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Rising gas costs fuel interest in sailboats

BY BETH FEINSTEIN-BARTL

Waterfront News Writer

While on a recent three-week cruising tour of the Abaco islands, Marilyn Mammano spent less than \$300 in fuel.

No, it's not a misprint.

While many boaters are digging deeper into their pockets, folks like Mammano aren't feeling the same pinch at the pump. The reason? She owns a sailboat, a Moody 422 named *Blue Highway*.

"It takes us longer to get where we're going, but it costs less," said Mammano, a Fort Lauderdale resident and former rear commodore of the Gulfstream Sailing Club.

The idea that slower may be better is appealing to an ever-increasing number of recreational boaters. Faced with constantly rolling waves of rising fuel prices and calls for greener living, it seems more people are considering alternate, less expensive, environmentally-friendly ways to get out on the water.

A growing number are turning to wind and muscle. Although exact sales figures for 2008 won't be out for several months, some area dealers say interest is definitely on the upswing for sailing, canoeing and kayaking.

Pepper Rodda admits the trend is surprising. But it's a very pleasant one. Business has been very good, he said. "It's tripled this year," said Rodda, owner of Pepper



Paying to play

Photo/JOHN ZIEGLER
Gas prices may be
high but that doesn't
stop Burke Mooney,
owner of Exit out of
Fort Lauderdale, a
29-foot Island Hopper,
from gassing up at
Lauderdale Marina
in Fort Lauderdale
on a recent hot
summer afternoon.

Rodda Yacht and Ship Inc. in Fort Lauderdale.

Rodda began selling Hobie Cats in 1975 and now specializes in cruising sailboats. For the first he can remember, Rodda said he's seeing more power boaters inquiring about sailboats.

It's hard to ignore a pitch like the one Rodda gives about his own 42-foot sailboat, which he recently sold.

The vessel uses one gallon out to the inlet and back. The rest of the day is cruising, courtesy of Mother Nature.

"Power used to always outsell sail," Rodda said. "Now, I'm getting a lot of first time sailors. It's all because of the gas."

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Florida's gator farms rely on eggs culled from wild nests

BY BRIAN SKOLOFF

Associated Press Writer

IN THE EVERGLADES (AP) — It's 7 a.m. in the marsh, and like some sort of cigar-chomping swamp cowboy, biologist Lindsey Hord is about to reach for something that could cost him a few fingers — or worse — if he's not careful.

It's the first day of Florida's annual alligator egg collection program, a yearly ritual to replenish stocks for the state's gator farmers.

Hord and several other airboat pilots fire up their engines, giant fan blades spinning until they growl, and slowly glide out into a canal, voices crackling over their radios.

Thwump, thwump, thwump. A helicopter swoops overhead — the nest spotter.

Hord roars up to a small island and peers into the brush for a nest that to the untrained eye looks like just a patch of wet dirt.

Bingo.

He kneels beside the mound, carefully pulling apart the mulch-like mass of dark, damp weeds. Over his shoulder, just a few feet away, mama gator's bulbous eyes float ominously on the water's surface. She's watching, but keeping her distance.

"Her cave is right here somewhere, that's why she's nesting here," Hord says.

He gently pulls the eggs from the dirt and swipes a line on the tops with a black marker before placing them carefully in a plastic bin lined with muck to keep them warm.

"If they're not marked and we roll them over, it'll kill the embryo," Hord says.

To some, this might seem, well, crazy. For Hord, who



AP Photo/J. PAT CARTER
After driving their airboat into
the Everglades Brandon Hall
and Florida Fish and Wildlife
Commission biologist Lindsey
Hord, begin to collect alligator
eggs from a nest of mud and
material gathered by the
female alligator. Each egg is
marked on top to insure that
the egg is not turned upside
down, damaging the embryo.

helps coordinate alligator management in a state with more than a million of the prehistoric, toothy reptiles, it's another day at the office.

"You always have to watch your back," Hord says. "Usually, they will hiss and snap and make all kinds of noise, but I've had them just literally sneak up on me."

Each summer, scientists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission help collect up to 40,000 eggs for 30 farmers who share in the catch.

Each farmer gets roughly 1,000 eggs for about \$12 a pop,

money that pays for the hunt and funds future alligator management programs.

By day's end, the crews collect more than $1,000\,\mathrm{eggs}$. Not a bad start to the roughly 20-day season.

The American alligator has made a miraculous recovery, bouncing back from the brink of extinction. In 1967, after years of over-hunting and habitat loss, the gator was listed as an endangered species. But conservation efforts and hunting regulations led the federal government to pronounce

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Marina project draws the ire of neighborhood residents

Community News

Issue to be debated at planning and zoning hearing

BY BETH FEINSTEIN-BARTL

Waterfront News Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE — Neighbors from the River Oaks community are circling Aug. 20 on their calendars.

The date is the scheduled City of Fort Lauderdale planning and zoning hearing to determine amending a site plan to include a shed covering deep-water dockage at a nearby boatyard.

Several homeowners, whose homes face the New River, say the 41,000 square foot, 71-foot tall structure is intrusive. The business, Lauderdale Marine Center, contends the large boat barn provides a much needed service in today's ever-growing luxury yacht market and contributes to the local economy by drawing in the big boats and their crews.



Lauderdale Marine Center's attempts to build a new boat shed are being protested by neighborhood residents who say the project is intrusive.

Until a decision is reached, the shed sits unfinished on the eastern portion of Lauderdale Marine's property at 1601 SW 20th St. Construction was nearly complete when a stop work order was issued by the city, said Don Hall, an attorney representing Lauderdale Marine.

The shed had been included in the original site plan and Lauderdale Marine had received permits to go ahead with building, Hall said.

"But for some reason, no one knows why, the final set of plans did not include the shed," he said.

Because of the oversight, work has been put on hold and the amendment is now needed, Hall said.

The new barn is going on property that has been a working boatyard for three decades. The parcel was purchased by Lauderdale Marine over four years ago. The

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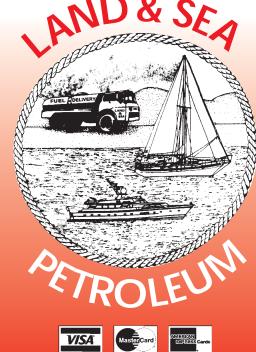


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Abundant butterfly peacock all the rage this summer



BY ARNOLD MARKOWITZ

Waterfront News Fishing Columnist

Everything about Everglades bass fishing is wonderful. Don't you agree? Oh, except the part about waking up in the middle of the night for non-natural reasons to get on the water by first light. I do that and I forget to bring things, and at the end of the day I'm overtaken by sleep loss and I lose things — last time, my house keys.

Please, no sympathy. I don't deserve it. In occasional confessions of ineptitude, there lurk lessons, some of wonder, some of woe. By printing them, I am able to deduct replacement costs for stuff I lose or ruin.

If IRS agents are reading this, ha ha, I'm only kidding. Really, by publicizing mistakes I perform a valuable public service, crucial to the national morale in these

For example, this essay will make tax agents glad to know they can sleep late and go to the Everglades in the heat of a midsummer mid-day when bass are almost inaccessible, and still get great light tackle action.

No, not with largemouth but with the not-a-bass butterfly peacock, fierce aggressor of urban and suburban canals and lakes from Homestead to Delray Beach - and now all the way west to Alligator Alley, Tamiami Trail and the L-67 canal.

