



BROCKPORT YACHT CLUB

PORTHOLE

The Official Newsletter of the Brockport Yacht Club

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COMMODORE'S CORNER



Tania and I decided to take a long weekend and headed to the Annapolis Fall boat show this year. It's a lot of fun touring the latest boats to

see what they are all about, not too much in the under 30' range. The solent rig (two different sized headsails on separate in-line stays, usually on furlers) seems to be challenging the traditional cutter rig in blue water cruising sailboat design these days. It was interesting learning about benefits of each type of rigging. Even if you are not ready to buy a new million dollar yacht, most of the major boating vendors were there. It's a good show to get information on upgrading or replacing equipment for the "Good Old Boats" we have at BYC.

Please remember to sign up for The Commodore's Banquet and Awards Ceremony on November 19th. This year we will try a new venue at West Creek Lodge and Party House, 447 Manitou Road, Hilton. 6pm cash bar, 7pm dinner: Giuseppe's Catering - Chicken Marsala, Baked Ham, Meatballs, Ziti, and roasted potatoes; \$45 per person. A Sign-up sheet is located on the club bulletin board or send me an email. Please sign up by the end of the month so I can get an accurate head count. (see picture, page 3)

Ken Beghini, Commodore

VICE COMMODORE



The Committee Boat has been pulled for the year. As discussed at previous general membership meetings, the

floor has spots that are "spongy" and in need of repair. It would be great if we had a "champion" who could take on this project. Please email me or anyone on the e-board if you are interested in taking it on.

The Bobby G. is still in the water. It may come out at the club closing or earlier. Feel free to use it while the good weather lasts!

The gas bills have been computed. They should be coming your way shortly. The price per gallon is \$5.68. Please pay them by December 1st.

Eric Grape, Vice Commodore

REAR COMMODORE



The club closing is finally upon us. I have sent out an e-mail with the job assignments to all members for the closing on November 5 at 8 am.

A copy of the work list has also been included in this month's Porthole. If there is an error or if you have a concern with it, please let me know. As always, the key will be flexibility at the closing. There is overkill in assigning members in many of these job areas because we obviously won't be able to get 100 percent participation that day. And, in the off chance that I have left you off the

BUSINESS MEETINGS

General Membership Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month

- ⇒ **At Foster's in Hilton during the months of January thru April.**
- ⇒ **May through October meetings are at the Club.**
- ⇒ **No meetings in November or December.**

Reservations are required for the dinner portion.

- **Appetizers @ 6:00PM,**
- **Dinner @ 7:00PM, meeting to follow.**

Email reservations prior to 6PM on the Sunday prior to the meeting

bycdinner@brockportyachtclub.org

CALENDAR

- **May 7 Launch**
- **May 14 Club Opening**
- **May 28 Dock Sale**
- **May 29 Holiday Party - Memorial Day**
- **July 3 Holiday Party - 4th of July**
- **1st Week August – Club Cruise**
- **August 6 BYC Pirates Day**
- **August 13 Land Yacht Party and Pig Roast**
- **TBD August Kid's Sunfish Sailing**
- **September 4 Holiday Party – Labor Day**
- **September 17 Corn Roast**
- **October 7 - 8 Haul Out**
- **November 5 Club Closing**
- **TBD Commodore's Ball**

list, fear not. Just show up and I'll assign a job to you. Thanks for everything you do . See you down at the club.

Rich Wiest, Rear Commodore

FLEET CAPTAIN



Despite our early haul-out, 2022 was a good boating season. As we look ahead to 2023 and beyond, we'll have

some difficult questions to address as a club. The water level forecast for 2023 is not encouraging (see IJC graph below from Oct. 20). Our dredging/basin options will, to a large extent, hinge on the result of soil sampling because costs for disposal of the material are directly tied to the contamination level of the soils. If we dredge the basin, do we dig to a prescribed depth (say, elev. 239' or 240') for ALL docks, or just some? Do we want to tackle the sloughing spoil bank? How do we handle the sand-infill at the creek on an on-going basis? When and how do we want to address the club house leveling and raising? What level of spending are members willing to sustain to create and maintain favorable boating conditions, independent of inevitable lake-level variations? Food for thought, no doubt. (See graph on page 3)

But in the short term, the food we can focus on is corned beef and cabbage!

