

Even moor to do at Quay

DOLPHIN QUAY, Mandurah's premier waterfront retail complex, is all set to welcome its biggest visitors yet.

A \$1 million investment in 'big boat' mooring facilities, power and water connections, and boardwalk improvements means Dolphin Quay, at the Mandurah Ocean Marina, can now accommodate boats big and small.

Leisure cruisers, yachts and luxury vessels of 15m or more can now pull up directly alongside the boardwalk at Dolphin Quay and its range of shops, cafes, restaurants and market stalls.

Greg Poland, director of Strzelecki Holdings Pty Ltd, which owns Dolphin Quay, said the new facilities had been added in response to growing demand from visitors.

"Our improvements mean Dolphin Quay now offers what is believed to be the largest free big boat

mooring facility in and around Perth," he said.

Mr Poland said that as the leading destination for dining and shopping at the Mandurah Ocean Marina, it was important Dolphin Quay could accommodate boats of all sizes.

"WA boasts a growing number of big boats as investment in lifestyle and leisure becomes increasingly important in our busy lives," he said.

Strzelecki Holdings has installed six new mooring piles for big boats to use at any time, plus 11 power outlets and water connections that can be booked through Dolphin Quay management.

Access to free power and water means visiting boat clubs can stay comfortably alongside Dolphin Quay for several days, while the public moorings are ideal for short-stay visitors enjoying lunch, dinner or shopping at Dolphin

Quay.

The new facilities are also good news for former Australian Test cricketer and avid boatie Geoff Marsh, who has been busy opening a new Sunrunner boat brokers and luxury boat accessories shop at Dolphin Quay.

"A day on the boat is like getting away for the weekend," said the former WA captain, who played 50 Test matches for Australia from 1985 to 1992, and is now State sales manager for Sunrunner.

"Dolphin Quay and Mandurah Ocean Marina are fast becoming recognised as popular destinations for day trips by boat from Fremantle and Perth," Mr Marsh said.

Mr Marsh, who joined Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club earlier this year, said a new 15m hardtop sports cruiser would be arriving in Mandurah in time for the Boat Show this weekend.