Oh, that's huge. See, the peacock and the largemouth feed on different schedules, so fishing-doers who have endurance and drink lots of healthy fluids can fish dawn to dusk and catch bass at both ends of the day, peacock in

Standard practice for Everglades bass fishing is to stagger out of bed at an absurd time, drive half asleep to the swamp and fish for two hours or so — about as long as the bass feed actively before the sun's heat drives them into deep, deep cover.

Then the drill's the same whether you're a tax agent or a tax evader. You tie the boat up under a bridge, take out the beer and get stupefied. Around 5 or 6 p.m., or when-



Photo/Arnold Markowitz

These hard-bodied lures all catch butterfly peacock as well as bass. Small and smaller sizes work best. From left: floating Rapalas in a perch pattern, Heddon Torpedos with tail propellers and Rat-L-Traps — one with a tail spinner, one without. For largemouth, retrieve in slow twitches. For peacock, make it fast and noisy.

ever you run out of beer, you resume fishing for bass.

That isn't necessary now, with so many mistakenlycalled peacock bass out there. Those fish bite all day, no matter how hot it is, so you keep fishing and don't need as much beer. That keeps your boat lighter and it doesn't use as much gasoline.

Further down there's good info about how to switch lures and tactics from bass to peacocks. First, there's this:

I go bass fishing with Joe Oglesby, a bass purist who for about 30 years of partnership has always caught the first fish except maybe twice and the most fish except once, which I remember vividly because it was in the middle of last month.

Joe is so good at getting bass to bite his lures that even in the worst heat of a midsummer day, when they're under

deepest cover and are hardest to catch, he still catches a few.

On our latest trip, to Alligator Alley, neither of us caught a single bass. We didn't even see one, but we had a great day's fishing thanks to the one Florida freshwater fish I value more than bass: Mr. Butterfly Peacock.

The splendid green swimmer with dark bars, orange highlights and bumpy head spread into the swamps as long ago as the year 2000. This summer the species appears to be more abundant out there than ever. Our July trip was the first time Joe and I have caught more peacocks than largemouth, so I investigated.

State fish biologist Paul Shafland, who imported the fish to Florida from South America in the 1980s, didn't stock them in the Everglades. I like to think they were inspired to go there by reading up on the 19th Century editor Horace Greeley ("Swim west, young fish!"). Shafland doesn't think so.

"Those that now occur there are the result of natural expansion the past six consecutive mild winters or anglers illegally transporting/releasing them," he said. "Butterfly peacock finally got to L-67 and had a good spawn last year; and 10- to 13-inch fish are being regularly caught there now. Previously, butterfly peacock have only been incidentally caught from this area, but now I suspect this fishery will continue to develop until we have our next cooler than average winter."

The fish are cold sensitive.

All the peacocks that Joe Oglesby and I caught at Alligator Alley measured 13 to 14 inches. I went back a day later to search for my lost keys, found a school beside a launching ramp and caught about a dozen more, same size.

Rick Persson, an Everglades bass club leader, told me that's the size he's been seeing and hearing about.

"As soon as we have a cold front that will last for more than a couple of days, the peacocks and Oscars will

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Everglades' peacocks may grow as summer wears on

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die. They can't take water colder than 60 degrees," Persson said.

Shafland said the winter of 2000-01 killed the peacock population in the Everglades and just about everywhere else outside of the main peacock canals. Since then, in milder winters, the swamp fish have done fairly well. This year, so have fishing-doers.

Creel surveys on the L-67 canal by Florida Fish and Wildlife show strong peacock catches last December and January and again in March and April, Shafland said. The peacocks that Joe and I caught in July - and the largemouths we didn't catch – exactly fit Shafland's explanation.

"The water is fairly high and it seems many largemouth bass likely remained in the marsh while the butterfly peacock concentrate in the warmer main canals where they can be caught."

Capt. Alan Zaremba, a guide who's guru to peacock fishers, thinks they'll be bigger as summer goes on.

"Most of the peacock bass are running small out in the glades, but they do grow very fast, so expect that to change soon," he said. "I have caught a couple at three pounds (the parents no doubt) in the glades."

Joe and I noticed them two or three years ago, on a rare sunny day during a period of heavy summer rain. We'd been on the L-67 at Everglades Holiday Park and were bringing Joe's boat in when he noticed two peacocks circling in shallow water on the ramp.

They looked lost, as if they'd gotten off the bus at the wrong stop. The flood control dam between the park and Griffin Road was pouring a torrent of water into the swamp. We guessed they'd just been flushed in. Joe and I grabbed our rods and caught both fish.

Last month at Alligator Alley and L-67, Joe caught his peacocks on a small perch-pattern Rapala jerk lure. I got mine on yellow popping flies - mostly one called Zoo Cougar, which looks like a bass fly even though Montana guide Kelly Galloup invented it for large trout.

Most of the time, peacocks and bass will bite the same lures and flies. There are some differences, though. Both

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fish strike at commotion lures with rattles inside or little propellers on the ends. For bass, retrieve those with a slow, subtle twitch. For peacock, make the retrieve fast, noisy, even violent.

Don't fish for peacock with soft plastic worms, lizards and such. Bass go for those. Peacock don't. Explanations seem inadequate, but careful observation of the fish can give us clues.

Shhh. Listen.

Peacock Kid: There's a soft plastic thingy. Dibs! Peacock Mom: No you don't. We don't eat that stuff. PK: Why not?

PM: It's largemouth bass bait, not in our culture.

PK: But we eat minnows and so do they.

PM: They have theirs. We have ours.

PK: We're better than they are, right?

PM: Never say that out loud. It's disrespectful. After all, they were in the Everglades when our ancestors were still in darkest South America, beating on tom-toms and stuff like that.

PK: There's a bright yellow thingy going ploop, ploop. Can I eat it?

PM: Go ahead. Watch out for bones.

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Admiralty Law

When boats are not real

BY MARK ERCOLIN

Admiralty Law columnist

It was the ancient Greek playwright Sophocles who first wrote about the common practice of killing the messengers of bad news. Shakespeare also mentions this sorrowful tradition in several of his works.

Fortunately, while we no longer execute the bringers of ill tidings, it doesn't stop many from critiquing such messages and their authors and demanding happier news. It seems that human nature finds it difficult to work with information that runs counter to their preconceived convictions and anticipated outcomes.

I played the messenger recently after writing about how the state requires water-front homeowners to pay state sales tax when renting out dock space to other people's boats. This requirement stands regardless of whether the transaction is actually illegal due to local land use restrictions or zoning laws.

Some readers were upset that I failed to offer arguments to justify continuing this illegal underground economy (which apparently should include ignoring state tax requirements). Intriguingly, they were not outraged by the Byzantine nature of the municipalities that keep homeowners from renting their docks legally without fear.

Among the more common arguments put forward: "Well, I'm renting my old apartment to someone now, and I don't pay sales tax on that. Why should renting my dock be different?"

Unfortunately, these readers are approaching the problem from an inaccurate perspective. They have chosen to regard the rental of dock space to a vessel as the equivalent of renting a domicile to a person. This is not the case.

Instead, the storage of a piano at a warehouse would be a better comparison. Since one would pay sales tax when renting



out warehouse space to store a piano, so too would the person who is renting out dock space to a vessel.

It helps to understand the legal perspective on certain types of property, which is generally separated into three categories: real, personal and intellectual.

Intellectual property deals with the use and valuation of ideas (e.g. patents, books, music, etc.). Real property addresses the use and valuation of land and those things permanently attached to it (such a house or a barn). Virtually, all other objects are viewed in legal terms as personal property — including boats.

When a landlord rents out a house or apartment to another person, it is the general legal view that real property is being given over for someone else's use and enjoyment. When it comes to taxes, this scenario is far different from renting out space to store an item of personal property — as is the case with a boat.

