

URGENT MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT !!

ROTTNEST ISLAND - REFUND ON MOORINGS AND ENTRY FEE - IT HAS A SUNSET CLAUSE - 1 MARCH 2021!!

After an extensive negotiation with Minister Papalia, the Rottnest Island Authority and the Rottnest Island Authority – your rentals and fees as a Mooring Lessee or User will be refunded for the period of the Quarantining for Covid 19 (A period of 10 weeks). To simplify this refund, you will be entitled to a 20% refund of your Annual Rottnest Entry Fee, and 20% refund of your Mooring Lease Fee.

There has been a “Sunset Clause” placed on this refund – so if you have not made application for the refund by the **1st of March 2021** – (not the 31st of March as wrongly stated) it will no longer be on offer!

BoatingWA is pleased with the result and appreciates the consideration given to Boaters by the Minister, Rottnest Island Board, and the Rottnest Island Authority.

Making this refund happen will not be an easy task for the Rottnest Authority, and the applications and administrative work cannot dwindle on. This process must have a SUNSET CLAUSE and BoatingWA has negotiated 1 March 2021 as the deadline.

Attached on the next page is a copy of the letter sent to all Moorings Owners, Lessees – and hopefully everyone that was impacted by the Quarantining Period.

If you did not receive this notice then you can use the “Applications for a refund can be made here” shown on the page above “Apply Now” - and if no luck on either front then contact the Rottnest Island Authority at marinerefunds@rottnestisland.com, as displayed further down the message.

Please try these avenues first as Staff at the Authority will be under considerable pressure dealing with the refunds in addition to their normal Lease duties.

Last resort – phone the Rottnest Island Authority .

Should you fail to make application before **1 March 2021** – there is no comeback! The offer will expire on this day. Any funds not claimed will go back into the funds of the Rottnest Island Authority and will no doubt be put to good use in the improvements planned for the Island. BoatingWA would draw your attention to the new Fuelling Jetty and the fantastic facility it offers to Boaters. Many millions of dollars invested and Boaters are certainly enjoying it.

There have been a few letters go in the Rottnest Island Authority from Boaters offering to donate their refund to the Island’s Funds, and that has the doublesided benefit of not only registering your consideration and appreciation for the Island – but also allows the Authority Team to finalise the refunds processes.

TIME IS EVAPORATING, so make sure that your refund does not.

Boating Western Australia again thanks the Premier, Minister Papalia, Rottnest Island Board and the Rottnest Island Authority thru Exec Dir. Mr Jason Banks .

A great result for all Western Australian Boaters

Best Regards and safe Boating



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PRESIDENT
Boating Western Australia



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Refund of Marine-related Fees in Response to COVID-19

Hi (*Lessee's Name*)

In March 2020, national and global events necessitated Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) shift its operational focus to play a front-line role in the WA Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Rottnest Island was subsequently closed to visitors, including the boating community, on 25 March 2020 to enable the establishment of a quarantine facility to support returning Australians. The island reopened to the WA public on 6 June 2020.

As a result, RIA has agreed to offer a refund of the admission fee and the annual mooring licence fee for a period equivalent to the length of the island closure (approximately one fifth or 20% of the year).

All fees that are not claimed will contribute to the ongoing cost of providing the marine facilities and associated services on Rottnest Island.

The refund scheme will run until 1 March 2021.

[Applications for a refund can be made here.](#)

Please ensure you include your Personal Identification Number in your application, which is: (*Personal Number provide on you letter from Rottnest Island authority*)

[Apply Now](#)

For more information on the marine-related fee refund see our FAQs.

If you have any questions or require further information please contact the Marine Administration team at marinerefunds@rotnnestisland.com.