Guilford Boat Yards

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FALL Newsletter '12

Faulkner's Island

The annual Open House at Faulkner's Island is Sept. 8 & 9. See the restoration of the Lighthouse completed in 2011. Check the Faulkner's Light Brigade web site http://faulknerslight.org for details.

Wash Pad

Our first season using the wash pad to collect all water from powerwashing boats was a success. We collected 1400 gallons of copper laden water and sent it off site for processing, keeping the West River and Long Island Sound cleaner. We will reactivate the wash pad this week for Fall 2012.

Boat Rentals

We have a Triumph 1700 Skiff with a 75 HP Mercury Optimax in our fleet in addition to 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? Boats are available for rent 7 days a week! At \$219.00 for 4 hours and \$329.00 for 8 hours (17') \$269.00 for 4 hours and \$429.00 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

Alumacraft boats Lunker and larger have a new Aluma-trac accessory mounting system for rod holders, and covers. The V-14 has a split rear seat and is now available with a floor.

Mercury has a new 150 HP 4 stroke outboard, the lightest at 455#. The larger displacement gives you better power and performance. Easy maintenance (QSR code for web site videos) and class leading corrosion resistance give you a durable engine for more time and fun on the water.

Triumph Boats will announce their changes in mid-September.

2012 - 2013 Rates

We offer a 3% discount on standard storage paid in full by haulout and a 3% discount on trailer boat storage paid in full upon boat arrival. We require a Certificate of Insurance;

please ask your insurance agent to send us the Certificate.

Summer Maintenance

We are painting the docks and Travel lift to prepare for winter storage. A "dead" boat removal is scheduled. We have been mowing and trimming all through the yard. Please help us keep the yard clean by using the recycle bin by the store and the trash cans in the yard.

WEB site

Our new web site went "live" in early August. Photos and descriptions of new and used boats were added along with contact forms so you can contact us directly from our web site. Now you won't have to wait to call us just send your request for service, parts or a question and we will respond. Our winter storage form will also be available on the web site.

Mercury Outboards and EZ Loader trailers

Check out our prices! If you plan to repower your boat ask us about the discounts on 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. EZ Loader trailers from 800# capacity and up can replace your older trailer to make boating more enjoyable. We'll be glad to help find the best trailer match for your boat.

Computer Upgrades

New software for parts, service and the store was installed this spring. We are still converting the store to the new system; parts and service are working to help us serve you better.

Piloting and Charting

USCG Auxiliary Guilford will teach a Piloting & Charting course Tuesdays Oct. 2, 9, & 16, 6 P.M. at Guilford Community Center. Learn the basics of coastal navigation so you can find your way even if the GPS fails. Call 458-8068 to register or on line at www.guilfordparkrec.com.

Environmental Changes

We test and monitor storm water runoff. No Power washing of any kind is allowed. All sanding of bottom paint **must** be done with a vacuum sander and all debris scraped from the boat bottom, OB and I/O must be collected, double bagged and brought to the shop. We have two Fein vacuum sanders available to rent at \$15.00 per ½ day plus discs; call to reserve them. Power washing of boats and boat bottoms by owners is not allowed.

Gasoline Storage

Boat US and the U.S. Coast Guard recommend built in fuel tanks be stored 95% full with stabilizer added. Portable fuel tanks and the built in fuel tanks on small outboards should be emptied after the engine has been winterized. We encourage all boaters to use a fuel treatment year round to prevent varnish and gum and to keep your fuel fresh. Fuel stabilizer & treatment are in stock in the store.