The fact that many people live on boats does not change the view that boats are instruments of commerce that move people and cargo. As such, boats are legally seen as personal rather than real property.

Or, to put it another way, boats are not real — at least not legally.

Meaning that when someone pays to dock a boat, they are paying to store a piece of property rather than rent a place to stay. So despite arguments to the contrary, the state of Florida has the right to demand sales tax just like they would from any other form of storage rental.

Now remember, don't shoot the messenger!

Mark Ercolin is a Fort Lauderdalebased maritime attorney. The information offered in this column is summary in nature and should not be applied to specific cases or situations.

Dead Reckoning

A boat by any other name...

BY BOB E. SHERMAN

Waterfront News Columnist

Naming boats is an art form. I've been told that if you buy a boat that already has a name, it's bad luck to change it. I have done this several times and so far I haven't been sucked into the Bermuda Triangle.

I've also been told it is bad luck to go out into the ocean with a boat that has no name. Magellan sailed for the Philippines in 1519. All his boats had names and he still had bad luck. Possibly he brought the bad luck on himself when he tried to convert an Indian chief to Christianity. I wonder which part of "no" Ferdinand didn't understand?

The ritual of naming boats goes back thousands of years. I couldn't find any record of the actual name of Noah's Ark. It appears that people used to call their boats by their own name, e.g. "John's Boat" or "Paul's Boat."

It's always fun to look at the names of boats when we're cruising and wonder if there is a story behind each. Men with no imagination often name their boats after their wives, sometimes preceded by "Princess" or "Lady."

My current boat is named *Loose Change*. It was called *Sea Change* when I bought it. So then why did I decide to change it, no pun intended?

We were talking to some friends one night and discussing possible names. "Maybe I'll call it *Loose Change*," I blurted out. It stuck. It also turned out to be a good lead-in for a joke — it took a lot of "loose change" to buy the boat, or all I have left after buying it is "loose change."

We have some envelopes onboard for people to leave tips or donations when they ride with us. The bank tellers use small envelopes with "Loose Change" printed in bold letters on them, so I picked up a dozen at the bank. So far I've yet to receive any donations.



You can tell a lot about people by the name they give their boats. On a recent trip to Miami I docked next to *Mer Sea*. The owner spoke French. My neighbor's boat is named *Fa-Cha-Dit*, which is Yiddish for mixed up, or messed up. Capt. Mel has owned the boat for 20 yeas and never throws anything out. Get the picture?

Several years ago my yacht club went on a west coast cruise. One of our new members hadn't named his boat yet. At the captain's meeting prior to the trip we explained that we would all monitor channel 69 on the VHF radio and we had to refer to him by name. We could not pressure him into coming up with a name on such short notice, so we decided to refer to his boat as "No Name." By the time we had returned home we had all gotten used to it. He has now formally named his boat *Noname*, pronounced "no nami."

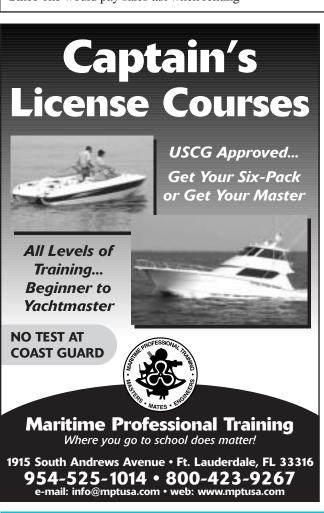
Here's some other names I considered: Ahoy Vey, Hardly Davidson, Passing Wind, Irish Wake, Das Boat, Sue Me, Piso Mojado, Sea More, Monthly Payments, Dry Rot, Offline, Out of Line, Boat.com, Knot 4 Sail, Some Ketch, Ray Sea, Evan Rude, Man Law, Knot Sense, Free Dumb, Mi Sea Elo, No Hurry Cane and Enola Cay.

If you're still stumped for a name, a trip to the grocery store should offer some ideas. On my last shopping trip I came up with the following:

Pep Sea, Mixed Nuts, Slim Jim, Reef Jerky, Ships Ahoy, Liquid Plumber and Coldwater Tide.

Don't be afraid to experiment. Unlike the crazy names that parents pick for their kids now days, a boat name is easily changed.

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Small craft storage available on beach

BY BETH FEINSTEIN-BARTL

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HOLLYWOOD — Small boat owners are getting their own place in the sun along the shores of Hollywood beach.

City officials are setting aside a stretch of sand for storage of non-motorized recreational craft, measuring no longer than 18 feet. The program will be run on a six month trial, with 15 spaces available on a first come, first serve basis from Aug. 1 to Dec. 26.

The storage plan is being modeled on a similar program in Fort Lauderdale that's been operating for more than 20 years, said Chuck Ellis, director of Hollywood's parks, recreation and cultural arts department

Hollywood's site will be mostly geared to Hobie-type sailboats. Monthly fees are \$90 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. An area is being set aside in a more secluded section of the North Beach district. The parcel, between Custer and Mead streets, sits just past the eateries and shops lining the busy beachfront walkway known as the Broadwalk.

To allow for the trial, an ordinance previously prohibiting small boat storage on the beach was recently amended by the Hollywood City Commission, Ellis said.

Permits will be issued only to private recreational users whose boats are in good working condition. There will be no rentals or subletting, Ellis said.

The storage site is expected to provide an additional colorful image to the city's beachfront and is being done in response to requests from several small-boat owners.

Once the trial period ends, the plan will be reevaluated. A decision will be made whether to make it permanent. Ellis said.

If the success of Fort Lauderdale's program is any indication, spaces on Hollywood beach should fill up quickly.

The 20 reserved spots set aside by Fort Lauderdale officials have been snapped up. There is a waiting list of some 25 people, said Chaz Adams, city spokesman.

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Currently, there are 17 Hobie Cats and three outrigger

canoes stored just north of the South Beach parking lot, where Seabreeze Boulevard meets State Road A1A. Fees are \$900 a year for residents, \$1,200 for non-residents, said Chaz Adams, city spokesman.

The program is very popular. "It's a convenient and economical place where owners can store their nonmotorized craft," Adams said.

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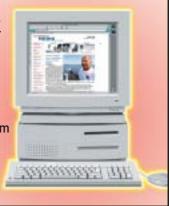
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First 'green' tent to be unveiled at fall boat show

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Novices are also looking at kayaks and canoes. Nationwide, retailers are having a decent season, especially with rentals, said Matt Menashes, president of 425-member Paddlesports Industry Association in Silver Spring, Md.

"Conventional wisdom states when the economy is suffering, people are taking vacations closer to home," said Menashes, whose group represents manufacturers, retailers and outfitters in North America.

'We're hearing from boaters they want to get on the water more often, but not at \$5 a gallon.'

— Davin Record

Kayak shop manager

Susan Richardson, owner of the Atlantic Coast Kayak Co. in Pompano Beach, said the people she refers to as "stay-cationers" are among her best clients. "I think more people are questioning their lifestyle choices."

Eddy Ledesma, a tour guide with the Full Moon Kayak Co., sees a surge too. Full Moon's rental and tour center, inside Oleta River State Park in North Miami Beach, is bustling.

"The economy's a factor," Ledesma said. "People are trying to save on gas by taking closer to home."

Kayaking is already a growing sport. More folks testing the waters with day trips and weekend outings should have a positive affect on sales, say retailers.

Newcomers can get started for as little as \$500, said Davin Record, shop manager at Adventure Time Kayaks in North Palm Beach.

