



Whoo News July 2018

Happy Fourth of July!

Summer is officially here and being on the water seems to be the best place to be.

We had our annual tenant and Delta Doo Dah BBQ and what a great time. This year there were games and a pie contest; it was so fun to see the competitive nature in both categories. As one of the judges of the pies, I will have to say that it was a hard job to taste 14 incredible, unique and delicious pies, but I managed to struggle through it. They were judged on crust, looks and taste and it gave us good ideas for next year's contest. Get ready now as next year we will be celebrating our 10 year anniversary of starting here at Owl Harbor, and have already begun plans to select the theme for the party.

The fourth of July is always a great time to celebrate being on the water in your boat. Mandeville will be having their annual 4th of July Firework display, but you might want to plan ahead to get a good spot anchoring out. If you need any ideas, feel free to ask us. As a reminder, we don't allow any type of firework or fires on the property, so be sure to leave them at home or take them out on the water from the marina.

In August we will be back on with 2 events, so be sure to mark your calendars to join in the fun.

Until then.....

Here's to a great summer!

Devery, Max, Abby, Stephanie, Twitchell
and
Captain Jack Sparrow

What's Next and What's Coming Up...

July 4

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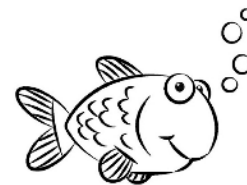


July 4

Enjoy the 59th Annual Hilton Fireworks from the water by Venice Reach/Mandeville Island

July 7

Free Fishing Day in California

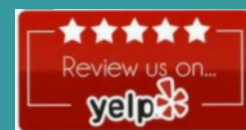


August 11

Owl Harbor Annual Dinghy Poker Run

August 25

Owl Harbor Fishing Tournament



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Updates.....

***Please take precautions when parking under trees.** This time of year we all want to be in the shade, but there are risks involved in being undercover. The winds can be strong and will drop tree limbs, birds will drop waste, and sap will all end up on your vehicle unexpectedly. Be cautious.

***If you have visitors coming please be sure they are aware of the 5 mph speed limit.** We are not equipped to take oil, or other large boating items. Be earth mindful when it comes to breaking down your recycled items. The recycle at the marina is picked up every 2 weeks, so it fills up quickly.

***We are happy to share our farm fresh eggs from the girls,** we ask that you refrain from taking more than 1 dozen due to the amount of people visiting their boats this time of year. We have a donation bucket next to the eggs if you would like to donate to "the feed fund" for the girls, we appreciate it.

Are you ready for Summer Safety?

Summer is here and with that it means more boaters on the water. You may be an experienced boater, but keep in mind, there are many on the waters that are not. Accidents happen sometimes no matter how much time we may have, so here are a few reminders on taking precautions to prevent a ruined trip.

1. Closed toed, boat shoes are best. Boats get wet, and no matter how much we love our flip flops, they are slippery as all get out on a wet boat surface.
2. Make sure your boat's non-skid is still "non-skid". It's a great maintenance project and good safety protocol to keep your boat in safe working order.
3. Even on overcast days, the sun in the Delta is hot on the skin, so be sure to have your sun screen on at all times. There is nothing worse than getting burned on the first day out on the water and having to stay in the cabin the rest of the trip.
4. Check your cotter keys and pins. Yes, they go bad and having something fall, even a short distance, can be catastrophic for the recipient on the other end. It's an easy fix and must do so that nothing falls off unexpectedly.
5. Did you check the weather? The Delta is an incredible place to boat, but we do have our wonderful "Delta Breeze" that can cause a boater unexpected adventure. If you are not prepared properly, being on the water when a wind comes up can cause you to panic and make hasty decisions. Which leads into #6 -
6. Have a plan. I am not a huge fan of people going out solo, but if you do, be sure the marina knows your float plan. We have an easy form in the office to fill out and share with the marina or family/friend.
7. Use your life jackets. It sounds so simple, but statistically, the #1 cause of drowning is "NO LIFE JACKET". It's a simple thing now days to just wear it and be safe. A head injury is not going to allow you to float.
8. And most of all, **use common sense.** Accidents are just that, accidents. We don't expect them, but they happen, so use your Best Practices and be prepared.

After all that, have fun, enjoy the water, have a great summer, and be safe!

Do not take life too seriously. You will never get out of it alive.

Elbert Hubbard