Todd Dunn, Fleet Captain

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The most anticipated meeting of the year is the October Cornbeef & Cabbage get together on October 27th. No reservations necessary, this is a great event which takes the Social Committee and other great volunteers all day to prepare. 120 lbs of delicious cornbeef, many lbs of potatoes, onions, carrots and of course cabbage. Come early the keg will be tapped at noon. Jeff and I will be stepping away from the leadership role of the Social Committee next year but will still be helping whoever takes the Chairman position. Many, many thanks to all the mem-

bers of the Social Committee for their help with all the events and the many lbs of chicken wings they have served. And especially Troy's Special Sauce that makes them so good.

NOTICE: "Cans for Kegs" (and anything for the good of the club) is still in effect. Please deposit those 5 cent cans and bottles into the Can/Bottle Recycle Bin - WEST side of the porch, or bagged behind the Race Shed.

Jack & Jeff

SHIP'S STORE

The ship's store is now on Facebook where you can see the items we have in stock. There's a link in the member's area on the BYC website. or on FB you can look for "Brockport Yacht Club Items" or use the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/Brockport-Yacht-Club-Items-101515035471908>

BYC shirts, hats, burgees and other items will be available the Memorial Day picnic on Sunday. Bring your cash and do some shopping! If you can't make the party, call me and we make arrangements. Gary Hartman. 208-3764

Happy shopping and contact me via FB messenger or send an email to me with your size and color and quantity at: gshartman@juno.com
(Gary Hartman, Ship's Store)

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

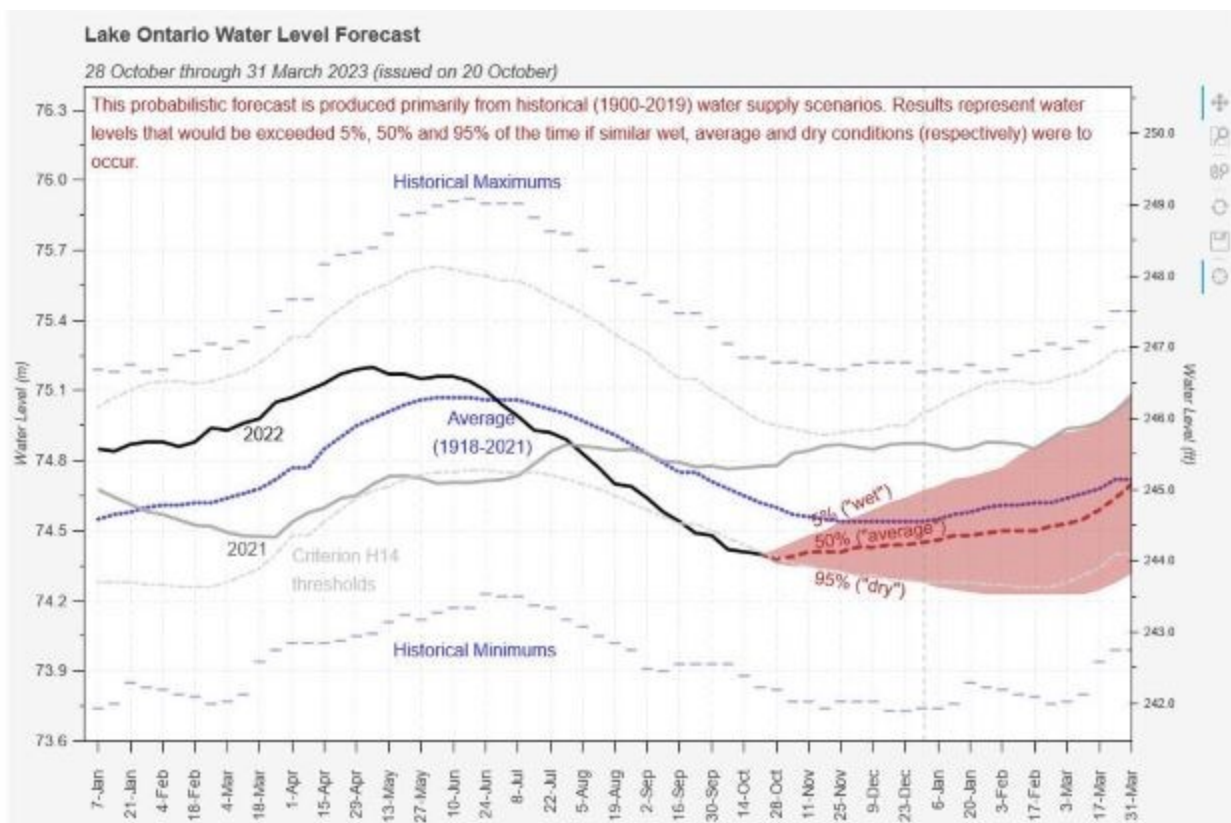
The Grey Sailor's Breakfast at the Hilton Diner has resumed, with all of the necessary precautions in place. Please come for great camaraderie and great food!