Customers coming to Adventure Time vary. Some want to use kayaks and canoes in addition to their motorized vessels. Others are outfitting old kayaks, previously stored in garages, with new equipment, Record said.

The benefits go beyond cost savings. The craft pro-

vide exercise and offers access to places where gas engine boats are prohibited, like nature preserves, Record said.

Kayaks come in every shape and size with paddles or pedals, for use in fresh and saltwater. Newer models are being manufactured with lighter weight materials and recycled plastic.

"We're hearing from boaters they want to get on the water more often, but not at \$5 a gallon," Record said. "This is more affordable."

Going green

Power boaters are looking to go green and save on gas. Emily Taffel-Schaper, spokesperson for the annual Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show, said the firstever green tent will be unveiled at the 2008 exhibition, Oct. 30 to Nov. 3.

The tent, featuring mostly products and inflatables, is being added based on consumer demand. Another first for 2008, the show will have a hybrid electric boat on display.

Visitors can also expect to see more powerboat models boasting lower emissions, an increase in catamaran exhibitors and green technology like solar panels for super yachts, said Taffel-Schaper.

The National Marine Manufacturers Association public

awareness campaign, www.DiscoverBoating.com/green/ has a special section on the latest technology such as accessories and engines.

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Lauderdale board to debate marina shed plans

MARINA PROJECT FROM P. 3

new shed replaces an older, unsightly structure, said Mark Pratt, general manager at Lauderdale Marine Center.

The former barn was the same size but much shorter. about 40 feet in height, Pratt said.

Bob Gargano, a Fort Lauderdale waterfront Realtor who lives on the South Fork of the New River in the Citrus Isles neighborhood, said neighbors had no objections to the prior shed.

"The new one is too large," Gargano said. "We feel it should be taken down. It's massive and doesn't belong here."

Tony Vaccaro, another homeowner, agrees. "It just sticks out," he said.

Both men say they're expecting a large turnout of residents at the planning and zoning hearing to challenge Lauderdale Marine's plan.

The shed is being erected in an area zoned industrial, permitting up to 150 feet in height for structures. The new shed falls well below the city's height requirement,

The covering blocks the sun, protecting the paint jobs of the expensive large vessels. The structure is expected to become a major attraction among yachts owners looking for premium dockage, Pratt said.







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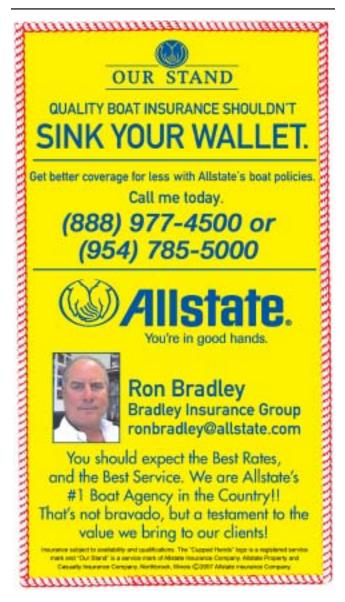
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Environmentalists sue EPA for cleaner water rules

Urban runoff contaminating coastal canals, rivers

BY BRIAN SKOLOFF Associated Press Writer

WEST PALM BEACH (AP) — Five environmental groups sued the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in July, claiming the federal government is violating the Clean Water Act by failing to set standards for farm and urban runoff that is polluting Florida's waterways.

The plaintiffs hope a favorable ruling would force the EPA to implement standards for every state, most of which have only vague limits on such pollution, said Earthjustice attorney David Guest.

The groups say rain sends the runoff, which includes fertilizers and animal waste, into rivers and lakes, contaminating waterways and nourishing algae blooms that poison the ecosystems.

"This is endemic throughout the United States," Guest said. "When you fertilize the water, it makes it so that only one instrument in the ecological orchestra can play. Where you used to have this vast ecological orchestra, now it's only the algae playing."

He said the runoff can also contaminate drinking water supplies and sicken or kill people.

The federal lawsuit was filed in Tallahassee by the Florida Wildlife Federation, the Sierra Club, the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, the Environmental Confederation of Southwest Florida and the St. Johns Riverkeeper.

Guest said the algae blooms are fueled by nutrients from the runoff, which spread throughout waterways, then die and suck up all the oxygen, killing most other life.

EPA said it is reviewing the lawsuit, but noted states should develop their own guidelines.

"It's a priority for EPA to have states adopt sciencebased numeric standards to control nutrient pollution," EPA Assistant Administrator for Water Benjamin H. Grumbles said in an e-mail.

According to the lawsuit, the EPA acknowledged 10 years ago that Florida needed to promptly develop runoff standards to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

Florida's Department of Environmental Protection is still working to set guidelines, which are complex because the agency hasn't determined exactly how much runoff can continue without harming ecosystems, spokeswoman Dee Ann Miller said.

According to the lawsuit, the EPA acknowledged 10 years ago that Florida needed to promptly develop

runoff standards to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

The EPA noted in 1998 that "nutrient pollution is the leading cause of impairment in lakes and coastal waterways," according to the lawsuit. At the time, the agency also said the nutrients in runoff had been linked to so-called "dead zones" in the Gulf of Mexico and outbreaks of Pfiesteria, a microscopic organism that lives in estuaries and could harm humans and fish.

Congress enacted the Clean Water Act in 1972 "to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's waters."

But Guest noted that the Chesapeake Bay, for instance, has been suffering for years from toxic algae blooms caused by water pollution and runoff from development. At times, large swaths of the bay contain so little oxygen that little life remains.

"No other life can live there besides the algae," Guest said. "This is about fertilizing water, and when you fertilize water, algae goes crazy and everything else gets pushed out."

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Scientists consider relocating endangered species

AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With climate change increasingly threatening the survival of plants and animals, scientists say it may become necessary to move some species to save them.

Dubbed assisted colonization or assisted migration, the idea is to decide how severe the threat is to various species, and if they need help to deal with it.

"When I first brought up this idea some 10 years ago in conservation meetings, most people were horrified," said Camille Parmesan, a biology professor at the University of Texas.

"But now, as the reality of global warming sinks in, and species are already becoming endangered and even going extinct because of climate change, I'm seeing a new willingness in the conservation community to at least talk about the possibility of helping out species by moving them around," she said. Parmesan discusses the idea in a recent edition of the journal Science.

It's an idea that makes conservation biologists nervous.

There are plenty of risks in moving plants and animals to new locations. They may not survive, or they may become invasive, growing wildly without predators and crowding out natives of their new location.

And it's not possible to relocate every species that may need it, so how to decide who gets moved and who gets left behind to become extinct?



AP File Photo/PAUL SAKUMA

Stanford University biologist Terry Root is urging her fellow biologists to prioritize which endangered species should be relocated.

Stanford biologist Terry Root has been traveling the country urging her colleagues to come up with a plan for "triage" to decide which species should be saved from global warming and which can't. After other biologists complained about the word "triage," Root said she now calls it prioritizing which species should be saved.

"We've got to work on the ones we have a prayer of saving," Root said.

Some species will have to be written off, she suggested, such as threatened and endangered species of the Sky Islands in Arizona and New Mexico because "they don't have any place to move to."

"Those species are functionally extinct right now," Root said. "They're toast."

When deciding which species to save and which to watch die, Root said one key is uniqueness. That's why she said she'd save the odd-looking Tuatara of New Zealand, a lizard-like creature with almost no living relatives, over the common sparrow.

The risk of extinction has to be balanced by the potential hazard to the community where a species is relocated as well as the time and cost of making the move, Parmesan says.

"Ultimately, the decision about whether to actively assist the movement of a species into new territories will rest on ethical and aesthetic grounds as much as on hard science," she said in a statement.

