# August, 2025 Dockside CHATTER





Welcome to Our Newest
TYC Members

Kevin Delgrosso
Hillary Farrell
Matthew Mosher
Cheryl Trenholme

Your TYC Crew 2024-2025

## **Bridge**

Dan Santry, Commodore Scott Creesy, Vice Commodore Nuno Couto, Rear Commodore Manuel Darosa, Treasurer Bob Bedard, Secretary

## **Board of Directors**

Donna Webster,
Immediate Past Commodore
Paul Moitoza, Elected
Howard Bibeault, Elected
John Stewart, Elected
Joyce Bedard, Elected
Chuck Webster, Elected

General Meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Summer Months @ 7:30pm Next meeting 8/18/25

## Commodore's Corner

Greetings to Everyone!

I hope you are enjoying the boating season! Please make safety your top priority during all summer activities and take full advantage of the events our club has planned. We encourage everyone to join in on these gatherings and offer assistance whenever you can.

Wishing you a wonderful summer, and please stay safe!

Best regards,
Dan Santry, Commodore

## \*\*\*CLUB REMINDERS\*\*\*

### Gas Pump

- Remember to LOCK the pump after use
- The key is returned to the hook in the club.

#### Club Launch

- It should be securely tied after use
- The engine should be up and out of the water
- The key is put back on the holder in the club.

#### Grills

- Remember to turn them off and clean up after yourself
- Place empty propane tanks on the top shelf in the cage

### Trash

Do not put your boat trash in the club trashcans. Please use the dumpster.

## Dogs

- Must be on leashes.
- Vaccination records on file with the club
- Clean up after your pet.

## Lights

Turn them off when leaving (if the club is empty that is)

#### Facebook

Join the Taunton Yacht Club Members Facebook Page

#### Photos

 Scan the QR code that is posted in the club to add your photos to a 2025 Season file and will be loaded onto our digital frame or on the website.

## WiFi Password

• TYC-1895

### Remember, this is OUR club!

Its growth depends entirely on the contributions of its members. Let's continue to improve together!

## EVENTS2025

- MARCH 15TH ST. PATTY'S DAY DINNER \$
- APRIL 13TH EASTER BUNNY PANCAKE BREAKFAST \$
- MAY- 3RD CINCO DE MAYO \$
- MAY- 17TH OPENING DAY
- JUNE 21ST- COAST GUARD INSPECTIONS
- JUNE 27TH- MOVIE NIGHT
- JULY 19TH- ANNUAL POKER RUN \$
- AUGUST 23RD- DOCK PARTY
- SEPTEMBER 20TH- CHICKEN DINNER \$
- OCTOBER 18TH- INSTALLATION DINNER
- NOVEMBER 22ND- TURKEY RAFFLE \$
- DECEMBER 14TH- BREAKFAST W/ SANTA \$

CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH DURING THE SUMMER

ADDITIONAL EVENTS & MOVIE NIGHTS TO BE ANNOUNCED

NOTE EVENTS WITH AN \$ ARE FUNDRAISING EVENTS- FEES APPLY

TYC'S 3rd Annual

Och Party

PARTY THROUGH THE DECADES

SATURDAY AUGUST 23, 2025 2:00PM

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon as we journey through the decades! We encourage boats at the dock to select a decade and unleash your creativity with decorations or dishes inspired by that era.

Don't forget to bring a dish to share and your favorite beverage for a relaxing afternoon on the docks and lawn!

\*\*Please note:\*\*
The bar will be closed for this event, so be sure to bring your own drinks.



## TYC Fyndraising Event Saturday, September 20, 2025



## Tickets \$20 per person

Social Hour:

5pm-6pm

Dinner:

6pm



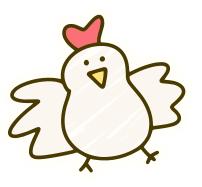
Advance Tickets Only RSVP By Sept 13th

Donna 774.644.1099 Marianne 508.294.0115

\*\*Live Entertainment\*\* Cash Bar\*\*



## Help Needed for the Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

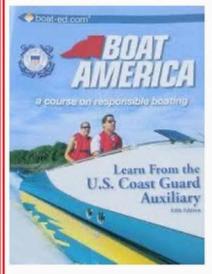


- Kitchen Help
- Food Line Server
- Clean up Help

If you are able to help, please see to Brian or Marianne Brisson or Jenn or Scott Creesy

Thank you in advance to make this event a success!

