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## **FALL Newsletter '07**

### **Faulkner's Island**

The annual Open House at Faulkner's Island is scheduled for September 15 & 16 2007 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 on 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**

2007 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 haulout.

### **Boat Rentals**

Your boating adventure begins in a Triumph 170 CC with a 50 HP Mercury 4 stroke outboard. Need a smaller boat for tubing? Is your boat in for repairs? Just want to try a 17' to see if you like it? We have three 17' Triumph boats available for rent 7 days a week! At \$199.00 for 4 hours and \$299.00 for 8 hours 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 23' Center Console, the 235 CC. Powered by a 250 HP Yamaha and available with an EZ Loader, the 235 CC is the largest roto molded boat built. This is the first Triumph with a built in head compartment; the space is generous – no contortions needed to access the 6' tall compartment. Our mechanics drove the boat in June and the 235 CC handles rough water very well – the same soft dry ride you have in all the Triumph boats. Our 235 CC is due to be delivered in November.

### **2007 - 2008 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. We added over 44 tons of gravel to the yard, cut down several trees, and took over 6,000 pounds of old boats to the transfer station. 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 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 rolled into increased costs for motor oils, antifreeze, shrink wrap, and other winterizing items.

### **New Tools**

We added Yamaha Diagnostics to our Mercury Computer Diagnostic System to help our mechanics better service Mercury and Yamaha engines. This allows the mechanics to actually "talk" to the computer in your engines. The computer allows us to perform step-by-step diagnostic tests, and 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 a Fein vacuum sander available to rent at \$15.00 per hour 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. Starting September 1, 2007 we will charge an additional \$5.00 per boat for bottom washing.

### **Ladders**

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

### **CMTA**

Anne Duhaime has been elected to the Board of Directors of the CMTA.