Lyman-Morse Panama

Anyone who knows Cabot Lyman is familiar with his appreciation and love of the San Blas Islands and surrounding area. After all his trips to the area, it’s official: Lyman-Morse’s Maine-based operations now have a southern cousin. Located in Shelter Bay, Panama, Lyman-Morse Panama is strategically located near the Caribbean entrance of the Panama Canal and will provide yachtsmen and women a familiar and recognized source for pre-canal transit prep and logistics, a full-range of service work, haul-out and storage services between cruises.

Peach Frederick, long time service manager at Lyman-Morse Thomaston has relocated to Colon, Panama to run the yard. All aspects of boat repair for sail and power, including rigging, canvas, carpentry, mechanical, fiberglass and carbon fiber hull repairs, electrical and electronics, stainless steel and paint projects are offered. The yard is equipped with 100-ton travelift so refit work, as well as extended and short-term storage is available. Plans are in the works for a new building to be erected for service work including paint and varnish, engine replacements and general refits. In the meantime, there are yards of available dockspace for dockside service work. Lyman-Morse is leasing the property from the owners of Shelter Bay Marina.

“The timing and location is perfect for us,” said Drew Lyman. “The new locks will dramatically ease the cruisers experience of transiting the canal, opening up these cruising grounds and access to the Pacific. We believe cruisers will appreciate familiar name in this area.”
The name Shelter Bay means just that. Located well south of hurricane risk zone, Shelter Bay is a wonderful, secure closed harbor and an ideal spot to prep for the Panama Canal passage. Lyman-Morse Panama boasts a deepwater entrance channel and room once inside to maneuver a 250’ boat. The draft varies from 5-25’. A 175-slip Shelter Bay Marina is just next door with a comfortable hotel, with a very nice pool, tasty restaurant and bar – perfect for just a relaxing while we tend to the details. Not only does Shelter Bay have the protection of the Panama Canal breakwater, but the Panamanian Coast Guard is also based in Shelter Bay. Put off your cruise to this area no longer! You now have friends in these parts!