## **United States Coast Guard Auxiliary**



## **Boat America Class-Reservations**

We are now taking reservations for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary "Boat America" class at the Taunton Yacht Club on September 6, 2025 Saturday. The all day class will be presented by U.S.C.G. Auxiliary Flotilla 6-3 Onset-Wareham-Marion.

Reservations are required by Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025. Seating is limited to Thirty(30). This is a first come first serve event. Absolutely no walk-ins allowed. To make your reservations contact: Howard Bibeault at email <a href="mailto:hsbmdb@aol.com">hsbmdb@aol.com</a> or text to 401-265-0207, listing each individual participant and their legal

names for the certificate. This name should match your driver's license. Anyone twelve(12) years of age or older may attend. Please indicate the age if anyone participating is between twelve(12) and sixteen(16).

This is an all day class, with sign in at 08:30(8:30am) sharp. Payment of \$30.00 per person, cash or check(sorry no credit cards), will be required at sign in, when materials will be distributed. The class will run from 0900(9am) to 1700(5pm). Most all day classes run through lunch. Please brown bag your lunch and any snacks as well as anything else you may need for the day. You may want a pad to write additional notes on, as well as your favorite writing pen.

The class includes a fifty(50) question test. Those participants age twelve(12) to sixteen(16) must take an additional ten(10) question state test to receive their safe boating certificate.

"Boat America is a boating certificate class that offers an in-depth and interesting boating safety course, and provides the knowledge needed to obtain a boating certificate." Topics include: Introduction to Boating, Boating Law, Safety Equipment, Safe Operation and Navigation, Boating Emergencies, Trailering, Sports and Boating.

New law will require <u>all boaters</u> to complete or have completed a safe boating class reqardless of past experience or years on the water. Starting April 1, 2026, all motorized vessel operators must complete a state-approved education course to enhance safety across Massachusetts' waterways. If you have completed a class and have your safe boater card or certificate from a previous safe boating class you will not have to take the class again.

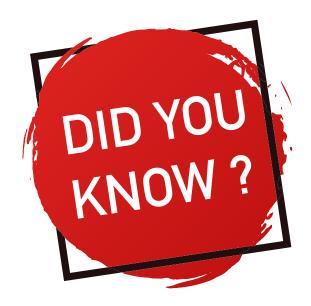
The law has a specific time frame for compliance with the safe boating class requirement;

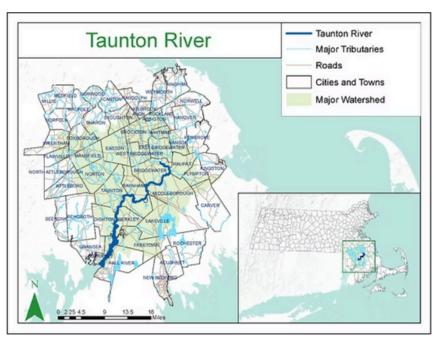
- \*\*If you were born after January 1, 1989, you must complete the course by April 1, 2026, with no penalties assessed until September 1, 2026.
- \*\*If you were born on or before January 1, 1989, you'll have until April 1, 2028, to complete the course.

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

- ... the sun is at its strongest between 10 AM and 4 PM?
- ... sunscreen will protect your skin even during those sunny winter days?
- ... yearly skin checks can reduce the risk of melanoma?
- ... being outside for just 10 minutes will boost your serotonin levels and improve your mental health?









The Taunton River is one of the most intact ecosystems in New England, and many of its habitats and species are ranked as global conservation targets. This unfragmented habitat from headwaters to the bay is regionally significant and hosts species found nowhere else in Massachusetts. The corridor supports 31 distinct wildlife habitats and is inhabited by 3 globally rare plants. Globally rare plants in the watershed include Long's bulrush, Long's bitter-cress, and Eaton's beggar-ticks.



#### Fish

The Taunton River is the longest undammed coastal river in New England and provides excellent habitat for all life stages of fish. The estuary is particularly valued for its nursery habitat for fish, such as winter flounder and tautog, as well as for its large anadromous fish runs, particularly river herring. The Taunton River supports about 45 species of fish and many species of shellfish. The Taunton River is extremely important in providing foraging, nursery, and migratory habitat for many species of fish.



