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Before You Launch

- 1. Inspect all around the hose clamps for rust and replace as necessary. Double clamp fuel lines and exhaust hoses with marine-rated stainless steel hose clamps.
- 2. Inspect all hoses for stiffness, rot, leaks and cracking, and replace any that are faulty. Make sure they fit snugly.
- 3. Inspect prop(s) for dings, pitting and distortion. Make sure cotter pins are secure.
- 4. Grip the prop (on inboard drive systems) and try moving the shaft up and down and side to side. If it's loose and can be wiggled, the cutless bearing may need to be replaced.
- 5. Make sure your engine intake sea strainer (if equipped) is not cracked or bent from ice and is free of corrosion, clean and properly secured.
- 6. Inspect, lubricate and exercise thruhull valves. It's a good idea to tie a rightsized wooden bung to the valve in case of failure.
- 7. Use a garden hose to check for deck leaks at ports and hatches. Renew caulk or gaskets as necessary.
- 8. Inspect and test the bilge pump and float switch to ensure they're both



working properly. Also inspect the pump's hose.

- 9. Check stove and remote LPG tanks for loose fittings, leaking hoses and properly functioning shutoff systems. Use the pressure gauge to conduct a leak down test to check for system leaks.
- 10. Inspect dock and anchor lines for chafe and wear.
- 11. If equipped, ensure that the stern drain plug is installed.
- 12. After the boat is launched, be sure to check all thru-hulls for leaks.

Engines and Fuel Systems

13. Inspect fuel lines, including fuel tank fill and vent hoses, for softness, brittleness or cracking. Check all joints for leaks, and make sure all lines are well supported with noncombustible clips or straps with smooth edges.

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News & Views

John Manczko



COMMANDER'S CORNER

I really love this time of year, seeing all the boats going in, dock areas being set back up! Spring is starting to bloom again! This is a busy time of year. The Blessing of the Fleet has been a TCC tradition since nearly its' inception. Our 25th Anniversary Celebration received great response. We're looking forward to seeing everyone on the Tennessee Star on Monday, May 16. TCC Raft-Offs begin this month. Please consider Captain'ing one of our events. We also need a few dedicated Anchor Boats for each raft -off. See 2nd Officer Larry Harlan for more details. We plan to have more weekday events at various locations. This month we'll have an abbreviated general meeting in order to memorialize TCC members who have passed away. This is a special, solemn, time-honored TCC tradition. I highly encourage all of our members to plan on attending.

In reviewing old TCC newsletters, I was amazed that back in 2012, the price of marine fuel in the area was \$4.00 a gallon. Some things don't change over time! Please be courteous to your fellow boaters. Also, tell your boating friends (who are not members) about TCC. You are our best advocates for recruiting new members.

John Manczko Commander - 847-997-5739

P.S. - We have a gift for each of our members in celebration of the TCC's 25 year longevity.

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- 14. Inspect fuel tanks, fuel pumps and filters for leaks. Ensure portable tanks and lines are completely drained of stale fuel before filling with fresh fuel. Clean or replace fuel filters and/or fuel-water separators if not done before winterization.
- 15. Charge battery.
- 16. Clean and tighten electrical connections, especially both ends of battery cables. Use a wire brush to clean battery terminals, and top off cells with distilled water (if applicable).
- 17. Inspect the bilge ventilation intake and blower ducting for damage or leaks and run the blower to confirm correct operation.
- 18. Test engine warnings and alarms.

Engine Outdrives and Outboards

- 19. Inspect rubber outdrive bellows for cracked, dried and/or deteriorated spots (look especially in the folds) and replace if suspect.
- 20. Check power steering and power trim oil levels.
- 21. Replace anodes/zincs that are more than half wasted.
- 22. Inspect the outer jacket of control cables. Cracks or swelling indicate corrosion and mean that the cable must be replaced.
- 23. Inspect lower unit oil level and top off as necessary.



Marina Advisory Committee Spring Updates

The 2022 boating season is just around the corner. Here's some news from the Marinas Advisory Committee about what's happening with our community docks this summer.