"Passively assisting coral reef migration may be acceptable, but transplanting polar bears to Antarctica, where they would likely drive native penguins to extinction, would not be acceptable," she said.

"Conservation has never been an exact science, but preserving biodiversity in the face of climate change is likely to require a fundamental rethinking of what it means to preserve biodiversity," Parmesan said.

AP Writer Seth Borenstein contributed to this report.

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State program helps farmers raise alligators for meat, hides

GATOR FROM P. 1

the alligator fully recovered 20 years later.

Biologists say the egg collections don't harm the gator population, since a typical female lays about 35 eggs, the reptiles can reproduce for 25 years and they only need a few viable babies apiece to keep their numbers healthy.

Experts say the collections can actually help since the more alligators there are, the lower the survival rate for their young.

Since the collections began in 1988, roughly 600,000 eggs have been gathered and distributed to farmers, who can make up to \$100,000 a year in profits by selling the hides (flawless ones go for about \$240) and meat, which can fetch about \$12 a pound retail or \$6 wholesale.

Each gator produces up to seven pounds of meat, most of which is sold in the U.S., while the hides go to European tanneries to be used for products such as boots, belts, wallets and luggage.

Allen Register owns Gatorama near Palmdale in the heart of the Glades, an old Florida roadside tourist attraction and alligator farm. He's also the statewide coordinator for the collection program.

He's got some 3,000 gators on his farm and slaughters about 1,000 a year. The stress of captivity keeps female gators from laying enough eggs to sustain a farm, so the collections are needed to keep the business going.

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Back in the marsh, Hord is on his knees, surrounded by a forest of towering sawgrass. Tiny bugs dance on the water around him. Dragonflies flutter above spider webs bigger than beach balls.

"It's not looking good," he says, digging through yet another potential nest. "We may have an empty one here."

He stands briefly to swat stinging fire ants from his legs, arms and neck, then ignores the few stragglers of biting insects and hunches over again. Squinting his eyes, Hord brushes away the dirt to reveal a layer of soft-shell turtle eggs that lay atop the real prize, the gator eggs.

"Hiding them to the side, sneaky," Hord says, plucking them up one by one, occasionally glancing over his shoulder, on the lookout for a defensive attack from the female gator.

"They're always here," he says. "Somewhere nearby. We just have to be very

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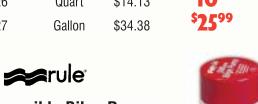


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Mandela's former S. African island prison a dubious tourist spot

Waypoints

BY CLARE NULLIS
Associated Press Writer

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — The former prison on Robben Island where Nelson Mandela spent 18 years is an international tourist icon. But the site is plagued by a host of troubles, including alleged mismanagement, a budget crisis, and stormy weather that sometimes keeps ferries and thousands of would-be visitors away.

The island's problems even include an infestation of 4,000 rabbits, which have overrun the world heritage site treasured for its colonies of penguins and endangered birds.

Paul Langa, a former political prisoner turned museum chief executive officer, says the museum is "crippled" by lack of funds.

"We need to look into the coming 10 years with a different eye," Langa recently told a parliamentary committee. "The pain and history in that space is our pain, our history. We need to put more heads together so we can look into the problems inside."

The museum received \$5 million in government funding this year, an amount Langa would like to see tripled. But two executives were suspended last year after the museum reported an unexplained deficit of \$3.2 million. Government arts and culture minister Pallo Jordan says an audit uncovered "shocking mismanagement."

Meanwhile the island's most famous inmate turned 90 this summer. Mandela's No. 7 cell was repainted ahead of the celebration, but the blankets and bowls he used are still there, as is the bucket he used as a toilet and had to empty every morning.

Haunting photographs and stories from guides, who used to be prisoners, recall the daily hardship and degradation: lights burning all night in torment; rules forcing black prisoners to wear shorts rather than long trousers worn by mixed race inmates; censorship of letters; guard dog kennels bigger than the human cells.

Robben Island, which was once a leper colony because of

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its isolation, was from 1961 to 1991 a maximum security prison for anti-apartheid leaders, including Mandela. It became a museum and national monument in 1997. The United Nations declared it a world heritage site in 1999.

The museum is working on a new "visitor experience" to improve facilities and boost tourism from the current maximum 1,200 people per day to 1,800. But weather is a big obstacle. High winds and rough seas prevented ferries from sailing 65 days last year, causing disappointment to tens of thousands of tourists and depriving the museum of their \$19 fare.

A new 300-seat boat, Sikhululekile or "We are Free," was launched earlier this year, halving the time of the 7-mile crossing from Cape Town to 20 minutes and doubling passenger capacity. Delivery of the ferry was more than a year late and there have been teething problems, so the museum continues to use relics like the Susan Kruger, named after the wife of a former justice minister and used to transport staff to the island in the apartheid era.

Jan Moolman has been skipper of the Susan Kruger and has lived on Robben Island since 1963. His son was born there, his daughter married there and grandchildren were baptized there. But his wife is counting the days till he retires and they move to the mainland in 2010.

"For 45 years I've lived on the sea and surrounded by sea, but now I want to get away," Moolman says, a sentiment echoed by most islanders.

There used to be more than 2,000 inhabitants — excluding prisoners. But since the island was declared a heritage site, the number has dwindled to less than 200.

A feeling of forlornness permeates the village, which is off limits to tourists.

Frikkie Nel, a former prison nurse, treats colds and tour guides' overstrained vocal cords at the island clinic. His wife runs the post office, which wins regular awards for its efficiency — small wonder given there are so few customers. His 20 year-old twin daughters work in the curio shop, although one of them, Merle Nel, is about to move to the Netherlands as an au pair.

Rabbits have nibbled away what little vegetation grows in the barren soil — including Nel's garden. The bunny population exploded after authorities removed 100 wild cats that had been stalking rare birds, including the endangered black oyster catcher.

The flash of rabbit tails punctuates the landscape they are decimating. Wildlife officials and local game reserve owners must bring in food for other island animals, and plan to move the estimated 200 European fallow deer — regarded as an alien species and so not allowed under South Africa's strict conservation rules — to mainland parks.

Animal welfare groups initially protested plans to kill the rabbits. But now, even the head of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Allan Perrins, concedes that the rabbits must go."

Despite the island's problems, the reasons for preserving its famous prison remain unchanged.

"While we will not forget the brutality of apartheid, we will not want Robben Island to be a monument to our suffering and hardship," says former political prisoner Ahmed Kathrada in a message at the ferry terminal entrance. "We would want it to be a triumph to the human spirit against the forces of evil."

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You can have your creamy frosting without the cake

Galley

BY TERRY TANG

Associated Press Writer

Think you can handle a shot of the hard stuff? Better saddle up to the bar with your toothbrush.

The bake shop boom that has fueled the oh-so-retro love affair with cupcakes has spawned a new — albeit micro trend that has Saturday night hipsters doing a new style of shot that won't burn your gullet like 150 proof.

Frosting shots.

And yes, it's exactly what you think it is. At a handful of cupcake storefronts around the country, the frosting shot has emerged as a short-but-sweet pick-me-up for urbanites and college students.

The gist is generally the same bakery to bakery: For a small fee, customers get a dollop of their favorite frosting in a paper or plastic cup, about the size of a frozen yogurt sample.

While some bakeries keep the frosting shot a strictly must-ask-for item, several cupcake shops have made it an official menu offering.

"It's kind of the cut-to-the-chase evolution of cupcakes," says Tanya Steel, editor-in-chief of foodie Web site Epicurious.com. "I can imagine it being at parties. It's a great thing to have at an office party. It provides just a little bite of sweetness and yumminess without going whole hog."

