



**"SPI Windsurfing" was founded to retain and improve present water access locations, as well as to create a safe, fun, and clean environment for all water sports.
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Fall - Winter 2016 - 2017 Sailing

Hello Fellow Kitters, lots of news here. There has been a large change on the North Flats (NF) this spring/summer. During last year's annexation of the Pinnel property into the city's jurisdiction, we found that the true northern property line is well north of what we call the "Pond". So now the SPIW is responsible for that area. This is good news because it secures another site for us kitters. We all should know that everything on the bay side is private property and can be shut down at any time. So having the "Pond" in the SPIW lease gives us legal access. This also allows us to patrol that area to keep it clean and trash free. This always been a problem there so we installed a new gate at the entrance to this area. During any entrance or exit, it is mandatory to lock it behind you. This will keep trespassers out and help keep it clean.

As always there will be those amongst us that feel this should all be free, but it isn't. It is private property that we use to access the bay. SPIW pays a hefty fee to keep this access for you. Please help us in patrolling for not only trash but also for the few freeloaders that poach the site. If we cannot pay the lease we will loose the precious privilege. Believe me it is a privilege now that so many other accesses to the bay have gated and shut off to us. This is so important I can't stress that enough. The cost for a pass is very cheap for this privilege compared to the amount you spend for your equipment and to travel here.

Joel - Petra

Fall Fajita Feast

Plan to attend the Fall Fajita Feast at the Isla Blanca Park cabanas. This year's event will be held Friday 11/4 at 6pm. The cost will be \$10, additional donations are encouraged.

Starting 9AM 10/16/16 and continuing thru 11/26/16, at the south end of the Louie's parking lot at 9:00 am , get rid of your old stuff and help someone new get into the sport.

Renewal Time

We are very aware last season was tough going due to persistent high tides. We are working on alternate launch site possibilities on the flats property.

Decal and wristbands for 2017 will be available November 1 2016. You may have more than one name on the registration form.

Annual Pass per person will be \$30, you will receive decal and a removable wristband, which should be worn at all times while at the North Flats.

Monthly Pass per person will be \$20, monthly passes will only be available on the Island, and you will receive a non-removable wristband (like you get at hospitals) and are non-transferable and must be worn while at the North Flats.

Pass forms are available online "spiwindsurfing.com".

Passes are available at:

**Air Padre Kiteboarding
5709 A Padre Blvd
SPI
956 299 9463**

**Windsurf the Boatyard (Jibber)
At the flats
956 561 4189**

**Sailboards South (Herman)
204 W Dolphin
SPI
956 761 5844**

Any questions regarding passes should be emailed to "sbsso@sbcglobal.net" with SPIW as the title.

Have fun and hope to see you soon.