

# The Scuttlebutt

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With this last snap of cold, March is coming in like a lion! Won't be long now for perfect spring boating, camping, sailing and fishing! 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, Mike and Allen

## The Nautical Knot



With materials they had on hand; a wedge-shaped piece of wood, a small glass timer, and a really long rope, 15th century sailors came up with a way to calculate the speed of their boat, still called today the **nautical knot**. Basically, they tied knots in a long rope at regular intervals, then cast one end (weighted down by a floating piece of wood) out behind their vessel. As their vessel moved forward and the rope was let out, the number of knots they passed over in a given period of time (measured by an hourglass) allowed them to calculate the distance and consequently the speed at which the boat was moving against the nautical mile. Finally, they had all the info they needed to plan a trip and get to port on time!



Johnny from Canada successfully released this 38" redfish caught in the Halifax River on 10# mono with R&R Charters out of AYH. Nice!

## Time For Spring Cleaning



With perfect Florida boating weather right around the corner, now is the time to invest a little TLC in your boat. Make yourself a to-do list and gather supplies; rags, Armor All, wax polishes, new bilge socks, sponges, garbage bags, Windex, mold and mildew remover, rust stain remover, metal polish and a little elbow grease. Be prepared to dazzle your family, friends and dock neighbors!

- **Air out and wash all fabric things**
- **Scrub out everything** - including ice boxes, coolers and cabinets.
- **Polish and protect (twice a year)** with a marine polish that shines and protects.
- **Waterproof** - It's the rainy season coming, time when boats can easily fill up with water. Make sure all of your self-bailing scuppers are not clogged.
- **Clean out and restock** your dock box. Take everything else home!
- **Cart it** with the Marina carts, but please return them to the bulkhead so others may use them as well.
- **Be Neighborly** Leave messy, smelly boat projects for the boat yard.
- **Get a Tune-Up** done to ensure you have full fluids, a smooth running motor, and an oil change. (*Outside contractors must have insurance filed in the Harbor Office and check in with the Harbor office each time prior to boarding your vessel.*)
- **Finally, smile at a job well done ;-)**

## January Events

Full "Worm" Moon • March 9

76th Annual Bike Week • March 6-15

Daylight Savings Time • March 8

St Patrick's Day • March 17

First day of spring • March 20

**41st Annual Dania Marine Flea Market**  
March 19-22. Hallandale Beach, FL  
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**Tampa Bay Boat Show** • Mar 6-8,  
Florida State Fairgrounds

**Orlando Boat Show** • Mar 27-29,  
Orange County Convention Center,  
[orlandoatshow.com](http://orlandoatshow.com)

**Palm Beach International Boat Show**  
March 26-29, West Palm Beach

**39th Annual Sunnyland Antique Boat Festival** • Mar 19-22 on Lake Dora,  
Tavares, Florida. Over 200 antique and classic boats with food and fun for the whole family! [www.acbs-sunnyland.org](http://www.acbs-sunnyland.org)

## Welcome To Adventure!

**Matt Graves, Limitless Fishing Charters**  
to slip B-14 with his Sea Hunt 24

**Danny Antonaccio** to slip B-22 with his Thompson 26

**Robert Presby** to slip A-32 with his 28' Henriques sport fish

## Welcome (Back) To Adventure!

**Rob Dougherty** slip C-21 with his 22' Boston Whaler.

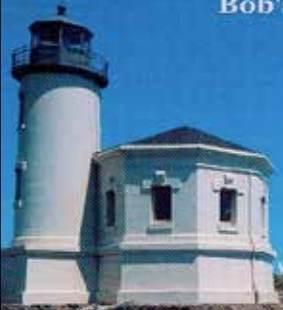
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