"It's really about developing frosting for the person who can't keep their hand out of the frosting bowl," says Sprinkles co-founder Candace Nelson. "Some people are so focused on the frosting, they'll walk out with 10 different frostings of all different flavors."

The frosting shot seems like an inevitable arc in the trajectory of the cupcake industry. It's not the kind of food concoction that can be traced back to one person or party, Steel says.



AP Photo/LARRY CROWE

Cinnamon-Vanilla Frosting Shots: Unlike the alcoholic 150 proof shot, these sweet cups of Cinnamon-Vanilla Frosting appeal to those who enjoy frosting without the cake.

For many bakers, the idea came out of a random conversation, usually with a frosting fanatic.

Erin McKenna, owner of BabyCakes NYC in Manhattan which offers vegan cupcakes — first tested her desserts while working at Mario Batali's trattoria, Lupa. There, a customer suggested making extra frosting as shots. She had no idea a little bit of frosting would go a very long way.

Cinnamon-Vanilla Frosting Shots

BY J.M. HIRSCH

AP Food Editor

This creamy, sweet frosting begs to be slathered on carrot cake or banana bread. But if frosting shots are more your style, it's also delicious on its own. Consider dusting the shots with a sprinkle of cinnamon.

Start to finish: 15 minutes Servings: About 30 shots

8-ounce package cream cheese, room temperature

1/4 cup butter, room temperature 1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/8 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons vanilla extract 4 1/2 cups powdered sugar

In a large bowl, combine the cream cheese, butter, cinnamon, salt and vanilla. Use an electric mixer with the whisk attachment on high to beat until well mixed. Add the powdered sugar and mix on low until just incorporated.

Increase speed to high and beat until thick and smooth. (Frosting can be refrigerated. Allow 10 to 15 minutes after removing from refrigerator before proceeding.)

Transfer the frosting to a large plastic bag or piping bag fitted with a large icing tip. Pipe the frosting into small paper muffin cups, shot glasses or onto spoons arranged on a serving platter.

Chocolate Buttercream Frosting Shots

Using marshmallow cream as the base of this faux buttercream frosting is a great cheat. This frosting whips up thick and chocolately and is great served as shots garnished with shaved dark chocolate.

Start to finish: 15 minutes Servings: About 30 shots

1/2 cup butter, room temperature

8 ounces marshmallow cream

1/8 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/2 cup cocoa powder

2 cups powdered sugar

In a large bowl, combine the butter, marshmallow cream, salt and vanilla. Use an electric mixer with the whisk attachment on high to beat until well mixed. Add the cocoa powder and mix on low until just incorporated.

Add the powdered sugar and mix on low until just incorporated, stopping to scrape the sides as needed. (Frosting can be refrigerated. Allow 10 to 15 minutes after removing from refrigerator before proceeding.)

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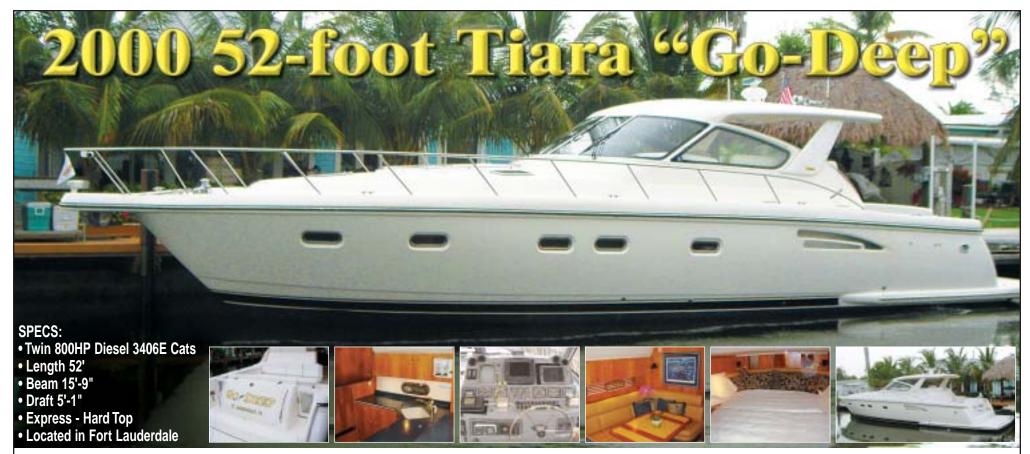




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2, Saturday

America's Boating Course: 8:15 a.m., continues Sunday at 2 p.m., sponsored by the U.S. Power Squadron at 1125 Old Dixie Highway, Lake Park. Cost: \$30. 561-863-1461.

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3, Sunday

Seven Seas Cruising Association: 8 a.m. breakfast for international group of cruising sailors, in the back room of the Egg & You Diner, 2621 N. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale. 954-771-5660; www.ssca.org. Kayaking on the Middle River: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. kayak rentals weekends

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at the Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th St., Wilton Manors. Cost:

free. 954-389-2000; http://hambe3.net/index.html. Dream Car Classic: 9 a.m. car registration, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. show along Hollywood Boulevard from 19th Ave. west to 21st Avenue, Hollywood, featuring dozens of pre-76 vintage cars. No cost. 954-921-3016

SunTrust Sunday Jazz Brunch: from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. along Riverwalk in downtown Fort Lauderdale. No cost. 954-828-5985 or 954-468-1553.

4, Monday

Yoga Class: 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at Secret Woods Nature Center, 2701 W. State Road 84, Dania Beach. Cost: \$9 per class or 10 classes for \$80. 954-791-1030.

Knights of Pythias: 7 p.m. meeting the first and third Monday of the month at Golden Glades Inn, 16500 NW Second Ave., North Miami. 954-680-3412.

5, Tuesday

Boating Skills & Seamanship Program: 7:30 p.m. sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at 3375 NE 188th St., Aventura. Cost: \$75.

Riverwalkers: a walking group that meets 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Esplanade Pavilion on Riverwalk at Southwest Second

Street, downtown Fort Lauderdale. 954-468-1541.

Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club: 6:30-8:45 p.m. for advanced beginners and intermediate players on Tuesdays at the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club, Holiday Park, 700 NE Sixth Terrace, Fort Lauderdale. 954-565-3127.

6, Wednesday

"What Works and What Does Not Work on DSC:" 6:30 p.m. free seminar at West Marine, 2300 S. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale. 954-527-

Broward Urban River Trails: 6 p.m. meeting the first Wednesday of the month at the Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th St., Wilton Manors.

South Florida Women Divers: 6 p.m. dinner followed by a 7 p.m. meeting at the Pioneer Park Annex, 249 NE Fifth Ave., Deerfield Beach. 561-638-8487: www.sfwd.net.

South Florida Divers: 7:30 p.m. meeting the first Wednesday of the month. Check website for location; www.sfdi.com.

Multihull Association of South Florida: 8 p.m. meeting at the Miami Yacht Club, 1001 MacArthur Causeway, Miami. 305-377-9877 or 305-371-0703; www.masf-multihulls.com.

7, Thursday

Survivor Florida Keys Fishing Tournament: 5 p.m. registration at Islamorada Fish Company, 81532 Overseas Highway, MM 81.5 bayside. Islamorada. Entry fee: \$800 per team. 305-664-2012 or 305-393-6174. Miami Sport Fishing Club: 8 p.m. meeting the first and third Thursday of the month at 1711 W. 38th Place, unit 1104, Hialeah. 305-885-1666. Under Sea Adventurers Dive Club: 7:30 p.m. meeting at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE Sixth St., Pompano Beach. No cost. 561-999-9820; http://usadiveclub.com/.

