmental impact report, and amending the Mission Bay Master Plan to include Option B.”

District 7 Councilmember Scott Sherman reiterated his stance that a non-motorized boat launch and area for personal watercraft would be a better fit at the existing South Shores Boat Launch, which he described as “incredibly undertapped.”

District 8 Councilmember Vivian Moreno credited both sides for being passionate, producing photos of dogs that people favoring Option B had emailed her.

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Tails and trails – City Council approves dog-friendly option for Fiesta Island

Julia Gray and Heidi Gathright with Whiskers and Pepper at Fiesta Island dog park.

Mission Beach Town Council approves plan for regulating short-term rentals

Seeking compromise over short-term vacation rentals in the beach community where they’re most prevalent, Mission Beach Town Council’s membership voted overwhelmingly on June 12 for a new committee plan.

The room vote was 9-4-14, with at least one critic arguing it was a largely pro-rental partisan crowd, not the sentiment of long-term residents.

The majority vote, however, perhaps signaled a new willingness to explore some middle ground in the highly polarized — and charged — issue of short-term rentals.

Among the Mission Beach Town Council committee’s recommendations:

- Non-transferable rental permits; annual per-unit $950 permit fee; primary rental occupancy must be age 25-plus with three-night minimum; two-person per bedroom occupancy; required “good neighbor policy” posting; prompt nuisance complaint response; complaint log required showing responses; escalating fines from $1,000 to $4,500 with permit revocation, and an appeals process, for repeat offenders; and an ultimate goal of limiting short-term rentals in MB to 30 percent of total units.

Opposing sides however remain divided. Opponents insist short-term rentals don’t belong at all in residential areas. Proponents counter that they’re a property owner’s right and integral to the local economy.

Upwards of half of Mission Beach’s total number of rental units are acknowledged to be short-term. Mission Beach Town Council recently formed a broad-based, short-term rental committee to try and achieve agreement between the opposing sides.

The committee consists of real estate agent Kimberly Wise, Greg Knight, 710 Beach Rentals owner Blaine Smith, Larry Webb, Scott Morrison, Bob Somsen and environmentalist Cathy Ives.

Current MTBC president Matt Gardner hailed the June 12 vote as “heartwarming watching people come together finally on an issue that has previously been contentious.”

Garner added it could serve as a new model for other communities.

...It is a prime example of local efforts working towards change that is best fitting for the specific neighborhood,” he said. “We hope for, and will work towards, inclusion in future City regulations.”

‘This is the most affordable and sustainable plan.’

CAROLYN CHASE
FIDO PRESIDENT
Prevent Drowning Foundation raising money for Mission Beach headquarters

By EMILY BLACKWOOD | BEACH & BAY PRESS

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ince 2009, the Prevent Drowning Foundation of San Diego has worked to provide swim lessons for children living in underprivileged parts of the city. Now, the president of the organization hopes to make Mission Beach their headquarters so they can continue their mission to teach every child in San Diego how to swim.

According to Buc Buchanan, the foundation (formerly known as the San Diego Junior Lifeguard Foundation) recently started raising money to help build an aquatic safety center that would serve as the Junior Lifeguard Program’s headquarters. They are working with the City of San Diego, and while not an official plan, they hope to build the center in Mission Bay because it “provides a lot of options” for children getting comfortable with the water.

“Not everyone can go straight to the ocean with all the currents and stuff,” said Buchanan, a former UC San Diego water polo team and City of San Diego co-captain of the UC San Diego swimming team. “The adage of just throwing kids into the water to help them get over their fears is old and outdated. You have a moral obligation to teach your kid how to swim,” he said.

While there are no official plans in the works for the new aquatic center, Buchanan said that the foundation’s primary goal is to fundraise the money and then allow the city to operate the building. The project is in talks, but it needs to be spearheaded by the City.

In the meantime, the Prevent Drowning Foundation will continue to offer free swimming and aquatic safety lessons to underprivileged kids and schools. In partnership with the San Diego County YMCA and the San Diego Unified School District, the foundation aims to give lessons to all third through fifth graders in the district. For more information about its program and services, visit preventdrowningfoundation.org.

Biking advocate Andy Hanshaw named to city’s Mobility Board

Recently appointed by the city of San Diego to lead its 13-member Mobility Board, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition’s Andy Hanshaw discussed his role, the status of the region’s transportation network and progress being made in weaning people from their solo vehicles while achieving ambitious climate action plan (CAP) goals in a Q&A with Beach & Bay Press.

BBP: How does the newly created Mobility Board differ from its predecessor, the Bicycle Advisory Board?

Hanshaw: It’s broader in representation and more than just bicycling. It includes transit advocates and community members. There’s a disability rights advocate. It’s a broader range with members from every district, as well as four members appointed by the mayor. It looks at everyone from pedestrians to bicyclists, while looking at everything from parking issues to transit connections.

BBP: What exactly is your role on the Mobility Board?