Dock Maintenance Projects

<u>Rub Rail Replacement:</u> This is an ongoing process, as we work our way through the system. Our contractor is currently replacing rub rails on D dock and will repair other docks as needed

<u>Dock Lighting:</u> The lighting on the docks at Kahite have recently been replaced by LED lights. This is primarily an energy saving initiative. The lighting at the Yacht Club, Tanasi Harbor and Tugaloo docks was changed out in recent years.

<u>Underwater Dock Inspections:</u> A dive inspection of all docks was carried out earlier this year. Minor maintenance issues were identified and some floats will need to be replaced.

<u>Townhome docks:</u> As a result of the POA's purchase of the remaining Cooper properties in Tellico Village, the townhome docks are now a part of the POA docks. These docks will be brought up to POA dock specifications this year, including: LED lighting, security gates, security cameras, electrical outlets, water stanchions, and fire extinguishers.

<u>Pressure washing:</u> Docks will be pressure washed mid -season. Date to be confirmed.

What's new?

<u>PWC Slips:</u> Another group of ten of the old style PWC slips in the Tanasi Harbor basin will be replaced by the newer style of slip that facilitates docking and can accommodate the newer, longer PWC's. Also, ten new PWC slips have been ordered. Locations to be determined. The old PWC slips will be offered for sale. If interested please contact Bruce Dillingham: email: orgtech1@yahoo.com

<u>Kahite Dock:</u> The installation of a new thirty-six slip boat dock in the Kahite harbor is scheduled to take place in September. The installation of the new dock should not interfere with the operation of our existing docks.

<u>Kahite Parking Lot:</u> Public Works will work on improving the access road and parking lot with chip and seal.

Safety

No Wake Zones: The Yacht Club basin and Tanasi are two areas which receive heavy traffic, and a no wake speed (idle speed) is required within their entire basins. Please make sure that your visitors boating with you are aware of these no wake zones. This applies to boats and PWCs. Fireworks: Please remember that setting-off fireworks on any of the Tellico Village docks is deemed to be unsafe and therefore forbidden. Setting-off fireworks could lead to your slip lease being terminated.

What can you do to help?

<u>Dock Damage</u>: We continue to experience unnecessary damage to the docks each and every year caused by boats surging forward and constantly rubbing against the dock. Repairs to this damage takes away scarce resources that could be applied to other needed dock improvements. Please secure your boat so that the bow is at least a foot away from the dock. Use a **spring line** (line from the outer end of your dock to the forward end of your boat) to control the tendency of your boat to surge forward due to wave or wind action.

<u>Vessel Registration:</u> If you have a boat or PWC moored in Tellico Village community docks, it must have a current Tennessee registration. Please remember to attach your current registration sticker to the boat. From time to time, Dock Captains monitor these registration stickers, so if yours is not up to date, they may give you a friendly reminder (if TWRA sees an out of date registration sticker, their reminder might be less friendly!).

<u>Vessel Appearance:</u> All Tellico Villagers take great pride in the appearance of our community. On open display to land and water visitors are the boats moored to our docks. The MAC and Dock Captains hope that each boater has as much pride in the appearance of their personal vessel as they do for Tellico Village as a whole.

<u>Dock Maintenance</u>: If you see something on the dock that needs repair or attention, please contact Public Works. For non-emergency issues, use the **Help Spot** link https://tvpoa.helpspot.com/. Using the Help Spot process enables the POA to respond promptly, as well as providing a source of information to identify recurring problem areas.



May Activities Calendar













SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	JULIETS EVENT Women Who Wine 12:30 p.m. Kathy Sech's Home	5	6	7 Frant Lake Orientation 1 p.m., Yacht Club
8	9	10	TCC Social/ Membership Meeting 5/6 p.m. Yacht Club	12	13	14
15	25th Anniversary Cruise 1 p.m. Star of Knoxville Knoxville	17	18	ROMEOs Luncheon 11:30 a.m. Tennessee Tap House, 11:30 a.m.	20	TCC Raft-Off, 1-4 p.m. Power Line Cove (Arrive early)
22	23	24	25	26	27	TCC Raft-Off 1-4 p.m. Power Line Cove (Arrive early)
29	30	31	ROMEOS Luncheon TENNESSEE TAP HOUSE 350 Peters Road, Knoxville Thursday, May 19 - 11:30 a.m. Sign-up at monthly meeting or call Bob Reed, 865-738-3643			





REMINDER: Don't forget to bring your check book to General Meeting if you plan to sign up for an event.