Sailing Singles of South Florida: 6:30 p.m. meeting Thursdays at Grumpy Gators Sea Grill & Bar, 1901 Cordova Road, Fort Lauderdale. 954-462-4575; www.sailingsingles.org.

8, Friday

Miami Yacht Club: 8 p.m. meeting the second Friday of the month, 1001 MacArthur Causeway, Miami. 305-377-9877.

Starlight Musical Concert Series: 7-10 p.m. at Holiday Park, 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale. Free. 954-828-5363.

Friends of the Deerfield Beach Arboretum: 10 a.m. free guided tours on Fridays and the first Saturday of the month at Constitution Park, 2841 W. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach. 954-480-4494.

Beginning Bridge Lessons: 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Fridays at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE Sixth St., Pompano Beach. Cost: \$61 for 7 lessons. 954-786-4111; 954-565-3127.

9, Saturday

America's Boating Course: 8 a.m., sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE Sixth St., Pompano Beach. Cost: \$45. 954-421-0502.

Support Group: 2 p.m. meeting for families and friends of people with mental illness on the second and fourth Saturday of the month at Memorial Hospital Outpatient building, 3300 N. 29th Ave., Hollywood. 954-566-2422.

10, Sunday

Castaway Island, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for all ages, at T.Y. Park, 3300 N. Park Road, Hollywood. Cost: \$1.50 person, kids 5 and under free. 954-

11, Monday

Movies By the Bay: starts 6:30 p.m. nightly at Bayfront Park, 301 N. Biscayne Blvd., Miami. Cost: \$9 adults, \$6 kids. 786-425-1800; www.sunsetcinemainc.com.

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12, Tuesday

America's Boating Course: 9 a.m., sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at West Marine, 8687 Coral Way, Westchester. Cost: \$30. 305-

Broward Boating Club: 8 p.m., meets the second Tuesday of the month at American Legion Post 304, 41 NE First Court, Dania Beach. 954-316-

Gulfstream Sailing Club: 7:30 meeting the second Tuesday of the month at the Downtowner Saloon, Maxwell Room, 408 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale. www.gulfstreamsailingclub.org.

Riverwalkers: a walking group that meets 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Esplanade Pavilion on Riverwalk, along Southwest Second Street, downtown Fort Lauderdale. 954-468-1541.

13, Wednesday

Seabird Yacht Club: meets the second Wednesday of the month at the Royal Fiesta Restaurant, in the Cove Shopping Plaza, 1680 SE Third Court, Deerfield Beach. www.seabirdyachtclub.com.

Broward Urban River Trails: 5:30 p.m. meeting at Secret Woods Nature Center, 2701 W. State Road 84, Fort Lauderdale. 954-791-1030.

Ladies, Let's Go Fishing: Southeast Florida chapter meets the second Wednesday of the month. 954-923-3072; www.geocities.com/llgfsoutheastflorida.

Broward Shell Club: 7 p.m. meeting at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE Sixth St., Pompano Beach. 954-296-5633.

14, Thursday

Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club: 7:30 p.m. meeting the second Thursday of the month at the Lighthouse Point Yacht and Racquet Club, 2701 NE 42nd St., Lighthouse Point. 954-785-3666.

Fort Lauderdale Boat Club: 8 p.m. meeting the second Thursday of the month at local restaurants. 954-782-4968 or 954-920-9597.

Sailing Singles of South Florida: 6:30 p.m. meeting Thursdays at Grumpy Gators Sea Grill & Bar, 1901 Cordova Road, Fort Lauderdale. Call 954-462-4575; www.sailingsingles.org.

Friends of the Deerfield Beach Arboretum: 7 p.m. horticultural seminar at Constitution Park, 2841 W. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach. 954-480-4494.

Gold Coast Aquarium Society of South Florida: 7 p.m. meeting the second Thursday of the month at Bass Pro Outdoor World, 200 Gulf Stream Way, Dania Beach. 954-989-3888.

Après Plongee Dive Club: 7:30 p.m. meeting the second Thursday of the month at Lighthouse Dive Center, 2507 N. Ocean Blvd., Pompano Beach. 954-782-1100.

15. Friday

Full Moon Kayak Tour: 7:30-10 p.m., for ages 14 to adult, at Holland Park, 801 Johnson St., Hollywood. Cost: \$35. 954-967-4644 or

Moonlight Paddle Tour: 6:30-8:30 p.m. at West Lake Park, 751 Sheridan St., Hollywood. Cost: \$20 person. Reservations required. 954-926-2480

Starlight Musical Concert Series: 7-10 p.m. live blues at Holiday Park, 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale. Free. 954-828-5363.

16, Saturday

América's Boating Course: 9 a.m., offered by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at Spanish River Park, in the Marine Safety Building, 3939 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Cost: \$50. 561-391-3600.

Poverello Food Bank Bowl-A-Thon: starts 9 a.m. at Manors Lanes, 1517 NE 26th St., Wilton Manors, to raise funds for people with HIV. Cost: \$50 per team. 954-561-3663, ext. 105.

Artwalk: 7-10 p.m. self-guided tour of shops and galleries starting at Comfort Zone Studio & Spa, 2028 Harrison St., Suite 1, Hollywood. 954-923-2030.

17, Sunday

Glass Bottom Boat Tour/Island Excursion: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Biscayne National Park; meets at the Dante Fascell Visitor Center, 9700 SW 328 St., Homestead. Cost: \$24.45 adults. 305-230-7275; www.nps.gov/bisc/.

18, Monday

Pompano Beach Offshore Anglers: meets 7:30 p.m. at Gallupi's Restaurant, at Pompano Beach Municipal Golf Course, 1103 N. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach. 954- 317-3532; http://fishing.meetup.com/97/calendar/7297240/

Full Moon Kayak Tour: 6:30-9 p.m., for ages 14 to adult, at Holland Park, 801 Johnson St., located at Northlake Drive, Hollywood. Advance registration required. Cost: \$35. 954-967-4644 or 954-328-5231.

19, Tuesday

South Florida Fishing Club: 6:30 p.m. dinner at Tony Romas, 18050 Collins Ave., North Miami Beach, followed by a 7:30 p.m. meeting the first and third Tuesday of the month. 954-761-3774 or 954-462-0128.

Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club: 9:30-11:30 a.m. duplicate bridge lessons Tuesdays at the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club, 700 NE Sixth Terrace, Fort Lauderdale. 954-565-3127.

20, Wednesday

Fort Lauderdale Maritime Museum Committee: meets 5:30 p.m. at the New River Inn, 231 SW Second Ave., Fort Lauderdale. Open to the public. 954-467-7723; www.flmaritimemuseum.org.

Dania Beach Marine Advisory Board: 6:30 p.m. meeting in the conference room at City Hall, 100 W. Dania Beach Blvd., Dania Beach. 954-924-6800.

Moonlight Paddle Tour: 6:30-8:30 p.m., for adults, at West Lake Park,

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21, Thursday

Sailing Singles of South Florida: 6:30 p.m. meeting Thursdays at Grumpy Gators Sea Grill & Bar, 1901 Cordova Road, Fort Lauderdale. Call 954-462-4575; www.sailingsingles.org.

Miami Sport fishing Club: 8 p.m. meeting the first and third Thursday of the month, 1711 W. 38th Place, unit 1104, Hialeah. 305-885-1666.

Sunset Celebration: 5 p.m. Thursdays at Sailfish Marina and Resort, 98 Lake Drive, Palm Beach Shores. 561-844-1724.