Attachments To Officer's Reports



Tanya Beghini hanging out on (maybe) her next day-sailer.

Submitted by Ken Behgini



Predicted Lake Ontario water levels.

Submitted by Todd Dunn.

Member-Submitted Photographs



Late afternoon sail last week, sunset moving farther south.

Submitted by Dave Smith



Saturday, 10/22 afternoon, Dave Smith at the helm.

Photo credit: Melissa Smith



Summer is over, boo-hiss.

Submitted by John Sauke

(Pictures don't do this justice. You need to see it in person, Ed.)

Announcements

Curling Opportunity for BYC

Saturday, November 26 from 6-8 pm at the Rochester Curling Club. Cost \$30 per adult and \$20 per youth (10-17) for 2 hours of instruction and game play. Check out more info at rochestercurling.org and click on "Curling at RCC" and then "Private Parties".

If your interested and have NOT previously contacted me by email to let me know, please do so ASAP. I will be in contact as the date approaches to confirm your attendance. Hope to see you on the ice (not literally)!

Gary Hartman

Ships Store

We have T-shirts, long sleeve T-shirts, sweatshirts and hooded sweatshirts in stock so if your looking for a great Christmas present for yourself or family member, contact me. I won't be at the October meeting but we can make arrangements to get the item to you. Also have some BYC decals, flags and some charms and pendants.

Gary Hartman

In 2004, Dave Hale put together a nice booklet on the history of the Brockport Yacht Club. More recently Dave Schantz, a Senior Member has put it into a flip book form. New members, might find it particularly informative. It is available at:

<https://online.pubhtml5.com/cpikb/bcoi/>

Dave Schantz

As we move into the electronic age, where too few read paper copies of things, Dave Schantz has put the Constitution and By-Laws as amended in 2018 into a convenient flip book for your reading enjoyment and reference. The link is:

<https://online.pubhtml5.com/cpikb/dpey/#p=1>

Dave Schantz

History of the Brockport Yacht Club



1904-2004



Constitution and By-Laws

(as amended August, 2018)

Compiled by David Hale 2004
Put into Flip Book Form by Dave Schantz 2022

Member Notices

Missing Sunfish mast

Somewhere in the last few weeks, my mast and main sheet have been removed from my locker and not returned. I would request that locker owners please check to see if there are extras put in by mistake. Thanks for your help.

Paul Ward

Oktoberfest

Genesee Y C is once again hosting Oktoberfest on October 15th...Details and tickets will be available at the September meeting. Contact Burt Ringelstein

Member Contacts

The Porthole is compiling a list of names to serve as a reference for questions that may arise among the general membership. This is a list of names only, contact data may be found on the BYC website. If you are considered a point-person for club activities and/or projects, please submit your name to the Porthole.

- Membership: Bob Spencer
- Social Committee: Jack Evans and Jeff Spring
- Docks and lockers: Todd Dunn
- Sunfish: Jason Evans
- Porthole: Jim Balmer
- Friday Evening Family Racing Program: Rob Waugh

Things to Ponder (or not) for September 2022

A captain notices a light in the distance, on a collision course with his ship.

He turns on his signal lamp and sends, "Change your course, 10 degrees west."

The light signals back, "Change yours, 10 degrees east."

The captain gets a little annoyed.

