

The Scuttlebutt

MARCH 2018

The weather is perfect for boating, camping, sailing and fishing! We hope you take advantage of the season and enjoy time on the water with family and friends. Be sure you stop in and share your adventures!
Charlie, Sheryl, Jeff, Steve & Stacy

Spring Boat Commissioning

Spring is soon upon us, and all of our plans for the boating season ahead are positive and hopeful. This is an important time! Follow these spring-commissioning activities and avoid unnecessary expense and disappointment...

Forgotten hose clamps

Check your hose clamps for the engine's raw-water intake hose, which can loosen or corrode. If a loose hose slips off after launch, you could sink.



Inspect the impeller on the engine's raw-water pump

While impellers can last a number of years under normal operation, many boat owners simply replace them annually as cheap insurance against engine overheating due to wear and failure. A damaged impeller can cause severe overheating if not caught quickly, potentially leading to a smoking-hot hose in the engine space, and on it goes — another expense that can be easily avoided by swapping out the impeller before it fails.



How's the bilge-pump float switch doing?

The list goes on... see the full article, with more spring commissioning suggestions on our AYH website.

Please Don't Toss That Oil!

It has come to our "messy" attention that some boat owners have thrown their used engine oil and oil filters in the marina trash and dumpsters. **Motor oil must be recycled and disposed of at designated recycling**



centers. Some drop off sites in our area include; Halifax Fire Station #12, 1979 Taylor Rd, (386) 943-4905, AutoZone, 3750 S Nova Rd., (386) 788-1225, and Firestone Auto Care, 3812 Nova Rd., (386) 760-0374. Thank you!

Fuel Sales On Hold Next Week

Starting Monday, March 5, our fuel service will be suspended for 2- 3 weeks as we pour a slab and install a new tank for gasoline and diesel. We will be back up and running ASAP. Thanks for your patience!

Easy Boater Tips

Keep It Rolling Nothing is more maddening than a roll of masking tape that won't unroll, but only comes off in little bits. Before tossing it in the trash, pop it in the microwave for 5 to 10 seconds is often more than enough to revitalize the adhesive and return the roll to taping nirvana.

Keep It Solvent Boat owners use lots of expensive caulks and compounds in cartridges. Half-used tubes can dry up after a day. Next time, cover the end of the cut nozzle with a good dollop of petroleum jelly. It will keep the air out and prevent the contents of the tube from hardening.



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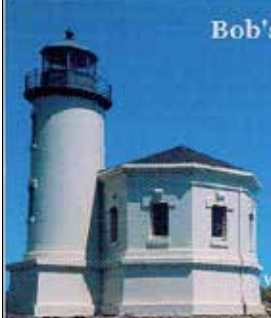
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