Marina Mile Association: 8 a.m. meeting the third Thursday of the month at Fort Lauderdale Hampton Inn, 2301 SW 12th Ave., Fort Lauderdale. 954-494-1900; email: croxtonma@aol.com.

Eastern Shores Aventura Yacht Club: 7 p.m. meeting the third Thursday of the month at various locations in Miami-Dade and Broward counties. 954-456-3536; www.esayc.com.

Third Thursdays in the Park: 7:30-9 p.m. live music at ArtsPark, amphitheater stage, located at Hollywood Boulevard and U.S. 1 in Hollywood. Free. 954-921-3500.

22, Friday

Starlight Musical Concert Series: 7-10 p.m. performance of the Fabulons at Holiday Park, 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale. Free. 954-828-5363

Broadwalk Friday Fest: 7 p.m. dancing and music. the second and fourth Friday of the month on Hollywood Beach on the Broadwalk, Hollywood. 954-924-2980.

Classic Cruise Night: 6-10 p.m., fourth Friday of the month, featuring pre-1978 classic car show, on Hollywood beach Broadwalk, Hollywood. Cars must register to enter. Free to public. 954-926-3377.

23, Saturday

One Day Boating Safety Program: 8 a.m., sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at Plantation Community Outreach Center, located at the north entrance to the Broward Mall, 8000 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation. Cost: \$30. 954-296-2303 or 954-915-0667.

America's Boating Course: 8 a.m., sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary at Dixon Ahl Recreation Center, 2200 NE 39th St., Lighthouse Point. Cost: \$40. 954-557-0582.

Intracoastal History Tour: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Deerfield Island Park, 1720 Deerfield Island Park, Deerfield Beach. Cost: \$6 per person. 954-360-1320.

Last Saturday of the Month: 12-5 p.m. at the Hollywood Beach

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South Florida Amateur Astronomers Association: free public observation Saturdays at Fox Observatory in Markham Park, 16001 State Road 84, Sunrise. 954-384-0442.

24, Sunday

Jamming in the Park: 2-4 p.m. acoustic music jam with the public invited to play at Secret Woods Nature Center, 2701 W. State Road 84, Dania Beach. 954-791-1030.

Bank of America Fiesta: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Latin jazz brunch along the Las Olas Riverfront on Southwest First Avenue, Fort Lauderdale on the fourth Sunday of the month. No cost. 954-527-0627.

25, Monday

Yogá Class: 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays at Secret Woods Nature Center, 2701 W. State Road 84, Dania Beach. Cost: \$9 per class or 10 classes for \$80. 954-791-1030.

Knights of Pythias: 7 p.m. meeting of this fraternal, non-sectarian group at Golden Glades Inn, 16500 NW Second Ave., North Miami. 954-680-3412.

26, Tuesday

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Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club: 6:30-8:45 p.m. for advanced beginners and intermediate players on Tuesdays at the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club, Holiday Park, 700 NE Sixth Terrace, Fort Lauderdale. 954-565-3127.

27. Wednesday

Lighthouse Point Saltwater Sportsman Association: meets 6:30 p.m. at the Lighthouse Point Tennis Center, 3500 NE 27 Ave., Lighthouse Point. Topics: "First Aid, Knots and Basic Fishing." Cost: \$40. 612-308-6900.

"The Use and Application of Prop Speed Coating:" 6:30 p.m. free seminar at West Marine, 2300 S. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale. 954-527-5540.

West Palm Beach Fishing Club: 7 p.m. meeting the fourth Wednesday of the month at 201 Fifth St., West Palm Beach. 561-832-6780.

Venture Sailing Club of South Florida: 7:30 p.m. meeting the last Wednesday of the month at Miami Yacht Club, 1001 Macarthur Causeway, Miami. 305-860-8250, 954-340-4791; www.geocities.com/thetropics/resort/6678.

28, Thursday

Biscayne Bay Sailing Club Social Meeting: 6:30 p.m. at the Tiki Bar in the Sonesta Hotel, eighth floor, 2889 McFarland Road, Coconut Grove. Meets the fourth Thursday of the month, no boating experience or ownership necessary. 305-682-9030; www.thesailingclub.com.

Sunset Celebration: 5 p.m. Thursdays at Sailfish Marina and Resort, 98 Lake Drive, Palm Beach Shores. 561-844-1724.

Sailing Singles of South Florida: 6:30 p.m. meeting Thursdays at Grumpy Gators Sea Grill & Bar, 1901 Cordova Road, Fort Lauderdale. Call 954-462-4575; www.sailingsingles.org.

Hollywood Philharmonic Orchestra: 7-8 p.m. performance at ArtsPark at Young Circle, Amphitheatre Stage, 1 Young Circle, Hollywood Blvd. & U.S. 1, Hollywood. No cost. 954-921-3500

29, Friday

Single Gourmet: weekly dinner gatherings for singles including boating events. 954-723-9608.

30, Saturday

Movie/Cruise Night: 5-9 p.m. at Huizenga Plaza, at the corner of Las Olas Boulevard and Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. All car clubs and vehicles welcome. No cost. 954-560-5412; www.crusingsouthflorida.com.

31, Sunday

Ongoing Events: at the IGFA Fishing Hall of Fame & Museum, 300 Gulf Stream Way, Dania Beach. 954-922-4212; www.igfa.org.

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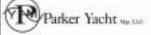
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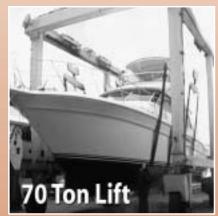
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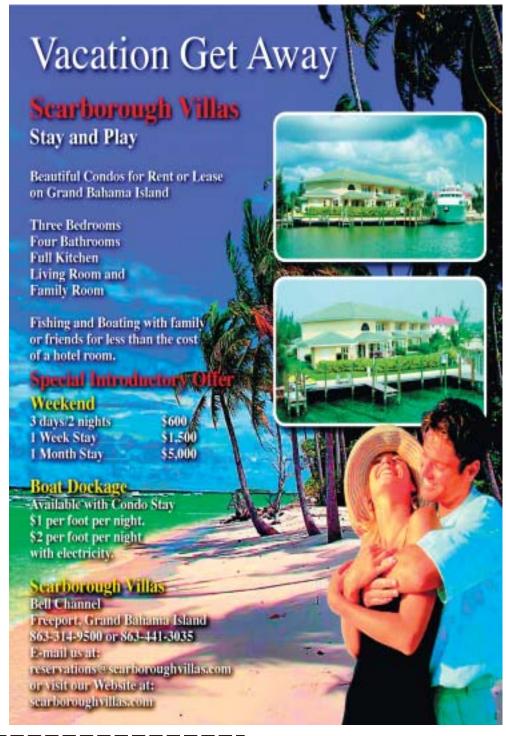
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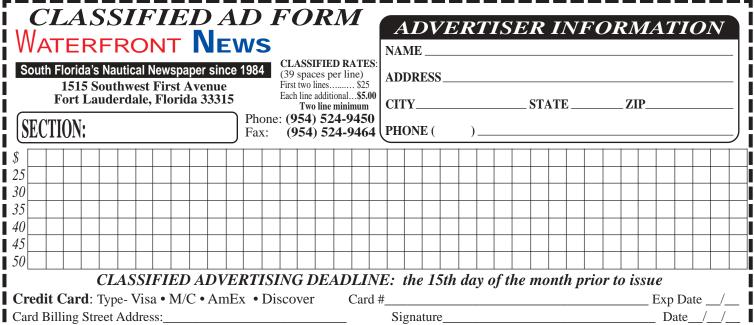
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