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TALL SHIPS MOVING TO CHANNELS ISLANDS HARBOR DUE TO VENTURA BAR CONDITIONS

Ventura, Calif. - The tall ships Lady Washington and Hawaiian Chieftain have departed Ventura Harbor and will move operations to Channel Islands Harbor in Oxnard today. Heavy swell systems coming in from storms in the Pacific Ocean have created hazardous conditions at the Ventura Harbor entrance, affecting safe operations. After consulting with the harbormaster, and in order to avoid potential mishaps, Grays Harbor Historical Seaport Authority, the owner of the vessels, decided to move the ships to Oxnard.

The ships were already planning to visit Oxnard February 9-15. All public tours and sailings originally scheduled for Ventura will be moved to Oxnard. Here’s the revised Oxnard schedule:

1/21-22: 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., walk-on tours.

1/23-24: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., walk-on tours.

1/23-24: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Battle Sails.

1/24: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Adventure Sail.

1/26-29: 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., walk-on tours.

1/27: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Evening Sail (Lady Washington only)

1/30-31: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., walk-on tours.

1/30-31: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Battle Sails.

1/31: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Adventure Sail.

2/2-5: 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., walk-on tours.

2/3: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Evening Sail (Lady Washington only)

2/6-7: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., walk-on tours.

2/6-7: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Battle Sails.

2/7: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Adventure Sail.

2/9-12: 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., walk-on tours.

2/13-15: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., walk-on tours.

2/13-15: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Battle Sails.

2/14: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Adventure Sail

Tickets for all sails are available online at [www.historicalseaport.org](http://www.historicalseaport.org/) or by calling 800-200-5239. Tickets or reservations are not required for the walk-on tours. Guess who have purchased tickets, but are unable to sail from Oxnard, may request an exchange or a refund by calling 800-200-5239.

Editors: Download high-res images and b-roll of our ships at [http://historicalseaport.smugmug.com](http://historicalseaport.smugmug.com/). Click the “Media Images” category and select a gallery. Information is subject to change without notice. We welcome media aboard to observe operations and interview crew. Contact (media only) Joe Follansbee, 360-589-0766,jfollansbee@historicalseaport.org. Facebook: [facebook.com/GHHSA](http://facebook.com/GHHSA); Pinterest: [pinterest.com/ghhsa\_wa](http://pinterest.com/ghhsa_wa).

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