

Member and Docking Privileges Changes Effective 8/01/2025

It is hard to believe it has just been four short years since we opened up the outer portion of the museum dock to the general membership with signed docking agreements.

Each successive year we have seen the number of docking agreement holders more than double and in 2025, we are closing in on nearly 150 members enjoying the benefit.

The added membership usage has brought with it some additional challenges that we will be addressing in the 2026 season.

TLC will be making a meaningful investment in both cost and oversight of our dock gate access and security. This will eliminate the use of the dock by those without signed docking agreements, thereby improving both security and dock space availability to members with signed docking agreements.

We will be installing a secure gate locking system that will be accessed via the principal member's phone number via their smartphone. No more codes for you to try to remember and punch into the key pad. Just hold your smart phone up to the gate lock reader and the gate is unlocked for you.

This all comes at a cost, of course, and adds to items already being looked at after this season including: doubling of the number of dock posts to ease your docking experience, installing and removing the docks, general dock maintenance, monthly security expenses and many hours of TLC volunteer oversight. These items have brought us to where we need to better match costs to revenue.

For all first time and renewing members-who wish to take advantage of the TLC docks with a signed docking agreement, that benefit will begin at the Partner Level (\$150.00) and above.

Lower cost memberships at the Individual (\$60.00) and Family (\$75.00) levels are still available, but without the docking privileges.

Members with signed docking agreements will be personally called and emailed by a TLC board member, in the spring of 2026 to cover how they will utilize our new gate security.

Ahead of that time, if you have questions, feel free to ring me directly @ 724-996-1288.

With thanks,

George Kerr Jr. President