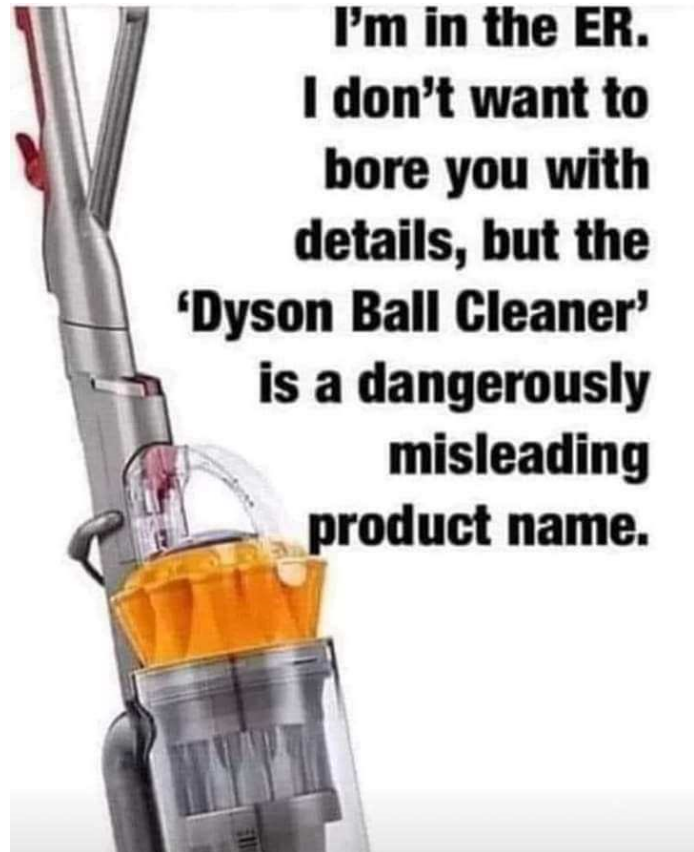
He signals, "I'm a US Navy captain. You must change your course, sir."

The light signals back, "I'm a Seaman First Class. You must change your course, sir."

Now the captain is mad. He signals, "I'm an aircraft carrier. I'm not changing my course."

The light signals back a final message: "I'm a lighthouse. Your call."

Submitted by Gary Hartman



Living The Dream In Fort Meyers Beach: Jeff Spring on Vacation

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...got pulled over for doing 19 over the speed limit (it was really more) on my way for the first time back to FMB He felt sorry for me after he saw my address and my crying act.... He let me go.



Wanted to stop at 7 eleven but it was closed.



Air conditioner not working either although no power anyway 23 days and counting. No water either. My grand folks did it. So can we!



We'll at least I can use the jet ski. Uhhh sold it and trailer for \$130. Needed beer and generator gas money.

Living The Dream In Fort Meyers Beach: Jeff Spring on Vacation

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Pool that beautiful teal blue you see in post cards.



Now my house was not condemned. My neighbor several houses west was condemned. His 3 neighbors towards the gulf side had no houses they were gone no pictures nothing there.



Yard sale day but nothing selling. Too much competition from other neighbors.



Insurance totaled my boat. Took 3 days for the salvage guys to figure out how to get it off power lift. Somehow they did and it was floating. Hope they put the plug in.

Living The Dream In Fort Meyers Beach: Jeff Spring on Vacation

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Trying to find 14 good clubs out of many salt mud covered ones. Will need a higher handicap.



Just the start on the remodel. One beer per wall need to gut to the ceiling.



Found this trailer across the street from our house. There's actually a boat under this pile of destroyed homes and the trailer. Need a place to stay but.....



More Good news. Got a new fancy blue roof from the army corp of engineers. Thank you tax payers.

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Got to have a dog in my story. New trick. Anything for a lick of my beer.



Super. Some alcohol made it thru the surge.



Wait. I know I left this place cleaner than this when I left in May. Kids have a party again?



And last but not least “free” meals from the Red Cross. Boy I can’t wait for Corn Beef and Cabbage and Beer. Hope to see you all Thursday. Jeff

From the Membership Committee

Submitted by Bob Spencer; Membership Chair (repost)

This is the time of year when many members are considering their membership options moving forward. Below is the club policy regarding those moves. If you are choosing to resign your membership, please send an e-mail and let us know as opposed to simply not paying your dues invoice and making us chase you down.

Membership policies:

To remind members who may wish to go from Corporate Member to Senior Member, you must send either an email or hard copy mail to the membership committee requesting a change in status. Senior members may return to corporate membership if desiring to dock a boat at the club, by written request to the Membership Committee for approval.