JULIETs Catered Breakfast Brunch

Sip & Swim (Eat, Drink & Swim)

Wednesday, June 22 - 12:30 p.m.

Place: Vicki Stevens, 123 Coyatee Circle (North End)

Menu: Bloody Mary/Lemon Mimosa, Egg/Sausage Casserole, Grits, Bacon, Biscuit & Gravy, Fruit Bowl, Cinnamon Roll

Pay \$20 for food & beverages (checks to Linda Knecht, NO REFUNDS)

If possible, please car pool and remember to park on the same side of the street.

Signup at TCC General Meeting

SAVE-THE-DATE





(Eat, Drink & Swim)

Thursday, July 21 - 12:30 p.m.

Place: Paulette Jennings, 325 Olmulgee Circle
Menu: Pre-made sandwiches, salad, beverages including
Sangria & wine and paper products.

Pay \$20 for food & beverages (checks to Linda Knecht, NO REFUNDS)

If possible, please car pool and remember to park on the same side of the street, and <u>don't forget</u> to bring your folding chair and water floatation.

Sign-up at monthly meeting or call Linda Knecht, 614-371-7508

BOATS FOR SALE

2002 Sea Ray 24' Deck Boat 5.0 MerCruiser, Bravo 3 outdrive, Low Hours. - \$35,000 - **Tom Gongola 865-203-8800**

2004 Crownline 216 21 ft. 350 Mag motor. Low hours. \$25,000 - **Tom Gongola 865-203-8800**

2016 REGENCY 254 DL3 27 foot 250 hp Mercury

27 foot, 250 hp Mercury Verado engine with 100 hours, two bimini tops, custom Trailer. \$62,000 -

Allan Heath 239-826-0387



1995 Chaparral 24' Signature 240 Express Cruiser 5.7 350 hp MerCruiser Low Hours, Excellent Condition. Electric and Gas Range, Refrigerator/Freezer 10 cu. ft., Head/Shower combo with sink. Full Queen Size berth plus V-Berth/Salon. Mooring Cover, Full Bridge Encloser, Dual Batteries and Charger, AM/FM/CD Stereo w/4 speakers, Standard Horizon VHF Radio with Shakespeare 8' Antenna, Garmin EchoMap GPS/Sonar with lake charts and updated software... and many more features. Boat has always been in Tellico area waters and professionally maintained. Recently serviced and ready for the boating season! Boat is docked at the Tellico Village Yacht Club Marina – \$17,990 – **Bill Van Plew 630-234-2414**





25th Anniversary Cruise Event

Monday, May 16th on The Star of Knoxville



Tickets are \$25 per person (No refunds after April 15)

Includes:

- Socializing on the Dock from 1 pm to 1:45 pm
- Cash Bar
- 2-hour Cruise begins at 2 pm Sharp (If you are late, you miss the boat!)
- 1 Champagne beverage (Toast)
- 1 Plated Hors d'oeuvres (Antipasto kabob, fruit kabob, mini chicken salad croissant, & 2 BBQ meatballs)
- 1 Plated 25th Anniversary Celebration cake
- Unlimited non-alcoholic beverages

Write checks to TCC and signup at the General Meetings and/or contact

Larry Harlan at: <u>Ldharlan@charter.net</u> or Nancy Campbell at: <u>nancycamp133@gmail.com</u>

Location for parking: 300 Neyland Drive, Knoxville (next to Calhoun's on the River)



RAFT-OFF PROCEDURES

The Cruising Club holds Raft-Offs frequently during the boating season. The purpose of the Raft-Off is to give club members the opportunity to get together and enjoy the lake.

What is a Raft-Off and what goes on there?

A Raft-Off is an opportunity to get together with fellow TCC members and have some fun with our boats on the lake. We tie our boats together (generally in a line) such that we can walk from boat to boat. We swim, talk, eat, drink and generally have a lot of fun.

Raft-Off Arrival Times

So that people can be in the water by 1 p.m., we ask that everyone follow the schedule below.

