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FALL Newsletter '08

Faulkner's Island

The annual Open House at Faulkner's Island is scheduled for Sept. 5 & 6, and 13 & 14, 2008 10 AM to 3 PM. See the rebuilt pier, the new dock, and the new access float. Land your dinghy on the north beach or anchor and hail the water taxi (\$2. per person). Public transportation is available aboard the Seaport Express, call 203 219-3688. The U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the Faulkner's Light Brigade will welcome visitors.

Hurricane Preparation

2008 has been a less active hurricane season, so far. Now is a great time to check your mooring lines and review your plans to secure your boat if we are threatened by a hurricane. Boat US says the safest place for a boat during a hurricane is hauled out onto land. We can haul your boat before a hurricane but this requires advance planning. We need to hear from you at least 4 days before a hurricane is predicted to come ashore in order to plan your haul out.

Boat Rentals

Your boating adventure begins in a Triumph 170 CC with a 50 HP Mercury 4 stroke outboard or a 190 Bay with a 115 HP Optimax. Need a smaller boat for tubing? Is your boat in for repairs? Just want to try a 17' or 19' to see if you like it? We have three Triumph boats available for rent 7 days a week! At \$199.00 for 4 hours and \$299.00 for 8 hours (17') - \$249.00 for 4 hours and \$399.00 for 8 hours (19') (including

insurance) you can be out on the water with just a call to reserve the boat. Longer rentals are available.



New Products

Triumph Boats has introduced a new 17', the 1700 Skiff. Powered by a Mercury or Yamaha 50 to 90 HP with an EZ Loader, the 1700 Skiff is the first Triumph built using expanded polyethylene. With the same soft dry ride experienced in all our Triumph boats, the 1700 Skiff is a simple roomy boat. The NEW 1700 Skiff will be at the Norwalk Boat Show, Sept. 18-21, 2008.

MASTER MECHANIC

Jim Duhaime earned Master Certification in Mercury Outboards this spring and joins an elite group of less than 1% of Mercury trained mechanics. Congratulations to Jim who worked the past three years to attain this certification.

2008 - 2009 Rates

This season, we are offering a 5% discount on standard storage paid in full by haulout and a 5% discount on trailer boat storage paid in full upon boat arrival. Next summer we will charge for storage of all trailers; however if you store your boat with us for the winter the summer trailer storage will be ½ price.

Summer Maintenance

We have been working this spring and summer in the yard to make it a nicer place for our customers. Please help us keep the yard clean by

using the recycle bin by the store and the trash cans in the yard. We will accept oil and batteries for recycling.

Mercury Outboards

Check out our prices! The new 4 stroke 3.5 HP Mercury outboard is available. If you plan to repower your boat ask us about the discounts available on select OPTIMAX and 4 stroke outboards. We will be glad to help you decide which 2-stroke or 4-stroke engine is right for your boat.

Store Specials

Our **Winterizing Specials** flyer will be available in the store if you do not receive it in the mail. Price increases in oil and metals have increased costs for motor oils, antifreeze, shrink wrap, and other winterizing items.

New Tools

Yamaha and Mercury Computer Diagnostic Systems are new tools to help our mechanics better service your engine. They allow the mechanics to actually "talk" to the computer in your engines. The computer allows us to perform step-by-step diagnostic tests, as well as read fault codes stored in the engine's computer.

Environmental Changes

All sanding of bottom paint must be done with a vacuum sander and all debris scraped from the boat bottom and I/O must be collected and placed in a special container. We have two Fein vacuum sanders available to rent at \$15.00 per ½ day plus discs; call to reserve a time. By December 2008 DEP and EPA will require all water from power washing boat bottoms to be collected and disposed off site.

Ladders

Please be sure your ladder has a visible OSHA label. Ladders without labels or in poor condition must be removed from the yard.