Senior Membership:

Corporate Members who have been active members for ten years prior to the time when the sum of their years membership and age total 75, may make application to the Board of Trustees of the Club, to become Senior Members.

Senior Members may attend all regular and special meeting of the Club and vote on all matters except those pertaining to amendments of the Constitution and By-Laws, financial matters, improvements to Club property, or applications for membership.

Senior Members may not hold office or avail themselves of Club facilities maintained for the purpose of storing, launching or mooring boats.

Members wishing to resign membership shall do so by sending an email to the Membership Chairman expressing their intentions.

Please send emails to the Membership Chair Bob Spencer at robertspencer100@gmail.com.

Also, a reminder that all boats 17' and larger must carry at least Liability insurance and a full Marine insurance policy is recommended. As some of you get your GEICO marine insurance renewal bills this year, you may gasp at the 30% increase in your policy cost. Shop around. I got a much better rate for the same level of insurance from a competitor. If you are going to race your boat, always make sure that racing coverage is included in the policy.

Brianna's Law: Required Boating Safety Certification

Submitted by Dick Olson (repost)

Below are the requirements to operate a boat with a motor (any kind of motor) in New York State. The course is easy to find online and many places offer it for free or cheap online or in person.

You have to be at least 10 years old to operate a motorboat in New York or 14 to operate a personal watercraft, such as a Jet Ski.

Below is a table showing when you must have it. Note that in 2025, the table goes away as everyone must have one. Most insurance companies will give you a discount on your boat insurance if you prove you have had the course. I

Under NYS law, known as Brianna's Law, all motor boat operators:

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2023.

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.

All motor boat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2025.

You can have this license added to your NYS Driver's License when you renew.

BoatUS: New U.S. Coast Guard Fire Extinguisher Regulation Effective April 2022

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 15, 2022 – A rite of passage for every boater is the annual spring commissioning. Newly added to the boat owners to-do list this spring will be to check all disposable (non-rechargeable) fire extinguisher dates of manufacture, as well as the label for their U.S. Coast Guard classification.

That's because a new U.S. Coast Guard regulation beginning April 20 for disposable fire extinguishers mandates a 12-year expiration date from the date of manufacture. Boaters can find the manufacture date stamped into the bottom of the bottle or near the UL label. This may be two or four digits — if it is two, as in 08, that means 2008. Additionally, while the new regulation does not change the type (U.S. Coast Guard-rated) or quantity or requirement for USCG approved fire extinguishers aboard, it does specify the minimum Underwriter Laboratory (UL) classification of extinguishers to be carried aboard certain vessels — depending on the boat's model year.

This is the result of phasing out older “B-I” and “B-II” labels for newer “5-B” “10-B” and “20-B” extinguisher classifications. The number in this new rating refers to the size in square feet of the potential fire the device is suitable to extinguish and not the exact weight of the dry chemical inside the bottle.

Vessels on the water today that are less than 26 feet and model year 2017 or older may continue to carry older, dated or undated “B-I” or “B-II” disposable extinguishers. However, when they are no longer serviceable or have reached 12 years of age since manufacture, they must be replaced with newer class “5-B” or greater extinguishers. Boats less than 26 feet and 2018 model year or newer must carry unexpired “5-B” “10-B” or “20-B” fire extinguishers. Having older “B-I” and “B-II” types do not meet the new carriage requirements.

Many retailers today offer “10-B” class fire extinguishers, which may be a good choice as they exceed U.S. Coast Guard minimum carriage requirements for boats under 26 feet, while at the same time giving boaters more extinguishing coverage. For boats 26 feet or greater, however, having one “10-B” aboard does not equal two 5-Bs. Only a “20-B” classification meets the requirement to carry two “5-B” extinguishers. For a look at how many and what type of fire extinguishers are needed aboard all recreational boats up to 65 feet, go to BoatUS.org/Fire-Extinguishers.

BoatUS strongly recommends going beyond the regulation's minimum requirements. The results from a Foundation-sponsored boat burn showed that one extinguisher may give very little time to make an emergency call or potentially prepare to abandon your vessel.

BoatUS also notes that most U.S. Coast Guard disposables on the market today carry at least a dual B:C rating, able to douse both liquids and electrical fires, and some boat owners wisely prefer triple rated A:B:C extinguishers, adding a third protection for combustible fires.