#### Recreation

The Taunton River and its tributaries offer outstanding recreational opportunities, both on the water and along the shoreline where trails and parks allow for enjoyment of the scenic and natural beauty of the river.

Above the city of Taunton, the river meanders through a narrow corridor and offers excellent opportunities for paddlers. Paddlers can put in and take out boats at several points along the river, although some of these sites present difficult access (narrow paths, steep slopes, and parking issues). The most used access points are located next to bridges.

On the lower river, sportfishing is a popular activity. Boats can be launched at several boat ramps, and fishing is also popular from many of the wharves along the river as well as under the Brightman Street Bridge. On the lower river, the primary sportfish are striped bass and bluefish, while in the middle and upper river largemouth bass is popular.



#### Wildlife

The corridor is home to seven rare reptiles and amphibians. The corridor is home to 12 rare bird species. The marsh segments of the Taunton River support high concentrations of marsh nesting birds, including kingfishers, ospreys, and several species of herons. Endangered birds have been recorded including the American bittern, king rail, and pied billed grebe.

## KNOW THE 5 W'S (& H) OF SUNSCREEN



WHO: Everyone under the sun

WHAT: Broad spectrum SPF 30 or higher; SPF 50 or higher for a day outdoors

WHEN: Every day; 30 minutes prior to going outdoors. Reapply every two hours

WHERE: All exposed skin

HOW: One ounce (shot glass full) to entire body for each application

WHY: Reduce your risk of skin damage and skin cancer!

What does SPF mean? SPF **stands for** Sun Protection Factor. The number tells you how long the sun's UVB rays would take to redden your skin if you apply the sunscreen exactly as directed compared with the amount of time without sunscreen. So, if you use an SPF 30 product properly, it would take you 30 times longer to burn than if you used no sunscreen.

What level of SPF do I need? If you're inside most of the day with just short

## intervals in the sun, you can

use a sunscreen or cosmetic product with an SPF of 30 or higher. If you spend a lot of time outdoors, especially when and where the sun is strongest, you need an SPF 50 or higher, water-resistant sunscreen. No matter the SPF, **reapplication every two hours is key**. Sunscreen must also be reapplied immediately after swimming or sweating.

**Broad-spectrum protection:** In the past, most sunscreens only included information on product labels about protection against UVB - the rays that cause sunburn, and not UVA - the rays that cause tanning and premature aging. Now that UVA dangers are well known, broad-spectrum sunscreen provides clear information on product labels about protection against both UVB and UVA.

**Broad spectrum:** Protects your skin from both UVA and UVB rays. **SPF 30:** Ideal for every day,

occasional exposure, like walking your dog, or driving to work. Look for our **Daily Use Seal of Recommendation**. **SPF 50 or higher:** Necessary for extended outdoor activities, including distance running, hiking, swimming and outdoor sports. SPF 50 is a must if you work outdoors. Look for our **Active Seal of Recommendation**.

**Water resistant and very water resistant:** For swimming or intense exercise. No sunscreen is waterproof; they all eventually wash off. Sunscreens labeled water resistant are tested to be effective for up to 40 minutes of swimming, while very water resistant sunscreens stay effective for up to 80 minutes in the water.

## When should I apply sunscreen?

Every day! The best practice is to apply 30 minutes before venturing outside to allow the sunscreen to bind to your skin. Reapply every two hours and immediately after swimming or excessive sweating. Even when it's cloudy, up to 80 percent of the sun's UV radiation reaches the earth. Going unprotected on an overcast day can lead to skin damage.

## Where should I apply sunscreen?

Experts recommend applying sunscreen to your entire body before you dress for the day. That way your skin will be protected if your clothing shifts or you remove layers. At the very least, you should use sunscreen on every part of your body that is exposed to the sun, including those easy-to-miss spots: the tops of your ears, back of your neck, your scalp (on the part line), tops of your feet and behind your knees.

## How much sunscreen should I use?

To get the full broad-spectrum protection out of your sunscreen, apply one ounce — about a shot.

## Current Fuel Prices As Of 8/11/25

TYC REQUIRES that all persons EXCEPT the Captain MUST exit the boat while being fueled.

Mid-Grade Gas:
Member – \$3.29
Non Member – \$3.94
DIESEL:
Member -\$2.85
Non Member-\$3.50

Why couldn't the sailors play cards?

Because the captain was standing on the deck!



why do scuba divers fall backwards off the boat?

Because if they fell forward, they would still be on the boat!