- > **Raft-Off Captains** should arrive by **noon**.
- > Cruisers should arrive by 12:15
- > Pontoon & Deck Boats arrive by 12:30
- > Runabouts & PWCs arrive by 12:45

Late arrivals after 1 p.m. will not be allowed to join the tied-up boats for safety reasons. They can anchor nearby. When the event is over, the procedure is reversed for disembarking.

Do I need any special equipment on my boat to join a Raft-Off?

Most importantly, a VHF radio tuned the channel 72 is required. In addition, you will need fenders, lines, a boat hook and potentially an anchor. You should have at least four fenders of the size appropriate for your boat. You'll need at least 3 lines - a bow line, a stern line at least 15' long and at least one spring line at least 25' in length. Lines should be of the size recommended for your vessel. An extendable boat hook is handy for transferring lines and pulling boats together. You should have an anchor appropriate for your boat with sufficient line (generally 100' or more). Finally, don't forget your TCC burgee!

<u>Click here</u> for more helpful information on the TCC website about participating in TCC Raft-Offs.





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WATTS BAR RENDEZVOUS

June 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, 2022 (Depart on the 16th)

Enjoy beautiful Watts Bar Lake and the serenity of Terrace View Resort and Marina. You can come by boat or car and stay one day or as many days as you like. Some even make it a day trip.



3367 Euchee Chapel Road Spring City, TN 37381 (423)365-6060

- Enjoy a raft-off at Sand Island.
- Card and board games poolside
- Pot Luck dinner, sunset dock parties
- Relaxing by the pool or on the covered deck
- Dining at one of the local marinas

Reservation for 2022 TCC Watts Bar Rendezvous

Name							
(if others are traveling w	ith you, please include their n	ames)					
Check the nights you will be staying 12_13_14_15_, or if a day trip, which day(s)							
How do you plan to travel to Terrace View: Own Boat Others Boat Trailer Boat Car Accommodations: Deskride Natal							
Accommodations: Dockside Motel Day Trip Only							
Dockside Requirements: 30 amp 50 amp No power (check one) (There is a \$1.00 per foot daily dockage fee.							
Boat Name	LengthBe	eam Type					
Dock assignments will be made by the Cruise Captains. Please do not call Terrace View.							
Accommodations are each individual's responsibility Remember, rooms fill up fast!!							
Please return your reservation ASAP at meetings, by mail, or email <u>before June 1st</u> .							
Your Captains:	Glen and Jodi Seymour 200 Ganega Trail Vonore, TN 37885	Home (423)884-6978 Cell (423) 920-5886 gsey@tds.net					



ROMEO's April Lunch



Blessing of the Fleet



2nd Officer Larry Harlan, Rev. Paula Smith, Bursar Bill Hall

















NOTE: Send your event photos to Cathy DeBoer at: tccfunpix@gmail.com.



OTC

Chuck & Deb Garon

New Members





Cliff & Kathy Jones

Judith Strohwig



Wally & Susan Weakley



Janet Parikh

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



SALE Out-Of-Date Inventory

<u>Was Now</u>
Shirts (7) \$45 \$30

Jackets (2) \$45 \$30

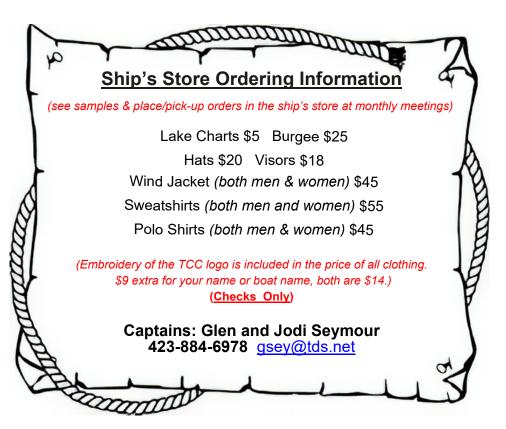
Sweat Shirts \$55 \$35

(2)

Women's \$22 \$13 Cover-ups (4)

Quantities Limited First Come-First Served

Checks Only



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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: Bob Reed 865-738-3643

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

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