Hanshaw: It’s guiding our agenda. There really are experts all around the table. Really, the goal is to help the city streamline the process of implementing mobility options. We want to be a body that holds the city to getting where they need to go.

BBP: What is the Mobility Board’s purpose?

Hanshaw: To serve as an advisory board for policy relating to the city’s transportation network, analyzing things in a holistic way to ensure people have safe and easy access and choice of transportation modes as they move around the city. Its goal is also to help the city meet its climate action plan.

(The city’s CAP calls for eliminating half of all greenhouse gas emissions and for all electricity used in the city to be from renewable sources by 2035.)

BBP: What role will the Mobility Board have in the new Mobility Action Plan the city is working on?

Hanshaw: This Mobility Board will have input on the draft outline of that plan, which the city is going to come back to us with in August. The plan is how the city sets itself up in the Transportation Department with the staff, resources and the plan to implement measures to achieve the CAP. We look forward to being a voice for that plan.

BBP: How does mobility fit into the larger scheme of transportation within the region?

Hanshaw: Looking at the bigger picture, the city has to comply with state law requiring greenhouse gases to be reduced. The track we were on, the previous plan, was not reaching that goal. We need to take a good step back to really evaluate how we create a world-class transit network. I’ve been really pleased to hear the city is committed to creating a bike lane network and a regional bike plan. It’s about having safe choices. We have to think big.

BBP: What needs to be done to make biking safer and encourage more people to go that route?

Hanshaw: In simplest terms, it’s really providing choices for people to move around your region, besides just driving [cars]. It’s really about creating safe, connected networks, which relates to transit for bicycling. It’s building out, as soon as we can, a regional bike network.

BBP: What else needs to be done to improve the city’s transportation system?

Hanshaw: We have to think quickly because climate change is real. We need to take the steps necessary to comply with state and local greenhouse gas reductions. The bike master plan needs to be one of the guiding documents of the Mobility Action Plan.

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LIVE MUSIC: Beach parties with The Mar Dels

By BART MENDOZA | BEACH & BAY PRESS

The Bahia Resort is hosting a weekly summer beach party, California Dreaming, every Thursday through August 29. Taking place right on the beach adjacent to the resort’s iconic sternwheeler boats, a wide array of culinary delights will be available, but best of all will be the entertainment, provided by legendary cover band, The Mar Dels. Formed in 1982, the band maintains an extensive set list that can span the decades. However, for this event, look for a focus on songs with a summer vibe by the likes of the Beach Boys, Jimmy Buffett and Bob Marley.

California Dreaming: Thursdays at the Bahia Resort, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, 6 to 9 p.m. All ages. $56. Under 12 $28. bahia-belle.com.

San Diego Mud Day at Crown Point Park

On your marks, get set, get muddy! Folks can wallow while in wet soil during the second annual San Diego Mud Day Saturday, June 29 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Crown Point Park at Crown Point and Moorland drives. The free event is open to the public and whole families, said City spokesperson Ombretta Di Dio. Anyone of any age can participate in the child-oriented festivities.

San Diego Mud Day will feature nature crafts, a mud obstacle course, a mud pit, nature crafts (such as pine cone bird feeders and making s’mores from homemade solar ovens), fort building, food trucks and Dr. Bronner’s Magical Foam Experience, which involves dispersing snow-appearing biodegradable soap.

The experience was created to honor the late Jim Bronner, son of Emanuel Bronner, who invented industry-standard fire-fighting foam concentrate in the 1980s, later adapted to make artificial snow for Hollywood sets and for entertaining children in backyards. Children will also have the chance to learn about nature from park rangers who will bring snakes and organize a nature scavenger hunt.

Sturdy shoes, towels and a change of clothes are recommended.

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Kids have fun in the mud pit at last year’s Mud Day.

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Sports-loving centenarian celebrates life in PB

By DAVE SCHWAB | BEACH & BAY PRESS

Rose Marie Renna of Pacific Beach isn’t your typical centenarian. How many people at age 100 still play bridge, watch sporting events live and enjoy being on the computer?

Coming from humble beginnings in St. Louis, Rose now lives with her granddaughter Shannan Renna-Ditmer and her fiancé Derek Ditmer, and the trio share a dwelling with several pets including dogs, birds, turtles and tortoises.

“She was one of six children living in the Italian ghetto of St. Louis,” said Shannan. “They came from absolutely nothing, lived in the top of a warehouse with one room, with one bathtub in a mother born in Italy and an American-born Italian father who sold produce.”

One of Rose’s fondest recollections is of owning Franklin Delano Roosevelt 87 years ago while growing up.

“I was 13 years old and in eighth grade and they let us out of school to go to the parade for FDR when he was running for president the first time,” she said. “I was on a corner and he came by in a car and I shook his hand. He was very nice. He said, ‘Hello little girl, and her mother, ‘I’ll try.’”