To be serviceable, a portable extinguisher must have a pressure gauge indicating an operable range, lock pin firmly installed, clean discharge nozzle, and no significant corrosion or damage. Some more recently manufactured portable fire extinguishers aboard boats today may carry both old and new labeling, for example, having simultaneous “B-I” and “5-B” classifications.

There are no changes to rechargeable or fixed-mount (i.e., engine room) extinguisher regulations. They continue to require regular maintenance and servicing, typically done annually by a technician.

“This new U.S. Coast Guard expiration date regulation aligns with the 12-years recommended by the National Fire Protection Association,” said BoatUS Foundation Assistant Director of Boating Safety Ted Sensenbrenner. “We expect that the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and United States Power Squadrons vessel safety check program will soon include this new regulation as part of their free, no-penalty vessel exams. Because this change affects a critical piece of safety equipment aboard your boat, we also expect the U.S. Coast Guard will initially focus on education. You may want to start checking extinguishers now while your boat may be ashore this winter.”

Sensenbrenner adds, “Also take a look now to ensure your fire extinguishers are readily accessible. You can buy only the bracket if you don't have one and mount your extinguishers where they need to be — at points of egress, at the helm, and near the engine and fuel supply. Burying them in the bottom of a compartment ensures they will be hard to reach when you need them the most. Familiarizing yourself with the PASS method (Pull, Aim, Squeeze, and Sweep) will prepare you for fighting a small fire aboard.”

For more information on the new requirement, as well as frequently asked questions and an infographic, go to www.uscgboating.org.

Items For Sail

Please note: If your ad is no longer viable, please notify the editor so that it can be removed.

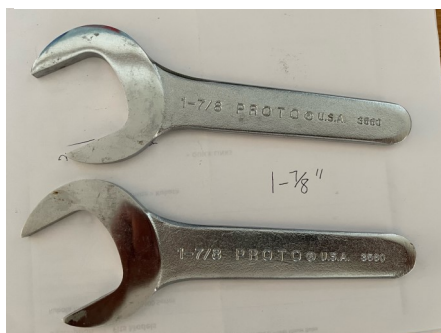
2 each 5- GAL Diesel fuel cans.

Like new. \$12.50 each.
Call Dave Schantz 723-0760



1-7/8" Stuffing Box Wrenches

\$50 (pair).
Contact John Patterson (585)301-8193

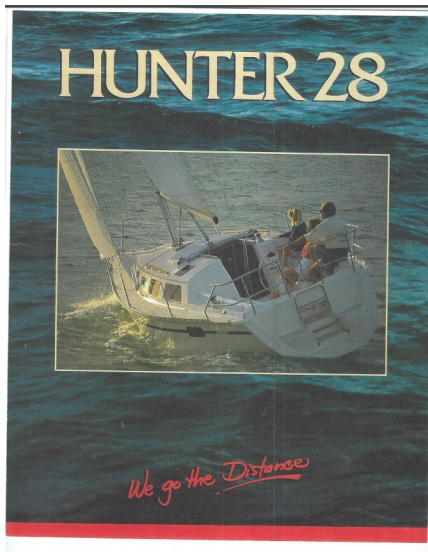


Spinnaker Pole for 26 ft boat.

\$120 or make offer.
Send text to 585 727-5680 for more info.

Hunter 28

This one-owner boat was built in 1990 and purchased new in 1991.
\$24,900, Contact Gary Gustafson



Loos & Company Professional standing rig tension gauge. Model PT-2.

\$60
Contact John Patterson (585)301-8193

Tartan 28 Piper "Second Wind"

\$27,000 or make offer

Boat is in good condition

3'11" Shoal draft

19 HP Diesel engine

Lots of newer upgrades including cockpit cushions, Bimini and Dodger, Stereo system, Self-tailing winches (if installed), Chart plotter (if installed), Autopilot (if installed).

Located at Lake Breeze Marina.

Contact Nancy Fox

585-733-0662

Ship's Store

Clothing

Hats \$20.00

Hoodies \$20.00

Sweatshirts \$16.00

Tee Shirts

Long Sleeve \$12.00

Short Sleeve \$10.00

Decals

Boat \$ 5.00

Auto \$ 1.00

Burgee \$24.00