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#### TIPS FOR FALL BOATING

Many boaters delay pulling their boats for the season to take advantage of that occasional perfect autumn day. Crisp, cool, calm air and bright sunshine make these days on the water very special. Some of the year's best fishing occurs in the fall, and there's no better way to enjoy the fall colors than from a boat. But the arrival of fall's shorter days and cooler temperatures presents unique challenges to boaters. Here are a few tips on how to prepare:

- 1. It's quiet out there. Make sure you can be heard. Compared to the busier times of the season, there may not be other boaters in your vicinity to turn to for assistance at this time of year. Many areas cut back their service presence once the primary boating season is over such as T-BART, so water patrol boats may be fewer and farther between. That makes it all the more important than ever to make sure your VHF radio and cell phone are in good working order. You can use your VHF radio to call for help even in spots where your cell phone has no signal. If things do start to hit the fan, a VHF call on channel 16 is your direct link to the Coast Guard. You'll be talking directly to the people who can launch a rescue, and other nearby boats may be listening and can lend a hand.
- 2. Bring along an extra layer of clothing. It may seem like a warm, summer-like day ashore, but in fall you want to dress for the cooler water temperature more than the air temperature. And have rain gear aboard, as fall can bring fast-moving storms that can cause the temperature to drop unexpectedly.
- 3. Wear your life jacket. In the fall, the water gets colder every day and an accidental fall overboard run can result in an increased risk of hypothermia. Children 12 and under must wear a life jacket any time your boat is underway by law, and it's a good

idea for adults to wear them, too – especially at night. Purchase life jackets with lights attached so rescuers can find you in the water. Make sure they fit over your bulky "fall layers" – jackets, sweatshirts, etc. Consider a flotation coat or a decksuit-style PFD designed to keep you afloat and insulated.

- 4. Check your boat's systems before you head out. With shorter days and colder water, it becomes extra important to have your boat's systems working properly. Darkness falls early this time of year, so make sure that your boat's navigational lights are working properly, check that your emergency flares aren't past the expiration date, and carry a few waterproof flashlights and extra batteries to help unload passengers and gear at the dock after dark.
- 5. **Know how to use your electronics.** The appearance of sudden fog and earlier sunsets can quickly change your perspective, even in familiar waters. It will pay to be comfortable with using your chart plotter and radar if visibility becomes an issue.
- 6. **Gas up before you go.** With fewer boats on the water, some fuel docks close early during the fall season. Don't assume you can fill up at your destination for the trip home.
- 7. **Keep an eye to the sky.** Autumn storms can approach fast and unexpectedly, and they often pack more of a punch than summer showers. Not only should you check the weather before heading out, but be sure to check the weather during your trip and keep an eye out for approaching fronts. Conditions can change quickly.
- 8. Have a Float Plan. Let someone know where you'll be and when you expect to be back. At this time of year, if you do get in trouble on the water, time is of the essence.

## **Standard Activities**

#### Juliets

Every 3rd Wednesday

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Details vary by month Captain: Linda Knecht 614-371-7508

#### **Romeos**

Every Wednesday at 11:15 AM

(Rain or shine) Meet at H dock, Yacht Club Lunch by boat or car Captain: Ken Kofink 865-458-3225

### **2020 October Activities**

Friday, October 2, 1-4 p.m.

**CRUISE & LUNCH** 

The Anchor Restaurant, Louisville Landing Captains: John and Penny Manczko Come by boat or car. Crusiers meet at Poplar Springs at 11 a.m.

#### Wednesday, October 21, noon

JULIETS LUNCHEON

Bella Hibachi Restaurant, Lenoir City Contact: Linda Knecht 614-371-7508

#### **SAVE-THE-DATE**

#### Wednesday, November 18

JULIETS LUNCHEON

Location in Downtown Loudon Restaurant TBD Contact Linda Knecht, 614-371-7508

#### Friday, December 4

JULIETS CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Location at Karen Sue Keith's Home, details to come next month. Contact Linda Knecht, 614-371-7508

Wednesday, December 9

TCC CHRISTMAS PARTY, Yacht Club TBA

#### BOATING CLASSIFIEDS

12 volt Oscillating Fan with 8' cord. \$10 Two, 10" galvanized cleats. \$10 Motor flush ears. \$5 Boat cover support poles. \$5 Outboard Tiller extension adjustable 18"-24". \$10. Call Mark 865-454-9496

### **TCC Monthly Meetings Renewed**

The TCC is going forward with our monthly meetings on our regular schedule of the second Wednesday each month at the Tellico Village Yacht Club The next meeting begins at 5 p.m. this Wednesday, October 14.

Guidelines and regulations will include; Maximum of 100 people, table set-up cannot be changed, wearing of mask unless seated, eating or drinking and 6 Ft. distancing at all other times.

Therefore, given these circumstances under which we find ourselves living, our meetings will be in a different format with social distancing imposed following CDC, POA & AWE guidelines.

Although an overall change in the atmosphere of the event is realized, we hope this will allow us to conduct business and socialize a little with our friends and neighbors.

Of course, if you are self isolating because of traveling or aren't feeling well for any reason please do not attend.

Hoping to return to some semblance of the new normal soon.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions,

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Tellico Cruising Club Dues Notice!
Your annual TCC Dues for 2021 are due
by Nov. 30, 2020. \$20 Dues Payable to:
TCC. Mail to: TCC Bursar Bill Hall 202
Gusti Lane Loudon TN 37774.

There is a penalty of \$20 for late dues payment



# **October Activities**













SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5	6	Romeos 11:15 A.M. Meet at H dock, Yacht Club	8	9	10
11	12	13	Romeos 11:15 A.M. Meet at H dock, Yacht Club TCC Social/ Meeting 5/6 p.m. Yacht Club (Special provisions apply, see pg 2.)	15	16	17
18	19	20	Romeos 11:15 A.M. Meet at H dock, Yacht Club Juliets Luncheon Bella Hibachi Restuarant Contact: Linda Knecht 614-371- 7508	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Romeos 11:15 A.M. Meet at H dock, Yacht Club	29	30	31





# Watts Bar Rendezvous (June 17 - 21)





















## Lunch at Lakeside Tavern







## Kentucky Derby Raft Off





## Cruise to Chilhowee Dam & Lunch at Lake House Grill



Wear Your Favorite Team Colors RO





# Venetian Night Lighted Boat Parade



















## Auld Lang Syne RO













P/C & Founder Chuck Saying Goodbye to "Our Honey"







New Members
Carl & Sally Harris





## Your One Stop Shopping for the Best in TCC Logo Cruising Wear





### **2020 OFFICERS**

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#### **TCC Anchor Boats**

The following captains have volunteered (if available) to be anchor boats for Raft Offs when needed:
P/C Stu McFadden, Bill Hall,
P/C Errol Keith, John Krathwohl

#### TCC Men's Lunch Group (ROMEOS)

Captain: Ken Kofink 865-458-3225

### TCC Women's Lunch Group (JULIETS)

Captain: Linda Knecht 614-371-7508

#### **Boating Classes**

Knoxville Power Squadron: Tom Dietrich 865-657-9190 Coast Guard Auxiliary: Mike Colacone 352-804-8257



#### **Vessel Safety Inspections**

Coast Guard Auxiliary: Peter Kraslawsky 865-964-5558 Knoxville Power Squadron: Bill Hall 318-564-8412