Rose later worked in the first Social Security office in St. Louis, which was a federal program FDR signed into law in 1935.

Rose and her late husband moved from St. Louis “to start a new life in the West.” They eventually settled in Santa Maria in the San Francisco Bay Area where they jointly owned a liquor store, which, according to Rose, “was on the same corner for 37 years.”

Rose suffered a stroke in 2015 but recovered quickly. “We caught it at the very beginning so she had minimal damage,” said Shannan, adding her grandma today is as sharp as ever. “Her mind is always going,” she said.

Rose’s friend, Kathy Hargrove, describes her as “no ordinary older woman, She plays bridge twice a week, rummy cube, goes to baseball games, plays solitaire daily, etc.”

Her granddaughter noted Rose is also a showed, self-educated businesswoman who became an astute stock-market investor. “She bought original Apple stock in the 70s,” said Shannan.

“I ended up with 1,000 shares, at $500 to $600 a share,” pointed out Rose.

Added Shannan. “My grandma was the brains, a real go-getter.”

“I never thought I’d live this long,” admitted Rose, who when asked what accounts for her longevity replied, “I’ve been very very active. I’ve done everything in moderation, I never smoked. I’m very sedentary.”

Shannan said Rose loves “all sports.” Rose is even a hockey buff, enjoying going to San Diego Gulls minor league hockey games at Pechanga Arena in the Midway District. Rose also has two boyfriends she enjoys spending time with regularly playing senior softball.

When asked what advice she’d give to others who are elderly caretakers, Shannan said, “Getting breaks is really important so you don’t get burned out. We also keep humor going on all the time. We’re always laughing, always joking around. She (Rose) tells people how terrible my cooking is. And I ask, ‘You’re still alive aren’t you?’”

Shannan is her grandma’s biggest cheerleader.

“She’s always treated people with respect and kindness and love,” Shannan said. “I feel like I’ve gotten that from her. She’s got this unconditional love for her family.”

“I love people,” concurred Rose.

“You meet Rose and just immediately fall in love with her,” said Shannan. “People just gravitate toward her. She gives people her grandma fix, because so many people don’t have their grandmas anymore. She’s so lovely to all of my friends.”

What Rose is most proud of though, after having lived a century, is her progeny.

“My family is fifth generation now,” pointed out Rose, who is now enjoying the company of her great-great-grandchild.

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PACIFIC BEACH MIDDLE

Eighth-graders had a great time celebrating their promotion at “Kick Back Day,” where they signed yearbooks, sat under decorated themed ez-ups, and played games while eating pizza and cookies. Each student promoting received a donated gift from businesses around Pacific Beach, whose generosity helped make this day extra special for them.

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SALT LAKE CITY — Students and their families can celebrate the Pacific Beach Middle 2018-2019 Promotions from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 29th, at Pacific Beach Middle.

This year’s theme is “Rise Above the Rest,” celebrating graduation as a milestone. Attendees will have the opportunity to purchase their very own 2018-2019 Promotional T-shirts for $10. A special message from the PBMS principal, Dr. Shirley Weber, will be displayed on the screen.

Promotion Day activities will include games, music, information about PBMS, and a chance to win PBMS merchandise. There will also be a chance to purchase your very own PBMS yearbook by taking advantage of the $25 special promotion.

The PBMS Booster Club will have a silent auction of various items, including a trip to New York City and a garage sale. The PBMS Science Club will have a raffle, and the PBMS Orchestra will have a drum circle.

All students and their families are invited to attend this special event. For more information, please contact PBMS at 858-270-3103 x117.

Botany for Kids

Botany for Kids is coming to the San Diego Zoo Safari Park in San Diego, CA on July 30th. The San Diego Zoo Safari Park is a world-renowned wildlife sanctuary located in San Diego, CA. The park is home to a variety of animals, including many that are endangered or threatened.

The Botany for Kids program offers children the opportunity to learn about the plants and animals that call the San Diego Zoo Safari Park home. Children will have the chance to explore the park's different habitats and learn about the unique challenges faced by these species.

The program is designed for children ages 4-12, and it includes a guided tour of the park, as well as hands-on activities that teach children about the importance of conservation.

The Botany for Kids program is held on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. during the summer months. It is a great way for children to connect with nature and learn about the world around them.

To register for the Botany for Kids program, please visit the San Diego Zoo Safari Park website at www.sandiegozoo.org or call 858-755-8000. The program costs $18 per child and includes admission to the park.

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Coastal Bay 12U girls softball wins Cool Breeze Tournament

Coastal Bay 12U girls softball team, which practices at McEvoy Field in Mission Bay, is made up of students from Pacific Beach Middle, PBE, Mission, and Roosevelt Middle. The team finished first in the 12U Silver Division in the Cool Breeze Tournament in Ocean Beach. They finished second in the Tournament of Champions for the Spring Season. They also finished third in UC Del Sol and Coronado tournaments. Their season record was 28-8, with two ties.

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